

Our Vision:

Nourished by Word and Sacraments, we go out, empowered by the Holy Spirit, to welcome and share God's Love respectfully, with all people.



The Catholic Parish of Bundaberg

Under the Patronage of Mary Mother of the Church

Office Hours: 9.00-3.00pm Monday to Friday

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Welcome to the Parish

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

20th/21st July 2024

Stewardship Renewal Timeline

Since mid-June, we have been praying our Stewardship Prayer.

Previously, Fr Don had written to the Parish signifying this Stewardship Renewal. Our priests have spoken about stewardship in their homilies since early June.

A core group has met since mid-June to prepare the renewal process.

Today we begin.

July

20/21

Discovering my gifts for Ministry

All are asked to relook at "Discovering my gifts for Ministry" this weekend or at Discernment Workshops on Tuesday, July 23 at 10.30am or 5.15pm at the Parish Office.

The roll-out process will follow

July

27/28

Identifying our call to Ministry

All will be able to access pen-pictures of the more than ninety ministries, prayer and devotional groups in our Parish. The booklet, "Identifying Our Call to Ministry" may surprise you with the extent of opportunities available to serve others with your gifts.

Aug

03/04

Commitment Weekend

Commitment Weekend. All will be asked to complete a Commitment Form indicating where they choose to minister.

Aug 05/
Sep 13

Training

This period will be used to contact personally all who completed a Commitment Form, converse with each about their commitment and offer training to new ministers and ongoing ministers as required.

Sep

14/15

Commissioning Weekend

Commissioning Weekend. At each Mass there will be a ritual of commissioning of all who have offered their gifts, time and talents to respond to the call of Jesus to go out, to welcome and to share God's love respectfully with all people of our parish and wider community.

May we continue to pray our Stewardship Prayer that all will be inspired so that we will be many not few labourers in God's vineyard.

Luke 10.2



The Catholic Parish of Bundaberg respectfully acknowledges the Taribelang Bunda, Gooreng Gooreng, Gurang, and Bailai Peoples as the Traditional Custodians of the country in which we live. We pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev Don White PP
Parish Priest

Rev Sijo George
Associate Pastor

Br Ted Magee
E.O/ Visitation, Property & Stewardship

Ms Pauline Leahy
Lit, Mus, Sac & RCIA Co-ordinator

Mr Jeffrey Caluag
Finance, Marketing & Property Officer

Mrs Jan Aplin
Safeguarding Representative &
Bereavement Co-ordinator

Mrs Sandra Fox
Receptionist

PARISH STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

Mrs Kaye Beston
Acting-Chair

Ms Nadene Pettett
Secretary

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Mr John Begeda

Ms Madonna Davitt

Dr Preshy Varghese

Mr Michael Walker

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CHURCHES

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St Patrick's Church
14 Powers Street

St James' Church
38 See Street Bargara

Parish News and Announcements

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP 5

A Disciple's Response

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Pt 4:10).

(The following relies heavily on the Pastoral Letter on Stewardship from the UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS 1992.)

Stewards of the Church

Stewards of God's gifts are not passive beneficiaries. We cooperate with God in our own redemption and in the redemption of others. We are also obliged to be stewards of the Church—collaborators and co-operators in continuing the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, which is the Church's essential mission.

The Gospel of The Ascension spelt out clearly for us that we are not passive beneficiaries of God's gifts to us. "Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations" (Matthew 28: 19) is an imperative which does not leave any doubt in the mind of a good steward. God's redemptive work cannot be left to the Pope, Bishops, and priests of our Church. It is our work which each of us will perform using the gifts and talents we have been given.

This mission—proclaiming and teaching, serving and sanctifying—is our task. It is the personal responsibility of each one of us as stewards of the Church. All members of the Church have their own roles to play in carrying out its mission:

- **Parents, who nurture their children in the light of faith;**
- **Parishioners, who work in concrete ways to make their parishes true communities of faith and vibrant sources of service to the larger community;**
- **All Catholics, who give generous support—time, money, prayers, and personal service according to their circumstances—to parish and diocesan programs and to the universal Church.**

"Proclaiming and teaching, serving and sanctifying" is the task confronting us. St Peter puts it boldly to the earliest Christians, "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people claimed by God as his own possession, so that you may proclaim the praise of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light." 1 Peter 2: 9. St Peter's words are as appropriate even more today than when first spoken and each of us can take them as addressed to us – the parishioners of Bundaberg.



