

Surfers Paradise Catholic Parish

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**ONE PARISH
three churches**

Sacred Heart
50 Fairway Drive,
Clear Island Waters

St Vincent's
40 Hamilton Avenue,
Surfers Paradise

Stella Maris
254 Hedges Avenue,
Broadbeach

PASTORAL

Very Reverend
Fr Tim Harris
Parish Priest & Dean
of South Coast Deanery

Fr Nicholas Okafor
Associate Pastor

Fr Regimon Gervasis
MCBS
Associate Pastor

Helen Goldsmith
Pastoral Ministry
Coordinator

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St Vincent's School
Clear Island Waters
Phone: 5572 1746
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St Kevin's School
Benowa
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Merrimac
Phone: 5530 2722
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5th SUNDAY IN LENT — YEAR C **12th / 13th MARCH 2016**

HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES AND EASTER SUNDAY MASS TIMES



SACRED HEART CHURCH,
50 Fairway Drive, Clear Island Waters

SACRED HEART CHURCH, CLEAR ISLAND WATERS

PALM SUNDAY: 6pm Vigil (Reconciliation 5pm)

9am & 6pm Sunday

RECONCILIATION:

After 9am Mass on Tuesday 22nd March.

HOLY THURSDAY: Mass of the Lords Supper 7pm

GOOD FRIDAY: Stations of the Cross 10.00am

PASSION OF THE LORD: 3.00pm

EASTER VIGIL: 7.00pm

EASTER SUNDAY: 9.00am and 6.00pm



ST VINCENT'S CHURCH
40 HAMILTON AVENUE, SURFERS PARADISE

ST VINCENT'S CHURCH, SURFERS PARADISE

PALM SUNDAY: 6pm Vigil (Reconciliation 5.15pm)

8am & 10am Sunday

RECONCILIATION:

After 7am Mass on Monday 21st March.

GOOD FRIDAY: Stations of the Cross 10.00am

PASSION OF THE LORD: 3.00pm

EASTER SUNDAY: 8.00am and 10.00am



STELLA MARIS CHURCH
254 HEDGES AVENUE, BROADBEACH

STELLA MARIS CHURCH, BROADBEACH

PALM SUNDAY: 5pm Vigil (Reconciliation 4.15pm)

MASS at 7am & 8.30am Sunday

RECONCILIATION:

After 9am Mass on Wednesday 23rd March.

GOOD FRIDAY: Stations of the Cross 10.00am

PASSION OF THE LORD: 3.00pm

EASTER SUNDAY: 7.00am and 8.30am

PLEASE NOTE: HOLY THURSDAY AND EASTER VIGIL ONLY AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

READINGS: Isaiah 43: 16-21; Philippians 3: 8-14; John 8: 1-11

FEASTS: Thurs 17th St Patrick, bishop; Sat 19th St Joseph, husband of Mary

NEXT WEEK: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord: (Entrance Lk 19: 28-40); Is 50: 4-7; Phil 2: 6-11; Lk 22:14 – 23:56

REFLECTION: *Today's readings conclude the theme of reconciliation. Isaiah exhorts the Israelites to trust that God will continue to come to their aid, to rescue them and to forgive their transgressions. They are to focus on God's kindness rather than dwell on past sins. They are to anticipate this "new thing" God is about to do on their behalf.*

The powerfully emotional and personal section of Paul's letter echoes Isaiah. Paul describes himself as "forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead". So decisive has been Paul's experience of forgiveness in Jesus Christ that he looks upon his entire previous life as "rubbish".

It is Jesus who illustrates what divine love looks like – a love that unconditionally forgives our past sins and frees us to lead a new life of grace. In the gospel the Scribes and Pharisees personify the harsh judgement of Law, with a further hidden agenda for their self-righteousness. But Jesus doesn't condone the woman's sin. Rather he reveals the hypocrisy of her accusers while restoring her to a sense of self-worth. Jesus tells her to "sin no more" and she leaves her encounter reconciled to God, her community and to herself.

PRAYER: *Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Lamb of God; you take away the sins of the world. Through the grace of the Holy Spirit restore me to friendship with your Father; cleanse me from every stain of sin in the blood you shed for me, and raise me to new life for the glory of your name. (Rite of Penance, n 91).*

PLEASE NOTE: The Priests of the Parish will be attending the Convocation of Clergy from Tuesday 15th March and Chrism Mass until late Wednesday evening 16th March. **NO 9.00am MASS at STELLA MARIS ON WEDNESDAY 16th MARCH.**



EASTER TRIDUUM CEREMONIES

Thank you to those who have offered their services to the Triduum ceremonies in the Parish. The Triduum roster is available at all Mass centres this weekend for those not on email.

