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28th / 29th September 2024

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Parish Churches

St Joseph's Church
Bryant St, Pialba

St Patrick's Church
82 William St, Howard

Mass Centre

St Peter the Fisherman
Burrum Heads Rd
Burrum Heads

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Principal: Nathan Wilson

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Star of the Sea School
Wondunna, Hervey Bay
PH: 4125 6051

Childcare (6wks – 5yrs)
Wondunna, Hervey Bay
PH: 4194 6155

Xavier Catholic College
Eli Waters, Hervey Bay
PH: 4197 1177
Principal: Simon Dash

Welfare Groups

St Vincent De Paul:
21 Liuzzi St Pialba
4194 0861

Centacare:
3324 3800

Dear Parishioners & Visitors,

As we celebrate our unity in diversity today, we thank God who freely gives his spirit to all people. Today's readings also remind us that God can freely choose and equip whoever he wishes. And through God's gift, people of all nations can work together and manifest God's true Spirit in their lives through intentional actions.

It is interesting to note that we live in a nation that is characterized by multiculturalism, and migrants and refugees alike continue to come to this country from many ethnic and cultural backgrounds, holding varied religious beliefs. In such a multicultural nation, to be a Christian is to draw near to others, to make ourselves neighbours, not just to those we happen to encounter in our daily journeys, but also to those that we actively seek out and welcome. It is important for us to lift each one up, to celebrate each of them. That is what we do in a special way this weekend. We celebrate our diversity and the gifts that various cultures and each one of you bring to the Lord, to this church, and to our parish community. For that, we are deeply grateful.

The commandment of Jesus to love God and our neighbours underpins the social teachings of the Catholic Church. God is love, and all of us participate in the love of God. As a human society, we are entrusted with the mission to reach out to those who have come from other places and to go beyond borders as the face of Jesus in their midst. We are created in the image and likeness of God, and it is that image and likeness that we find the foundation for our collective need to both welcome, and care for, especially the vulnerable migrants and refugees. We should be led by the Spirit of God to care for others, as Christ Himself taught us to love God and to love our neighbours.

In the first reading, we see men who remained in the "camp," prophesying in the power of God's Spirit. In the gospel, we equally see men outside the fold of Christ's disciples preaching and casting out demons both in the power of the Holy Spirit and in the name of Jesus Christ. Consequently, we see the zealous and envious disciples getting afraid and worried. They were afraid that these men outside their fold whom the Lord chose and anointed with His spirit were threats to their mission and position. So, instead of seeing them as fellow workers in God's mission, they became jealous and despised them. They thought that God's spirit and mission solely belongs to them. Unfortunately, they were wrong.

Interestingly, Moses and Jesus refused to yield to the fears, jealousy and malicious request of their disciples to stop them. Being filled with the spirit of God themselves, they wisely discerned and knew that these people were genuine. Their mission is in line with the will of God, that all people may receive His spirit and preach the good news. So, today James warns against oppression, and injustices of all kind against the weak, the poor and those whom God has freely chosen. The list includes those who do not belong to our group or class. We should not strangle the true spirit of God at work in them. Rather, we should help them to advance and grow both emotionally and spiritually.

The readings on this multicultural Sunday offer us some lessons: That God can choose and use anyone he wishes for his mission. He gives his Spirit for the edification of his church. Nothing can stop whoever God truly anoints for his mission.

Peace be with you, Fr. Jacob

MASS Times: 30th September to 6th October 2024

St Joseph's Church Hervey Bay

Monday 8am Mass
 Wednesday 5.30pm Mass
 Thursday 8am Mass
 Friday 8am Mass
 Saturday 8am Mass
 6pm Vigil
 Sunday 7am Mass
 9am Mass

St Patrick's Church Howard

Mass: 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month @ 4pm

St Peter the Fisherman Burrum Heads

Mass: 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month @ 4pm



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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH: Saturdays @ 5pm or by appointment

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Book of Numbers 11:25-29

2nd Reading: Saint James 5:1-6

Gospel: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

WE PRAY FOR:

THE SICK: Fe Adilan, Marivic Barrameda, Roman Braczkowski, June Bearsley, Gerard Clinch, Marilyn Cotis, Martin Curtis, Bernie Gick, Carmen Hoolihan, Keith & Angela Mawer, Nina Mironov, Marilyn Monsour Tom Mullen, Dot Phillips, Marivic Quiobe, Elaine Sanders, Gerry Sharpe, Jo Shorrocks, Pam Truscott, Len van Buren, Petrus Van Lierop John Wilson.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Stuart Beilby, Harry Cave, Joseph Darmanin, Harrish Kumar, Arnel NoQuiai, Frank Rejman, David Stevens,

ANNIVERSARY: Neville Garner, John Hinchcliffe, Josefita Magtolis, Bienvenido Olaivar, Augusta Yting

WE CELEBRATE:

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY: Hugh Mclaughlin & Tony Monsour

SEPTEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

PIETY STALL

Located inside the Church and is open before and after each Mass every weekend.
 Sorry no EFTPOS.



