



St. Rita's Catholic Parish

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Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time—Year C – 23rd October 2022

This Week's Readings: Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19, Ps 33:2-3, 17-19, 23, St Paul 4:6-8, 16-18, Luke 18:9-14

Next Week—31st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Wisdom 11:22-12:2, Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14, St Paul 1:11-2:2, Luke 19:1-10

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

"POCKET PRAYERS"

The Jesus Prayer has its origin in this parable. The text of the prayer is simple: "Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me a sinner". Although prayed since the sixth century, the modern technique associated with this prayer - controlled breathing and mantra-like repetitions - probably didn't come into use until the fourteenth century. Like any prayer, the point isn't to perfect the technique but to find the right spirit.

The tax collector in the parable had the right spirit, even if he couldn't imagine the technique that history would form around his prayer. He simply bowed his head, acknowledged his sins, and counted on God's mercy. The Pharisee, who had more style and undoubtedly greater technique, gave himself over to self-celebration, reporting his good deeds in the event God might have missed them. In the process, he missed the heart of prayer, which is humility.

The lesson on prayer is simple. Pray however you want, but be sure of two things: that you DO pray, and that your heart is invested in your prayer.

How do pride and humility figure in your experience of prayer?

Pocket a Scripture for the week. You may want to take a line from this week's readings, or any other Scripture that attracts you. Pray it often, and note how it affects your relationships, responses, or decisions.

I've run hard right to the finish, believed all the way. All that's left now is the shouting - God's applause.

Depend on it, God's an honest judge

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WEEKLY DIARY

Daily (Mon, Tues, Fri)

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church

Monday's

9:30am Pro Life Rosary—Chapel
2:00pm St Rita's Primary Mass—
St Rita's Church

Tuesday's

7:00pm Prayer & Praise—Chapel

Wednesday's

10:00am Art Group—Ruby Room
4:00pm Choir - St Rita's Church

Thursday's

Parish Priest Day Off (No masses)

Friday's

9:00am Mass & Holy Hour—
St Rita's Church

MASS TIMES

ST RITA'S CHURCH

Weekdays 9am (Except Thursday)

Saturday 5pm (Vigil)

Sunday 7am & 9am

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4:30pm

HEALING MASS: 2nd Wednesday of
the Month 9am

MAREBELLO: 1st Wednesday of the
Month 9:30am

BAY ISLAND MASS CENTRES

Coochiemudlo Island

Coochiemudlo Island Community Hall

345 Victoria Parade,

Coochiemudlo Island Q 4184

11:00am Saturday (Fortnightly)

Macleay Island

Church of the Holy Spirit

Scotts Road, Macleay Island Q 4148

5pm Sunday (1st & 3rd Sunday)

Russell Island

St Peter's Anglican Church

25-27 High St, Russell Island

2pm (2nd & 4th Sunday)



"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."

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Do you want to ensure that the mission of the Catholic Church and your local parish continues well in to the future?

We need your support to sustain our faith and continue to provide parish facilities, programs and services for generations to come. Your gift, of any amount, will help carry forward the Gospel message to future generations. To find out how you can be an Eternal Guardian of your faith, please contact us on 07 3324 3632 or visit www.catholicfoundation.org.au

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

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 Snoke on 0419 247 698

<https://tinyurl.com/Safeguarding-Incident-Report> <https://tinyurl.com/New-Protecting-Children-Laws>

STOPline Service 1300 304 550 AOB@stoline.com.au www.bneatholic.stoplinereport.com

Please take a moment to pray for:

All those who are ill, especially Edith Quilty, Julie Davey, Virginia Casinto, Chris Venter, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Margaret Ross, Alan Williamson, Lois Hodges, Toby Bernal, Helen Stockwell, 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**.
We pray for all those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time, especially Maxwell Kelly and Ted Brown..



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

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We would like to thank you again for your generosity to the recent Catholic Mission Appeal, whether it be through a one-off gift or your commitment as a monthly Mission Partner.

