

# 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

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### 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

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Phone: 5530 2722

P: Michael Naylor

## THIRTY–SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR C 5th / 6th NOVEMBER 2016

*Dear Parishioners and Visitors,*

*The following extract is from the Catholic Mission appeal kit, produced for parishes, across Australia. It reflects the focus of this year's World Mission Month appeal, which is being conducted in our parish over this weekend. Envelopes will be on the seats for you to make your contribution. Thank you, in anticipation, for your generosity and support of missionaries who bring life, in more than 160 countries around the world, including PNG.*

Jacinta, a resident of Kiunga, a small town in Papua New Guinea, was a victim of domestic violence. Trapped in an abusive relationship, her life was turned upside down by the horrendous violence she experienced. She recalls feeling worthless and lost. During the pregnancy of her second child, she sank to her lowest point. "I thought to myself, 'this is the end of the world; this is the end of me'," she says. "I just didn't know where to get help."

Luckily, Jacinta was able to seek the help of the Mercy Sisters and enter their Mercy Works program. This began a process of healing for Jacinta. Whilst there, she met Steven Dude, who is a community leader. Like Jacinta, Steven was subjected to abuse and violent outbursts throughout his own marriage. He was struck with a piece of timber, opening a gash on his head. He eventually arranged a separation that ensured the best outcome for the couple's two-year-old daughter.

United by their shared experiences, Steven and Jacinta are wounded healers—instruments of peace—helping others to turn away from violence and bring positive change to their communities. Jacinta even came to forgive her ex-husband and now encourage her children to spend time with their father; something that may never have happened without the Mercy Works program.

Providing counselling, workshops and vocational training, the Mercy Works program is connecting isolated local families to the support they so urgently need. Catholic Mission provides significant and vital funding to Mercy Works so that these programs can continue to change lives.

Your support will help deliver this crucial service to many more vulnerable people in Papua New Guinea. Together, we can reach out and make a lasting, positive change to our closest neighbour.

**David McGovern, Director,  
Brisbane Archdiocese, Catholic Mission**

**THERE WILL BE A THIRD COLLECTION AT  
EACH MASS THIS WEEKEND  
FOR THE MISSIONS.**

**THIS COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN UP  
BEFORE THE END OF MASS**



## REFLECTION

*The central theme of this Sunday's readings is hope – the ultimate hope that one day we will enjoy the presence of God for all eternity in heaven, expressed beautifully in the final words of today's responsorial psalm, 'I shall see your face and be filled when I awake with the sight of your glory.'*

*The first reading from Maccabees bears witness to a belief in a resurrection from the dead, where the wicked will perish and only the just will be raised.*

*Traditionally the Jews assumed that when we die we go to the underworld and exist in a form that is shadowy and lifeless.*

*This is the opinion of the Sadducees in the gospel, who were conservative in their beliefs. They believed that eternal life came through having children. That is why they had the custom of a childless widow having a child to her brother-in-law so that the dead brother's line would be preserved.*

*Jesus showed that he followed another tradition, which believed in resurrection. Jesus used a story about Moses, from the Torah, and states that God is a God of the living. He does qualify his statement by saying that the life we have in God is different from what we could call earthly life.*

*Hope is re-echoed in the second reading from Thessalonians which is full of consolation. Paul tells us that God loves us and nothing else matters except that we learn to love. Thinking of God's love we can entrust the future to God.*

*Because of the resurrection of Jesus we hope that we too will enjoy an eternity of love with our risen bodies though we cannot imagine what this will be like. Let us long for the eternal communion with God that is heaven. May this sure hope give us the courage we need to focus on living a life of love right now.*

**READINGS:** 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14; 2 Thessalonians 2:16-35; Luke 20: 27-38

**FEASTS:** Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Dedication of the Lateran Basilica; Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> St Leo the Great, pope, doctor; Friday 11<sup>th</sup> St Martin of Tours, bishop; Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> St Josaphat, bishop, martyr

**NEXT WEEK:** 33rd Sunday Ordinary Time; Malachi 3: 19-20; 2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12; Luke 21: 5-19

**Year of Mercy Retreat Day 6 November 2016 Sacred Heart Church - ALL Welcome  
10am to 4.30pm – PLEASE GO STRAIGHT TO CASEY HALL FOR MORNING TEA AT 10AM**



