

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.

Fourth Sunday of Easter 20th & 21st April 2024

LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE MASS

First Reading Acts: 4:8-12
This is the only name by which we can be saved.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm: 117:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29
R: The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.

Second Reading 1 John: 3:1-2
We shall see God as he is.

Gospel John: 10:11-18
The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.

27th & 28th April **Fifth Sunday of Easter**
First Reading Acts: 9:26-31
Second Reading Psalm: 21:26-28, 30-32
Gospel John: 15:1-8

27th & 28th April Mass Times

Saturday	9:00am	St Joseph's Cathedral
	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
	This Mass is livestreamed and available publicly at www.youtube.com/user/StJosephsCathRton	
6:00pm	St Joseph's Cathedral	

At Holy Mass, just before the reception of holy communion. We do see the priest raise the body of Christ over the chalice saying: "Behold the lamb of God...and ends with Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the lamb" and we say: "**Lord I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**" One may ask: is it in the bible?

It is first expressed by a Roman centurion who in humility and trust asks Jesus to heal his servant, who is at his house, paralysed and in distress (Mathew 8:5-13). As a gentile outside of God's covenant, and as a Roman officer in charge of one hundred soldiers who are oppressing God's people, this centurion humbly acknowledges his unworthiness to have Jesus come to his house.

Yet he expresses a great faith that surpasses many in the Gospels and amazes even Jesus: He believes Jesus can heal from afar, simply by speaking his word: "But only say the word, and my servant will be healed" (Mathew 8:8). Jesus praises this man for his faith.

As Catholics, what is our attitude towards the Holy Eucharist? And how do we approach Holy Communion at Mass? Like the centurion, we should approach Holy Communion with great Humility and Trust. We come to Jesus with humility when we recognize our unworthiness to have him come under the 'roof' of our souls in Holy Communion, and just as the centurion believes Jesus is able to heal his servant, so do we trust that Jesus can heal us as he becomes the most intimate guest of our soul in the Eucharist. We should also accord him moments of silence in our hearts.

Edward Sri. *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass: Understanding What We Say and Do in the Liturgy* Revised Edition (West Chester PA: Ascension, 2021) pp 172-173.

AFTER HOURS CLERGY CONTACT Should you require a Priest in an emergency after hours please call (07) 3830 5216

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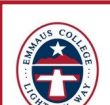
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Rockhampton Catholic Parishes

- **Baptisms** For more details on the bookings and required preparation sessions, call the Parish office P 4927 6744.
- **Marriages** For more details on the bookings and required preparation sessions, call the Parish office P 4927 6744. Advanced notice and preparation is required (6 months minimum).
- **Funerals** For more details, call the Parish office P 4927 6744 or E funerals@rok.catholic.net.au
- **Hospital Visitation** Rockhampton Base Hospital. To arrange a pastoral or sacramental visit E pastoralcare.rockhampton@rok.catholic.net.au
- **Becoming a Catholic** If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic, call the Parish office P 4927 6744 or E rcianorthrocky@gmail.com
- **Rockhampton Parishes Pastoral Council** The Rockhampton Parishes Pastoral Council (RPPC) consists of elected members from each Parish and meet regularly. For more details please speak to your parish representative or E RPPC@rok.catholic.net.au

Please remember in your prayers

Recently deceased Lionel Reynolds, Allan Hore (Gympie),

Anniversaries Vince & Beverly Murphy, Gerry Bailey, Edward Curtain SNR.

Those who are sick Steven Senini, Paul Barry, Loretta Bruckley, Marietta Scott, Mary Busby, Colleen Keeley, Graham Swadling, Raymond Trevaskis, Barbara Trevaskis, Stephen Balkin, Fr Peter Tonti, Ronnie Camenzuli, Sarah Siganto, Gino Abenzi, Barry Clanfield, Connie Waldron, Alan and Joy Liddell, Lorraine Charles, Don & Donna Wedel, Stephen Jones, Carmel Kendall, Narelle Beavan, Allana Brooks, Penny Desouza, Angela White, Michael Webb, Kelly Reynolds, Elaine Winter, Annielyn Punzalan, June Poole & The Poole family, Marion Brigg, Cherry Butac, Bev Bartlem, Michael Harris, Daisy Maturin, Linda Samms, Jeanette Allen, Barry Carter, Jean Battour, John Dobson, Tony Wilkinson, Patricia Fern-Smith, Beverly Johnson, John Manwaring, Patricia Ann Borthwick,

✠ When providing names, please indicate on which list the person needs to be.

✠ When requesting family and friends be included in the recently bereaved or sick list, ensure you have their permission.

✠ When circumstances change and the person listed can be removed from any of the lists, call the Parish office P 4927 6744.

