

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.

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5th & 6th November, 2022

First Reading: 2 Macc 7:1-2,9-14
The king of the world will receive us into life eternal at the resurrection.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 16:1,5-6,8,15
Lord, When your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Second Reading: 2 Thess 2:16-3:5
May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

Gospel: Luke: 20:27-38
He is not a God of the dead but of the living.

Next Sunday's Readings: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Mal 3:19-20

Second Reading: 2 Thess 3:7-12

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: Vigil Saturday 5 / Sunday 6 November

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:
Next Mass: 11:15am Sunday 13th November

BISHOP'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

I send you greetings this weekend as I am at the ACBC meeting in Sydney, as the Australian Bishops gather at the shrine of St Mary MacKillop. Please be assured of my prayers for all of you as the Bishops celebrate daily Mass at the shrine.

This weekend we begin to reflect on our Cathedral and the Conservation Appeal. The Diocese has a very beautiful Cathedral and I invite you to assist with the conservation of this most beautiful building, so that it will be there for our future generations.

Next weekend it will be great to be able to declare our Cathedral scaffold free and to also have the Cathedral open for all liturgical events. A reminder that there will be morning tea after the 9.30am Sunday Mass to celebrate.

Also next weekend, there will be a report from the Rockhampton Parishes' Pastoral Council. This will be an opportunity to reflect on the work that has happened over the past 18 months with the Pastoral Council and its vision for the future. After the Mass a member of the Pastoral Council will be available to discuss any issues.

At the Saturday evening Cathedral Mass I will welcome Fr Varghese, the Superior of the Mysore Province, Carmelites of Mary Immaculate Order, who is doing a pastoral visitation of the priests who work in our Diocese from that Order. Fathers Sijo and Shaiju have been with us for nearly six years and they are currently working in the Bundaberg Parish and the Parishes of the Central West.

Some sad news this week, Fr Shaiju's sister died and he has travelled back to India for the funeral and to be with family. Please keep Fr Shaiju and the family in your prayers.

With best wishes

Bishop Michael McCarthy

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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: Kevin Doyle, Valsamma Jaacob (sister of Fr Shaiju), Ellen Jenkins, Alan Poole, Lorna Hayes, Lorraine Smith

Anniversaries: Liz Zammit, Peter Reynolds, Peter Durkin, Brian Daley, Pauline Sisley

Those who are sick: John Cavanagh, Michael Harris, Marie Lawrence (Brisbane), Kelly Reynolds, Veronica Dobson, Laura & Baby Otto, Jim Van Brink, Goronwy Jones, Claudette Rieck, Robyn Grant, Patricia Fern-Smith, Brittney Higgins, Barry Carter, Beverley Johnson, Marion Brigg, Bernie Brady, Kevin Hynes (Marybrough), Bev Bartlem, Ray Norton, John Dobson, Nguyen Thi Nhuan (Vietnam), Carmel Schick, Christopher Steer, Nena Suclan, Pat James, Daisy Maturin, Tony Wilkinson, John Manwaring, Mirita Abenzi, Gino Abenzi, Pat Healey, Gwenda Casey, 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 reading presents to us the theme of life after death or resurrection. The belief in resurrection is central to Christian faith. It is what sustains our hope, otherwise our hope will be in vain. In the creed we profess and believe in the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. The greatest testimony for life after death is the resurrection of Jesus. We believe that Christ's resurrection is a victory over death and those who shared in the baptism of Christ would also share in the resurrection of Christ.

On this day, let us ask ourselves a question: Do we live and behave like people who believe in resurrection? The life of the resurrection is a reward for those who lived good and virtuous lives according to the gospel message and its values.

Fr Matthias Ogwo

ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL CONSERVATION APPEAL

This weekend, we are invited to give generously to the Cathedral Conservation Appeal. Construction of St Joseph's Cathedral began in 1894 and was completed in 1899, albeit with a temporary wall. The conservation of this magnificent building for future generations, a symbol of our faith, is a responsibility that we as members of the Diocesan family are all invited to share in. We invite you today to prayerfully consider donating or setting up a regular monthly gift. You can donate using the QR code, or one of the envelopes available in the churches or go online to the Diocesan website: <https://rok.catholic.net.au/donate>. Thank you for your support and generosity.

BAPTISMS THIS WEEK

We welcome Caleb Isla, Cooper Barnes and Charlie Goodman and their families as they are baptised in the waters of Baptism at Holy Family Church



CHRISTMAS THANK YOU FUNCTION FOR ALL IN MINISTRY

An invitation is extended to all people who undertake ministry in all Parishes across Rockhampton to a thank you function with Bishop Michael - **Thursday 24th November from 4-6pm**. For further information and to RSVP for catering please reply online at <https://forms.office.com/r/Ui4TwASZPG> or contact the Parish Office.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT JESUS?

You are very welcome to join to watch "Who is Jesus?" on Tuesday 15 November at Holy Family Hall from 10:30 – 11:30am following morning tea at 10:00am; or on Wednesday 23 November at Duhig Conference Centre from 7:30-8:30pm following drinks and nibbles at 7:00pm. Please RSVP to Trish Jones at the Parish Office and advise of any dietary needs. nrcpadmin@rok.catholic.net.au or 4928 2800.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES MASS

Bishop Michael invites all couples who have celebrated a significant wedding anniversary over the last 12 months to join him at the 9.30am Cathedral Mass, Sunday 20 November to celebrate these milestones and receive a blessing.