**SACRED HEART ANOINTING MASS** The next Anointing Mass will be held this **Tuesday 8th November at 11am** in Sacred Heart Church, 50 Fairway Drive, Clear Island Waters. **It will be the final Anointing Mass for this year.** The next one will be on 7th February. Everyone is welcome to attend. Stay on afterwards for light refreshments in the Parish Hospitality Centre hosted by the Surfers Paradise Catholic Ladies. **All SPCL members are asked to bring a plate to share. The SPCL will hold their monthly meeting that afternoon in the PHC. All members very welcome.**

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

The Capuchin Friars invite young men (18-35) who have been thinking about a vocation to the priesthood or religious life to come for a Live-in weekend retreat to reflect on God's call in their lives and their response to that call. **Starts 7:30pm Friday** at Marian Valley Retreat Centre (10km from Canungra) and **concludes at 3pm on Sunday.** Cost is **ONLY \$30.** There will be **Mass on Saturday and Sunday, Adoration, quiet prayer, talks, confession available, quiet time and the opportunity to get useful advice.** So if you're discerning, come along!

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

## IRISH NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE MASS - GOLD COAST

The Irish Australian Support Association of Qld Inc (IASAQ) invites you to our Annual November Remembrance Mass, which will take place on **Sunday 13 November at 12 noon in Guardian Angels Church, Scarborough Street, Southport.** Come and join with other members of the Irish Community on the Gold Coast in praying for the peaceful repose of deceased relatives and friends. Tea/coffee will be served afterwards – an opportunity to renew old acquaintances and meet new friends. IASAQ is part of the Government of Ireland Emigrant Support Programme. Our primary mission is to assist any Irish or Irish Australian persons in time of need or distress. For further information please contact Association Co-ordinator on **0432 087 328.**

## INVITATION TO ALL CURRENT & FORMER PARISHIONERS TO ATTEND A SPECIAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE TOOWONG PARISH CENTENARY

in the care of the Jesuit Fathers 1916 ~ 2016: Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge with Toowong and Australian Jesuits at Cathedral of Saint Stephen, Brisbane on **Saturday 3rd December at 12noon.** (Just come along—No RSVP required).

**PRAYING THE ROSARY:** The statue of Our Lady will be at the home of **Sheila Symons of Benowa** for week commencing **Monday 7th 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.

**PRAYER:** *Pray for the dead this week: "Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. May perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen"*



ATRIUM – CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD



I was visited at the Atrium, last week, by a lovely young woman who is here in Australia visiting her Grandmother. This young lady is a catechist in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. She works in an Atrium in Raleigh Archdiocese, North Carolina, USA.

It was a thrill to see her reaction when she saw our Parish Atrium. I am so glad to report that she thought it is very beautiful!

**We are so privileged to have this wonderful facility available to us and to the South Coast Deanery.**

**Please support our Parish Atrium.**

Blessings, Angela Williams

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

**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.



**Our parish will conduct the Catholic Mission appeal this weekend**

“Ceaseless encouragement” and “sure hope” are two of the gifts from God, highlighted in this weekend’s second reading from St Paul’s letter to the Thessalonians. That same encouragement and hope is what you are invited to share with the people of PNG, through your support of the Catholic Mission World Mission Appeal. In anticipation of those who will benefit from your generosity, thank you. You will be showing, through your kindness, that “everyone”, as the Gospel declares, can be “alive” to God, no matter what obstacles or trials they face in their particular circumstances.

David McGovern, Director, Brisbane Archdiocese



**POSITIONS VACANT SACRED HEART PIETY SHOP**

Urgently needed helpers before and after all Masses, Please phone the Parish Office **55 725433 8.30am to 5pm**

**THIS WEEK AT VENIRÉ**

**10<sup>th</sup> – Veniré at Surfers**

**11<sup>th</sup> – Veniré at Burleigh**

**13<sup>th</sup> – Youth Mass at Coomera**

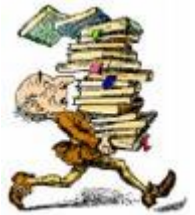
If you would like any more information about these events or to come along to any of them, please contact Steph on 0411669876

**HOST HOME/ACCOMODATION NEEDED FOR SCHOOLIES WEEK BEACH OUTREACH**

Contact Chris DaSilva on [cdasilva@restoreculture.com](mailto:cdasilva@restoreculture.com)

**NEWS FROM THE GOLD COAST CATHOLIC LIBRARY**

**November** is always a special month to remember our **loved ones** who have passed - and all the saints who support us in heaven. Books about saints are among the most popular borrowed from the Library. Monica; Pio; Faustina; Anthony of Padua; Ignatius and many more are on display now. We have included “Proof of Heaven” and Amazing Encounters” which are books by contemporary authors about the experience of the afterlife.



