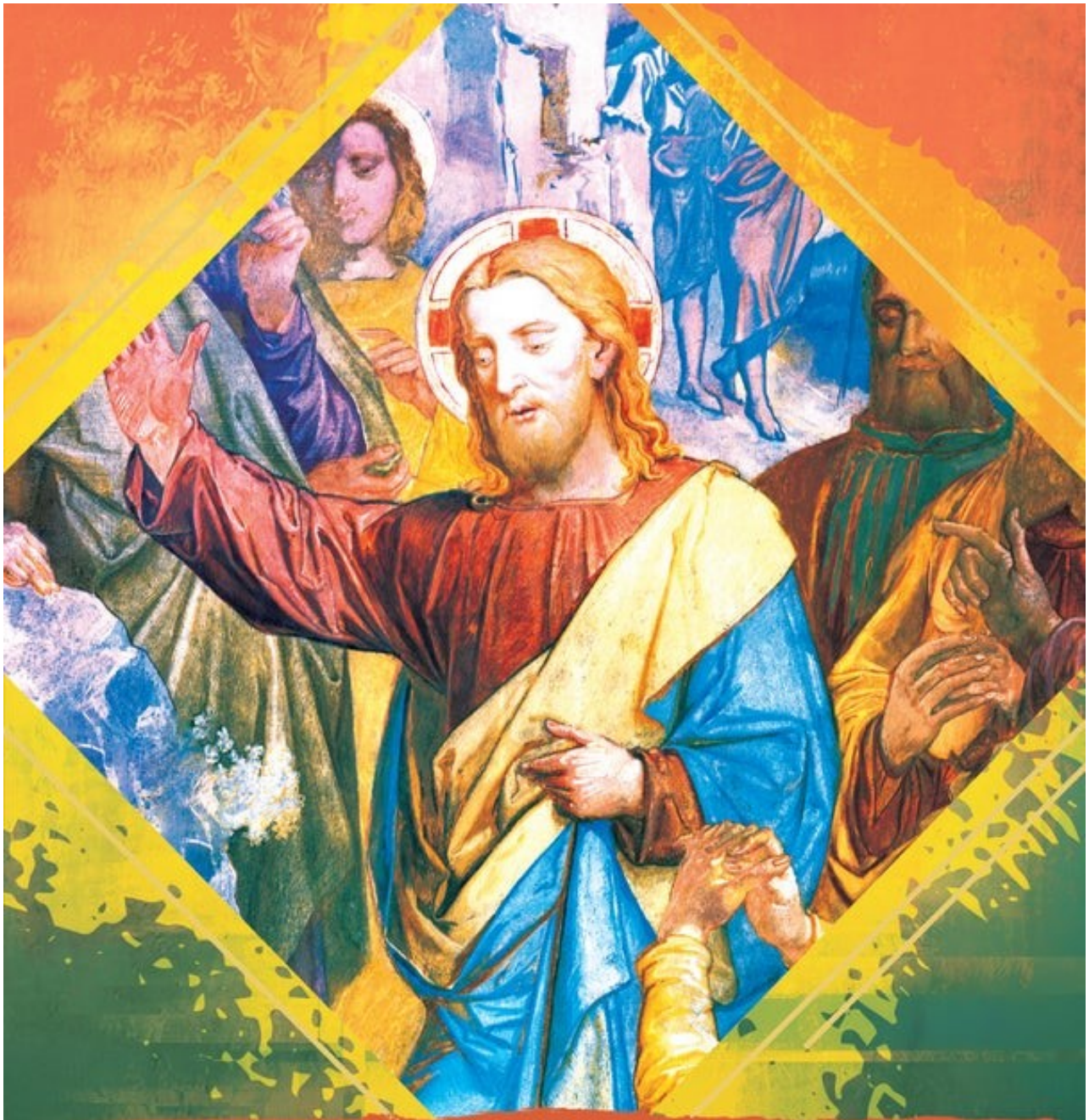


# CAPRICORN COAST CATHOLIC PARISH

Sacred Heart & Mary Immaculate



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.” - Mt 22:9

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*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

