

CAPRICORN COAST CATHOLIC PARISH

Sacred Heart & Mary Immaculate

To nurture the spiritual life and activities of the parish community



6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



"I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth." - Jn 14:16-17a

The worshipping communities of Sacred Heart, Yeppoon and Mary Immaculate, Emu Park acknowledge the Darumbal People the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather and pay respect to their elders: past, present, and emerging. For we too are one in land, one in spirit, one in faith, united in God's love.

LITURGIES



15 - 21 May 2023

MONDAY

TUESDAY

5pm St Brendan's College

WEDNESDAY

9am Mass Sacred Heart Church

Adoration & Rosary

6pm Sacramental Program

THURSDAY

6pm Parish Finance Committee

7pm Parish Leadership Group

FRIDAY

9am Mass Sacred Heart Church

11am Funeral Mass : Judith Hayes

2:00pm Rosary

SATURDAY

2:30pm Wedding

John Hauff & Alexandria Hicks

5:15pm Mass Mary Immaculate Church

SUNDAY

The Ascension of the Lord

8:00am-8:30am Reconciliation

Sacred Heart Church

9am Mass Sacred Heart Church

3:15pm Sacramental Program

5pm Mass Sacred Heart Church



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Want to donate to the Parish with a one-off gift? You can give easily & securely by scanning the above QR code with your smart phone. Thanks for your support!

wedding: Congratulations Dane Hansen-Bionda & Rena Goodwin

the sick:

Dale Davenport, Kevin McConville, Joan Jowett, Michael Jones, Jill Egan, John Bignell, Adam Loch, Michael & Cathy Crust, Carmel Hayes, Peter Mahony.

the recently deceased:

Cathy Bedford, Colleen Fagan, Judy Hayes, Ross Tarrant, Barbara Piguet (Swiss), Bernice Taylor, Jim Tuner, Alan Drury. Maxwell James Martin (Snr).

those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

Beverly Murphy, Margaret Curley, Bill Mulcahy, Regis Heinz, Jamie Brazer, Leonie Undy, Pauline Coleman, Betty Pettit, Petronila Jensen, Sue Palmer.



Blessing of Mothers

During the season of Easter, what a great time to remember our mothers and ask for God's blessing on them. It is God who ultimately gave us life. It is through God's unselfish love mirrored in our mothers' willingness to associate their love with God's and take the risk to love us into life that we have the opportunity for life. We remember our mothers this Mother's Day with much love.

Let us pray for each of them:

*God our heavenly Father,
you give to each the ability to
share your generative love.*

*Bless those women in our lives
who mirror your love*

*and bring forth life through their willingness
to risk bringing new life into this world.*

*Help us to show them our gratitude
for the gift of life and
the gift of a mother's love.*

*May our life-giving God continue to bless them
and show them his unfailing love.*

We ask this through Jesus, Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Come Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful,
enkindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit
and they shall be created.
And you shall renew the face of the earth.



Let us pray.
O God, who instruct the hearts of the faithful
by the light of the Holy Spirit,
grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise,
and ever to rejoice in your consolation.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen

GOSPEL MEDITATION

My dad was adopted as a baby. It's a big part of my family's story. His birth mother placed him in a Catholic orphanage not long after birth. A young couple longing for a baby strolled among the bassinets. My father, then only a few months old, looked at the husband and smiled. The man said, "That's my son." They took him home and the family grew. This moment of adoption was a wonderful truth they celebrated even when my dad was a young boy. They told him, "You're even more special than the other children, because we chose you to be our son." My dad's eyes well up with tears of gratitude whenever he tells the story, even eighty-three years later.

What is your story? Do we think or act like unwanted orphans? Who do we believe ourselves to be? As we continue to ponder Jesus' resurrection, we hear him say to us this Sunday, "**I will not leave you orphans.**" God doesn't leave us alone like spiritual orphans. The power that raised Jesus from the dead is the Holy Spirit, who is also called the Spirit of Adoption. He chooses us to be His children, to share God's life forever. He gives us a future filled with hope.