**The Catholic Leader: Keeping faith with you**

- \* **Catholic Sudanese refugee coming to terms with being hailed a hero for rescuing 11 people from Brisbane bus fire.**
- \* *Police chaplain talks of his role in the wake of fatal accident at Dreamworld*
- \* **Students shocked at the closure of Melbourne’s John Paul II Institute for Marriage and Family**
- \* *Tony Abbott tells Catholics to be proud of their faith*
- \* **Religious leaders speak out against welfare cuts**
- \* *US visitor talks about being ‘Theology of the Body guy’*
- \* **Abortion hearing told of major harms to women**
- \* **Relationships experts say experience really isn’t always the best teacher going into marriage**

**IRISH DANCING CLASS Call Linda on 0407 370 047.**



**LEARN FRENCH TODAY:** Children from Grades 2 to 6 on **WEDNESDAYS** from 3.15pm to 4.15pm, at **ST KEVIN’S SCHOOL, 292 Benowa Road, Benowa.** First lesson is free and study materials provided. For information, contact Amelie on 0404 304 011 or email to [frenchbychoice@gmail.com](mailto:frenchbychoice@gmail.com)



**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 7th November	TUESDAY 8th November	WEDNESDAY 9th November	THURSDAY 10th November	FRIDAY 11th November	SATURDAY 12th November
7.00am ST VINCENT'S	SACRED HEART <i>Anointing Mass</i> 11am 8 NOVEMBER  <i>Final Anointing Mass for 2016</i> Next 7.02.2017	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</b> Saturday evening 5.00pm AND Sunday 7.00am & 8.30am <b>SACRED HEART CHURCH</b> Saturday evening 6.00pm AND Sunday 9.00am & 6.00pm <b>ST VINCENT'S CHURCH</b> Saturday evening 6.00pm AND Sunday 8.00am & 10.00am				

**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)

**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  
**Pilates: Monday, Tuesday sessions. Casey Hall. Phone Nicole 0420 301 379 or at [nicolecalvinopilates@gmail.com](mailto:nicolecalvinopilates@gmail.com)**

**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:** Elisa Gallo, Beth Cobham (NZ), Patricia (Pat) Lawler (Hobart), Anthony Joseph, Urbana (Ana) Villagomez, Andrew French, Alan Wallace, Rosario Nocal, Charlotte Chaudet, Gaetarna Cutayar, Stephen John Schreck, Antonia Merlino, Gerald Ritchie, Conceicao Nunes.  
**ANNIVERSARIES:** Reg Kulmar, Joan Enright, Daniel & Maximena Jusain, Refeno & Prodigencia Jariol, Siniva Lam Sam Tai, Tootsie Ware.  
**THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** Angelina Eley, Louie Kazzi, Edwin Ware, Nalin Sena, Mary Mullahy, Gerald Anning, Sage Amor (Canada), Brian Henderson, Evelyn, Ahoi Hong, Jackie Elsmore, Emile Van Deurse, Ron Hatfield (Wollongong), Tony Bui, Mooney, Denise Tracey, Ron Perry, Karen Gard, Elisa Guzzo, Bernadette Paul Kiely, Denise Darwin (Syd), Lewis (Capetown), Daniel Farrugia, Rachel Raines, John Ashby, Dorelle Sean Weldon, Oscar Miranda, Samir Muller, Michael Kearney, Mike & Moussa, Raymond Ayoub, Sammy Ayoub, John Traynor (UK), Werner Barbara Farrell, Marian Komorowski (Poland), Fr Dom Cremesco SVS, Empen, Shirley O'Brien, Sr Mary Mary Kerr, Conor Cosgrave, Anne Mullins, Patricia Sulzberger, Judy Weston, Mary Hayes (Melb), Diep West, Michelle Coyle, Colleen Armstrong.  
**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?**

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.**