

Rockhampton Catholic Community

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

The Parishes of Rockhampton acknowledge the Darumbal & Gungalu people as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we work, travel and live. We pay our respects to their Elders, their Ancestors and Emerging Leaders.

28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8th & 9th October, 2022

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17
Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 97:1-4
The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13
If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.

Gospel: Luke: 17:11-19
It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except the foreigner.

Next Sunday's Readings: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13
Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:2
Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

SUNDAY 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

Catholic Ordinariate at St Peter's Church:
Sunday: 8:30am Rosary (except when Mass is scheduled)
Next Mass: 11:15am Sunday 13th November

BISHOP'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

On my return from holidays I notice that some of the scaffolding is being removed from the Cathedral and there is a shiny new roof in the top section. I understand that the work will be completed in November and our Cathedral will be back to full liturgical use in time for December. Thank you for your patience during this time of work.

In November, I welcome you to join with me, our priests and Bereavement Teams to a Mass for all of our recently deceased loved ones. It will be held at 5.30pm on Wednesday, 2nd November (the Feast of All Souls) at Holy Family Church. This Mass will be for all six of our worshipping communities.

November is the traditional time in the Church where we pray for all those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, and a time where you may wish to pray especially for your loved ones. Envelopes for November Mass intentions will be available at our churches. These can be handed to the Parish Secretary or put in collection plates for inclusion. There will also be Remembrance Books available in all our churches.

With best wishes and prayers,

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

Becoming a Catholic - If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic, contact the parish office or email - rcianorthrocky@gmail.com

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently deceased: Dianne Brodie, Patricia (Pat) Gill,

Anniversaries: Daryl Fountain, Keith Evans, John Frankel, Gerry Campbell

Those who are sick: Goronwy Jones, Claudette Rieck, Robyn Grant, , Patricia Fern-Smith, Brittney Higgins, Beverley Johnson, Ray Norton, Marion Brigg, Bernie Brady, Kevin Hynes (Marybrough), Bev Bartlem, Nguyen Thi Nhuan (Vietnam), Carmel Schick, Christopher Steer, Barry Carter, Nena Suclan, Pat James, Daisy Maturin, John Dobson, Tony Wilkinson, John Manwaring, Mirita Abenzi, Gino Abenzi, Pat Healey, 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

Today's gospel is the best example of thanksgiving to God. We have all heard the story many times: 'Jesus cleaned ten lepers, but only one cleansed leper returned to thank Jesus.' One who has experienced God's wonder is a new man. He knows all that he has, and he is God's, and will 'Thank God with a loud voice'. One of the lepers expresses his love and gratitude to Jesus while others go back to their old ways.

It was easier now to experience God's healing touch since they are healed. But they failed to experience the loving encounter with the Lord. Their experience of healing remained only at the physical level. We all need healing and only God can heal us. We experience God's healing touch most intensively in the celebration of the Eucharist.

Fr Jayanthi Maddala HGN

PRIEST IN-SERVICE

As all our Priests will be attending the Priest in-service meeting this coming week, there will be no Tuesday Mass at Holy Family or Wednesday Mass at St Mary's this week. Weekday Masses for these days will remain available at St Joseph's Cathedral at 5.30pm each day.

ROSARY IN THE PARK

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. You have the following opportunities to join with members of the community for a Rosary in the Park during the month, **ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.**

When : Saturday, 15th October

Where: 10:30am Central Park, Denham St, Rockhampton (opposite Hungry Jacks) OR 10:00am, Fig Tree Park, Yeppoon

NOVEMBER BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Books of Remembrance are available in each church, you are invited to add names of family & friends who have passed, and they will be remembered in the November Memorial Mass.

ROCKHAMPTON PARISHES MEMORIAL MASS 2022

Anyone who has recently experienced the death of a family member or friend are invited to our annual Memorial Mass to be held at Holy Family Church at 5.30pm on All Soul's Day, Wednesday 2nd November.

Invitations have been sent to families who have had funerals in our parishes. We are very aware that due to COVID19 restrictions there may be many who have not been able to attend funerals in the past 12 months, we warmly welcome anyone who would like to attend for this or any other reason. There will be light refreshments to follow. For catering purposes, please advise if you are attending by phoning the Parish Office: 49282800 or email: nrcpadmin@rok.catholic.net.au.

