



The Catholic Parish of Bundaberg

Under the Patronage of Mary Mother of the Church

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Welcome to the Parish

12th/13th November 2022

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

Sr Mary Della

Each week in our bulletin you will see printed "CCR United Hearts Prayer" which takes place every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month 7pm-8pm in Novakoski Hall. Some people may wonder what does CCR stand for – Catholic Charismatic Renewal.

In Bundaberg a core group for CCR was formed in October 2016 after Fr John Daly requested that a Catholic charismatic prayer group be re-introduced. The core group met and prayed weekly relying on the Lord to lead us step by step.

We purchased a pull-up banner for our logo. The logo depicts two hearts – the Sacred Heart of Jesus (in red) and the Immaculate Heart of Mary (in blue). Their hearts are always totally united and this was the inspiration for our logo which we agreed upon after prayer and discernment. As a group we desired to be totally lead by the Holy Spirit, discerning His Will with united hearts, thus our name: **UNITED HEARTS CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP.**

We opened up the prayer meeting to the public on Tuesday 21 February 2017. The prayer meeting has been a place where many people have found a new dimension to their spiritual lives. They have discovered the love of God in a more profound way together with a more loving attitude to their neighbour.

St Paul wrote in 1 Cor 14:26 "When you assemble, one has a hymn, another some instruction to give, still another a revelation to share, one speaks in a tongue, another interprets. Let all things be done to build up the community."

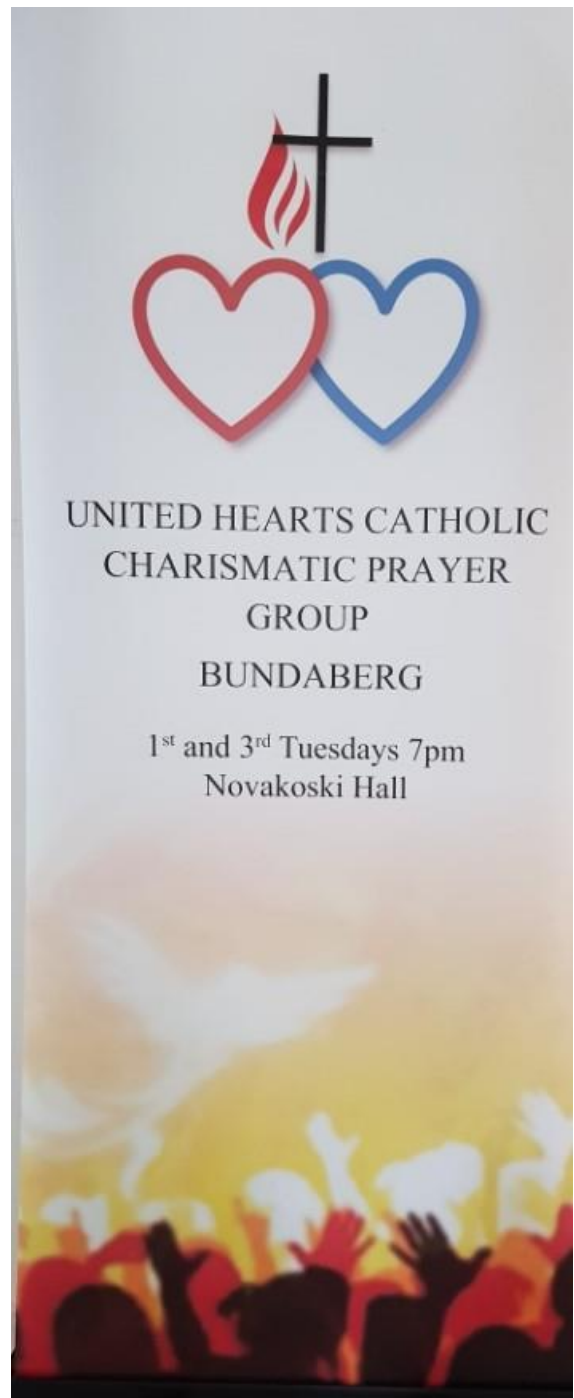
Everyone is welcome at our meetings which take place in a relaxed atmosphere where joy and the love of God is emphasised. CCR encourages people to incorporate praise of God into their whole lives, because when we praise God we focus, not on ourselves, but we gaze at the goodness of God and we celebrate His goodness in our lives.

Silence also plays a big part in our prayer time. We are encouraged to listen deeply to what the Lord is saying to each of us. Some will sense that God has a message of encouragement, exhortation, or consolation for the group, and will feel moved to speak this out.

The Word of God in Scripture is proclaimed, and, inspired by the Holy Spirit, we share God's Word. Healing Prayer ministry and intercession also form part of CCR.

Pope Francis has said that the Catholic Charismatic Renewal is "a current of grace for the whole Church."

