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St Brendan's Church, Bucasia

St Brigid's Church, Farleigh
St Helen's Church, Calen
St Peter's Church, Midge Point
Star of the Sea Church, Seaforth

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ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

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MASS TIMES

St Joseph's Church North Mackay

Monday: .....**REGISTER AT DOOR** 6:30am Mass
Tuesday: .....**REGISTER AT DOOR** 6:30am Mass
Wednesday: .....**REGISTER AT DOOR** 6:30am Mass
Thursday: .....**REGISTER AT DOOR** 6:30am Mass
Friday: .....**REGISTER AT DOOR** 6:30am Mass
Saturday: .....**BOOK ONLINE** 6:00pm Mass
Sunday: .....**BOOK ONLINE** 9:00am Mass

Reconciliation:
St Joseph's: .....Saturday 5:00pm—5:30pm

St Brendan's Church Bucasia

Tuesday: .....**REGISTER AT DOOR** 9:30am Rosary
Sunday: .....**BOOK ONLINE** 7:30am Mass

St Brigid's Church Farleigh

Wednesday: ...**REGISTER AT DOOR** Farleigh 9:30am Mass
Thursday: .....**REGISTER AT DOOR** Farleigh 6:00pmMass
Saturday: ..... **BOOK ONLINE** Farleigh 6:00pm Mass
Sunday:..... **REGISTER AT DOOR** Seaforth 7:00am Mass
Sunday: ..... Calen **NO MASS**
Sunday: ... **REGISTER AT DOOR** Midge Point 9:15am Mass

Reconciliation:
St Brigid's.....Saturday 5:00pm—5:30pm
Seaforth .....½ hour before Sunday Mass
Midge Point.....½ hour before Sunday Mass
Calen .....½ hour before Sunday Mass

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
(Year B)

6TH JUNE 2021

ST BRIGID'S PARISH

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The links for 12th / 13th June weekend Masses 2021

☞ **Bookings open Thursday 3rd June 10:00am and will close Thursday 10th June 10:00am.**

Saturday 12th June, 6:00pm Vigil Mass, St Brigid's Church Farleigh **https://www.trybooking.com/BRWTW**

Saturday 12th June, 6:00pm Vigil Mass, St Joseph's Church North Mackay **https://www.trybooking.com/BRWTX**

Sunday 13th June, 9:00am Mass, St Joseph's Church North Mackay **https://www.trybooking.com/BRWTY**

Sunday 13th June 7:30am Mass, St Brendan's Church Bucasia **https://www.trybooking.com/BRWUB**

The readings, which reflect some aspect of the feast, feature three prominent themes: the importance of blood in the ratification of the covenant; the atoning actions of Christ; the attitude of thanksgiving.

Most people today would probably be repelled by the ritual use of blood. Yet birth blood is not subject to the same revulsion, nor is blood transfusion frowned upon. Blood is recognised as a life force, and blood relationships are cherished. In a sense this ritual makes us blood sisters and brothers of God and of each other. It seals our fate and it entitles us to the family inheritance.

This feast celebrates the incomparable love of Christ. He offered himself for the expiation of our sins; he spread a banquet table for us at which we are able to eat the bread of companionship and share the blood of the new covenant.

How shall we make a return to the Lord for all the good that we have received? The only appropriate response to God's graciousness is thanksgiving (*eucharistÃ-a*). We have been chosen; we have been delivered; we have a witness in heaven; and now we have been given the bread of eternal life and the blood of salvation. What return can we give? A life of gratitude lived in the presence of God; a life of union with all those who eat the same bread and drink from the same cup; a life of faithful expectation, waiting for the coming of the reign of God in all its fullness.

Dianne Bergant CSS

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR RECENTLY DECEASED:
Terry Ciantar, Collin Zahmel, Joan Agius, Jo Luck, John Ezeocha (Fr Jame's Father), Joseph Sherry, Rosemary Borg, Mary Portelli, Lalla Scarpelli.

ANNIVERSARY: Joe Cortis, Ann Graves.