MULTICULTURAL MASS

St Joseph's Church will celebrate Multicultural Mass this **Sunday 29th September at 9am.**

We invite Parishioners to dress in their native attire and bring a plate of food (finger food) from your country to share at the morning tea after Mass.

Everyone welcome

ANOINTING MASS

Will be held on **Monday the 7th October (public holiday) at 9.30am** followed by morning tea in the John Paul Centre.

No 8am Mass that Monday.

Please join us in the John Paul Centre for a cuppa after the 9am Mass this Sunday.

This Sunday 29/09 hosted by Legion of Mary & Divine Mercy.

Next Sunday 06/10 hosted by Health Care with Christ

GROUPS	Meeting:	Time	Place
Legion of Mary	<i>Mondays</i>	<i>8.45am</i>	<i>Sr Scholly Hall</i>
St Vincent de Paul	<i>Monday 7th October</i>	<i>3pm</i>	<i>Sr Scholly Hall</i>
Ministry of Consolation	<i>1st Tuesday of each month</i>	<i>2pm</i>	<i>Sr Scholly Hall</i>
Parish Craft Group	<i>1st Wednesday of each month</i>	<i>9am</i>	<i>John Paul Centre</i>
Charismatic Praise & Worship	<i>TBA</i>		
Cenacle "Divine Mercy"	<i>Thursdays</i>	<i>9am</i>	<i>Sr Scholly Hall</i>
Mother Mary's Playgroup	<i>TBA</i>		
Cenacle of Prayer <i>(Immaculate of Mary)</i>	<i>Fridays</i> <i>(No meeting on the 1st Friday of the month)</i>	<i>8.30am</i>	<i>MacKillop Library</i>
El Shaddai	<i>Saturdays</i>	<i>1pm</i>	<i>John Paul Centre</i>
Health Care with Christ	<i>4th Sunday of the month</i>	<i>10.30am</i>	<i>Sr Scholly Hall</i>
Kids Club - grades 1-8	<i>Sunday 6th October</i>	<i>10.30am</i>	<i>Sr Scholly Hall</i>

PARISH NAME BADGES

The name badges are available and ready to be collected from the Parish Office or the church Library before and after the weekend masses. Badges cost \$14 each.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiations of Adults)

Prepares adults for initiation into the Catholic Church (with the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist), and will be celebrated at the Easter Vigil 2025.

For those wishing to become a Catholic, register your name and details at the Parish Office. Our program is about to start.

RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiations of Children)

For children over 8 years old who want to join the Catholic Church. RCIC allows the children to receive a better understanding of what it means to know and love God. During this program the children will receive the Sacraments of Initiation.

Enrolment forms available at the Parish Office.

GOING DEEPER – PODCAST

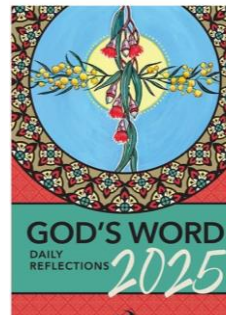
There's so much to know about the Catholic faith that it's easy to get caught up in catechising ourselves while we forget about what it means to implement faith in our daily lives. To learn more, experience more or get some perspective on Catholicism, go to:

goingdeeperpodcast.buzzsprout.com



GODS WORD 2025

The 2025 edition of God's Word is available and ready to be collected from the office during the week or the Piety stall before and after the weekend masses. Books cost \$15 each.



AN ONLINE COURSE ON CATHOLIC MARRIAGE

The ACU Centre for Liturgy is offering a short course entitled **A Faithful Promise: Catholic Marriage – Covenant and Calling** presented by Prof Clare Johnson. It will run over 4 Tuesday evenings: **15, 22 & 29 Oct and 12 Nov 2024, 7-8.30 pm AEDT via Zoom.** Each session stands alone and enrolment for one or all of the sessions is an option.

Cost: \$100 (or \$25 per session)

- Session 1: Biblical & Theological Foundations (15 Oct)
- Session 2: Marriage as Contract, Covenant, Sacrament (22 Oct)
- Session 3: Living the Sacrament of Marriage: Unity, Indissolubility & Openness to Life (29 Oct)
- Session 4: Theology of Marriage in the Order of Celebrating Matrimony (12 Nov)

Registration: www.acu.edu.au/marriage_short_course

PUBLIC ROSARY

Join us in the Nationwide Rosary prayer!

Date: Saturday 12th October

Time: 9:30 am

Venue: Scarness Park Shelter

(Near the Beach House on the Esplanade near the small jetty.)

Please bring your own Rosary Beads, chairs, family and friends!



STAY HYDRATED! Now it is starting to warm up and we move into summer, we ask you to please feel free to bring a water bottle with you to Church. Please remember to take all your belongings & any rubbish with you. We also ask that no food be brought into the church.

Sign up to FLOCKNOTE! flocknote

This month, the whole archdiocese is promoting a **September Signup** to Flocknote. Parishioners and visitors are invited to use the link below:

herveybayparish.flocknote.com/register or the QR code on the right to sign up and register with the parish. If you have any questions or need help, feel free to speak with the Parish office.




SAFEGUARDING

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. Information on Safeguarding is now available on our website: **www.herveybaycatholic.com.au**



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