



Victoria Point Catholic Parish

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Coochiemudlo Island and the Southern Bay Islands.

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8th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C 2nd March 2025

Gospel Reflection

The Heart's Abundance

“Each of you speak from your heart's abundance.”

Here are some parables about how the truth will sneak past our best intentions and present itself. If we do not see the way clearly, we cannot pretend to be guides for others. (Parents, teachers, pastors – and people who write Scripture commentary – beware!) In the end, what is within us will make itself known to all.

That is why it is one of our most urgent responsibilities to guard our hearts. We must guard against bitterness, hopelessness, needless anxiety, cynicism, unfocussed rage, and unforgiveness. It is our primary duty as Christians to love well. We are mandated to love God and one another, and to work our way up to love of enemy and the really tricky ones. We need hearts that are pliable and love that is growing. We cannot afford to surrender to “heart disease” of any kind, those ways of thinking, living, and remembering that cause us to harden our hearts.

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OUT OF OFFICE

The **Parish Secretary** will be on **leave** from
Monday **3rd March** till Friday **14th March**.

(returning Monday 17th March)



The Hospitality Committee Needs YOU!

We need help with offering a cup of tea after mass and a few future larger events at the church during the year. Please contact the Parish Office to help!

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7 (Year C)

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

Reading: Corinthians 15:54-58 (Year C)

Gospel Acclamation: Shine on the world like bright stars,
you are offering in the Word of Life.

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45 (Year C)

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

This policy applies to Clergy, Religious, Staff, Parishioners, Volunteers, students on placement and Visitors to our sites.

For safeguarding inquiries or to raise any concerns, disclosures or allegations please contact our

Local Safeguarding Representative: Bob Snoke on 0419 247 698 sa.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

<https://tinyurl.com/Safeguarding-Incident-Report> <https://tinyurl.com/New-Protecting-Children-Laws>

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MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

St Rita's Church

Reconciliation 4.15pm

Mass 5.00pm Vigil

COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND

18 Jan & 1 Feb —Mass

(Liturgy of the Word with Communion every other Saturday at 11am)

SUNDAY

St Rita's Church

Mass 7.00am & 9.00am

MACLEAY ISLAND

12, 26 Jan & 9 Feb – 1.45pm

(Liturgy of the Word with Communion – every other Sundays at 9am)

RUSSELL ISLAND

19 Jan & 2 Feb - 2pm

(Liturgy of the Word with Communion – every other Sundays at 2pm)

MONDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary 8.30am

Mass 9.00am

Pro-Life Rosary 9.30am

TUESDAY

St Rita's Church

No Mass

WEDNESDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary 8.30am

Mass 9.00am

THURSDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary 8.30am

Mass 9.00am

FRIDAY

St Rita's Church

Mass & Adoration at 9am

MAREBELLO

1st Wed of Month – Eucharist

HEALING MASS

2nd Wed of Month – 9.00am Mass



ST VINCENT DE PAUL meet on 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month, at 10am in the Ruby Room.

Upcoming Meetings: 3 March and 17 March 2025

PREPARING FOR LENT...



Victoria Point – Tuesdays at 7pm with the Hosanna Prayer & Praise Group

Commencing on Tuesday 25th February in St Rita's Church
All are welcome to come along (Please bring a plate to share)



Victoria Point – Thursdays at 10am and 2.30pm

Commencing on Thursday 6th March in the Ruby Room (next to Parish Office)
Please put your name down on the sheets at the church

Macleay Island – Wednesdays 9am with the Rosary Group

Commencing Wednesday 5th March in the Holy Spirit Church. Please join us.



ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

Wed. 5th March - 9am in St Rita's Church



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday at 5pm in St Rita's Church - during Lent, starting Fri. 7th March



RETREATS

Awaken in Christ - Sat. 15th March from 7pm to 10pm in St Rita's Church - details in the newsletter
Hosanna Prayer & Praise Retreat - Sat. 5th April in St Rita's Church - more details to come



Fr. Leo Burke

Fr Leo Burke has passed away peacefully on
Wednesday 26th February 2025.

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who knew and loved Fr Leo.
Funeral details will follow

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Safeguarding training is Mandatory within the Parish.

Please make sure you are up to date with your required training at all times.

Copy and paste links into your web browser.

Training Essentials 1

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gOHA_4Ls2jw

Training Essentials 2

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8AASKl-Sr1A>

AWAKEN IN CHRIST
"Call to Me, and I will answer you,
and show you great and mighty things,
which you do not know."
Jeremiah 33:3

Join us for
Miracle Night

WORSHIP, PRAYER & HEALING
Facilitated by Steffanie Le

7pm - 10pm
St Rita's Church
37 Benfer Road
Victoria Point
(6pm-7pm free sausage sizzle,
drinks, tea and coffee)

Testimonies
"I could not walk properly but
after the pray over by Steff
the pain in my back disappeared
and I was able to walk normally."
Danny

"Felt the presence of the Holy
Spirit in a massive way.
Overwhelming sense of
peace and love."
Emily

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PRAYERS

For all those who are ill, especially Claire Douglas, Keith Douglas, Miles Muscroft, Nicola Hardaker, Sebastian Ricca, Elaine Prestney, Maddy Brown, Lucas Bernal, Annette Doherty, Alfio Tomarchio, Michael Quilty, Chris Venter, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Alan Williamson, Helen Stockwell, Marlie Meehan, Denise Fowler, Emma Heinrich, Paul Trubody, Jela Cicak, Matthew Scott and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.

ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time, especially Jean Sheppard.

DECEASED: We commend the recently deceased to the loving care of the Lord, especially Fr Leo Burke.

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH Our faith will sustain us through challenging times.

Please keep supporting your Parish by continuing your weekly offering if you can, either by using our periodic direct debit or credit card facility or by direct deposit.

Our planned giving bank account details for direct deposits are as follows:

BSB: 064 786 **Account No:** 100027374 **Account Name:** Parish Donation - kindly reference your deposit with your surname and your planned giving number/envelope number if you have one.

Please contact the parish office for further information on 3207 9177.



The Sacrament of First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion is offered in the year when children turn nine (Year Four), they are welcomed to the Lord's Table and receive Holy Communion for the first time. This is the climax of their Christian initiation.

If you wish to find out more about the Program or Enrolment details, please contact the Sacramental Coordinator
Jennifer Fielding
sc.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au or
(07) 3207 9177

**Enrolment Information Evening will take place 6:30-7:30pm Monday 3rd March in the St Rita's Church.
Children are not required to attend.**

Missionaries of the Poor Brisbane Supporters

Account Details for EFT Donations

Account name: QMHR
BSB: 012 301
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Thank you for your prayers and your financial support of the Missionaries of the Poor in Timor-Leste

For more information please contact:
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ST RITA'S PARISH - VICTORIA POINT

MEET & GREET

**1ST & 2ND MARCH 2025
AFTER ALL MASSES**

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

**9am & 6pm
5th March 2025
St Rita's Church**

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy spirit, Reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, Be glory and praise for ever. Amen. (Pope Francis)



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