NEW PARISHIONERS' WELCOME FUNCTION: – Wednesday, August 7 at 5.00pm

The Parish will host a short welcome function at Rossolini Place (the Parish Office) on **Wednesday, August 7 at 5.00pm.**

We will invite all whom we know are new to our Parish in 2023 and 2024.

If you are new to our Parish and perhaps, we may have missed your arrival, and you would wish to join us, please contact the office and let us know of your attendance.

It is a great opportunity to meet members of the Parish in a social setting, and know that you are very welcome.

DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL – A 2nd Collection next weekend.

We have noticed that the brochures distributed last weekend have faulty adhesive which makes it impossible to place any donation securely.

So as not to confuse monetary gifts, we will arrange for a second collection to be taken next weekend July 27/28.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

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. **Thank You.**

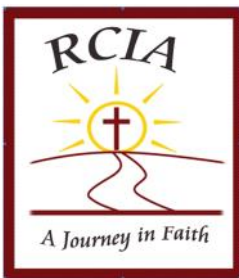


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CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK JULY 21st-27th. At **Sunday's 5.30pm Mass** at Holy Rosary we will join in celebrating the beginning of Catholic Education Week. Students and staff of our schools and College will add their talents in assisting with the Liturgy. The week is special for all of us as we recognise the great work of Catholic Education throughout our Diocese and through the length and breadth of Australia. It began in our city 1876 when the Josephite Sisters of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop to begin their mission. Our present schools and college carry that tradition and bring newness to the faith development of our next generations.

CHILDREN'S MASS – JULY 28TH 9.00am, St PATRICK'S: With the recommencement of school, the parish is very pleased to welcome back the monthly Children's Mass. All are invited to attend especially as a family with your school age children so that together we can assist each other in praise and worship at Eucharist, i.e., the Sacrifice of the Mass, which is "the source and summit of the Christian life" (CCC 1324). Please bring a plate to share and join the community for a short time after Mass

DO IT FOR CANCER: Last Saturday was the culmination of many weeks of work by a small but enthusiastic group who organised the Parish's annual luncheon in aid of cancer research. The group is grateful to business houses and to the many parishioners who donated more than one hundred prizes for the fund raiser. The pre-dinner entertainment was provided by violinist, Bernadette Connolly and the lunch time was made even more delightful by the vocals of the acapella group, "Rhythms of the Reef" who entertained all with a medley of numbers.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? Come and join us. The RCIA is the journey that adults take as they find out more about the Catholic Faith. It is an important life decision, so the journey is a gradual one with no set timeframe. Though it usually takes about a year, some take longer before they come to the point to commit to a life of following Christ.



ALPHA..... IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!

Last Thursday evening was our first Alpha session, titled 'Is There More to Life Than This?'

If you are still considering joining the Alpha 2024 program, come along to our next session on **Thursday 25th July at 5.30 pm** in the Parish Office.

Though this is a series of gatherings, each session is standalone in that you could join at any time or may even have to miss some sessions due to prior commitments.

Join guests and the team for hospitality, video content and conversation.

You are most WELCOME!

WE PRAY FOR THOSE BAPTISED THIS WEEKEND : Thomas John Nejman, Reuben Jack Johnson, Marie Karmena Johnson and Anthony Lewis James Nguyen-Hinton



WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED IN PRAYER

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kenneth Alan Decker (Geelong), Paul Lastavac, Vinko Silic, Rozalind Foran, Margaret Cheong (Malaysia), Br Denis Sullivan, Marie Schneider, Carmel Sheehan (Brisbane), Sandra Hargreave, Antonio Gorza, Tony Sawyer, Ronald Pizaro, Kevin Geiger, Louis Grima (Malta).

MASS OFFERED FOR ANNIVERSARIES: James Oguche 17.07.2017, Joe Grima 22.07.1976, Ramon D Andres 27.06.2006, Lavene Bailey 03.08.2023, Darinka Borovac 10.07.2023, Joseph Formosa 11.08.1999, Joyce Galea 17.07.2023, Stan Bryant 18.07.2023,

MASS OFFERED BY REQUEST: Rosa A Andres, Elizabeth Castro, Beatrice Tapic, Noela Olsen (Brisbane), Annette Sutton, Joyce Galea, William Moss, Dorothy Swiatczyk, Phil Marano, Joe Attard, Frank Attard, Mary Jane Theuma, Forte and Theresa Galea, Mick and Mary Galea deceased relatives of the Galea & Zahra Families. Kevin and Doris Whalley.

