



Victoria Point Catholic Parish

Victoria Point, Thornlands South, Redland Bay, Mount Cotton,
Coochiemudlo Island and the Southern Bay Islands.

37 Benfer Road, Victoria Point | **Postal Address:** P O Box 5285, Victoria Point QLD 4165 | **Phone:** (07) 3207 9177 | **Email:** victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

We recognise the traditional owners of this land, The Quandamooka People.



PARISH PRIEST:

Fr Jose Panampuzha CMI

panampuzhaj@bne.catholic.net.au

PRIEST'S DAY OFF — TUESDAYS

Parish Office:

Secretary: (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri)

Ph: 3207 9177

37 Benfer Road

PO Box 5285

Victoria Point Qld 4165

victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

Web: <https://www.stritasparish.org/>

Fb: <https://www.facebook.com/stritasvictoriapoint/>

Sacramental Coordinator: (School Terms)

Jennifer Fielding

sc.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

Finance: (Mon, Tues, Wed)

Beverley Van Schie

finance.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

Columbarium Enquiries Parish Office

Beverley Van Schie

3207 9177

Safeguarding Officer

Bob Snoke

Mob 0419 247 698

Helen Dowling

3207 9177

sa.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

School Principal:

Nathan Mulhearn— Ph: 07 3207 6628

pvictoriapoint@bne.catholic.edu.au

OHSC:

Jolene Morath—Ph: 0477 550 700

co.victoriapointshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - Year C 25th May 2025

Peace

(John 14: 23 - 29)

Christ's farewell gift to those he loves is peace. But what is this peace?

Jesus distinguishes between his gift of peace and what the world offers under the same name. Although he encourages his followers not to feel distress or fear, he is not peddling mere peace of mind. Jesus promises that the one who is true to his word out of love will know the indwelling presence of God. When we shake hands at the sign of peace during Mass, are we blessing each other with the hope that a holy peace may enliven us and penetrate the world through us? Are we inviting God's peace to dwell in us so that "it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me"?

Maybe we are not ready for this peace yet. Maybe there is still a war going on; that is, whether or not we want the Spirit of Christ to take up residence within us.

Questions for Reflection

What role does the Holy Spirit play in your life?

How does the church help reveal the light of God's glory to you in this day and age? What do you intend to offer to your neighbour at the sign of peace at Mass?

Action Response

Pray boldly. Ask God to unleash the power of the Holy Spirit in your life – just like at Pentecost. Don't settle for "safe" faith. Ask for the kind of courage, fire, and trust the apostles had – faith that moves mountains, faith that changes lives. But be ready: When you invite the Spirit in, things might shift. Old fears might fall away. New doors might open. You might be called to step out, speak up, love bigger, dream wilder. Make room. Let God move.

The Commissioning

Go from this place Spirit-filled and Spirit-led.

The Spirit will remind us of all we have achieved on our Christian journey.

The Spirit will encourage us to go about our daily work and leisure.

The Spirit will be with us in all the months and years that lie ahead, a source of joy, a source of inspiration, a source of peace:

God's peace, a peace that passes all human understanding. Amen.

Copyright © 2025 GPBS eNews, All rights reserved.



SCRIPTURES FOR 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER — YEAR C

First Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Psalm 66:2-3, 5-6, 8 **Response:** *O God, let all the nations praise you!*

Second Reading: Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! *All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!*

Gospel: John 14:23-29

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>

STOpline Service ☎ 1300 304 550 📧 A0B@stopline.com.au 🌐 www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

St Rita's Church

Vigil Mass 5pm

COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND

Liturgy of the Word

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

SUNDAY

St Rita's Church

Mass 7.00am & 9.00am

MACLEAY ISLAND

Liturgy of the Word

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

RUSSELL ISLAND

Liturgy of the Word

Liturgy of the Word with Communion –
every while at 2pm

MONDAY

St Rita's Church



30am Rosary
Liturgy of the Word with
Holy Communion

TUESDAY

St Rita's Church

No Liturgy or Rosary

WEDNESDAY

St Rita's Church

8.30am Rosary
9am Liturgy of the Word with
Holy Communion

THURSDAY

St Rita's Church

8.30am Rosary
9am Liturgy of the Word with
Holy Communion

FRIDAY

St Rita's Church

8.30am Rosary
9am Liturgy of the Word with
Holy Communion

MAREBELLO

1st Wed of Month – Eucharist

HEALING MASS

2nd Wed of JUNE – 9am Mass



ST VINCENT DE PAUL meet on **1st and 3rd Mondays** of the month,
at **10am** in the **Ruby Room**. Next meeting — **2nd June**

