

North Rockhampton Catholic Community

St Mary's

155 Nobbs Street
North Rockhampton

Our Lady Help of Christians

33 Main Street
Park Avenue

Holy Family

390a Feez Street
Norman Gardens



THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B — 30 & 31 OCTOBER 2021

First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

The call to love God with all we are is to be written on our hearts.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 17:2-4, 47-51

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

Christ is the high priest who delivers the people from their sins

Gospel: Mark 12:28-34

The greatest commandment is love.

Next Sunday's Readings: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1Kings 17:10-16

Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday:	5:00pm	Holy Family Church
Saturday:	6:30pm	Our Lady Help of Christians Church
Sunday:	7:00am	St Mary's Church
Sunday:	9:00am	Holy Family Church
Sunday:	9:30am	Livestream from St Joseph's Cathedral on cposj.com

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday:	9:00am	Holy Family Church
Wednesday:	No Mass this week	
Friday:	9:00am	Our Lady Help of Christians Church

Bishop Heenan - 30 Years as Bishop

This year Bishop Brian Heenan celebrated 30 years as a Bishop, with 22 years leading the Diocese of Rockhampton. Bishop Brian will be in Rockhampton and will celebrate the 8am Mass on Thursday 4th November at St Joseph's Cathedral. All are welcome to join for this celebration

Reconciliation is available 4-4:30pm prior to the 5pm Mass at Holy Family Church, or by appointment by contacting the Parish office. For all enquires regarding Baptisms and Marriages please contact the Parish Office on 4928 2800 or nrpcadmin@rok.catholic.net.au

Focus Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

On Monday we celebrate All Saints. We recognise the connection: the communion that we have with those who have gone before us. We also recognise the good work that God has done in and through those holy men and women.

On Tuesday, All Souls Day, we hold holy the memory of all the faithful who have been called to return to God. We remember their names before God; we pray that they would be received into God's presence and love; and we rejoice because we are all part of the Communion of Saints, we are all destined for life in heaven, and we will be welcomed by Jesus and by our friends, for whom we have been praying all along. These are the realities that we celebrate during these days.

Saint Paul encouraged the people of Thessalonika as he wrote, that although we might wish to cling to the earthly body, it is not that which makes us, us. Our true nature, that which glorifies God and exemplifies the wonder of our creation, is that which is imperishable. When we hold the promise of Christ, the frail body of this earth is transformed into the glorious body of the resurrection.

Death comes to us all, but as we hear from St Paul, it is nothing to be feared: for Christ shows each and every one of us his promise. Through Christ's death for us, through his overcoming of death in the triumph of the resurrection, Jesus Christ has destroyed death and has given us true hope.

The old order has passed away: welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever.

Solemnity of All Saints

Mass for Monday 1st November
6.30am St Joseph's Cathedral
5:30pm Holy Family Church

All Souls Day

Mass for Tuesday 2nd November
8.00am St Joseph's Cathedral
9.00am Holy Family Church
5.30pm St Joseph's Cathedral

Fr Andrew Hogan

St Anthony's School

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North Rockhampton Catholic Parishes

Baptisms and Marriages are arranged through the Parish Office. Advance notice (Wedding - 6 months) and preparation are required. Each month Baptisms are celebrated at Holy Family on the First Saturday at 10am and on the Third Sunday during the 9am Mass; Baptisms during Mass at St Mary's and Our Lady Help of Christians churches can be made by appointment with the Parish Office. Baptism Preparation is conducted at Holy Family Church on the Second Sunday of the month at 10am.

Please remember in your prayers:

Recently deceased: Kevin Harris, Cheung Carroll

Anniversaries: Brian Daley, Alf Pegg, Tony Hefferan

Those who are sick: Barry Carter, Noelle Melrose, Elaine White, Joyce Crough, Mary Asuntha (Sri Lanka), Bev Bartlem, Nena Suclan, Pat James, Leanne Small, Daisy Maturin, John Dobson, Tony Wilkinson, Simon Schell, John Manwaring, Mirita Abenzi, Gino Abenzi, Pat Healey, Meegan Sommerfeld, Gwenda Casey, Michael Harris, Noella & Gerry Davies.