We are not orphans anymore! This Easter, that's the story we should share with others. It's the true story we are living right now. *Father John Muir* ©LPi



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DIOCESAN FESTIVAL

Come Holy Spirit - Fill the Hearts of the Faithful

The faithful of the Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton are invited to gather as we celebrate the launch of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan

Friday 26 May (12 noon) – Saturday 27 May (1pm)
St Joseph's Cathedral and The Cathedral College, Rockhampton

No cost to attend gathering!
Most meals and materials provided.

Sponsorship (up to \$120) for accommodation for those who have to travel to attend.

Any questions please email dpc@rok.catholic.net.au

Registration - simply use the link or the QR code

<https://app.tickets.org.au/CDOR/DioFest>

 Register Here



Come and share the Good News of our Diocese!

The faithful of the Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton are invited to gather as we celebrate the launch of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan.

Hosted by Bishop Michael McCarthy & the members of the Diocesan Pastoral Council, this exciting gathering will give the faithful of the Diocese an opportunity to hear about the pastoral focus for our Diocese over the next five years, as we launch the Diocesan Pastoral Plan. The plan, written with reference to the Bishop's listening process, the Diocesan Assembly, the reports written by task groups following the assembly & other information submitted during & for the Plenary & Synod processes, is a reflection of the voice of the Diocese over a number of years. The plan will encourage parishes & communities to clearly articulate & plan co-responsibility for the mission, bringing about the Kingdom of God right where we live and worship. It will also be an opportunity to hear of & share the wonderful mission & ministry activities already happening around our Diocese, in a festive & supportive environment.

Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
Our life our sweetness and our hope.

To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve;

To thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in the valley of tears.

Turn then most gracious advocate,



Thine eyes of mercy towards us
and after this our exile, show unto us the
blessed fruit of thy womb Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!
Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of
the promises of Christ.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS



First Reading

Acts 1:1-11

Why are you standing here looking into the sky?
Jesus has been taken into heaven.

Psalm 46

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:17-23

He made Jesu to sit at his right hand in heaven.

Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

All authority in heaven and on earth
has been given to me.



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON POSITION VACANT

Community Engagement Manager

The Community Engagement Office of the Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton is responsible for cultivating and nurturing an effective philanthropic base that supports the mission of the Diocese. Applications are being accepted from persons with suitable qualifications/experience for the role of Community Engagement Manager. The role will be responsible for:

- Appeals management, including receipting & donor acknowledgement
- Public relations, including social media & organisational communications
- Donor relations, including bequests & major donors

Please visit <https://rok.catholic.net.au/employment> before 10am on Monday, 29th May 2023 to apply or phone Holly Tucker on 4887 3090 or email hr@rok.catholic.net.au to discuss whether your skills may match the Diocese's requirements.

Successful applicants must be willing to undertake a National Criminal History Check.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

Donations of blankets & warm clothing would be very much appreciated. Please take them to either St Vincent de Paul in Emu Park or Yeppoon & advise shop volunteers that your donation is for SVDP Winter Appeal. Envelopes are also available at both Mary Immaculate & Sacred Heart for any monetary donations.



CATHOLIC LEADER

*Have you found where the
Catholic Leader is now?*

All proceeds collected go to
St Vincent de Paul.

The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton abides by the principles of the **National Catholic Safeguarding Standards** (2013), and is committed to safeguarding, with a specific focus on protecting children and vulnerable adults. For further information or support please contact the Diocesan **Professional Standards & Safeguarding Office: Response Line: 1800 830 113 (free call)** or email: pssoadmin@rok.catholic.net.au **Diocesan Website** for more information: <https://rok.catholic.net.au/our-diocese/safeguarding/> To view the **Diocesan Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults commitment statement & Policy:** www.rok.catholic.net.au/safeguarding-policies.html **Queensland Professional Standards Office:** www.psoqld.catholic.net.au/



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