In preparation for the Triduum ceremonies, we are seeking volunteers to assist with:

Preparation of the Altar of Repose: This will be set up in the Parish Hospitality Centre from 2pm, and take approximately an hour.

Preparation and coordination of the Easter fire: We have a cauldron for the Easter fire which will be set in place on Holy Thursday. We are seeking someone or two who would be able to source the materials for the conflagration (sand, fire starters, wood, lighting fluid), prepare the fire on Holy Saturday and monitor the lighting of the fire prior to the Easter Vigil on Easter Saturday night. The fire then needs to be monitored as it dies down over the next hour or so. We would be very grateful for any assistance offered.

PASSION SUNDAY IS NEXT WEEK. WE NEED YOUR PALMS!



Please bring any green palm leaves to the Parish Office Thursday or Friday morning this week. We are seeking volunteers to give an hour or two of their time **after Friday morning 9am Mass on 18th March to assist** in cutting up these palms for distribution at all Masses next weekend. Bring your own secateurs please!

St Paul's Holy Week Missal \$5 available from Piety Stores at Sacred Heart and St Vincent's.

Blessings, Helen Goldsmith

CARITAS RESPONSE TO THE CYCLONE IN FIJI

Caritas staff in Tonga are working in Vava'u and Ha'apai to monitor the situation and assess damage and needs. In Fiji the Caritas network is prepared to respond as needed and the assessment of needs has now begun. After responding to immediate needs following the cyclone, Caritas Australia is committed to accompanying Fiji and Tonga and other Pacific nations that remain vulnerable through the cyclone season. **"We are encouraging our supporters to raise funds for our current Project Compassion Lenten Appeal which helps vulnerable Pacific communities such as Tonga and Fiji respond to emergencies, build back stronger and prepare for future disasters."** We encourage our Parishioners to donate today to www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion.

CHRISM MASS: Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites you to the Annual Chrism Mass to be held in the Cathedral of St Stephen on Wednesday 16th March, 2016 commencing at 7.00pm. This is a celebration for the entire Archdiocese and all are welcome.

PRAYING THE ROSARY The statue of Our Lady will be at the home of Mason & Nadia Albokord or Benowa, commencing Monday **14th March 2016**. Please phone Maxine or Patrick Sela on 5539 9539 and invite Our Lady to your home for a week. If you can't collect the statue due to transport problems we can deliver the statue to you. **Thank you, Pat & Maxine**

What's happening in the Parish

STELLA MARIS CHURCH: We are delighted to advise that the Stella Maris Church received two awards at the Institute of Architects Gold Coast/Northern Rivers Regional Awards dinner last Friday evening.

It received the People's Choice Award from the public voting and the Architects' received a Commendation from the Institute of Architects Jury of their peers.

Our congratulations go to Patrick McGuinness and Lee and Sandra Dunne on this wonderful accolade.

ART & CRAFT NEWS: The Easter Raffle to help our Youth be represented at the WORLD YOUTH DAY in POLAND continues and will be available for the next few weeks. Fantastic prizes including a **Soniq 42" TV valued at \$500**; a set of **Sennheiser Momentum On-Ear Headphones and Sony Bluetooth Sound Cube Entertainment pack valued at \$400**; **Royal Pines Voucher valued at \$430**; a Pack containing a **Retro Digital Radio/Toaster/Kettle to match valued at \$250**; and more. **TICKETS: \$5 each or 3 for \$10.** Your support for these activities is greatly appreciated. **Thank you from The Craft Group and the Parish Mission Council.**



SURFERS PARADISE CATHOLIC LADIES FRIENDSHIP DAY

10am to 1.30pm
Thursday 17th March in the
Parish Hospitality Centre,
Clear Island Waters



Usual Fun and Cards of your choice

EASTER/ST PATRICK'S HAT PARADE! Prize for best dressed!

\$5 entrance, Raffle and Lucky Door Prizes

All Welcome

Contact Irene Ross 5562 1260 for more information

God the Weaver: Creating Life's Tapestry Together.

He is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! Come join us on a post Easter, multigenerational women's retreat. Create your own tapestry as you take sacred time in prayer, community and walking the grounds of Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, celebrating the richness of God's presence in your life.