When sending in names, please indicate which list the person needs to be on. When requesting family and friends be included in the sick list, please ensure you have their permission.

FOR WE CANNOT KEEP FROM SPEAKING about what we have SEEN & HEARD

ACTS 4:20

Thank you so much for your generous support of Church-run mission programs like the Mother and Babies Home in Thailand through last week's Catholic Mission Appeal.

Your gift helps to continue the work of Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters as they support vulnerable mothers and their babies, as well as many other mission programs around the world.

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.



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North Rockhampton Catholic

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If you require a Priest in an emergency after hours please call (07) 3830 5216

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

St Mary's Parish

BSB: 034 210

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Account Number: 720378

Rockonia Parish

BSB: 034 210

Account Number: 810728

Please use your envelope number as the reference.

Thank you for your continued support of the Planned Giving Program.

November Memorial Mass

This year there will be two Memorial Masses where we can remember our loved ones who have died. We particularly welcome those who may not have been able to attend loved ones funeral services do to Covid 19 travel restrictions over the last 12 months. All family and friends are invited to attend the Memorial Masses : **3rd November at Holy Family Church at 5:30pm** (light refreshments afterwards please RSVP to 4928 2800 & the **4th November at St Joseph's Cathedral at 5:30pm**

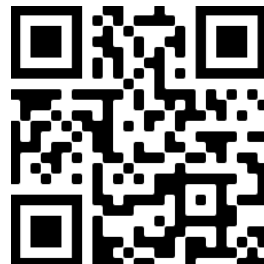
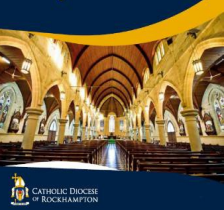
Ministers taking Communion to the sick and housebound

I invite all those who are in the ministry of taking Holy Communion to those in hospitals, nursing homes and within our parishes who are housebound, to a training session on **Saturday, 6th November, between 10.30am - 12.30pm** in the **Duhig Conference Centre**, West Street. Please let me know directly of your attendance at by email to: bishop@rok.catholic.net.au or contact my office on 4887 3070 during business hours if you are unable to email. *Bishop Michael McCarthy*

St Joseph's Cathedral Conservation Appeal

On the 6th and 7th of November, we will hold the St Joseph's Cathedral Conservation Appeal when we honour the importance of our Cathedral, the seat of the Bishop, and its role in unifying us as one "ecclesia". As a diocesan family, we ensure the conservation of St Joseph's Cathedral, a symbol of our unity as a Diocese. Your generous contribution helps preserve the unity of our faith and our Cathedral for future generations. We invite you to prayerfully consider donating or setting up a regular monthly gift. You can donate using a St Joseph's Cathedral Conservation Appeal envelope, by going online to the Diocesan website: <https://rok.catholic.net.au/donate>, or scanning the QR Code.

Please donate, you are helping to preserve St Joseph's Cathedral for future generations. Thank you.



Last Weekend's Collections

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Holy Family

St Mary's

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\$1487.00

\$471.00

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\$129.40

\$511.80

\$373.45

THE RANGE CONVENT COLLEGE, ROCKHAMPTON,

Junior Class of 1961 is issuing an open invitation to all Past Range Convent Ladies who, at any time studied at the school, to the Annual Reunion Lunch to be held on Saturday, 13 November, commencing 11.30am, at the Frenchville Sports Club, North Rockhampton.

This event will be a self-costing lunch but we need to know numbers to comply with to COVID policies Admission of \$5 at door is to cover room rental costs. If you know of any Past Students who would like to come along please let them know.