You are welcome to join us for prayer, praise and worship in song, silence and Word.



PASTORAL TEAM

Rev Peter Tonti PP

Parish Priest

Rev Sijo George

Associate Pastor

Br Ted Magee

Executive Officer/Stewardship

Mrs Anne Sheehan

Liturgy & Sacramental Co-Ordinator

Mr Jeffrey Caluag

Finance & Marketing Officer

Mrs Marcia Sharp

Visitation Co-ordinator

Miss Elizabeth Kelly

Youth Ministry Co-ordinator

Mrs Jan Aplin

Safeguarding Representative &
Bereavement Co-ordinator

Mr Norm Whyte

Property Officer

Mrs Sandra Fox

Receptionist

PARISH STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

Dr Presly Varghese

Chair

Mrs Kaye Beston

Deputy-Chair

Ms Nadene Pettett

Secretary

Members:

Mr David Batt

Mr John Begeda

Ms Madonna Davitt

Mrs Maryanne Taylor

Mr Michael Walker

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CHURCHES

Holy Rosary Church

Corner Barolin & Woongarra Streets

St Patrick's Church

14 Powers Street

St James' Church

38 See Street Bargara

Parish News and Announcements

ADULT FAITH - "The Mass" : The **Sign of the Cross**, at the very beginning of the Mass, with the very same words with which we were baptised, links immediately the two great Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist. The sign of the Cross, reminding us of our Baptism, reminds us also that we all belong to the same Family of God. Our gathering together for Mass is, therefore, significant in itself: it is the assembling of God's household. Christ's presence in this assembly is one of the principal ways in which He is present in the Mass. The presence of Christ in each one of us forms us into the People of God, the Household of God, the Body of Christ, the Church. Christ's People, living among the unbelieving world but now gathered together for the Mass, are the Church in microcosm, the Universal Church in miniature, the Holy Catholic Church in the lowly parish church. In making the sign of the Cross we profess our belief in the Holy Trinity, the mystery which underpins the whole of our Faith: we believe this because it has been revealed to us by Christ. (Notes from *The Mass in Close-Up*, Fr Antony Jones STL, PhL, Wales, March 2022)

THANK YOU: A big thanks to the dozen women and men who gave their time and energy to make a start on the Cemetery clean-up. There is a notable difference in the section where the work was begun. There is much more to do! We will arrange one more working bee before Christmas.

THE BOOKS OF REMEMBRANCE: are in all Churches for you to record the name/s of your loved one/s who have died. These and all the departed will be remembered in our Masses during the month of November.

NOVEMBER PRAYERS AT THE CATHOLIC CEMETERY

9.30am followed by a "cuppa".

Wednesday, November 16th

Tuesday, November 22nd

Wednesday, November 30th

EVERYONE is welcome. Wear a Hat and bring a chair if you wish.

PARISH MULTI-CULTURAL CELEBRATION - Sunday, November 20th

This year we will celebrate our unity in diversity at the **9.00am Mass at St Patrick's**.

The Filipino Choir will lead us in song and the liturgy at this Mass and all others on the weekend will express our oneness as Christians though descendants of many cultures.

At the 9.00am Mass it would be wonderful to see parishioners wearing the National dress or colours of the many countries from which we have come.

Let us make this day – the Feast of Christ the Universal King – special for our community.

After Mass, the Filipino community will host us to light refreshments.

PARISH "Thank you" to all Ministers: The Parish will host, at the Parish office, a "Thank You" to all involved in our seventy-five ministries in the Parish on **Monday, November 21st** from **5.00pm – 7.00pm**.

Drinks and finger food will be served from 5.00pm and conclude at 7.00pm.

The Function will have one formality at 6.00pm when Fr Peter will express our gratitude to all ministers.

ALL ministers are invited and can come and go as their time allows.

Please let the Office know if you are attending so that we can cater adequately. 4151 6666 or sbundaberg@rok.catholic.net.au

AVAILABLE NOW: for sale at the Parish Office. **GOD'S WORD** \$20.00, **COLUMBAN CALENDARS** \$12.00. **Limited copies available.**

ADVENT REFLECTION BOOKLETS "Hearts of the Disciple", Produced by the Brisbane Archdiocese. On sale for \$5.00. **NOW** at the Parish Office and at the churches from next weekend. **Limited Copies available**

DIRECT DEBIT GIVING: If you wish to make a donation to the Parish by direct debit, please scan the QR code and follow the prompts.



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RITE OF ACCEPTANCE INTO THE ORDER OF CATECHUMENS: Next Sunday during the 5.30pm Mass we celebrate a Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens with our Inquirers: Glen & Cameron Windsor, Sylvia Byrne and Hanahlin Whittard. This is the first liturgical rite that formalises their desire to become one with us through the sacraments of Initiation at Easter and move forward to a more intense period of preparation, the catechumenate. Who's doing the accepting? Not us. Our job is to support them. The candidates are accepting the Christian gospel way of life

VISITATION MEETING: Held in the Parish Office Wednesday, November 16th at 10.30am. Guest Speaker David Batt.

