

CAPRICORN COAST CATHOLIC PARISH

2 February 2025 - Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, Yr C



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SUNDAY READINGS

1st Reading: Malaki 3:1-4

The Lord whom you seek will come to his temple.

Psalm 23:

Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

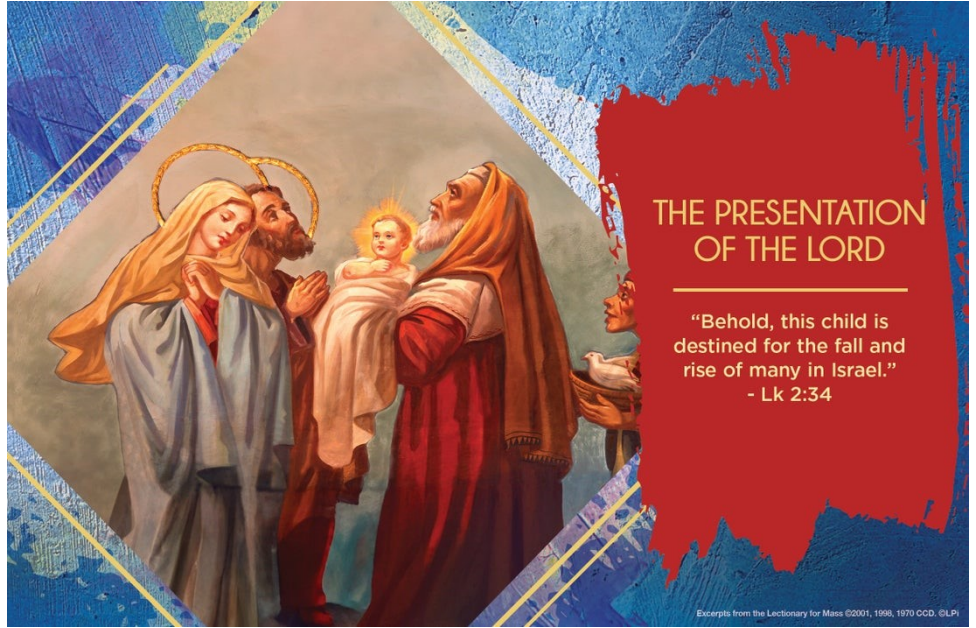
2nd Reading:

Hebrews 2:14-18

He had to be made like us in all things.

Gospel: Luke 2:22-32

My eyes have seen your saving power.



THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

"Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel."
- Lk 2:34

GOSPEL MEDITATION: What is the secret to sharing in God's power to overcome our difficulties? Mary teaches us this in the prophecy of her pierced heart. This Sunday, the old man Simeon prophesies that when her son faces opposition, Mary's soul will be pierced by a sword. The seemingly pointless agony of a mother helplessly watching her son be mocked, tortured, killed and then cruelly desecrated in death by a spear — somehow this piercing of her heart releases a power by which "the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed" (Luke 2:35). What to make of this?

Whatever problems we currently face, the deepest threat is finally that evil thoughts are hidden in the human heart: hatred, envy, pride, lust, greed and so on. Behind every tyrant's injustice, for example, is a heart unpierced by love. Evil hides in our hearts. Mary's pierced heart, and its suffering love for her son, reveals and scatters these evil thoughts, and replaces them with love, forgiveness, generosity and peace.

This week, I invite us to ponder Mary's pierced heart. Her heart is quietly at work for us in the Church and world, exposing our evil thoughts and making a path for her son's divine love. This is how she gently cooperates in our salvation. Closed hearts are our biggest problem; love-pierced hearts are the ultimate power to overcome every difficulty. - Father John Muir ©LPi

POSITION VACANT: Parish Secretary



The Capricorn Coast Catholic Parish is seeking a **Parish Secretary**, located at the Sacred Heart Church in Yeppoon. Office hours are Monday to Friday 9am to 2pm, working with the Parish Team and community.

For further information please contact: capcoast@rok.catholic.net.au
Applications closing mid February.

*The worshipping communities of Sacred Heart, Yeppoon & 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.*



REMEMBER *in your prayers*

The sick: Leo Withoos, Fr Peter Tonti, Aden Gauld, Rene Veltmeyer, Joan Ellaway, Barry Abraham, Ray Tamassy, Kevin Connor, Brian Holmes (Syd), Wendy Stephens, Carolyn Perkins, Amy Collins, Derm Stower, Colleen Stower, Fr Bryan Hannifin, Eimear Devlin (Ireland), Paul Hansby, Renae Ellaway (Duffy), Ollie Miles, Scott Mahosky, Kevin & Joan Lacey, Jo-Anne Coxon, Alan Davids, Adam Loch, Pat Searles.

The recently deceased: Yvonne Cochrane, Jacqueline Fitzgerald, Noel McKenzie, Fiona Bryson, Ken Jenkins, Veronica Loudon-Riley, Margaret McKenzie, David Reynolds, Gerard Taylor, Dawn Day, Ann Cook, Paul Tucker, Eloise Clarke, Br Owen Brown.

Anniversaries at this time: Iris Crikmore, David Fitzgerald, Alan Ricks, Robert Effenev, Briona McKone, Susan McCamley, Tony (Anton) Schick, Marie Mitchell, Phillip Quinn, Frank O'Regan, Jack Grimes, Joan Grimes, Louise Page, Dawn Abraham.