LITURGIES

Monday 22 July 2024

St Mary Magdalene

9.00am St Patrick's -Mass

St Bridget

8.30am St James' - Penance

9.00am St James' - Mass

5.30pm St Patrick's - Mass

Wednesday 24 July 2024

St Sharbel Makhluf

8.00am Shalom - Mass

11.45am Holy Rosary- Penance

12.15pm Holy Rosary -Mass

Thursday 25 July 2024

St James, apostle

7.00am St Patrick's - Mass

10.00am Holy Rosary

Anointing Mass

Friday 26 July 2024

Sts Joachim & Anne

11.00am Holy Rosary -Exposition

11.30am Holy Rosary -Penance

12.15pm Holy Rosary -Mass

6.30pm Holy Rosary

Malayalam Mass

Saturday 27 July 2024

7.30am St Patrick's- Mass

9.00am Holy Rosary- Penance

6.00pm St Patrick's -Mass

Sunday 28 July 2024

7.00am St James' - Mass

8.00am Holy Rosary - Mass

9.00am St Patrick's- Mass

5.30pm Holy Rosary- Mass

SCRIPTURES

First Reading

2 Kings 4:42-44

Second Reading

Ephesians 4 :1-6

Gospel

John 6:1-15

FUNERALS

Paul Lastavac -Holy Rosary

Monday 22nd July 10.00am



PRAYER GROUPS

CHRISTIAN UNITY

PRAYER GROUP:

Will gather for Prayer and fellowship on **Tuesday, July 23rd** at the Christ Church Anglican Church **10.00am**.

ROSARY GROUP

The Rosary Group meets every Tuesday at St Patrick's Church 5.00pm and Thursday at Holy Rosary Church 5.30pm.

All are welcome.

The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton

abides by the principles of the **National Catholic Safeguarding Standards (2022)**, 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 Adults at Risk commitment statement and policy:**
www.rockhampton.catholic.net.au/safeguarding-policies.html

OTHER CONTACTS

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Diocesan Safeguarding

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Towards Healing: 1800 337 928

AFTER HOURS

**Anointing of the Sick
for Medical Emergencies**

Phone 4151 6666

& follow the prompts

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH OPEN HOURS

Holy Rosary Church will be open **weekdays from 9.00am – 3.00pm**. On weekends and Public Holidays, it will be open a short time before and closed soon after any liturgies or rituals in the Church.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture



Burnout. Recent studies suggest that roughly two-thirds of doctors and nurses have signs of it. You probably know what burnout is: long-term stress leading to emotional exhaustion and a lack of a sense of personal accomplishment. Burnout can threaten anyone who tries to seriously serve and love others. How does our faith inform this challenging experience, and how do we find refreshment?

The apostles face something like burnout this week in Mark 6. They are run down from their missionary work, and Jesus says, **“Come away by yourselves to a lonely place, and rest a while.”** For them, and for us, it takes humility to intentionally rest. It means the world can go on without us. It stings our pride to admit God is necessary and we are not. Choosing to leave our good work to be with him — whatever the cost — is an act of humble faith. And that trust in God begins to revive us.

But there's more to it. Hilariously, Mark tells us that throngs of needy people find out where the apostles are going and arrive ahead of them. Imagine the exasperation of the burnt-out apostles. *“Can we please get a minute to ourselves? This is not healthy!”* And Jesus seems to *encourage* the boundary violation by telling his frayed followers to feed the crowd. Look: once we move into humble rest, he calls us to *more* work, because we are made for love, not for rest. But Jesus does the vast bulk of the labor. He himself is the one who multiplies the small offering until everyone is satisfied.

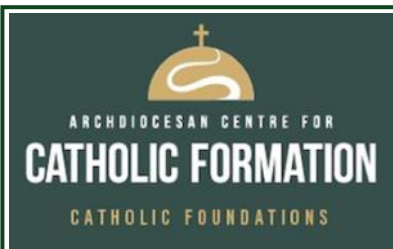
What finally gives our heart rest isn't more vacation time. It's experiencing the super abundant generosity of God for us and those whom we serve.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

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A GREAT FORMATION OPPORTUNITY:

If you are a catechist, or interested in becoming involved, we encourage you to register for Catholic Foundation's next module—

A People of Mission.

The Diocese has decided to subsidize this Module. The cost is now only \$100.00. Zoom from the Rockhampton Hub Starts on **July 22nd** for nine weeks, **Mondays 7-9pm**.

To register click on the QR code.