When: 6pm Monday 28 March, finishing with 9am Morning Prayer Friday 1st April. Facilitators: Grace Harwood and Sue Thomas. Optional Add-ons:

- You are welcome to stay a day longer and embed the retreat in a day of quiet and solitude on Friday 1st April 10am – 4pm. Or
- Take the opportunity to embed the retreat by experiencing a weekend of quiet and solitude. 10am Friday 1st April to 2pm Sunday 3rd April.

Cost: Retreat (including Accommodation, Meals and Materials) \$550. Day of Solitude (Friday 1st - includes Morning Tea, Lunch and Afternoon Tea) \$30. Weekend of Solitude (1st-3rd - including all meals) \$350

For additional information or to register contact: Grace Harwood 0409 524 283 or grace@dragonflyministries.net.au



Join us at Venire this Thursday as we enter into our last week of our Lenten Mercy series! We are wrapping up our series with looking into the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and two incredible Saints: St Faustina and Pope Saint John Paul II. We hope you'll join us this Thursday from 6:30-8:30 in the Parish Hospitality Centre. Please RSVP to Steph on **0411 669 876** or Facebook [facebook.com/venireyouth](https://www.facebook.com/venireyouth).

LIBRARY NEWS: Fasting and our use of creation is so that we may be compassionate for the poor. The display at the back of Sacred Heart contains books on this major theme of Lent. Pope Francis' "Laudato Si": a book called "The Sacred Art of Fasting": recipes from "St Hildegard's Kitchen": and books about our heavenly food "The Eucharist".



Find them in the display cabinet at the **southern end of Sacred Heart Church** where you can now also find our Read and Return trolley.

BOOK CLUB: Members are reminded that we will be gathering on Tuesday March 15 to discuss Donna Tartt's novel "The Goldfinch".

SURFERS PARADISE CATHOLIC LADIES (SPCL)

Friendship, hospitality, fellowship and prayer. MORNING TEA after the Anointing Mass 1st Tuesday of every month (next 5 April). Members are asked to please bring a plate to share.

FRIENDSHIP DAY (morning tea, cards, bingo) 3rd Thursday of every month. \$5 Ph. Irene Ross 0419 751 823



SACRED HEART BRIDGE CLUB will hold Beginners Lessons in April. Please phone **Cheryl 5538 8821** to book. All Bridge players are welcome to join the Club on Monday afternoons. Contact Cheryl to arrange Partnership.

EASTER PASSION PLAY BRISBANE: The Iona Passion Play Saturday **March 19th** & Good Friday **March 25th** at 7:30pm at Iona College **Wynnum West** (outdoors).

Tickets: Early Bird: \$12-\$17: At the Door: \$15-\$20
Children (under 15) \$5 Children (5 & under) FREE

Bookings: www.passionplay.org.au Enquiries: **3333 1993**

Monday to Friday 7.30am to 3.30pm at **Sacred Heart Church**
PH: 0435 721 258
Catering Options available



OPEN AFTER 9AM MASS EASTER SUNDAY

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL FRIENDSHIP GROUP will meet for Lunch on

THURSDAY 24th MARCH 12 noon at the Lone Star Tavern, Markeri Street, Mermaid Waters.

Phone Leona on 5538 7070



ALL WELCOME!

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
7am ST VINCENT'S	9.00am SACRED HEART Anointing Mass 11am on First Tuesday 5th April At 11am	NO 9.00am Mass STELLA MARIS WEDNESDAY 15TH MARCH 2016	9.00am STELLA MARIS	7am ST VINCENT'S 9am SACRED HEART Year of Mercy Reconciliation 10-11.30 & 5-6.30	<u>RECONCILIATION</u> 4.15pm STELLA MARIS 5.00pm SACRED HEART 5.15pm ST VINCENT'S
NORMAL SUNDAY MASS TIMES	STELLA MARIS CHURCH Saturday evening 5.00pm AND Sunday 7.00am & 8.30am SACRED HEART CHURCH Saturday evening 6.00pm AND Sunday 9.00am & 6.00pm ST VINCENT'S CHURCH Saturday evening 6.00pm AND Sunday 8.00am & 10.00am				

MIGRANT CHAPLAINS / COMMUNITIES:

Polish: Sunday 11.30am Sacred Heart Church
Fr Bernard Bednarz 5504 6297

Italian: Sunday 4.00pm Sacred Heart Church
Fr Michele Cagna CS 0432110468—Pastoral Support
Felicia 5571 0858 — General Info.

