

North Rockhampton Catholic Community

St Mary's

Our Lady Help of Christians

Holy Family

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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B — 23 & 23 OCTOBER 2021

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

The gathering of the people back to the Lord is a sign of the homecoming that God desires for each one of us.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 125

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading: Hebrew 5:1-6

Christ, the high priest, offers prayer and intercession to the Father that we might have life in its fullness.

Gospel: Mark 10: 46-52

The healing of Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, is a sign of the gift of faith which alone comes from Jesus so that we may be his friends

Next Sunday's Readings: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6
Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28
Gospel: Mark 12:28-34

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

Monday: 6:30 am St Joseph's Cathedral
Tuesday: 9:00 am Holy Family Church
Wednesday: 9:00 am St Mary's Church
Friday: 9:00am Our Lady Help of Christians Church

All Saints Day -

Holy Family Church Monday 1st November 5:30pm

November Memorial Masses

Holy Family Church Wed 3rd November 5:30pm
St Joseph's Cathedral Thurs 4th November 5:30pm

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 nrccadmin@rok.catholic.net.au

Focus Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Consult not your fears but your hopes and your dreams.
Think not about your frustrations, but about your unfulfilled potential.
Concern yourself not with what you tried and failed in,
but with what it is still possible for you to do.

Pope John XXIII

Jesus placed a potent question to Bartimaeus, "What do you want me to do for you?"

It is a question that Jesus asks of us as well.

It is an invitation to believe, to trust, and to promise.

"Master, I want to see!" is a brave request. Most of us would have parts of our life that we simply don't want to see: marriage problems, addictions, difficult relationships, questionable decisions. It takes courage to ask for sight because it requires changes, perhaps profound changes that we may be unprepared or unwilling to make.

"Master, I want to see!" may be a moment of prayer to seek God's illumination into difficult decisions and moments in life. It is an admission that we don't always see clearly on our own and so need God's light in our lives.

When Bartimaeus had his sight restored, he joined Jesus on the road to Jerusalem: to his passion and death. A desire to see will not save us from difficulties and tribulations of life. It will allow us to recognise where God is present to us, guiding us, and leading us to fullness of life.

Master, I want to see!

Rev Andrew Hogan

(Adapted from First Impressions Jude Siciliano, O.P)

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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: *Cheung Carroll*

Anniversaries: *Pauline Sisley, Anthony & Laurence Poole, Ivy & Gerry Burbidge*

Those who are sick: *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

This week Catholic Mission will share the story of Churai*, who having experienced much heartbreak in childhood, turned to the Mother and Babies Home run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok when her partner cast she experienced rejection as an adult, abandoned by her partner and pregnant.

Without this program, many vulnerable mothers like Churai will have nowhere to turn when they need love and care the most.

Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/thailand or by texting 'GIVE' to 0488 854 436. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

*Name and images altered to protect identity



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North Rockhampton Catholic Community

Bishop Michael McCarthy

Fr Andrew Hogan -Associate Pastor with Pastoral responsibility for the Northside Cluster of Parishes:

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Fr Matthias Ogwo—Associate Pastor with Pastoral responsibility for the Cathedral Parish.

Fr Bill Senn—Associate Pastor

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

Our website is currently offline, please contact the parish office for more information.

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

St Mary's Parish

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November Memorial Mass

This year there will be two Memorial Masses where we can remember our loved ones who have died during the year. We are aware that COVID19 restrictions may have seen many family and friends unable to attend funerals elsewhere in the country. So we invite family and friends to attend either or if you wish, both of the Memorial Masses : **3rd November at Holy Family Church at 5:30pm** (light refreshments afterwards please RSVP to 4928 2800 or nrcpadmin@rok.catholic.net.au) & 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 and 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*

Liturgy Group meeting

Liturgy Group meeting at Holy Family Hall at 5:-6pm Wednesday 27th October, Focus will be on November & Advent events.

Avid Book Readers

To everyone who enjoys reading books, you are warmly invited to join Di-Anne Rowan at the Cathedral Parish Centre on Friday 29th October from 10:30-11:30am to learn about Fr Richard Leonard's latest book "The Law of Love". Morning tea will be available from 10:00am. Copies of the book can be purchased from the Cathedral Bookshop.

RSVP to Di-Anne by Wednesday 27 October at Di-Anne_Rowan@rok.catholic.edu.au or on 4994 8100

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The RANGE CONVENT SCHOOL, 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 (e.g., 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. Entries close 13 November 2021.

North Rockhampton Catholic Community Craft Group

Gathering at the Frenchville Sports Club in the La Vista area, Thursdays from 10am, except for the 4th November when everyone is invited to the Parish Ladies Club, see below. For more information contact Ann on (07) 4926 5033.

North Rockhampton Parish Ladies Club

Come along on Thursday 4th November at 10am to the Holy Family Hall. Enjoy a scrumptious 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.

Working Bee date claimer Saturday 30th October at Holy Family Church from 8am

A working bee will be held next Saturday from 8am at Holy Family Church. Anyone who can help are encouraged to bring appropriate gardening tools. We have a selection of tools however tasks will be completed quicker with a many hands and a variety of tools for the right job. Refreshments will be available on the day. For more information on how you can be involved, contact Garry on 0400 723 720.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN—Contact the Parish Offices for more details 4928 2800

Mother Effect (Catholic playgroup) meets fortnightly Wednesdays & **Youth Group** meets 1st Saturdays 5pm - 8pm at Holy Family Church (including Emmaus Youth Mass & Pizza).

Mercy Work's Raffle Four great prizes on offer, tickets are only \$1 with all funds raised going towards the amazing charitable works of the Mercy Associates and Sisters of Mercy. Last few remaining tickets are available from the Parish Office or Cathedral Bookstore. Raffle will be drawn on Saturday 13 November.



MEN'S WEEKEND—October 30 – 31,

St Patrick's Primary School, Emerald

Saturday 8:30am-8:30pm; Sunday 8:15am-1:30pm

An opportunity for men to explore what makes you feel fully alive as a man. Discover a new sense of purpose and mission in your marriage, family and community. Organised by men from the Emerald Parish and suitable for men of all ages. \$50 for two days.

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Billeting or Car Pooling may be available for men from outside of Emerald.

To register or for any inquiries please contact:

Ben Fraser on 0466 583 945 or benjaminfraser@gmail.com or

Mick Otto on 0433 897 973 or Michael.otto@rok.catholic.net.au

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.rockhampton.catholic.net.au/safeguarding-policies.html>

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

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



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