



St. Rita's Catholic Parish

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Twenty First Sunday In Ordinary Time—Year C – 21st August 2022

This Week's Readings: Isaiah 66:18-21, Ps 116, Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-134, Luke 13:22-30

Next Week—22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20, 28-29, Ps 67:4-7, 10-11, Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24, Luke 14:1, 7-14

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

“OPEN THE DOOR FOR US!”

Is there an end to God's love for us? Scripture and tradition say no. God is love by definition. And God is infinite, also by definition. So, the boundaries of divine love would be impossible to circumscribe.

The question often hidden behind the query is: is there an end to our chances to be with God forever?

The answer to that seems to be yes. Or, as a local priest often says in his homilies, “Hey, time forecloses”. Time is among the first creatures God made to serve the divine purpose. Time and space make up the matrix that enables the rest of creation to exist. Yet Scripture tells us that all of creation, time and space included, will one day be rolled up like a carpet. Entering eternity necessitates the abandonment of time.

Time does foreclose. The door which has stood open since the dawn of the first day will one day be shut. Now's the time to choose the rich embrace of God's companionship and desire. If we choose to be strangers to this love, God will not insist.

Would people describe you as a loving person? How do you show your love to God and to others?

Open the door on love. Love generously, even when you're not loved back. Put your love to work for people who will never meet you. Make your love an invitation for others to pursue you.

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WEEKLY DIARY

Monday 22 August

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church
9:30am Pro Life Rosary—Chapel

Tuesday 23 August

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church
7:00pm Prayer & Praise—Chapel

Wednesday 24 August

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church
10:00am Art Group—Ruby Room
4:00pm Choir - St Rita's Church

Thursday 25 August

11:00am Have A Chat Club
10th Anniversary

Friday 26 August

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am Mass & Holy Hour—St Rita's Church

Saturday 27 August

4:30pm Reconciliation—St Rita's Church
5:00pm Vigil Mass—St Rita's Church

Sunday 28 August

22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time
7:00am Mass—St Rita's Church
8:00am Mass—Macleay Island - Church of the Holy Spirit
9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church

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This policy applies to Clergy, Religious, Staff, Parishioners, Volunteers, students on placement and Visitors to our sites.

For safeguarding inquiries or to raise any concerns, disclosures or allegations please contact our Local Safeguarding Representative: Bob Snoko on 0419 247 698

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“We acknowledge the Quandamooka People, Traditional Custodians of the lands, waters and seas where we stand today. We pay our respects to Elders, past, present and future.”

Please take a moment to pray for:

All those who are **ill**, especially *Charlie D'Allura, Margaret Ross, Margaret Rizzo, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Margaret Ross, Alan Williamson, Lois Hodges, Toby Bernal, Helen Stockwell, Benjamin Sloane, Daphne and Phil Dwiar, Marlie Meehan, Denise Fowler, Emma Heinrich, Paul Doherty, Kay Grieve, Jela Cicak, and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them. We commend all the recently **deceased**, especially Josephina Dorrenueva. We pray for all those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time, especially John Clarke, Sean Baudry, Margaret Bierton, Connie Smith, Corazon Sarmienop and Renado Sarmienop.*



If you wish to have a loved one's name mentioned in the Parish Newsletter for an anniversary, a remembrance or a prayer for the sick, please contact the Parish Office. Envelopes to request Masses to be offered for the sick, dying, deceased or for special intentions are available at the back of the church. Mass Cards are available from the Piety Stall.

A Notice from Fr Ladu

Greetings,

I would like to announce that Annette Ashe will be the Children's Liturgy Coordinator for the 9am Masses.

We will commence Children's Liturgy 9am Sunday 28th August 2022 in the Church Meeting Room (located in the Church next to the Altar).

If you would like to help with Children's Liturgy please reach out and contact the Parish Office on 3207 9177.

Thank You.

God Bless,
Fr Ladu



Pope's Prayer Intention August 2022



Small Businesses

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

Position Vacant – Safeguarding Coordinator

Applications are open for the above position at the Victoria Point Parish. The position is a casual position offering 5 hours per week. If you are interested in this position, please contact the Parish Office by email victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a 0 tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.

Primary School Class Masses



Every Tuesday, Father Ladu welcomes a different class to attend a Buddy Class Mass at 9am with St Rita's Primary.

All are invited each week to attend Mass.

Support Your Parish

Our faith will sustain us through challenging times. Please keep supporting your Parish by continuing your weekly offering if you can, either by using our periodic direct debit or credit card facility or by direct deposit.

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Account Name: Parish Donation

Kindly **reference** your deposit with your **surname** and your **planned giving number/envelope** number if you have one. Please contact the parish office for further information on 3207 9177.

Collections and donations for the weekend of **7 August 2022: TBA**

Collections and donations for the weekend of **14 August 2022: TBA**

Workplace Health and Safety, Maintenance and Improvements:

RECENT ACTIVITIES: fixed OSHC sliding flyscreen door alignment, commenced painting doors at front of church, painted handrail at ramp entrance to church, cleaned mould from archway and ceiling at entrance to church verandah, carried out soil testing and underground services location associated with OSHC building extension.

CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE: high-pressure water-blast pathways around Presbytery, high-pressure water-blast pathway leading to church, fix downlight in chapel, paint altar alcove wall, cleaning of carpets in Parish Office, polishing vinyl flooring in church, remove rotting timber on ground beside OSHC building.

POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING: replace rotted-out fence posts (presbytery yard fence along side school oval), repaint inside walls of presbytery, replace rusted-out gutter at chapel end of church building.



Sacramental News

Confirmation

- 30th Aug - 6pm Family Session #2
(The Church)
- 10th Sept - 10am Renewal of Baptismal Promises
(The Church)
- 14th Oct - 5pm Confirmation Ceremony Practise
Group 1 (The Church)
- 14th Oct - 6pm Confirmation Ceremony Practise
Group 2 (The Church)
- 15th Oct Confirmation Ceremonies
9am & 11am (The Church)

Have A Chat Club!



HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

"The Lord will fight for you; you only to be still"
Exodus 14:14

All are welcome to join our Catholic Charismatic Group, which meets for praise and worship at St Rita Parish, chapel, every Tuesday night from 7:00pm till 9:00pm

Teaching video on Tuesday

Please call MAY RICHARSON 0435212787 OR
EJ POLOTAN 0403658827



St Rita's Men Social Group September Gathering

The St Rita's Men's Social Group will be meeting on Thursday 8th Sept at 10am in The Ruby Room for a presentation by Jane Dyson, "Waste Warrior" of the Redlands Council on how the material which we put in our recycle waste bins is managed – examples and videos explaining the process.

Morning tea will be available.

Please advise Mike Duggan on 0429269211 or

duggancasa@outlook.com
if you will be attending



Gracie Hyslop

Will be Baptised Sunday 21st August 2022.

We welcome Gracie and family into our Parish Community.

Be the face of Christ for others

We are called to be the face, hands, and heart of Christ in our communities.

Every day, God showers us with blessings so we will have gifts to share. Your support serves those in our community who need our care today.



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