

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

19th & 20th MARCH, 2022

First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7

Give us water to drink

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 94:1-2, 6-9

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

The love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us.

Gospel: John 4:5-42

The water that I shall give will turn into a spring of eternal life.

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

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9:1,6-9, 13-17, 34-38

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

Ordinariate Sunday Mass:

9:00am St Peter's, Allenstown

THE BISHOP'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

Welcome to this weekend's bulletin and welcome to Ingrid Kennedy who is filling in for Trish Jones, who is on a well-deserved break.

It was great to catch-up with the families this week of those children preparing for sacraments and those in the program for children of catechetical age. This is a very important time as they prepare on this journey together.

This weekend we will celebrate the first of the scrutinies for our Catechumens. This is a prayer of healing for the Catechumens who will be baptised, confirmed and receive First Holy Communion on Holy Saturday night at St Joseph's Cathedral.

I look forward to meeting with the combined Parish Pastoral Councils of Rockhampton as we continue on our journey of all our parishes working together for the pastoral mission.

I invite everyone to join with me at the 12.10pm Cathedral Mass on Friday 25 March in prayer and support of the people of Ukraine and Russia, as Pope Francis consecrates both Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This will coincide with the 24 hours for the Lord events, in which I encourage everyone to set aside some time in prayer over this period.

Yours in Christ

Bishop Michael McCarthy

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Principal: Simon Warren

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Principal: Bernard Fitzgerald

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4923 5700
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Principal: Bernadette Brennan

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Allenstown
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Principal: Peter Smith

 **St Paul's School**
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4994 8235
Principal: Anthony Greene

 **The Cathedral College**
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4999 1300
Principal: Rob Alexander

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: Peter McKenna, Doris Smith, John Wood (Mackay)

Anniversaries: Lillian Loraway, Elizabeth Curtain

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 - Jesus, the living water

The mission of Lent is encounter with the Lord; dialogue with him and new life in him. The story of the Gospel teaches us that Jesus awaits us everywhere. He is never tired of looking for us. Because he loves us, he looks after us like a father. That is the Good News Jesus brought. God loves us so much that he likes to be with us always.

Christian life without Christ is empty. Christ is the source of the "Living Water". His spirit enlivens us. It is the spirit of selfless love and service. He quenches the thirst of all who go to him. Union with him means fullness of life. It is out of this conviction that Paul said: "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." (Phil 2:21). Just as Moses struck the rock and water flowed, Jesus the rock of the New Covenant was struck on the Cross from where life flowed (gift of baptism and the eucharist). Dear brethren, every baptised person has a spring of living water within himself or herself. Jesus is the living water; his message is light and life; he is the fulfilment of all our longings, thirst, and hunger.

Fr Jayanthi Maddala HGN

CONSECRATION OF RUSSIA & UKRAINE TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Pope Francis announced that he would consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on 25 March 2022 at St Peter's Basilica in Rome. All are invited to attend the 12.10pm Mass at St Joseph's Cathedral on Friday 25 March along with Bishop Michael in support of the Holy Father and in prayer for the people of the Ukraine and Russia.

CATHOLIC MOTHERS GROUP - Mother Effect

Catholic Mums and young children meet fortnightly Wednesday mornings for music, catechesis, play time and morning tea. All are welcome! Contact Laura for more details: 043 455 2280

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

YOUTH LED STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Good Friday morning, the youth of the Rockhampton parishes are invited to help lead Stations of the Cross at Kershaw Gardens. There will be freeze frames to take part in, speaking parts and singing. There will be a practice on Wednesday 13th April, 5.30pm at Holy Family. Please contact Laura if you are interested: northrockyyouth@gmail.com

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

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| Monday: | 5:30pm | St Joseph's Cathedral |
| Tuesday: | 9am | Holy Family Church |
| | 5:30pm | St Joseph's Cathedral |
| Wednesday: | 8am | St Joseph's Cathedral |
| | 9am | St Mary's Church |
| Thursday: | 8am | St Joseph's Cathedral |
| | 4:30-8pm | 24 Hours for the Lord at St Mary's |
| Friday: | 9am | Our Lady Help of Christians |
| | 10am-6pm | 24 Hours for the Lord at St Mary's |
| | 12:10pm | St Joseph's Cathedral |
| | 5:30pm | Stations of the Cross St Mary's |
| Saturday: | 9am | St Joseph's Cathedral |

PENANCE

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| Saturday | 9:30-10:30am | St Joseph's Cathedral |
| | 4-4:30pm | 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> | \$1246.55 | \$160.00 | \$249.00 | \$435.00 |
| Loose | \$1641.25 | \$141.00 | \$659.90 | \$243.20 |

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 role 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.

24 HOURS FOR THE LORD

Will be celebrated in Rockhampton at St Mary’s Church, North Rockhampton, starting at 4.30 pm Thursday 24 March and finishing at 6.00 pm on Friday 25 March. You are invited to spend one hour with the Lord during this time. Please place your name on the roster to be found at the back of the Church. Please see the *24 Hours for the Lord* leaflet for the times when various celebrations will occur during the 24 hours, including when the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available.

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

Mass for the feast of the Annunciation will be celebrated at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Park Avenue on Friday 25 March at 9.00am. All welcome.

NORTH ROCKHAMPTON YOUTH GROUP

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

2022 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Cathedral Parish

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| Tues 29 Mar | Workshop #3 | St Joseph’s School Hall | 5:30pm |
| or | Sacrament of | Herbert Street | |
| Wed 30 Mar | Confirmation | WANDAL | 5:30pm |

North Rockhampton Parishes

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| Tues 22 Mar | Family | Holy Family Church | 5:30pm |
| or | Workshop | | |
| Wed 23 Mar | #1 | Our Lady Help of Christians | 5:30pm |

ECUMENICAL MILESTONES - 20TH MARCH

- **1977 Dialogue** between the **Catholic Church** and **Disciples of Christ** begins.
- **Consultation** between the **Catholic Church** and **World Evangelical Alliance** (first round).
- **1980** Pope John Paul II and Patriarch Dimitrios I **establish the Catholic Orthodox International Commission for Dialogue.**

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](http://www.rok.catholic.net.au/safeguarding-policies.html)
Queensland Professional Standards Office: www.psoqld.catholic.net.au/

PROJECT COMPASSION



19th & 20th March

Janice 44, is a proud Wagilak woman, a traditional dancer, living in a remote community in the Northern Territory. As elders grow older and pass away, she knows she must share her knowledge with the younger generation. However, the community faces multiple challenges, including a lack of jobs, limited educational opportunities, and socio-economic which can lead to young people becoming disconnected from culture.

With your help, Caritas Australia supports Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation, which operates a centre for traditional and contemporary Aboriginal arts and culture, providing employment and generating income for local communities.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help provide employment and training for First Australians, allowing them to remain on country and keep their culture alive.

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.

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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