Filipino: Mass on 2nd October at 12noon in Casey Hall
Fr Terence Nueva 3277 2252

Hispanic: 1st & 3rd Sundays 5—7pm St Vincent's Church
Fr Ignacio Gutierrez 0481 118 521
Email: paterignacio@yahoo.com

Art & Craft: Wed 9am-12.30pm Parish Hospitality Centre

Book Club: 3rd Tues 12noon. Parish Hospitality Centre

Bridge: Monday 12.30pm. Parish Hospitality Centre.

SPCL: Meeting 1.00pm 1st Tue. Hospitality Centre
Friendship Day 3rd Thurs 10am-1.30pm PH: 5562 1260

Parish Choir Practice: 8.30am 1st and last Saturdays
Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters.

Playgroup: Wednesdays 9.30am Casey Hall, Fairway Drive,
Clear Island Waters - Sarah 0410 701 515
**Playgroup is Volunteer Based— Each parent needs to sign
an attendee sheet at each session.**

Yoga: Tuesday 10.45am \$10/Session.

Zumba Gold: Friday 9.15am Casey Hall. Beginners and
Intermediate Levels. Susana Pozzi 0421 607 397

Baptisms: Please contact the Parish Office 5572 5433

Marriages: Please contact Parish Office 5572 5433 (6mths notice required)

Benediction: 1st Friday 7.30am St Vincent's Church, Surfers Paradise

**Children's Liturgy of the Word: Weekly at 9am Mass Sacred Heart Church.
Sunday 7th February 2016. At Stella Maris Church, Children's Liturgy is held
2nd Sunday of each Month at 8.30 Mass. Next date 13th March.**

Christian Meditation: Tuesday 10am (Youth Room) Pam Egberts 0428090703
and on Tuesday 6pm (Youth Room) Contact Parish Office

CFC Australia: Phone Butch & Mini 0424 583 168/9

Exposition: Monday & Friday 6am St Vincent's Church, Surfers Paradise
Tuesday 9.30am Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters
Thursday 9.45am St Vincent's Church, Surfers Paradise
Friday 7pm Sacred Heart Church, (1st Friday 7pm to 7am)

Carmelite Spirituality: 3rd Sunday of each month 10.30am PHC, CIW
Contact: Norm Harding 0421 125 575.

Rosary: Sunday 7.15am St Vincent's Church
Monday & Friday 6.25am St Vincent's Church
Tuesday & Friday 8.25am Sacred Heart Church, before Mass
Wednesday 8.25am Stella Maris Church, before 9.00am Mass

St Joseph's Prayer Group: 1st Wednesday 9.30am Sacred Heart Church

Youth Led Mass: 2nd Sunday 6pm Sacred Heart. **Next Mass 13th March.**

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kevin Wheeler Michael Kearney, Mike and Barbara (Sydney), Josie Connell (Vic), Kaylene Farrell, Fr. Trevor OGS, Zenaida Osborne, Swan, Bill O'Keeffe, Josie Connell, Jose Marian Komorowski (Poland), Fr Dom Portes. Cremesco SVS.

ANNIVERSARIES: Aurelio & Caridad Duazo, Donald Thomas, Peter Butler, Kath Browning, Arkley Debnam, Marie Olive Brown.

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Neville O'Neill, Kate Needham, Gus Reeves, Monica Bailey, Sage Amor (Canada), Brian Elsmore, Emile Van Deurse, Ron Mooney, Denise Tracey, Ron Perry, Paul Kiely, Denise Darwin (Syd), Rachel Raines, John Ashby, Theo Farr, Therese Brake, David Weldon, Dorelle Muller,

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT FOR US TO PUBLISH A NAME IN THIS LIST OF THE SICK YOU MUST HAVE THE PERMISSION OF THE PERSON LISTED OR THEIR FAMILY.



Have you thought about leaving a legacy?

Brochures on how to "Make a Bequest to the Surfers Paradise Parish" are in the brochure holders at the back of all churches.

For further information call the parish office 5575 5433.

CONTACT FORM:

Family Name: _____

Other Names: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

WHAT ARE YOU INTERESTED IN RIGHT NOW?

- REGISTERING IN PARISH SACRAMENT ENQUIRY YOUTH
 PRAYER REQUEST ROSTER AVAILABILITY
 OTHER: _____
 to commence Parish Planned Giving Program

Please place this completed form on the collection plate, or contact the Parish Office on 5572 5433 for further information.