RSVP contacts are Rhonda Cahill (Gorman), 0438 827 288, rhonda.cahill@bigpond.com or Helen Pearson (Magee), 0409041139 / hpearson3@bigpond.com

YOUNG PEOPLE AND CHILDREN SAFEGUARDING COMPETITION

The Professional Standards and Safeguarding Office, Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton, is hosting a competition with young people and children around the diocese and are asking young people to share their view and thoughts on **"What Keeps Me Safe?"** Young people are encouraged to use a multimedia platform (eg Snapchat, TikTok, iPhone camera) there's a colouring competition for children. For further details/entry form please ask your Parish Safeguarding Representative, Parish Secretary or contact the Safeguarding team on (07) 4887 3080.

NORTH ROCKHAMPTON CATHOLIC COMMUNITY CRAFT GROUP

Cancelled for 4th November, when everyone is invited to the Parish Ladies Club, see below. For more information on the NRCC Craft Group contact Ann on (07) 4926 5033.

NORTH ROCKHAMPTON PARIHS LADIES CLUB

Come along on Thursday 4th November at 10am to the Holy Family Hall. Enjoy a pleasant morning tea, lucky door prizes, competitions and lots of chatter. Ladies from the three North Rockhampton Parishes are all very welcome. Enquires to Linda on 4926 3371.

SANCITY OF LIFE SUNDAY

This weekend we observe Sanctity of Life Sunday in our Diocese.

The sanctity of human life is a core principle of Catholicism. Human beings are created by God in God's image. Human dignity is bestowed upon us by God. It is not measured by our ability or competence to care for ourselves. Human dignity cannot be forfeited, it is God's gift and it remains with us from the moment of conception to natural death. **Each person possess inherent dignity and immeasurable worth,** including preborn children the elderly and others marginalised by society. **Christians, then, are called to defend, protect and value all human life.** More information available at the front of the church.

YOUTH GROUP ON NEXT WEEKEND Saturday 6th November at Holy Family.

5pm Emmaus Mass Followed by pizza and Youth Group! All high schoolers welcome.

CENTACARECQ PARISH VISITS

Maija Stewart, Centacare CQ, Volunteer Program Partner will be speaking at Our Lady Help of Christians and St Mary's churches next weekend to outline new options for volunteers.

UPDATE FROM THE STRATEGIC PLAN TASKFORCE

The Strategic Plan will contain a mission statement, vision statement, values, goals and action plans. The mission statement is a single key phrase that characterises what we are trying to achieve in North Rockhampton in 2022 and beyond. The vision statement is a descriptive statement or visual story of what achieving the mission will look like. Values describe how we go about our activities and underpin decision-making at every level.

The Parish Leadership Team and each Ministry Focus Area Leadership Team will set a handful of achievable goals for the next three years. For each goal, there will also be an action plan, which defines the necessary steps to move from where we are now to implementing or achieving these goals. Our four Ministry Focus Areas are: Families, Children & Youth; Outreach & Inclusion & Connection; Liturgy & Sacraments; and Faith Formation.

To express interest in driving our parish mission and serving the needs of our parish and wider community by being on a Leadership Team, contact a Pastoral Council representative or the Parish Office and someone will chat to you about being involved. If you have questions about the Strategic Plan, please see a Pastoral Council representative.

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) and calls will be forwarded to Helen (PSR) 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.rock.catholic.net.au/safeguarding-policies.html>

Queensland Professional Standards Office: www.psoqld.catholic.net.au/

!!!Entries close 13 November!!!!

MERCY ASSOCIATES MEETING

SATURDAY 13TH November (after 9:am Mass) in the Cathedral Parish Function room. All are welcome to listen to the guest speaker on the day, Sr Kym Harris OSB speak on: **"The Gospel God is writing in your life"**

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

When: Friday November 5th 5:30pm

Where: St Joseph's Cathedral



An opportunity for prayer and fellowship. All are welcome to a holy hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament to pray for vocations for our diocese and for our own vocations

Dinner to follow at 7pm at **Allenstown Hotel**. To be included in the booking for dinner contact Mick at 0433 897 973 or vocations@rok.catholic.net.au



ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration each Thursday at St Mary's 4:30pm - 7:00pm commencing with the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. All are welcome.

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