

The Catholic Parishes of Rockhampton

As we move forward & including the praying communities of : St Joseph's Cathedral, St Paul's (Gracemere), Sacred Heart (Mt Morgan), St Mary's, Our Lady Help of Christians and Holy Family

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

12th & 13th MARCH, 2022

First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12. 17-18
God offers the promise of a future full of hope to Abram, who shows himself to be a person of faith.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 26:1, 7-9,13-14
The Lord is my light and my salvation

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1
Christ will transfigure these bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body.

Gospel: Luke 9:28-36
As Jesus prayed, the aspect of his face was changed, and his clothing became brilliant as lightning.

Next Sunday's Readings: Third Sunday of Lent (Year A)

First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7
Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
Gospel: John 4:5-42 or John 4:5-15,19-26,39-42

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday: 4:00pm Sacred Heart, Mt Morgan
5:00pm Holy Family, Norman Gardens
6:00pm St Joseph's Cathedral
6:30pm Our Lady Help of Christians, Park Avenue

Sunday: 6:30am St Joseph's Cathedral
7:00am St Mary's, North Rockhampton
8:00am St Paul's, Gracemere
9:00am Holy Family, Norman Gardens
9:30am St Joseph's Cathedral (livestream available on cposj.com)
6:00pm St Joseph's Cathedral

Ordinarie Sunday Mass:
9:00am St Peter's, Allenstown

THE BISHOP'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

Forty years ago, my predecessor blessed the extensions to our Cathedral under the patronage of St Joseph. The ICON that adorns our Cathedral depicts St Joseph supporting his young son, and our Diocesan Coat of Arms shows his hands supporting Mary. This coming Saturday, we celebrate St Joseph as the Patron of our Diocese and I invite you to join with me at the 9am Mass to pray for his support and strength.

The Sacramental Program is underway with the Cathedral Parish having held their first workshops and the Northside Parishes beginning this week. Please pray for the young people and their families journeying through the programs.

We have watched the incredible flooding impacts on South East Queensland and now NSW. We pray for all affected by these devastating weather events and those trying to help in the massive recovery effort. There will be a special collection across our parishes this weekend as a way for us all to help those affected. All money raised will be distributed through St Vincent de Paul in both Queensland and New South Wales as they work to assist all in need.

Please continue to pray for the people of the Ukraine and Russia as the terrible impact of this invasion escalate. There are so many innocent lives affected. Mary, Queen of Peace, bring peace to Ukraine and Russia

Yours in Christ

Bishop Michael McCarthy

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

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Rockhampton Catholic Parishes:

Baptisms: Contact the respective parish office for more details on bookings and required preparation sessions.

Marriages: Advanced notice and preparation is required (six months minimum). Contact the respective parish office for more details.

Funerals: Contact the respective parish office or email - funerals@rok.catholic.net.au

Hospital Visitation: Rockhampton Base Hospital - To arrange a pastoral or sacramental visit while in Rockhampton Hospital email pastoralcare.rockhampton@rok.catholic.net.au

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently deceased: *Rudy Albina, Alma Campbell*

Anniversaries: *Jean Black, Alexander King*

Those who are sick: *Catherine Everingham, Carmel Schick, Christopher Steer, Barry Carter, Bev Bartlem, Nena Suclan, Pat James, 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 providing names, please indicate which list the person needs to be on. When requesting family and friends be included in the sick list, ensure you have their permission. If circumstances change, and the person listed can be removed from the sick list advise the Parish Office.

PRIEST'S REFLECTION "The Lord is my light & my salvation!"

Today, friends, we are privileged to hear St Luke's account of the momentous event of the Transfiguration of the Lord on Mt Tabor, with only Peter, James & John as eyewitnesses to this.

What a moment .. when Jesus is transfigured before them, in their presence: the divinity of Jesus proclaimed & clarified for (eventually) ALL to see .. although ALL would not behold his glory until the Resurrection and the Ascension.

In the meantime, Peter, James & John chose to keep silence regarding this event until the appropriate time .. after the Lord's Resurrection .. for they would then experience a far greater & clearer understanding of these events.

What are the surprise moments of divinity in our own lives? Are we alert to them? Am I open to the mysterious nourishment of the Lord in my own life? How can I be "transfigured" after the example of Jesus?

Fr Bill Senn

TRAINING FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

RSVP's closing this week

This is a follow up for those who missed last year's training and is for all ministers taking communion to those at home or care facilities, including those taking Holy Communion to our nursing homes (Leinster Place, Bethany and the Range Village, and the Mater Hospital).

I will be running training on Saturday, 19th March, from 10 to 11.30am in the Duhig Centre, West Street - after the Feast Day celebrations at St Joseph's Cathedral. I look forward to spending this time with you. I would appreciate if you could let me know of your attendance via email: bishop@rok.catholic.net.au or my office Ph: 07 4887 3070.

Bishop Michael

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

On Tuesday evening, 15th March, from 6 to 7pm Denise Tuzes, Pastoral Worker for the Bundaberg Parish, will be sharing with the Bereavement Teams of the Parishes of Rockhampton. I welcome you to join with us at the Duhig Centre for this formation in accompanying our people through the celebration of the funeral rites of the Catholic Church. Please advise my office if you wish to attend.

Email: bishopsoffice@rok.catholic.net.au or Ph:4887 3070.

Bishop Michael

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Will be held every Friday during Lent at St Mary's Church at 5.30pm. All welcome.

CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF ST JOSEPH

St Joseph is the Patron of the Diocese of Rockhampton and our St Joseph's Cathedral was blessed under his patronage. All are invited to celebrate this special Feast Day for our Diocese on Saturday, 19th March, at the 9am Cathedral Mass.

