



Victoria Point Catholic Parish

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year C - 17 August 2025



Spark Something Good at Home

(Luke 12: 49 - 53)

Jesus said, "I've come to start a fire

on earth – how I wish it were blazing right now! I've come to change everything, turn everything right-side up – how I long for it to be finished! Do you think I came to smooth things over and make everything nice? Not so. I've come to disrupt and confront." (Luke 12: 49 - 50)

When Jesus talks about bringing "fire" to earth, he's speaking about the fire of God's love – a fire that warms, lights up, and transforms everything it touches. This isn't a small, cosy campfire that we keep to ourselves; it's a fire meant to spread, to set hearts alight with love, justice, and hope.

For families, this passage is a reminder that our homes are called to be little sparks of the Kingdom of God. Around our dinner tables, in our living rooms, at the school drop-off, on the sidelines of sports games – these are the places where God's fire can burn bright through our words, our choices, and the way we treat each other.

Jesus also speaks of his "baptism" – the cost and commitment of living out his mission. Family life has its own share of sacrifices. These are busy schedules, sleepless nights, disagreements, and challenges. But in those moments of self-giving love – when we choose patience over irritation, forgiveness over grudges, generosity over selfishness – we share in the same mission of bringing God's fire into the world.

Let's be a family that carries the warmth and light of Christ everywhere we go –
because one spark can change everything.

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SCRIPTURES FOR 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — YEAR C

First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

Psalms: Ps 39:2-4, 18 (JB)

Psalms Response: *Lord, come to my aid, Lord, come to my aid!*

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia, alleluia!*

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

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.

Local Safeguarding Representative: Bob Snoke on 0419 247 698;

Parish Office sa.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au or <https://bncatholic.stoplinereport.com>

STOPLine Service: Ph. 1300 304 550 | **Email:** AOB@stopline.com.au | **Online Report:** bncatholic.stoplinereport.com

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

St Rita's Church

Vigil Mass 5pm

COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND

16 Aug & 6 Sept - 11am Mass

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

SUNDAY

St Rita's Church

Mass 7.00am & 9.00am

MACLEAY ISLAND

17 & 31 Aug - 1.45pm Mass

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

RUSSELL ISLAND

24 Aug & 7 Sept - 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 August

9am Mass on 13 August

ST VINCENT DE PAUL meet on 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month,
at 10am in the **Ruby Room**. Next meeting: 18th August



HOSANNA PRAYER and PRAISE GROUP

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

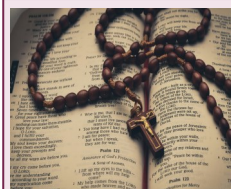
A notice for the Third Sunday of the Month Readers and Communion Mass Ministers

Please note that the Third Sunday of the Month
Teams will be looking after Mass duties on the
weekend of **30th & 31st August**, as it is the
Fifth Sunday of the month of August.

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



ROSARY CRUSADE PRAY FOR THE UNBORN

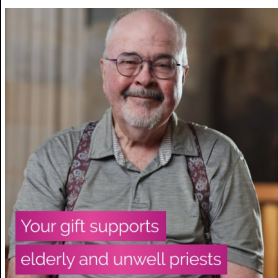
After 9am Mass on Mondays

ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

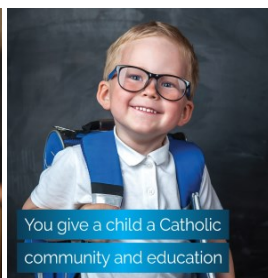
is being held on 23/24 AUGUST

*Be blessed and bless others
with your gift*

Every day, God showers us with blessings so we
will have gifts to share. Your support serves those
in our community who need our care
today. Through your kindness and generosity, we
unite as a Catholic community to reach out to
serve others - the homeless, the marginalised, the
elderly, our future priests in formation and
families in dire circumstances.



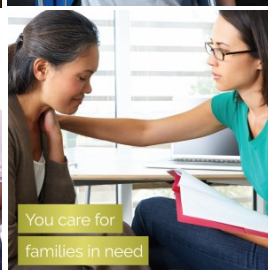
Your gift supports
elderly and unwell priests



You give a child a Catholic
community and education



You provide a
home for
future priests



You care for
families in need

2025-26 Social Justice Statement Launch

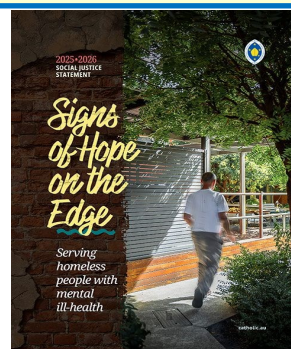
All are invited to the
Brisbane Launch of the Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference
2025-2026 Social Justice Statement

The document, titled
'Signs of Hope on the Edge - serving homeless people with
mental ill-health', will be launched by Fr Gregory Jacobs SJ.

When: Wednesday 20 August at 7pm

Where: St James Parish Hall, Coorparoo

To find out more or to register your attendance,
please visit: tinyurl.com/SJSt at e25-6



RCIA NEWS

Congratulations to William

who received Confirmation and First Holy Communion last weekend



Please keep
William in
your prayers

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, especially Ron Schmidt, Ellen Beitz, & Bob Horvath

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

Gents, many thanks to those who could attend the RiverCat event today – wonderful company, wonderful weather, wonderful food (including ice cream), and an interesting trip up and down the river.

KEEP WATCHING THIS SPACE FOR MORE EVENTS



SAVE THE DATE:
12 SEPTEMBER, 2025

Join us for
a Spring
Parish Fun
Night

EXCITING DETAILS TO
FOLLOW

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



Parish Secretary



Part-Time – 20 hours/week (Mon - Wed, Fri)

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, and assisting the Parish Priest.



Parish Sacramental Coordinator



Casual – Flexible hours including weekends and evenings

This rewarding role involves coordinating the delivery of the parish's sacramental programs (Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation, Reconciliation, RCIA).

Join us for the day as we explore ...

The Carnival of Flowers

Thursday 18 September

Cost: \$45.00 cash only— includes morning tea & lunch

Tickets on sale:

23/24 August, 30/31 August and 6/7 September

For enquires please phone Marie 0411 459 014

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**Keep a day free for our Parish End of Year Lunch
at The Golf Club on 20 November**

Cost \$30.00 cash

MULTICULTURAL MASS "Migrants, missionaries of hope" Pope Francis



CELEBRATED BY ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE

FIND OUT MORE 

24 AUG 2025 2PM, QUEEN OF VIETNAMESE MARTYRS CATHOLIC CHURCH, 54 FLINT ST, INALA

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)

FEAST DAYS OF AUGUST - 3RD WEEK

Friday 15	ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Saturday 16	St Stephen of Hungary
Tuesday 19	St John Eudes
Wednesday 20	St Bernard
Thursday 21	St Pius X, Pope
Friday 22	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday 23	St Rose of Lima

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