

# 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 Paul Kelly**  
**Assisting Sacramental**  
**Minister**

**Helen Goldsmith**  
**Pastoral Ministry**  
**Coordinator**

## **PARISH STAFF**

**Sonya Slater**  
**Parish Manager**

**Marylou Ayres**  
**Parish Secretary**

**Pat Kelly**  
**Parish Assistant**

**Angela Williams**  
**Atrium Coordinator**

## **SCHOOLS**

**St Vincent's School**  
**Clear Island Waters**  
**Phone: 5572 1746**  
**P: Kerry Rowlands**

**St Kevin's School**  
**Benowa**  
**Phone: 5539 4522**  
**P: Peter Anderson**

**St Kevin's Kindergarten**  
**Phone: 5564 5910**  
**Director: Michelle Nelson**

**St Michael's College**  
**Merrimac**  
**Phone: 5530 2722**  
**P: Michael Nayler**

## **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR C** **12th / 13th NOVEMBER 2016**

**Dear Parishioners and Visitors,**

### **APPOINTMENT OF FR PAUL KELLY - ASSOCIATE PASTOR**

I am pleased to announce that Fr Paul Kelly, presently Police Chaplain and Parish Sacramental Minister has been appointed to Surfers Paradise Parish from the beginning of next year 2017, as Associate Pastor.

Fr Paul is already known to us and I feel sure that this appointment by the Archbishop will be well received by all. Fr Paul will join Fr Nicholas and Helen Goldsmith, our Pastoral Ministry Coordinator, in assisting me in overseeing the Pastoral and Sacramental life of the Parish.

I warmly welcome Fr Paul. He's previously served as Parish Priest in other parishes and therefore comes to us with great experience. I know Fr Paul will serve you the parishioners with intelligence and care. His preaching is already appreciated by many.

Fr Paul will conclude his commitments as Chaplain to the Qld Police Service soon in order for him to devote his time and talent to the visitors and parishioners of this great parish.



### **STELLA MARIS CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Our new church at Broadbeach has recently been recognised as a new building of significance on the Gold Coast and beyond. The church was featured on November 5th in the Gold Coast Open House event. Many visitors were impressed with our multiple design award winning seaside church.

We should be proud of the accolades and re-acknowledge once again the work of Straw and Dunne Architects and PMG Architects and the builder, Stokes Wheeler. This is a result we should be proud of.

**God's abundant blessings, Fr Tim**

33rd SUN IN ORD TIME YR C:

**READINGS:**

Malachi 3: 19-20; 2  
Thessalonians 3: 7-12;  
Luke 21: 5-19

**FEASTS:**

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> St Elizabeth of  
Hungary, religious

**NEXT WEEK:**

Christ the King of the Universe  
2 Samuel 5:1-3;  
Colossians 1:12-20;  
Luke 23:35-43

**REFLECTION**

*As we reach the end of the Church's liturgical year, the readings call to mind the end times. In the first reading Malachi, speaking five centuries before Christ, talks about a "day of the Lord" which will bring judgement upon the guilty and reward the just.*

*The day of the Lord came when Jesus came and it will come again when Jesus returns. It comes today each time grace visits us. The day of the Lord is always judgement: it exposes wickedness and exalts justice. Jesus' words about the end of Jerusalem and its temple encourage us to stand firm in faith, hope and love of God and neighbor. When the trials and tribulations Jesus warns about creep up on us, or fall suddenly upon us with the suddenness of an earthquake or a lightning bolt, or gradually buildup like a drought or famine, then we can find our absolute security in the only Absolute – God and the security he offers us through Christ his Son.*

*While waiting for the return of Christ, Paul tells the people of Thessalonica to work conscientiously at their daily tasks and do everything in the name of, and for the glory of, our Lord Jesus Christ. With our world in transition we ask for the grace to look forward in hope and spend our time in loving service of God and neighbour.*

**SCHOOL CAPTAIN and VICE CAPTAIN and MEMBERS OF ST VINCENT'S COMMUNITY**

*The Parish Community congratulates Vladimir and Alexander Gorshechnikov who have been elected Vice Captain and School Captain respectively of Southport State High School. How often do we see two brothers elected to such positions? What an amazing achievement. The Parish is very proud and assures them of our prayers for a successful 2017 under their Leadership.*