Bishop Michael will be presiding.

SPECIAL COLLECTION—FLOOD APPEAL

Bishop Michael has asked that a special second collection be held at Masses this weekend, **12th & 13th March**, in support of those who have been affected by the recent flooding in Queensland and New South Wales.

Proceeds will be directed to the St Vincent de Paul Society in both Qld and New South Wales for distribution.

CATHEDRAL NATIVITY SET

The beautiful nativity set of our Cathedral is in need of a little TLC and revival. A professional statue restorer has given an estimate of the cost. If you would like to assist with financing of this project I would appreciate you contacting me at the Bishop's Office – 4887 3070.

Bishop Michael

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday:	5:30pm	St Joseph's Cathedral
Tuesday:	9:00am	Holy Family Church
	5:30pm	St Joseph's Cathedral
Wednesday:	8:00am	St Joseph's Cathedral
	9:00am	St Mary's Church
Thursday:	8:00am	St Joseph's Cathedral
	10:00am	St Paul's Gracemere, St Pats Day
	4:30-7pm	Adoration at St Mary's
Friday:	9:00am	Our Lady Help of Christians
	12:10pm	St Joseph's Cathedral
	5:30pm	Stations of the Cross St Mary's
Saturday:	9:00am	St Joseph's Cathedral (Feast of St Joseph)

Penance:

Saturday	9:30-10:30am	St Joseph's Cathedral
	4:00-4:30pm	Holy Family Church

<u>Last Weekend's Collections</u>	Cathedral Parish	Our Lady Help of Christians	Holy Family	St Mary's
Planned Giving <i>(Envelopes, Direct Debit, Credit Card)</i>	\$4035.00	\$405.00	\$1247.00	\$590.00
Loose	\$1448.45	\$102.00	\$731.35	\$316.20

DIOCESAN SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

The DIOCESAN Social Justice Group has developed a course in spirituality of Social Justice entitled: "Act Justly, Love Tenderly, Walk Humbly with God - enacting a process of doing Social Justice". This can be accessed via sessions on Zoom. For further information pick up a brochure at the back of the church, your local church office, or contact the Diocesan Office.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton is recruiting for a new Community Engagement Manager.

This position would suit an active participant in the Catholic Church community, who is interested in contributing to the business development initiatives and fundraising of the Diocese, while building strong professional relationships. The Community Engagement Manager will work out of the Diocesan Office and will contribute to the strategic framework of the Diocese, the planning and execution of events, fundraising and the management of communications, social media, and public relations.

For more information or to apply for the position, visit <https://rok.catholic.net.au/employment/community-engagement-manager/>. Applications close Monday 21st of March at 10am.

2022 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Cathedral Parish

Mon	14 Mar	Family Workshop #2	Kevin Castles Centre	5:30pm
or				5:30pm
Tues	15 Mar			
Thurs	17 Mar	Celebration of the Sacrament of Penance	St Joseph's Cathedral	6:00pm

North Rockhampton Parishes

Tues	15 Mar	Parent Information night	Holy Family Church	5:30pm
or				
Wed	16 Mar	Parent Information night	Our Lady Help of Christians	5:30pm

ECUMENICAL MILESTONES - 13TH MARCH

- 1970** The Anglican Roman Catholic International Commission commences.
- 1971** Mar Ignatius Jacob II, Syrian Orthodox Patriarch of Antioch and all the East, pays an official visit to Pope Paul VI. They sign a common declaration.
- 1972** Start of the dialogue between the Catholic Church and some of the Classical Pentecostal churches and leaders (first of its type).
- 1973** Shenouda III, Coptic Orthodox Patriarch visits Pope Paul VI. They sign a common declaration. Start of a dialogue with the Coptic Orthodox Church.
- 1974** Synod of Bishops on Evangelization Today. Presence of fraternal delegates

NORTH ROCKY YOUTH GROUP

All highschoolers are most welcome!
Saturday 2nd April (6-8pm including pizza) at Holy Family Hall

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

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

PROJECT COMPASSION



12th & 13th March

Biru 30, lives in a rural village in Jharkand State in India's east. He lost mobility in one of his legs, after contracting polio as a child, which makes it difficult for him to walk. With your generous support, Biru was able to access an entrepreneurship and livelihoods development program, run by Caritas Australia's partner, Caritas India. He gained the skills, support and encouragement he needed to establish his own bicycle repair business.

Now, Biru is able to provide a good life for his family – and an essential service to his community. He has discovered a sense of pride, confidence and hope which has inspired others living with a disability and paved the way For All Future Generations.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future for all.

THURSDAY MORNING LADIES CLUB

The North Rockhampton Thursday ladies club will recommence their monthly get together at Holy Family hall from the 7th April at 10:00am. All are welcome to come together for some fun, laughter and cuppa and a chat.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS

SYNOD OF BISHOPS: Don't miss out on this opportunity to take part in a global conversation about the Catholic Church. How are we called to walk together as Christians? How can we listen to one another in making important decisions about our faith and our mission? The deadline for online submissions in the local consultation for the international Synod on Synodality is Sunday, March 13. Find out more and share your contribution at: <https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril; let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all; we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



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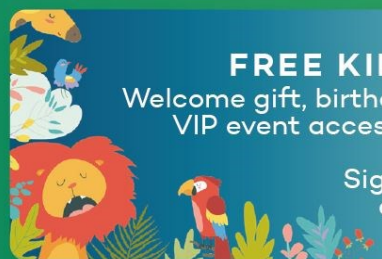
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