Your generosity and prayers are supporting life-changing mission programs like the Deberety Goat Rearing Centre in Emdibir, Ethiopia, where the Church and community are working together to help support those in most need, like Neela* and her family, by addressing critical issues such as malnutrition. To learn more about the impact of your support, visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work, where you can also sign up for our regular newsletter.

If you missed your opportunity to learn about this vital mission program, or wish to lend your support once again, please go to catholicmission.org.au/Ethiopia.

God Bless you all,
Fr Ladu.

Pope's Prayer Intention October 2022



A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

PRIMARY SCHOOL MASSES

Every Monday, Father Ladu welcomes a different class to attend a Buddy Class Mass at 2pm with St Rita's Primary in the Church.

Classes 6T, 6K, and 5/6L will be in attendance this week, Monday 24th October 2022 at 2pm.

We invite parents and family to attend.



HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Luke 18:14

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 Night. Video presentation
Please call MAY RICHARSON 0435212787 OR EJ POLOTAN 0403658827

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.

Our planned giving bank account details for direct deposits are as follows:

BSB: 064 786

Account No: 100027374

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 **16 October 2022: \$2 560.20**

Workplace Health and Safety, Maintenance and Improvements:

RECENT ACTIVITIES: connected water to wash sink in garden shed.

CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE: – annual gutter cleaning of parish and OSHC buildings (9 Nov), cleaning of carpets in Parish Office & OSHC (10 Nov), clean and paint presbytery walls on shady side of building, obtain quotes for removal of trees alongside boundary fence beside presbytery (roots in drains), high-pressure water-blast pathway leading to church, polishing vinyl flooring in church, investigate evidence of water leaks (wall in priest sacristy, ceiling above reconciliation facility, gutter outside toilets, ceiling in chapel above central window), obtain quote for Termite management system renewal around the church 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 **PENANCE**

Children who have been Baptised, Confirmed and made their First Holy Communion are eligible to make this Sacrament.

Wed 26th Oct- 5:30pm Parent Info Night (Church)

We were happy to see 38 children make their Confirmation last weekend with Bishop Tim Norton presiding and Fr Ladu assisting and taking photos. I thank the Sacramental team, Jeremy Thomas, Sylvia Vassala and Ashlea Downie for helping me since July to prepare the children for this big occasion.

A great team effort. Thank you to Angela Dodd, our Parish Secretary who made beautiful Stoles for the children and to the choir ladies who sang so lovely. Thanks to all who helped with preparations, set up and by their prayers. Special thanks to God for pulling it all together to help the children and their parents. God bless to you all from Jennifer Fielding, Sacramental Coordinator



READING ROSTER

A Courtesy Reminder for Readers - the Reading Roster for the 5th Sunday of October will be looked after by the 4th Sunday of the Month Team. Thank you to all readers for your dedication in proclaiming the Word.

HAVE A CHAT

THURSDAY 27 OCTOBER 2022
11AM - VICTORIA POINT TAVERN

Come along and Have A Chat and a laugh!

ALL WELCOME!



For more information please contact
Elaine Pascoe 3207 9866



A Special Invitation

*Family, Friends and Parishioners
of our Beloved Deceased
(including those interred in the Columbarium)*

are invited to attend

*The All Souls' Day Mass
at St Rita's Church*

followed by

*A Remembrance Ceremony
at St Rita's Garden of Remembrance*

to be held on

Wednesday 2nd November at 9 am

**All Souls' Day Mass
and
Remembrance
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A Morning's Prayer is a 3 hour Saturday morning retreat to get away and spend some quality time with God.

It will be facilitated with a time of input, prayer, reflection and faith sharing and aims to provide a prayerful respite from the busyness of life.

9am - 12pm,
Saturday 29th October 2022
Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre (Ormiston)
\$20 per ticket

**St Rita's
Christmas
Lunch**

**Wed 16 Nov
11.15 a.m.**



Redland Bay Golf Club

Only \$35.00

**Tickets on sale: from Saturday,
29 October**

Bookings essential

Jill: 0412702593 or
Marie: 0411459014

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