

Victoria Point Catholic Parish

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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year C 28 September 2025



The Gospel at Our Doorstep (Luke 16: 19 - 31)

In this week's parable, Jesus paints a vivid picture of two lives: a rich man who feasted every day and a poor man, Lazarus, who lay at his gate, hungry and covered in sores. The rich man's tragedy is not his wealth, but his blindness. Day after day, he steps over Lazarus without seeing him as a brother. When both die, their situations are reversed – Lazarus is comforted, and the rich man is in torment, longing for even a drop of water.

This story is not just about the afterlife – it's about how we live right now. Who are the "Lazaruses" at our doors today? They may be the homeless person we pass on the way to work, the neighbour struggling with loneliness, the refugee family we hear about on the news, or even someone in our own church pews. Jesus invites us to open our eyes, hearts, and hands. This isn't simply about charity – it's about seeing Christ in the other and allowing our lives to be interrupted by compassion.

The parable also reminds us that we already have what we need to live differently – God's Word and the teaching of the Church. Like the rich man's brothers, we don't need a miracle to start loving better; we need the courage to respond today. The Gospel challenges us to bridge the gap between comfort and compassion, between hearing and doing, between Sunday worship and weekday action.

This week, let's not just hear this Gospel – let's live it. Volunteer with a parish ministry like St. Vincent de Paul or bring a meal to a neighbour who is homebound or grieving. An act of generosity can be a sign of Christ's love breaking into someone's life.

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SCRIPTURES FOR THE 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — YEAR C

First Reading: Amos 6:1, 4-7

Psalm: Ps 145:6-10

Psalm Response: Praise the Lord, my soul **Second Reading:** 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,

to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

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.

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Mass & Confession Times

SATURDAY

St Rita's Church

Confessions — 4.15pm Vigil Mass 5pm

COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND

Confessions before Mass 20 Sept & 4 Oct - 11am Mass Liturgy of the Word with Communion – every other Saturday at 11am

SUNDAY

St Rita's Church

Masses 7.00am & 9.00am

MACLEAY ISLAND

Confessions before Mass 28 Sep & 12 Oct. - 1.45pm Mass Liturgy of the Word with Communion – every other Sunday at **9am**

RUSSELL ISLAND

Confessions before Mass 21 Sept. & 5 Oct. - 2pm Mass Liturgy of the Word with Communion – every other Sunday at **2pm**

MONDAY

St Rita's Church

8.30am Rosary 9am Mass

Pro-Life Rosary after Mass

TUESDAY

St Rita's Church

No Mass or Rosary

WEDNESDAY

St Rita's Church

8.30am Rosary 9am Mass

THURSDAY

St Rita's Church

8.30am Rosary 9am Mass

FRIDAY

St Rita's Church

9am Mass & Holy Hour



MAREBELLO

1st Wed of Month – Eucharist

HEALING MASS

2nd Wednesday of **the month** 9am Mass **ST VINCENT DE PAUL** meet on 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month, at 10am in the Ruby Room. Next meetings: 15th Sept. & 6th Oct.





HOSANNA PRAYER and PRAISE GROUP

Meets on Tuesdays at 7pm in St Rita's Church

Christian Meditation

Thursdays at 4pm in St Rita's Chapel

For information please contact the Parish Office and your enquiry will be directed to Lorr Popple



MIGRANT and REFUGEE SUNDAY

Today we celebrate the gifts, contributions, and resilience that migrant communities bring to our Church and the world. It is also an opportunity to highlight the image of the Church as a place of refuge, welcome, integration, and solidarity.

"History teaches us that the contribution of migrants and refugees has been fundamental to the social and economic growth of our societies. This continues to be true in our own day. Their work, their youth, their enthusiasm and their willingness to sacrifice enrich the communities that receive them."

(from Pope Francis' Message for the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2022).

Baptism Congratulations

This month we welcomed into our community:

Parker Murray Lucas Tennant

Max Muscroft Angus Pisani

May you always have the Flame of Faith alive in your heart

PLEASE NOTE Fr. Jose will be away on Friday 3rd October

There is <u>No Mass</u>, but there is <u>Liturgy and</u>

<u>Communion</u>



Join the Parish Team at St Rita's Victoria Point

Both roles require alignment with Catholic values, a current Blue Card and Police Check (or willingness to obtain), and a commitment to safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. For more information contact the Parish Office—3207 9177 Interested applicants should email their resume to: hunterb@bne.catholic.net.au



This key administrative role supports the day-to-day operations of the parish office. Responsibilities include reception, records management, liturgy and newsletter preparation, data entry, volunteer coordination& assisting the Parish Priest.

Parish Sacramental Coordinator (Example Casual – Flexible hours including weekends and evenings This role involves coordinating the delivery of the parish's sacramental programs (Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation, Reconciliation, RCIA).

PRAYERS

For all those who are ill, especially Dorothy Byrnes, Helen Clarke, Mariano Molina, Claire Douglas, Keith Douglas, Miles Muscroft, Sebastian Ricca, Elaine Prestney, Maddy Brown, Lucas Bernal, Annette Doherty, Alfio Tomarchio, Michael Quilty, Chris Venter, 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.

DECEASED: We commend the recently deceased to the loving care of the Lord: Peter Maguire, Heather Butler, Frances Smithson, and Leo Hackett.

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.

St Rita's Men's Group

A special thank you to all of the St Rita's Men's Social Group who were able to attend the Tour of the Supreme Court.

Special thanks to John Bowskill (and his daughter Helen, Chief Justice) who initiated the idea of the visit.

Many thanks also to the Supreme Court Librarian staff who took us on the 2-hour tour, and to a fascinating talk by the Hon. Justice Sue Brown on the workings of our court system, and thanks to Charlie D'Allura

for asking so many questions!! Mike Duggan

Next Event: Putt Putt Golf and Lunch **At:** Alex Hills Hotel **On:** 23rd October



Join us for 'A CUPPA AFTER MASS' at St Rita's Church Sat 4th & Sun 5th October







ROSARY CRUSADE PRAY FOR THE UNBORN

After 9am Mass on Mondays in St Rita's Chapel



October is World Mission Month - Missionaries of Hope among all peoples

Our parish will celebrate Mission Sunday, next weekend on 4th/5th October



For women like Sharon, who must choose between feeding their children or selling their crops to survive, and Grace, who risked her life traveling 160km for safe childbirth, hope comes through Sr Jane and Kayula. Through sustainable farming, Sr Jane helps women provide for their families. At the Chilonga Mission Hospital, Kayula ensures mothers and babies receive the dignity and care they deserve.

This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance the vital work of the Church. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope to the people of Zambia.



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FEAST DAYS OF SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

SEPTEMBER

Monday 29 Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels

Tuesday 30 St Jerome

OCTOBER

Wednesday 1 St Therese of the Child Jesus Thursday 2 The Holy Guardian Angels

Saturday 4 St Francis of Assisi

Monday 6 St Bruno

Thursday 9 St Denis & Companions; St John Leonardi

Saturday 11 St John XXIII, Pope
Sunday 12 St Carlo Acutis
Tuesday 14 St Callistus I, Pope
Wednesday 15 St Teresa of Jesus

Thursday 16 St Margaret Mary Alacoque

St Hedwig

Friday 17 St Ignatius of Antioch
Saturday 18 St Luke, Evangelist
Wednesday 22 St John Paul II,Pope
Thursday 23 St John of Capistrano
Friday 24 St Anthony Mary Claret
Tuesday 28 Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles

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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)

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

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