16th - 22nd October 2023

## MONDAY

10am St Ursula's College Graduation Mass  
Sacred Heart Church

## TUESDAY

5pm Mass St Brendan's College

## WEDNESDAY

9am Mass Sacred Heart Church  
*Adoration*

## THURSDAY

## FRIDAY

9am Year 12 Graduation Mass  
St Brendan's College

## SATURDAY

5:15pm Mass  
Mary Immaculate Church

## SUNDAY

*28th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*8:00am-8:30am Reconciliation*  
Sacred Heart Church

9am Mass Sacred Heart Church

5pm Mass Sacred Heart Church



**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!**



Pray For...

### the sick:

Fr Peter Tonti, Helen Capes (Perth), Adam Loch, Joan Lacey, Catherine Marshall, Angela White, Michael Jones, Giulia Jones.

### the recently deceased:

Mary Magdalene White, Rosemary Stella Marlow, Brian Mealey, Dr Raymond Channells, Vince Hannan, Leigh Driver, Barrie Mackintosh.

### those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

Perry Molloy, Barry Whitman, Eileen Lowe, Dot Mulcahy, Robert (Bob) Rohrig, Barry Gollan, Mary Fraser, Lawrence Dowling, Robert Horton.

### Message from the Bishop



Over the past few weeks, Fr Peter Tonti has been on leave enjoying a well-earned break. During this time, he has undertaken some medical tests, and he has been diagnosed with low-grade Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma and has now begun treatment in Perth. The treatment includes chemotherapy and is expected to be for a period of six months to put the disease into remission. Fr Peter has family in Perth to support him through this challenging period. Please keep Fr Peter in your prayers. If you have a message for Fr Peter, please send to Bishop Michael's office, and it will be forwarded on to Fr Peter.

c/o Bishop's House, PO Box 611, Rockhampton Qld 4700.

### PUBLIC ROSARY



Join us for a nation-wide Rosary Chain!

Fig Tree Park, Ross Creek, Yeppoon.

10am, Saturday 14th October 2023

Please bring a chair, hat and water.



### NEW ROSTERS

New rosters are now available and on display in the Church foyer.

### Cherish Life QLD Film Screening and AGM

The Rockhampton Branch of Cherish Life QLD will be holding its AGM on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm at the Christian Community Church North Rockhampton. Light refreshments will be available from 6pm. Everyone is welcome to attend a screening of the short film "I want to call her Stacey" to be followed by the AGM. "I want to call her Stacey" is a 9 minute film that depicts the life of an unborn baby girl and tells the story from her unique perspective. The 3D animation follows the formation of the baby in the womb. This screening coincides with the news that QLD Health's Termination of Pregnancy guidelines have recently been amended to allow that a **baby born alive after a termination procedure will now receive life sustaining care**. Gold coin donation appreciated. RSVP by 24th October to 0437 822 231 or [rockhampton@cherishlife.org.au](mailto:rockhampton@cherishlife.org.au).

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

I confess that I have a soft spot for the scary things Jesus says because they are usually ignored. But there's gold in them thar hills, if we have courage to look. This week Jesus gives us a terrifying warning in his parable about the king who gives a marriage feast for his son and promptly goes berserk when people don't respond. The point: those who do not properly respond to God's generous invitation will face totally devastating consequences. The invitees who don't show up get their city burned to the ground. The poor homeless man is tortured for not wearing the correct clothes. Scary indeed.

Is Jesus trying to intimidate or bully us into following him? No, because that is certainly not how he treats anyone in the Gospels. A better view is this: to Jesus, your life matters. The universe is not an empty wasteland where anything goes. It is a theater of love offered and either accepted or rejected. How easy it can be to glide through life thinking my life doesn't make a difference. But it does. It really does.