LITURGIES

Date	Time	Mass
Tues 4 Feb	5:00pm	Mass, St Brendan's College
Wed 5 Feb	9:00am	Mass, Sacred Heart Adoration & Rosary
Thurs 6 Feb	9:00am	Opening School Mass, Sacred Heart School, SH Church
Fri 7 Feb	9:30am	Opening School Mass, St Benedicts School, St Benedicts.
	2:00pm	Rosary, Sacred Heart
Sat 8 Feb	5:15pm	Mass, Mary Immaculate
Sun 9 Feb <i>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8-8:30am	Reconciliation, S. Heart
	9:00am	Mass, Sacred Heart
	5:00pm	Mass, Sacred Heart



SHARED MEAL AFTER MASS



Mary Immaculate - Saturday 1st Feb
Sacred Heart - Sunday 2nd Feb
Please bring a plate to share



MEET IN THE MIDDLE

Monday 19th February, 10am



Please join us for our first Meet in the Middle for 2025. We will meet at the Waterline Café at 10am. Please join us for a coffee, chat and a few laughs in beautiful surroundings. Please feel free to bring a friend.

WEEKEND ROSTER

This weekend: Presentation of the Lord 1/2 February

	5.15pm Sat MI	9am Sun SH	5pm Sun SH
Commentator	Kathy Maloney	Deb Bayliss	Jenn Brandish
1st Reader	Laurie Griffin	Marny Keith	Volunteer
2nd Reader	Michelle Griffin	Gordon Gauld	Volunteer

Next weekend: 5th Sunday in Ord. Time 8/9 Feb

Commentator	Collette Bowman	Barbara Pearson	Jenn Brandish
1st Reader	Christine Davids	John Quinn	Parishioners
2nd Reader	Rene Veltmyer	Karen Quinn	Parishioners

WORD AMONG US SUBSCRIPTION

Subscriptions are now up for renewal with a cost of \$50. If you would like to continue your subscription for this year, please contact Helen McIntyre on 0409051495 **as soon as possible** to organise this. If anyone new would like to subscribe to this wonderful little reflection book, please contact Helen also.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

The Feast originated in Jerusalem before the fifth century and was adopted in Rome during the seventh century. Celebrated forty days after Christmas, commemorating the prescribed Mosaic ritual following the birth of a child, and recalling the encounter of Jesus with Simeon and Anna in the temple. Christ is the light to enlighten all nations and so candles are blessed during the introductory rites and carried in the entrance procession.

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

Healing Prayer Ministry: Thank you to all who have offered to be part of the Parish Healing Prayer Ministry. After prayerful preparation, formation and training over these past months, our Healing Prayer Ministry will commence next weekend - 01 February with ministry following 5.15pm Mass at Mary Immaculate, Emu Park.

All HPM Intercessors and Prayer Chain members will be contacted this coming week in relation to the commencement of these ministries. Prayer Meetings will commence in March with further information to follow.

We place the Healing Prayer Ministry, with all ministries in our parish, under the guardianship of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

“Prayer isn’t the least we can do in the world, and prayer isn’t the only thing we can do in the world, but prayer is the most we can do to genuinely impact the world”.



ATTENTION PARENTS!! Register your interest

Children's Gospel based worksheets for various ages are available each weekend for your children to work on at Mass each weekend or take home. Please bring your own colouring pen and pencils. Please register your interest at the office along with the ages of your children, so these resources can be prepared in advance. Once prepared, these worksheets will be available in the foyer at both churches. Additionally there are also Children's Gospel based story books for you to borrow.



Date Claimer: Saturday 8 March 2025 - Women, Wit & Wisdom

The third annual Women, Wit & Wisdom panel event will be held in the Ballygriffin Cultural Centre, St Ursula's College, Yeppoon, on Saturday 8 March 2025 from 3.00pm-5.30pm. This is a community event celebrating International Women's Day with an afternoon of conversation. Email alumni@stursulas.qld.edu.au to receive notification when tickets become available or follow @stursulascollegeyeppoonalumni on Facebook for updates.

Jubilee of Families Date Claimer

Our diocese is hosting a Jubilee of Families this Labour day weekend, running from 3pm on Saturday the 3rd of May through to Monday morning. This event will be an opportunity to connect with other families from throughout the diocese and to grow in faith and in living out our vocation as families. The weekend will feature fun and games, talks, discussion, prayer and sacraments and will feature presentations from Brendan Malone and our diocesan NET team. The venue for the Jubilee is Discovery Parks - Coolwaters, Yeppoon, and accommodation can be booked now by saying that you are with the Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton and quoting booking reference 11005357. The event will be focused on families but absolutely everyone is welcome to attend. Event registration and further details to be provided soon. For more information or any questions please contact Michael.otto@rok.catholic.net.au or 0433 897 973.

JUNIOR WORDSEARCH

Lord, I am your servant

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ARMS	EYES	SACRIFICE
BABY	JERUSALEM	SERVANT
CHRIST	MARY	SIMEON
DOVE	PEACE	SPIRIT



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.



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DAILY MEDITATIONS BY HENRI NOUWEN

God is Active in Daily Life
 Discernment is a spiritual understanding and an experiential knowledge of how God is active in daily life that is acquired through disciplined spiritual practice. Discernment is faithful living and listening to God's love and direction so that we can fulfill our individual calling and shared mission.

Get to Know Me
 Jesus doesn't say, "Come into my world." He doesn't say, "Come, I will change you." He doesn't say, "Become my disciples," "Listen to me," "Do what I tell you," "Take up your cross." No. He says, "Come and see. Look around. Get to know me." That is the invitation.



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