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND

We join with the following children and their families and pray that they will grow in their love of God: Fletcher Rosenberg, Hudson Waller, George Milne, John Roche, Iris Roche.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday:	5:30pm	St Joseph's Cathedral
Tuesday:	9:00am	No Mass
	5:30pm	St Joseph's Cathedral
Wednesday:	9:00am	No Mass
	5:30pm	St Joseph's Cathedral
Thursday:	8:00am	St Joseph's Cathedral
	4:30-7pm	Adoration St Mary's Church
Friday:	9:00am	Our Lady Help of Christians
	5:30pm	St Joseph's Cathedral
Saturday:	9:00am	St Joseph's Cathedral

Penance:

Saturday	9:30 - 10:30am	St Joseph's Cathedral - following the 9am Mass
	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>	\$1924.00	\$426.00	\$1060.00	\$375.00
Loose	\$1776.40	\$95.00	\$637.95	\$317.80

BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

Malnutrition is a challenge many families face in Ethiopia, especially those with babies and young children. In two weeks' time, you will learn about Neela* and her son Ajani*, and how families like theirs can be supported through a new Church-run community program.

This is an opportunity to partner with a life-giving mission program – your prayers and generosity are crucial in ensuring this program can even begin.

This is also a great way to commit to being witnesses of Jesus Christ, as He has called us to be in Acts 1:8.

*Name altered to protect identity



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VOCATIONS RETREAT FOR WOMEN

A retreat exploring vocation, discernment and the call to holiness will be offered at The Haven, Emu Park on the weekend of 18th to 20th November. The retreat is open to all single women, and will be led by the Sisters of Mary Morning Star from Brisbane. Further details to come. To register interest or enquiries please contact vocations@rok.catholic.net.au.

YOUTH GROUP

All Highschoolers welcome! Term 4 dates at Holy Family Hall are:

- Friday 21st October (7-9pm)
- Saturday 5th November (6-8pm)
- Friday 18th November (7-9pm)
- Saturday 3rd December - Christmas Breakup at Kershaw Gardens.

The youth are reaching out to those in need... **CAN YOU HELP?** On Friday 21st October the youth will be preparing items and cards to go to homeless and elderly. Please help us by donating any spare, new toothbrushes, soap or hand creams to the Parish Office by Friday 21st October. Thankyou so much for your help! For more info: northrockyyouth@gmail.com

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.

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference

A WORKSHOP FOR SINGERS AND MUSICIANS

Date: Monday 24 October 2022

Venue: Kevin Castles Conference Centre, West Street

Time: 6:30pm to 8:30pm Cost: \$10

A simple meal will be available from 5:30pm at a cost of \$10. Advise of any dietary requirements when registering. Please contact the North Rockhampton Parish Office before Friday 21 October to RSVP if you would like to attend. Email: nrcpadmin@rok.catholic.net.au

CATHOLIC PASTORAL CARE AT ROCKHAMPTON HOSPITAL

(including Eventide & North Rocky Nursing Home)

As part of the hospital Volunteer Program, we take this opportunity to invite suitable people to join the Catholic Pastoral Care Team. There is a real need to increase the capacity of the team to provide support and services. If anyone is interested please contact the Coordinator, Sr Annette Arnold at: pastoralcare.rockhampton@rok.catholic.net.au. Everyone doing pastoral/spiritual care in a CQ Qld Health facility, comes under the Volunteer Program and must be trained and referred by Bishop Michael to undertake this ministry.

If anyone who is a **Eucharistic Minister** would be able to regularly take Communion to a resident at the North Rockhampton Nursing Centre please also contact Sr Annette. Thank you!

POSITION VACANT - Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton

Expressions of interest are invited from persons with suitable qualifications/experience to join the Community Engagement Office in any of the following areas - appeals management, public relations, organisational communications and donor relations. Flexible working proposals and being based in any part of the Diocese of Rockhampton will be considered. Please phone 4887 3090 or email hr@rok.catholic.net.au to discuss whether your skills may match the Diocese's requirements.

POSITION VACANT - Mercy Community Aged Care Services

Mercy Community Aged Care Services are looking for someone fill their **Mission / Pastoral Care Lead** position. This is a permanent full-time role in Rockhampton, commencing in October. For further information and to apply go to <https://mercyys.applynow.net.au/jobs/MCS2356> attach your resume, answer some quick questions, and your application will be on its way.

SAINT MARY'S BBQ AFTER MASS—Sunday 16th October at St Mary's from 8am

ECUMENICAL CORNER

Promotion of the restoration of unity among all Christians is one of the chief concerns of the Second Sacred Ecumenical Synod of the Vatican. The Church established by Christ the Lord is indeed one and unique. Yet many Christian Communions present themselves to men as the true heritage of Jesus Christ....Without doubt, this discord openly contradicts the will of Christ, provides a stumbling block to the world and inflicts damage on the most holy cause of proclaiming the Good News to every creature. (Article 1 Introduction Decree on Ecumenism)

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>

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