*Well done Vladimir and Alexander. Fr Tim*



**CONCLUSION OF THE JUBILEE OF MERCY**

This Sunday all Holy Doors throughout the world are to be closed, including ours at Sacred Heart Church. To conclude the Jubilee of Mercy, Pope Francis will celebrate two special Masses: one for prisoners and the other for the homeless. In Christian faith prisoners and homeless people are also images of our inner reality. For Pope Francis we are the people on whom God has had compassion, prisoners who have been set free, homeless who have found a home. We are aware of how disconnected and alienated we can be. And yet God loves and calls us.

God's mercy is ever-present and ever-abundant. A Year of Mercy doesn't make God more merciful or more inclined to forgive. God can't change. But we can and must. As Pope Francis explained in Misericordiae Vultus, "At times we are called to gaze even more attentively on mercy so that we may become a more effective sign of the Father's action in our lives" (No. 3). The Year of Mercy was meant to be one of those times — a time for Christians to be changed both by contemplating the depths of God's mercy and by imitating Christ in the world today (Misericordiae Vultus, No. 3).

*We pray for our parish community and for the many hundreds of people who made a pilgrimage to the Holy Door at Sacred Heart Church: that the Jubilee Year has been an occasion of conversion and grace; that it has offered all an opportunity to atone for sins, ask for forgiveness and draw closer to the Lord; and, that all might "find the strength to embrace God's mercy and dedicate ourselves to being merciful with others as the Father has been with us" (Misericordiae Vultus, No. 14).*

**THANK YOU**

On behalf of the Parish Leadership Team and the whole parish community I wish to acknowledge and thank Sr Brigid Frawley and Robyn Hunt for organising and facilitating the 'Year of Mercy Retreat' held at Sacred Heart Church last Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Over 80 parishioners participated in a day of prayer, reflection and also a pilgrimage to the Holy Door. A wonderful parish event to celebrate the Year of Mercy and give thanks for the Holy Year and for God's unfailing mercy to all of us.

*Blessings, Helen*



**Sunday Mass and Sausage Sizzle**

All Parishioners, Visitors, Schoolies, Gold Coast Rosies Volunteers and the Rosies Schoolies Volunteers are invited to a special Sunday Mass to be held on 20<sup>th</sup> November at 10am at St Vincent's Catholic Church, Hamilton Avenue, Surfers Paradise. Rosies are the longest serving volunteers with Schoolies in Surfers Paradise, commencing in 1987 here at St Vincent's Church with a hydration and coffee table set up in the grounds at the front of the church. Their involvement and Mission today is to provide a Recharge Zone where they distribute water to schoolies and provide a private and safe sit-down area for those schoolies requiring assistance – Friends on the Streets. **The Mass will be followed immediately after with a sausage sizzle. EVERYONE is invited to join us**



**PRAYER:** *Lord you promised your people salvation through the future coming of your Son. Help us to drink of his truth and expand our hearts with the joy of his promises so we may serve you in faith and in love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen*

**ATRIUM – CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

Each session and each day in the Atrium is very different. We plan and prepare the space and materials for each group of children who spend time there - and then wait ...



We wait for the children to "be" in the space. Sometimes it takes only a few minutes ... sometimes it takes 20 minutes ... sometimes it doesn't happen at all.

Some days it is the children who want to share all their news or socialise with the others. Some days it is the Mums who need support, a listening ear, encouragement, a hug. Some days it is the catechist who needs encouraging and reassurance. In all of this, the presence of the Holy Spirit is evident.

Sometimes pearls of wisdom come from the mouths of babes! Last week, when presenting the Birth of Jesus and the Adoration of the Shepherds to a three year old little girl (who is preparing to be baptised) her Mum and I left her to spend time with the diorama. We watched as she took the baby Jesus and said: "I've come to save you guys!"

Blessings, Angela Williams

[atrium.surfers@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:atrium.surfers@bne.catholic.net.au)

**THIS WEEK AT VENIRÉ**

**17<sup>th</sup> of November**

Venire goes to BOUNCE INC. in Robina! Join us for a fun social outing, where we hang out at a trampoline factory.