CWL CHRISTMAS DINNER: Will be held on **Tuesday November 22nd** at the **Young Aussie Hotel, Bundaberg North, 6.00pm for 6.30pm start.** Cost of the dinner will be \$30.00 to be paid at the November meeting or at the Parish Office up until noon Thursday November 17th. Remember to bring a Secret Santa Gift. (Something you would like to receive). Contact details Maureen 4152 1263. Everyone is welcome.

CATHEDRAL CONSERVATION APPEAL: The annual St Joseph's Cathedral Conservation Appeal was held last weekend. For those who wish to donate, brochures are at the doors of the churches or go online to the Diocesan website: <http://rok.catholic.net.au/donate> or by scanning the QR code.



WORLD YOUTH DAY DATE-CLAIMER: Bishop Michael is leading a Diocesan pilgrimage to World Youth Day in 2023. The group will leave Australia on July 28th travelling to Avila, Segovia and Salamanca in Spain, then on to Lisbon for World Youth Day followed by a 3 day retreat at Fatima, and then arriving back in Australia on the 11th of August. All pilgrims travelling with the diocesan group must be over 18 and preferably not older than 35. This is an amazing experience of the global Church that every young Catholic should try to get to at least once in their life. Registrations will officially open in November. To express interest and receive more information please contact Mick at youth@rok.catholic.net.au or 0433 897 973.

REIGNITE

FRIDAY 25TH NOVEMBER 6.00PM-8.00PM

REIGNITE is a Praise and Worship night for the whole parish, inspired by the attendance of some of our young people who attended the Ignite Conference in September.

The night will begin with a sausage sizzle cooked for us by menALIVE.

Our music will be led by Fr Ashwin and members of our music ministry both young and young at heart.

Come along and join in singing songs like Open My Eyes; Lord, I Need You; How Great is Our God.

We will end the night with Adoration and Benediction.

FOR CATERING PURPOSES PLEASE RING THE PARISH OFFICE 4151 6666.



DONATIONS FOR WOORABINDA MISSION: Shalom College is having a fundraiser in support of Woorabinda Mission. If you have any tablecloths, sheets, towels, football boots or dressups in good condition, please consider donating them to this worthy cause. If you don't have a surplus of any of these items, please consider a monetary donation so we are able to purchase whatever is needed. Donations may be left at either the Parish office or at Shalom College before Wednesday 16 November.

Thank you for your generosity.

Recently Deceased:

Sue Boisen, Ben Clutterbuck, Patricia Norcott, Riccardo Bianchin, Leah Dray, Doreen Fox, Edward "Ted" Carey, Maureen Lines, Vincent "Bill" Smith, John Moller, Sybilla Rohen.

LITURGIES

Monday 14 November 2022

9.00am St Patrick's-Mass

Tuesday 15 November 2022

St Albert the Great

9.00am St James' LWC

Followed by Rosary and Adoration

12.15pm Holy Rosary - LWC

Wednesday 16 November 2022

St Margaret of Scotland & St Gertrude

8.00am Shalom - Mass

5.30pm St Patrick's-Mass

Thursday 17 November 2022

St Elizabeth of Hungary

6.30am St Patrick's- LWC

Friday 18 November 2022

12.15pm Holy Rosary-Mass

Saturday 19 November 2022

7.30am St Patrick's - Mass

No Penance this weekend

6.00pm St Patrick's-Mass

NEXT SUNDAY

20 November 2022
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7.00am St James'

8.00am Holy Rosary

9.00am St Patrick's

5.30pm Holy Rosary

SCRIPTURES

For next Sunday

First Readings

Samuel 5:1-3

Second Reading

Colossians: 1:12-20

Gospel

Luke 23:35-43

What's On!

Mark the date in your Calendar

December

10th Christmas Concert

Holy Rosary Church **7.00pm.**

13th - 16th Bethlehem Live.

20th Farewell Fr Peter

Novakoski Centre **5.00pm -**

7.00pm. More details to come.

PRAYER GROUPS

ROSARY GROUP: The Rosary Group meets every Tuesday and Thursday at Holy Rosary Church 5.30pm.

ADORATION IN ST PATRICK'S CHURCH: Every 1st Sunday, 2.00pm - 5.00pm and 3rd Sunday, 3.00pm - 5.00pm. All are welcome!

CCR UNITED HEARTS PRAYER GROUP: Takes place every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month 7.00pm in the Novakoski Centre.