St Rita of Cascia

Saint of the Impossible
Wife, Mother, Widow and Nun
1381 – 1457



Margherita Lotti was born in the small village of Roccaporena (near Cascia) in Umbria, Italy in the year of 1381. As a small girl she wished to become a nun. However, her parents desired that she should marry and so they arranged her marriage. As a young teenager she was married to Paolo Mancini. They had two sons, Giovanni and Paulo.

After her husband and two sons died, Rita decided to follow her childhood ambition and join the convent, but she was refused. Rita's determination did not waiver. She prayed to her patron saints and at length she was granted admission to the Augustinian Monastery of St. Mary Magdalene in Cascia.

Rita was a caring, peaceful person who helped her neighbours spiritually and practically. She built peace between feuding families in Cascia and she survived great personal trials without bitterness. This was due to her love of God, her meditation and devotion to Jesus Christ, crucified and her belief in prayer. She is known for her stigmata, which looked as though a thorn from Jesus' crown of thorns had penetrated her forehead.

The rose is significant to Rita's story. It has been told that when she was dying she asked for a rose from her parents' garden and even though it was winter one was found in blossom there. Her response to the surprise of others was "Nothing is impossible to God."

Sister Rita died in 1457 at the age of seventy-six and her incorrupt body lies in a Shrine at Cascia. She was canonised in 1900 by Pope Leo XIII. St. Rita is known as a saint of powerful intercession in very difficult circumstances – Saint of the Impossible. Her Feast Day is 22nd May.



Caritas
AUSTRALIA

PROJECT
COMPASSION

**Caritas Receipts for Project Compassion
are now available.**

If you requested a receipt please collect yours from
the back table of the church. Thank you.

ANNUAL MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT

This is the last weekend for the Archdiocese of Brisbane
Annual Mass Attendance Count. Thank You.

NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

Our Newsletter is available via email.
Please contact the Parish Office if you wish the
newsletter to be emailed to you.

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



HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

The Group meets on **every Tuesday at 7pm**
in St Rita's Church. **All Welcome!**

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

"HE WHO FOLLOWS ME WALKS NOT IN DARKNESS" - JOHN 8:12

On the Feast of Corpus Christi,

the Catholic Church honours the Real Presence of
Jesus in the Eucharist, "For my flesh is real food and
my blood is real drink" (John 6:55). Processing with
the Blessed Sacrament through the streets is a
tradition that is embraced all over the world and
continues today.

The Corpus Christi Procession, presided by
Archbishop Mark Coleridge will start at 2pm from
the Cathedral of St Stephen, walk through the city
streets and finish with Benediction at the Cathedral.

For additional information, please visit the Corpus
Christi website at [https://](https://www.corpuschristibrisbane.com)
www.corpuschristibrisbane.com or
contact us at inclusion@bne.catholic.net.au

All are invited and all are welcome!

Date & Time: Sunday, 22nd of June 2025 at 2pm

Location: Cathedral of St Stephen, Brisbane City

Cost: Free

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?

We warmly welcome you and your family.
If you have recently moved into this area, we
invite you to join our Parish.
Please contact the Parish Office on (07) 3207 9177
or
Email: victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

Feast Days of May - Month of Mary

Monday 26th	St. Philip Neri
Tuesday 27th	St Augustine of Canterbury
Thursday 29th	St Paul VI, Pope
Saturday 31st	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

PRAYERS

For all those who are ill, especially Helen Clarke, Mariano Molina, Claire Douglas, Keith Douglas, Miles Muscroft, Nicola Hardaker, 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, especially Colleen Ashe, Laval Bosquet, Kathleen Berton and Thomas Berton.

DECEASED: We commend the recently deceased to the loving care of the Lord, especially Vincent Ghisleni and Cido Zimunhu.

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.