This should not only be sobering but exhilarating. The positive side of the negative in Jesus' scary parables is the thrill and joy that he is inviting us, therefore our lives matter a great deal. There is a reason to get up in the morning. God's generous love is relentlessly calling us. True, obstinately saying no through our indifference is a catastrophe for us and those around us. But how wonderful must the consequences of our 'yes' be?— Father John Muir ©LPi

## Pastoral Care Practitioner

Mater Private Hospital Rockhampton is looking for a Pastoral Care Practitioner to join the team in a permanent part-time role, working 20 hours per week.

The Pastoral Care Practitioner will contribute to the provision of high-quality pastoral care for patients and their families. Furthermore, the Pastoral Care Practitioner supports the Mission Integration Manager and/or Pastoral Care Coordinator, visiting clergy and staff to ensure that the spiritual and emotional needs of patients and their families are met.

Applications close on 26 October 2023. Flyers available at the back of the Church. To apply, please scan the QR Code below:



## BOOK SALE

*Preloved Books*

**Sunday 12 November**

**St Joseph's Cathedral**

**outdoor shelter**

**10:30—1:00pm**

*Bargain Prices*

*Great Christmas gifts*



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## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Replacement flooring at Mary Immaculate Church, Emu Park

Finish: Wednesday 18th October

Mass this weekend (5:15pm, 14th October 2023) will be held outside.

Please BYO chair or picnic rug!

## CALL FOR RAFFLE DONATIONS



Melbourne Cup Raffle Donations are kindly requested.

Place donations in the box in the church foyer. Thank you!

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

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

I have taken the hand of Cyrus to subdue nations before his countenance.

## Psalm 95

Give the Lord glory and honour.

## Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

We are mindful of your faith, hope and love.

## Gospel

Matthew 22:15-21

Give to Caesar the things that belong to Caesar and to God the things that are God's.

A blue poster for 'Walk for Wellbeing' in support of Queensland Mental Health Week. It features the Queensland Mental Health Week logo, a family silhouette, and the text 'Capricorn Coast Walk for Wellbeing'. It provides details for a walk on Sunday 15th October from Farnborough Beach to Kemp Hill, including registration information and a QR code to register.

Queensland Mental Health Week

Capricorn Coast

# Walk for Wellbeing

In Support of QLD Mental Health Week

Join us for an idyllic walk from Farnborough Beach to Kemp Hill with a rest pause at Ross Creek & morning tea at Lammermoor Beach, finishing with a sausage sizzle at Kemp Hill.

Suitable for all ages & abilities.

Sunday 15th October  
6am Registration for a 7am start at Farnborough Beach  
Finish approx 10.30am at Kemp Hill BBQ Area

Registration - \$25 via QR code  
Registrations received by Thursday 31st August will receive an event t-shirt

Proudly sponsored by

Register here!

### FAILURE AND THE SECOND HALF OF LIFE - Fr Ronald Rolheiser OMI

Mother Theresa, Henri Nouwen, and Jean Vanier, all point out that we need to develop our sense of self-worth not from what we do, but from what we are, namely, from our innate dignity as human beings. What we are is more important than what we do, and it's dangerous to rely on achievement and success in order to feel good about ourselves.

There's a time in life when doing things is mandated, even by the Gospels. That time is the first-half of life (all those years when we're active in the work force, caring for family, paying a mortgage, giving ourselves over to the service of others, and trying to build up the world and find meaning for ourselves). It isn't our time then to simply sit at the feet of Jesus.

During the second-half of life, success loses its importance. To rely on success to feel good about ourselves becomes, at a point, a cancer: If we only feel important when we've achieved something of importance then we need to continue, over and over again, to achieve something of importance, an impossible task.

More importantly, while success builds self-image it doesn't necessarily build character or soul. Bluntly put, too often success inflates rather than mellows the soul. Failure, while always containing the danger of hardening the soul, is more naturally suited to deflate the ego and mellow the heart. The major task of aging is that of mellowing - grieving, forgiving, letting go, accepting vulnerability, and moving beyond the greed, ambition, competitiveness, and perpetual disappointment of youth. Like a good wine, the soul needs to be mellowed in cracked old barrels (an apt image for aging bodies) to bring out its warm, rich character. After a certain age, failure more than success is more likely to help us do that.

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