Weekday Mass Times

Monday	7:00 am	St Joseph's Cathedral
Tuesday	9:00 am	Holy Family Church
	5:30 pm	St Joseph's Cathedral
Wednesday	9:00 am	St Mary's Church
	12:00 noon	St Joseph's Cathedral
Thursday	8:00am	St Joseph's Cathedral—ANZAC DAY
	4.30-6.30 pm	Adoration at St Mary's Church
Friday	9:00 am	Our Lady Help of Christians
	12:00 noon	St Joseph's Cathedral
Saturday	9:00 am	St Joseph's Cathedral

Penance

✠ Saturday 9:30-10:30 am St Joseph's Cathedral

✠ Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm Holy Family Church

Anointing of the Sick

✠ 1st Saturday of the month during the 9 am Mass at St Joseph's Cathedral.

✠ 1st Friday of the month during the 9 am Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians, Park Avenue.

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS PRAYER

Lord, you are the good shepherd who calls us by name and asks us to follow you.

May the Holy Spirit kindle the hearts of those who you are calling to the priesthood and consecrated life.

Give them courage to respond to their vocation to serve your Church.

May all of us seek to know you better, to faithfully follow your call to holiness, and proclaim the gospel to the world.



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON

ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP THE RPPC?

The Rockhampton Parishes' Pastoral Council meets once per month on Mondays from 5:00pm to approximately 6:30pm in the Parish Centre. To assist with documenting our deliberations and communicating with the parishes, we are looking for a parishioner to join us during the gatherings to take minutes. If you are interested or would like to recommend someone, please contact Simon Warren on 0439 076 557 or talk to your RPPC member. Our next meeting will be held on **April 22nd** and any help offered will be greatly appreciated. Thanks for your consideration.

NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH THE WORKER

As we pray for vocations this weekend you are invited to pray our annual diocesan novena to St Joseph for vocations. The novena starts this Tuesday the 23rd of April and ends on the 1st of May, the feast day of St Joseph the Worker. You can find the novena online at <https://rok.catholic.net.au/catholic-faith/vocations/pray-for-vocations/novena/> or scan the QR code.



FR PETER DOHERTY'S FAREWELL

All parishioners are invited to come together to farewell Fr Peter Doherty from the Rockhampton Catholic Community. Come and join the sausage sizzle and refreshments at the St Joseph's Cathedral Parish Centre on Tuesday 30th April from 6pm.

To assist with catering or to advise of any special dietary requirements please contact the parish office on P. 4927 6744 or E cposj.admin@rok.catholic.net.au



Rocky Catholic Youth Group

All high schoolers are welcome to come to Youth Group for fun, fellowship, food and faith!

Term 2 dates

- May 4th - Holy Family after 5pm Mass
- May 11th - Cathedral Centre
- June 1st - Holy Family
- June 8th - Cathedral Centre



WELCOME TO OUR CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES

This week we welcome Manaia & Archer Stock, Luna Goltz and Laykyn Bryan as they are baptised in the waters of Baptism at Holy Family Church, Norman Gardens. Please keep these children and families in your prayers.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE GOSPEL OF JOHN?

Dr Edward Sri has produced a video series on the Gospel of John entitled "Follow Me". You can get online access to this series from Ascension Press. You are welcome to join Di-Anne Rowan at Holy Family Church on Tuesday 7 May from 10:30 to 11:30am to see the first session. Please RSVP to Trish Jones at the Parish Centre.

Sacraments of Initiation for High School Students

Any parents who would like their sons or daughters who attend a high school in Rockhampton to prepare to receive any of these Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist – is invited to contact the following people to register their interest:

- For students at Emmaus College please contact Ms Aine Toman, Assistant Principal: Mission aine_toman@emmaus.qld.edu.au
- For students at The Cathedral College please contact Mr Pat Egan, Deputy Principal: Mission Patrick.Egan@tccr.com.au
- For students at all other high schools please contact Mrs Trish Jones, Parish Secretary cposj.admin@rok.catholic.net.au

THE ADULT SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Are you able to help teach the faith, even for a couple of months to complement the current team? Please send your expression of interest E rcianorthrocky@gmail.com or P 4927 6744.

MOTHER EFFECT

Young Catholic families are invited to play, sing, pray and connect over coffee. Fortnightly Wednesdays mornings. Contact Laura for more info on 0434552280

ECUMENICAL CORNER

Pope John XXIII expressed his strong belief in the unity of the Christian Churches. He describes Christian unity in this way. "With regard to other Christians, to the great Christian family..... what unites us is much greater than what divides us". The Second Vatican Council also exhorts "all Christ's faithful to remember that the more they strive to live according to the Gospel, the more they are fostering and even practicing Christian unity". (Art 20 That They May All Be One.) **Name some of the elements that unite us with people of other Christian denominations**

National Catholic Safeguarding Standards

The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton abides by the principles of the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards (2022) and is committed to safeguarding, with a specific focus on protecting children and adults at risk. For further information or support please contact the Diocesan Professional Standards and Safeguarding office:

Response line 1800 830 113 (free call) or E pssomanager@rok.catholic.net.au

For more information see the Diocesan website <http://rok.catholic.net.au/our-diocese/safeguarding/>

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Your Local Parish Safeguarding Representatives

Kathy Bryan – St Joseph's Cathedral Helen Mollard – Holy Family Shaun Pettett – Our Lady Help of Christians Mike Kelso – St Mary's

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