JOIN US FOR A CUPPA AFTER MASS

Sat 24/Sun 25 May and Sat 7/Sun 8 June

WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS

For any issues that need attention PLEASE CONTACT TONY HARRIS via parish office

St Rita's Men's Social Group

are having a Morning Tea and Poetry Recitals
at 10:00 on Thursday 29 May
in the Ruby Room



Bring along your favourite poem for recital (either by yourself or someone else!) Also, please bring some finger food to share and contact Mike Duggan if you are attending.

Have a Chat Club

Hi Ladies! Our 'Have A Chat' Club returns on
Thursday 29th May

We will meet at **Sharks Sporting Club** Victoria Point
at **11.30am**

*** **Seniors Meals available** ***

Come along and meet other ladies. Have a laugh and enjoy yourselves.

Contact Elaine Pascoe for more info: 0429 925 989

SACRAMENTAL NEWS

Celebration of God's Mercy

For children preparing for
First Holy Communion

*Children please bring your Workbook and
Mass Attendance Card*



on Wednesday 11 June

5:30pm to 6:30pm at St Rita's Church, Victoria Point

*If you wish to find out more, please email the Sacramental Coordinator,
Jennifer Fielding on sc.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au*

A HEARTFELT INVITATION

Church of the Holy Spirit, Macleay Island
Proudly part of St Rita's Parish, Victoria Point

20th Anniversary Celebration
Pentecost Sunday



*"God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy
Spirit who has been given to us." Romans 5:5*

Please join us in celebrating 20 years of faith, love,
and community at the
Church of the Holy Spirit, Macleay Island.

Date: Sunday, 8 June 2025.

Time: 1.45PM Mass

followed by a shared afternoon tea.

Location: Church of the Holy Spirit,
Scotts Road, Macleay Island

Celebrant: Fr Jose Panampuzha CMI

*St Rita's Parish and the Macleay Island Catholic
Community, warmly welcome everyone who has shared
in our journey — past, present, and future —
to join us in celebrating this joyful occasion.*

*"Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in
them the fire of your love."*

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION FOR MAY

For Working Conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find
fulfilment, families might be sustained in
dignity, and that society might be humanised.



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)



Pipe Pro Plumbing & Gasfitting

Family owned and operated, proudly based on the Redlands Coast

QBCC Licence No. 15056741

Ph: 0417 280 710

E: pipeproplumbingqld@gmail.com

W: www.pipeproplumbingqld.com.au



David Muscroft

Owner | Plumber, Drainer & Gasfitter | Builder (Restricted)

K.M.SMITH FUNERAL DIRECTORS

We think of everything

Shop C3 Victoria Point Lakeside, 7 Bunker Road Victoria Point

Tel: 3820 9588

K.M. Smith is and always has been a 100% Queensland family owned firm providing a caring funeral service built upon strong family values. We have served Queensland families in their hour of need for 6 generations.

Prearrangement and prepayment options available.

Ask us to send you a free Life Book on 3820 9588

www.kmsmith.com.au

Moreton Bay
Obstetrics & Gynaecology
PTY LTD

Mater Specialist Suites
Suite 11-12, Weipin Street,
Cleveland Qld 4163

Phone: 3163 7362

After hrs: 3163 7343 Fax: 3163 7364

Dr. Micheal Mastry
M.D., F.R.A.N.Z.C.O.G., F.A.C.O.G.
Obstetrician & Gynaecologist

Dr. Gill van Iddekinge
M.B.B.Ch., F.C.O.G., M.Med.,
F.R.A.N.Z.C.O.G.
Obstetrician & Gynaecologist

www.mbog.com.au



Thinking of Selling?

Contact Louise Denisenko ~ 0423 110 555

Selling in every suburb of the Redlands

Redlands Coast Properties

A New Wave of Real Estate

Shop 5, 7 Lakeside Boulevard, Victoria Point ~ 07 3824 8814



3 ROOMS DRY CLEANED
4th Room
FREE

ONLY
\$140

ONLY
\$140

Upholstery Deal
4 Seats
Dry Cleaned

Upholstery • Leather • Mattress • Rugs

0429 015 223

www.jdscdc.com.au

 **Stewart & Ray Milligan** 

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR

FOR ALL ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS & REPAIRS

ALL AREAS*

DOMESTIC - COMMERCIAL - INDUSTRIAL

Transient Electrical Pty. Ltd.

74 Avalon Road, SHELDON Qld 4157

Ph: 3206-3174 Mobile: 0408 198 228

AW1493247