REMEMBRANCE MASS: Joe & Josie Sherry, Tony, Susie & Anthony Sherry, John & Evanglalista Muscat, Joseph Muscat, Hope Doran, Joseph Sherry, Mary Portelli, John Ezeocha, Mary De Thomasis, Veronica (Vera) Chetcuti, Salvatore Zammit, Teresa Zammit, Mary Zammit, Josephine Thurgood, Sam & Doris Sciberras, Peter Checuti, Rose Vassallo, John Vassallo, John Caruana.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Hannah Pace, Vivienne Neill (Viv), Kath Furlong, Mary Vssallo, Karen Livermore, Don Phimister, Sr Lila Galvin, Mary Borg, Raylene Johnson, Adam Robertson, John Mifsud, Maria Spiteri, Julie Rowan, Gail Fallis, and all the sick of the Parish.

St Joseph's Pious Goods Store

Birthday cards, Mass & Sympathy cards
Lovely selections of Rosary beads,
children's and adult Catholic bibles also available
Opening times:
After mass Saturday night & Sunday morning

HOLY WATER BOTTLES
Holy Water bottles are available on the side tables of St Mary McKillop and the Divine Mercy, to take home.

Rosary at St Brendan's Church, Tuesdays 9.30am.
Registrations will be at the door.
Any queries please contact
Lyn McKenzie on 0458 710365

Mackay Maltese Club: Morning Tea & Cent Sale
Joe & Rose Borg's residence, 68 Lagoon St, West Mackay
9.30am Tuesday 8th June. $10 entry.
Numbers will be limited.
Please phone Rose Borg on 0418 788 363

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH
Weekly Collection

30/05/2021

No Givers 62
Direct Debits:.....$725.00
Envelopes:.....$597.30
Loose:.....$705.95
Total:.....$2028.25

Words of Wisdom

"What you are is
God's gift to you,
what you become
is your gift to God."
Hans Urs von Balthasar, Prayer

– Words of Wisdom –
Pope Benedict on the Eucharist

'In the Eucharist, the Son of God comes to meet us and desires to become one with us; Eucharistic adoration is simply the natural consequence of the Eucharistic celebration, which is itself the Church's supreme act of adoration.'

MEMORIAL MASS

For Mr John Ezeocha
(Fr James' Father)
Monday 14th June at 5:30pm.
St Joseph's Church, North Mackay
All welcome to attend
(On arrival please register your contact details at the door of the church.)

SR LILA GALVIN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE (60 Years)

PARISH CELEBRATION MASS

Friday 9th July 2021, 5:30pm at St Joseph's Church.

Followed with light refreshments
All welcome to attend

(On arrival please register your contact details at the door of the church.)

RENEWAL OF BLUE CARDS

It is now very quick and easy to renew your blue card with the QLD Government Applicant Portal (link below)
https://my.bluecard.qld.gov.au/login

If your blue card is coming up for renewal please use the portal, follow the prompts and your card will be renewed quickly, and a new card will be posted to you. If you have any difficulties using the portal please contact the Parish Safeguarding Reprehensive Chris Haines for assistance.
You should receive notice from Blue Card Services and the Parish that your card needs to be renewed.

GRENDON STREET CAR PARKING CHANGES

Mackay Regional Council will be changing the parking arrangements in Grendon Street, to provide turning lanes into the Parish Office and church carparks, and to allow for a pedestrian crossing
The existing parking spaces in front of the church, on both sides of the street will be removed.
There will also be a designated turning lane, between number 15 Grendon street and the entrance driveway to the church.
Parking will not be allowed in this area from 8:00 am to 9:00 am and 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm on school days.

Any one who is interested in joining the Planned Giving program, please contact Kerry, at the Parish Office for information.

***Hearts on Fire* Diocesan Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference** *Good News People Setting Hearts on Fire* will be held at Kevin Castles Centre, Rockhampton commencing 6pm Friday 25 June and concluding 11.30am on Sunday 27 June. Keynote Speakers Jan Heath & Bene Pupualii. Youth Component for High School Students & Young Adults. For more details call Brett & Deirdre Comerford 0419 028 016.

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) or email: pssoadmin@rok.catholic.net.au
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:** http://www.rok.catholic.net.au/safeguarding-policies.html

Significant Wedding Anniversaries
will be celebrated by
Bishop Michael McCarthy at the
9.30am Mass in
St Joseph's Cathedral on
Sunday the 20th of June 2021.