**Time:** 6:30-9pm

**Where:** 10 Energy Circuit, Robina

**Cost:** \$20 (please bring exact cash)

**\*extra \$3 for BOUNCE socks**

**Who:** High schoolers and young adults

**MUST RSVP!** RSVP by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> by text or email to Steph:

[vy.surfers@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:vy.surfers@bne.catholic.net.au) or 0411 669 876

*\*Dinner won't be provided so please eat before you come.*

We hope you'll join us, it's going to be a really great night.

**NEWS FROM THE GOLD COAST CATHOLIC LIBRARY**

NEW BOOKS! "The Bible Compass" answers questions Catholics often ask about our great book. Two important books about relationships; "Becoming Married" on theology of marriage and "Growing Through Divorce", to help at a difficult time. St Bernard's wisdom is selected in a little book, "Intimacy in prayer". A guide to "Fatima" and a new edition of the apocryphal tales of "The Infancy Gospels of Jesus" could intrigue you.

**BOOK CLUB:** Members are reminded about our Christmas Party and final meeting for 2016 on

**TUESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER.**

**ART AND CRAFT NEWS:** Our next event is the **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE** beginning on weekend of 19th/20th November and continuing for 4 weeks at all three Churches. There will be 10 GREAT PRIZES! Tickets will be \$5 each or 3 for \$10.



The Raffle will be drawn on 18th December at the Sacred Heart 9am Mass and winners will choose their prizes as drawn. We look forward to meeting you at this activity for the Parish.

**PRAYING THE ROSARY:** The statue of Our Lady will be at the home of Tina, Chelsea & Benjamin Peris of Varsity Lakes for week commencing **Monday 14th November 2016**. Please phone **Maxine or Pat Sela on 5539 9539** and invite Our Lady to your home for a week. All you have to do is to say the Rosary to Our Lady. It is not necessary to invite people to your home. If you are unable to collect the statue due to transport problems we can deliver the statue to you.

**Pat and Maxine Sela.**



**FINAL FRIENDSHIP DAY 2016 AND CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**THURSDAY 17th NOVEMBER**

in the Parish Hospitality Centre,

Clear Island Waters

**Bingo commences at 10am**

**Usual Fun and Prize for Best Dressed in Christmas Attire!**

**\$5 entrance includes**

**Raffle and Lucky Door Prizes All Welcome**

**Contact Irene Ross for more information on 5562 1260**

**Card Players from 10.00am to 1.00pm**

**BOLD AND BEAUTIFUL FRIENDSHIP GROUP:** We will meet on Thursday 24th November for lunch at Jupiters Casino "Food Fantasy". Seating opens at 11.30am. All Welcome. Leona Kelly 5538 7070

The monthly meeting of the **GOLD COAST LAY CARMELITES** will be held at **Parish Hospitality Centre, Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters** at 10.30 am on **Sunday 20th November, 2016**. Visitors are welcome. There is no fee but please bring a plate to share over a light lunch. Please contact Norm Harding 0421 125 575 ([ave.olmc@outlook.com](mailto:ave.olmc@outlook.com)) to either confirm your attendance or to enquire generally.

**IRISH NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE MASS GC**

The Irish Australian Support Association of Qld Remembrance Mass, **THIS SUNDAY 13 Nov at 12** in Guardian Angels Church, Southport. Further info contact **0432 087 328**.

**DISCERNMENT WEEKEND WITH THE CAPUCHIN FRANCISCAN FRIARS 25-27 NOVEMBER 2016.**

You must register so please Contact Fr Thomas on [vocations@capuchinfriars.org.au](mailto:vocations@capuchinfriars.org.au) or 0432 362 052.