The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton

abides by the principles of the **National Catholic Safeguarding Standards (2013)**, and is committed to safeguarding, with a specific focus on protecting children and vulnerable adults. For further information or support please contact the **Diocesan Professional Standards and Safeguarding Office:**

Response Line: 1800 830 113
(free call)

Email:

pssoadmin@rok.catholic.net

Diocesan website for more information:

<https://rok.catholic.net.au/our-diocese/safeguarding/>

To view the **Diocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults commitment statement and policy:**

www.rock.catholic.net.au/safeguarding-policies.html

OTHER CONTACTS

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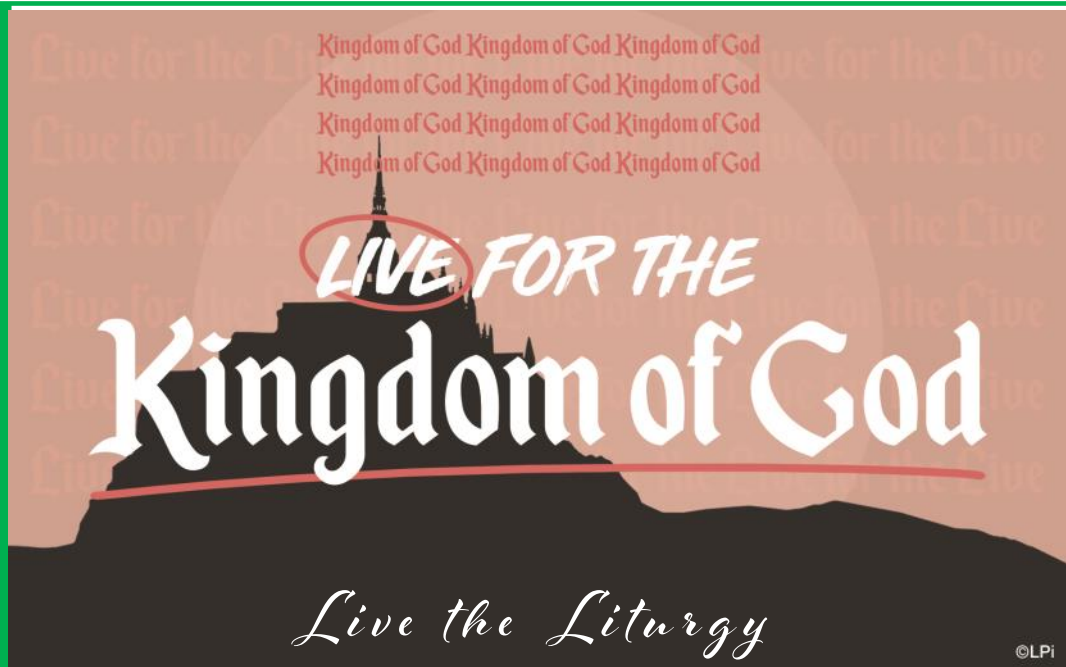
AFTER HOURS

Anointing of the Sick
for Medical Emergencies
Phone 4151 6666
& follow the prompts

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

OPEN HOURS

Sunday to Friday from 7.00am until 5.00pm approx. Saturday, open for Reconciliation from 9.00am -10.00am.



Many make it their life's ambition to determine precisely when the world will end. By reading the signs of the times, consulting scripture, or looking to prophetic predictions that are sometimes centuries old, they claim a certain credibility in being able to do so. Is all that necessary to know? Even when his disciples pointedly ask him this question, Jesus does not directly answer. While the end will inevitably come, Jesus points out that there is a lot we need to do first: remain faithful, face persecution, endure suffering, face wars and insurrections, and give testimony. Human beings tend to focus their energies on the wrong kingdom. Consumed with all of the things we have built and seeking to preserve them, we forget that we belong to a different kingdom, the Kingdom of God.

All of the "stuff" we have constructed will be taken away. All that will remain is God's kingdom. Which kingdom do we prefer? We answer that question by honestly looking at where we invest most of our time and energy. What matters to us as we embrace a new moment or day in our lives? If our relationship with God, the strength and integrity of our souls, and the steadfastness of our character are of utmost importance, then it matters little when the physical end will come. We will have what we need to persevere, endure, and confront whatever comes our way. Jesus cautions that we do not allow ourselves to be overwhelmed or overly terrified by the agonies and disappointments of the world. Although we may be apprehensive and uncertain when faced with complex challenges, God is with us. We will receive the inspiration we need to forge ahead.

God is a God of salvation and new beginnings. Whether we consider the daily unfolding of our earthly lives or our eternal ones to come, God never leaves us with dead ends. There is always hope, and there is always something new to come. As Julian of Norwich reminds us, "God made us, God loves us and God keeps us." This wisdom holds true whether life is stable and profitable or challenging and uncer-



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