Contact the Bishops Office, bishopsoffice@rok.catholic.net.au or 4887 3070, to advise of your attendance, names and the significance of the anniversary.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday:	5:30pm	St Joseph's Cathedral
Tuesday:	9:00am	Holy Family Church
	5:30pm	St Joseph's Cathedral
Wednesday:	9:00am	St Mary's Church
	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
	6:30pm	Syro Malabar Mass 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>	\$1,919.15	\$441.00	\$1372.00	\$385.00
Loose	\$2,018.90	\$148.55	\$917.15	\$258.90

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2023

All families of the Catholic Worshipping Communities of Rockhampton wishing for their child to participate in the 2023 Sacramental Program are now invited complete the online form using QR code. Baptised children turning **9 years (or older)** in 2023 are invited to take part. If you have a younger child or one not yet baptised but would like them to be considered, please contact the Parish office 49282800 to discuss and to make an appointment with the priest.

The faith journey that leads one to the Sacraments of the Church fosters a deep sense of belonging and a holy relationship with God, family and community in order to carry out the mission of Christ in the World.



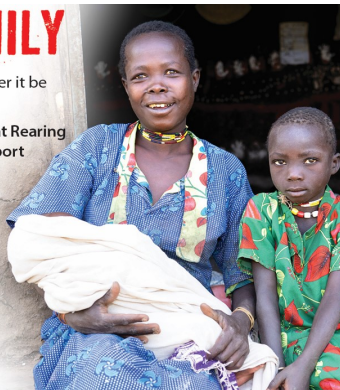
BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

We would like to thank you again for your generosity to the recent Catholic Mission Appeal, whether it be through a one-off gift or your commitment as a monthly Mission Partner.

Your generosity and prayers are supporting life-changing mission programs like the Deberety Goat Rearing Centre in Emdibir, Ethiopia, where the Church and community are working together to help support those in most need, like Neela* and her family, by addressing critical issues such as malnutrition.

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. If you missed your opportunity to learn about this vital mission program, or wish to lend your support once again, please go to catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia or scan the QR code below today.

*Name altered to protect identity



Freecall: 1800 257 296
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CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT - THIS WEEKEND

The final, Christmas themed, **Chamber Music Concert** for 2022 will be at **St Joseph's Cathedral** this **Sunday, November 6 at 2:00pm**. It is requested to be seated by 1:45pm and enter through the front. Enjoy the talent of students from *The Cathedral College, St Peter's, St Joseph's Wandal* and *St Paul's Gracemere* as they perform solos, duets, chamber and ensemble pieces.

WORLD YOUTH DAY DATE-CLAIMER

Bishop Michael is leading a diocesan pilgrimage to World Youth Day in 2023. The group will leave Australia on the 28th of July travelling to Avila, Segovia and Salamanca in Spain, then on to Lisbon for World Youth Day followed by a 3 day retreat at Fatima, and then arriving back in Australia on the 11th of August. All pilgrims travelling with the diocesan group must be over 18 and preferably not older than 35. This is an amazing experience of the global Church that every young Catholic should try to get to at least once in their life. Registrations will officially open in November. To express interest and receive more information please contact Mick at youth@rok.catholic.net.au or 0433 897 973.

THE RANGE CONVENT SCHOOL REUNION

A shout out to all past Range Convent Ladies who, at any time studied at the school, to the Annual Reunion on Saturday, 12 November, 2022, from 11.30am, at the Frenchville Sports Club. This event will be a self-costing lunch - [numbers for seating arrangements](#). \$5 at door covers room hire & raffles. Contact Rhonda Cahill 0438 827 288 rhonda.cahill@bigpond.com or Helen Pearson 0409 041 139 hpearson3@bigpond.com for details.



ECUMENICAL SERVICE - ROCKHAMPTON CHURCHES TOGETHER

You are warmly welcome to a Prayer Service for Rockhampton Churches Together and it's Regions taking place at Mt Archer this Sunday 6 November at 5:00pm. Followed by a sausage sizzle.

ECUMENICAL CORNER

I pray not only for these but also for those who through their teaching will come to believe in Me. May they all be one, just as, Father, you are in me and I am in you, so that they also may be in us so that the world may believe it was you who sent me. I have given them the glory you gave to me, that they may be one as we are one. With me in them and you in me, may they be so perfected in unity that the world will recognize that it was you who sent me and that you have loved them as you loved me.

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: psoadmin@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/

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. To register interest or enquiries please contact vocations@rok.catholic.net.au.

THURSDAY CRAFT GROUP

Interested in meeting new friends or maybe learn how to knit! Come and join the ladies Holy Family Hall from 10am on Thursday.

YOUTH GROUP

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

- Friday 18th November (7-9pm)
- Saturday 3rd December - Christmas Breakup at Kershaw Gardens.

CATHEDRAL RE-OPENING

Our Cathedral will be fully re-opening after the roof replacement next weekend - 12th & 13th November. To celebrate, a morning tea will be held after the 9.30am Mass on Sunday, 13th November. All are welcome. There will be ice-blocks for all children.

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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