**COFFEE CULTURE CAFÉ 7.30 to 3.30pm**

Monday to Friday. Phone Lauren on **0435 721 258**

**If you are interested in catering options.**

MONDAY 14th November	TUESDAY 15th November	WEDNESDAY 16th November	THURSDAY 17th November	FRIDAY 18th November	SATURDAY 19th November
7.00am ST VINCENT'S	9.00AM SACRED HEART <i>Next Anointing Mass will be on 7.02.2017</i>	9.00AM STELLA MARIS	9.00AM STELLA MARIS	7AM ST VINCENT'S 9AM SACRED HEART Year of Mercy Reconciliation 10am to 11am Only	<u>RECONCILIATION</u> 4.15pm STELLA MARIS 5.00pm SACRED HEART 5.15pm ST VINCENT'S
<b>NORMAL SUNDAY MASS TIMES</b>	<b>STELLA MARIS CHURCH Saturday evening 5.00pm AND Sunday 7.00am &amp; 8.30am</b> <b>SACRED HEART CHURCH Saturday evening 6.00pm AND Sunday 9.00am &amp; 6.00pm</b> <b>ST VINCENT'S CHURCH Saturday evening 6.00pm AND Sunday 8.00am &amp; 10.00am</b>				

**MIGRANT CHAPLAINS / COMMUNITIES:**  
**Polish:** Sunday 11.30am Sacred Heart Church  
Fr Bernard Bednarz ( On Leave)  
**Italian:** Sunday 4.00pm Sacred Heart Church  
Fr Michele Cagna CS 0432110468—Pastoral Support  
Felicia 5571 0858 — General Info.  
**Filipino:** **Next Mass** in our Parish is on **4 December** 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](mailto:paterignacio@yahoo.com)  
**Maronite Rite:** Saturday 7.15pm Sacred Heart  
Phone: 3394 4994 St Maroun's Church, Brisbane.

**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 **SH**  
**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

**FOR MORE PARISH GROUPS, PLEASE REFER TO OUR WEBSITE**

**Baptisms:** Please contact the Parish Office 5572 5433 to register.  
**Marriages:** Contact Parish Office 5572 5433 (Min 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.**  
**Stella Maris Church 8.30am Mass 2nd Sunday of each month.**  
**Christian Meditation:** Tuesday 10am (Youth Room) Pam Egberts 0428090703 and on Tuesday 6pm (Youth Room) Contact Parish Office  
**Couples For Christ FFL:** 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  
**Youth Led Mass:** Sunday 6pm Sacred Heart. **Next Date 27th November**

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Adleen (El) Angelina Elsey, Louie Kazzi, Edwin Elsmore, Emile Van Deurse, Ron Radecki, Moira Winifred McLellan, Elisa Ware, Nalin Sena, Mary Mullahy, Mooney, Denise Tracey, Ron Perry, Gallo, Beth Cobham (NZ), Gerald Ahoi Hong, Jackie Hatfield, Paul Kiely, Denise Darwin (Syd), Henderson, Patricia (Pat) Lawler (Wollongong), Tony Bui, Karen Gard, Rachel Raines, John Ashby, Dorelle (Hobart), Anthony Joseph, Urbana Bernadette Lewis (Capetown), Daniel Muller, Michael Kearney, Mike & (Ana) Villagomez, Andrew French, Farrugia, Sean Weldon, Oscar Barbara Farrell, Marian Komorowski Conceicao Nunes. Miranda, Samir Moussa, John Traynor (Poland), Fr Dom Cremesco SVS, Mary Kerr, Conor Cosgrave, Anne Weston, Mary Hayes (Melb), Diep Armstrong.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Percy Felsman, John Crowhurst (Rockhampton), Carl Tamer, Peter Slinger, Brendan Kerr (UK), John & Eileen Dougherty, Phylis Woodhead, Bob Sutcliffe, Mary Kirsch, Pat Conway.

**THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** Andy Brown, Sr Mary Mullins, Patricia Sulzberger, Judy West, Michelle Coyle, Colleen O'Shannassy (Colac, Victoria), Fr John Milliken PP of Stanmore, Fadoul Kazzi, Pat Burton, Andreas Lunandi, Ian Finlayson, Gus Reeves, Annette Anning, Sage Amor (Canada), Brian

**Have you thought about leaving a legacy?**  
For further information call the parish office 5572 5433.

**CONTACT FORM:** Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**WHAT ARE YOU INTERESTED IN RIGHT NOW?**

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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.**