Please ***RSVP*** before Sunday 13 June 2021 to Bishop's Office on
07 4887 3070 or *bishopsoffice@rok.catholic.net.au*

Also, Please ***Register*** for Mass on the Cathedral Parish of St Joseph website via the following link: https://www.cposj.com/bookings-checkout/st-joseph-s-cathedral/book

With Praise & Thanksgiving to God

Most Reverend Michael McCarthy DD
Bishop of Rockhampton
INVITES THE COMMUNITY OF THE DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON
to the Presbyteral Ordination of

Ashwin Emmanuel Acharya

Thursday 17th June, 11am
St Joseph's Cathedral, Rockhampton

As this is a ticketed event all RSVP's should be done via the QR Code or link below for each individual person.
RSVP will close on Friday 11th June.

http://bit.ly/AcharyaOrdination
The event will be live streamed for those unable to attend
https://www.youtube.com/user/StJosephsCathRton

Corpus Christi Procession
Sunday 6 June commencing
2pm with Adoration at St Joseph's Church.
Procession leaving at 3.00pm from St Joseph's and ending at St Patrick's Church with Benediction.
Please bring water, hat, sunscreen, insect repellent and appropriate footwear as required.
Bus available for those unable to walk the distance.

LOURDES HILL COLLEGE REUNION – All students who attended Lourdes hill College in 1966 – Year 8, 1967 – Year 9 , 1968 – Year 10, 1969 – Year 11 and 1970 – Year 12 are invited to attend the Reunion of the 1966-1970 Cohort on Saturday 16 October at Lourdes Hill College. For enquiries, please contact Maree Foley (Stanton) maree_foley@hotmail.com or events@lhc.qld.edu.au or phone Mary at LHC on 3399 0411.

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Here is a great opportunity to watch our very own Cecilia Hyde and Jan Whelan perform in a different context. Let us support Jan and Cecilia as they perform in 'Tutti Presents Swing & Song' concert in July at the Central Queensland Conservatorium of Music (see details below).

SAT 3RD JULY 2021 | 7:30PM
SUN 4TH JULY 2021 | 2:00PM

Central Queensland Conservatorium of Music
Boundary Road, Mackay

Tickets $20.00 - $30.00
Book now: trybooking.com/BOYEI

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Catholic community of North Mackay and Farleigh called by Baptism,
strengthened by the Sacraments and nourished by the Word,
are committed to witness Christ's mission in the world.
We seek to be an active community that reaches out to the diverse peoples of this region.

REFLECTION

Today we commemorate the feast of ***Corpus Christi***, that is **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ,** instituted into the church in 1264. This feast allows us to give thanks to God for Christ's abiding presence with us, which is made visible in the Eucharist. It is an occasion for us to understand better the sacrament of **the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**.

To get a better experience of the Eucharist, we need to ask why Jesus gave us this sacrament. A closer reading of the whole of the Eucharistic discourse in John chapter six, verses twenty-two onwards, provides valuable answers. From the Gospel, we learn that there are two leading causes Jesus gave us this sacrament. Firstly, Jesus guaranteed to be with us until the end of time (Mt 28:20). In the Eucharist, he presents a visible sign and an efficient means of the indwelling presence of God (Jn 6:56).

Secondly, Jesus told that he came that we may have life and have it to the full (Jn 6:47). In the Eucharist, he gives us eternal life, so that we can be fully alive both in this world and in the coming world. (Jn 6:53-54).

The Jews asked Jesus for more bread, then He promised to give them sacramental bread and blood. But in their mind, they could not realize or understand it. They disputed among themselves that is why Jesus reaffirmed that "**My flesh is true food and my blood is true drink**" (Jn 6: 55). They ended up separating themselves from the Eucharist because the sacramental language makes no sense to the persons who live in a materialistic world.

The same trouble that these early would-be disciples of Jesus had is still with us today. If we approach the Eucharist with a worldly mentality, we fail to understand and miss the advantages of such a wonderful gift of God's love. The Eucharist is authentic food and drink, but at the same time, it is very different from every other food and drink. The significant difference lies in these words **"we transform ordinary food into our bodies, but the Eucharistic food transforms us into the body of Christ"**.

Then why do many of us who receive the Eucharist don't feel the radical transformation? If we do not feel the transforming power of the Eucharist, it is because of our poor faith. Let us approach the Eucharist with a more lively faith in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, and we shall experience therein God's saving power and transforming love. [Fr Sijo]

Responsorial Psalm

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia,!

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:

Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time Year B

Ezekiel 17:22-24
Ps 91:2-3,13-16. R.cf.v.2
Corinthians 5:6-10
Mark 4:26-34