

The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph

Incorporating the worshipping communities of:
St Joseph's Cathedral, St Peter's, St Paul's (Gracemere) & Sacred Heart (Mount Morgan)

28th & 29th of August 2021
Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Gospel Reflection by Fr Matthias Ogwo

In today's Gospel the Pharisees and some of the Scribes complain to Jesus that his disciples fail to observe the tradition of the elders. The controversy was the fact that the disciples ate without first washing their hands.

Jesus called this attitude hypocrisy and goes ahead to quote the prophet Isaiah: This people honour me only with lip service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.

Religion has to be better than mere external observance of rules, laws, traditions and rituals. God's laws are supposed to bring our hearts closer to God and to his people in love. The best way to be faithful to God's law is to allow our hearts to be transformed by it and lead us into deeper relationship with God. Let God's law find expressions in the way we live, love, and treat one another.



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will take your message and
deliver it to a priest as soon as
possible. Please provide your
name, address and phone
number to avoid delay.

Baptisms & Marriages

Bookings are made through the
Parish Office.

Advance notice and preparation
are required.

Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd
& 4th Sunday of each month after
9.30am Mass.

Mass Times

Monday 30th August

St Joseph's Cathedral 6:30am

Tuesday 31st August

St Joseph's Cathedral 5:30pm

Also livestreamed on [cposj.com](https://www.cposj.com)

Wednesday 1st September

St Joseph's Cathedral 12:10pm

Also livestreamed on [cposj.com](https://www.cposj.com)

Thursday 2nd September

St Joseph's Cathedral 8:00am

Also livestreamed on [cposj.com](https://www.cposj.com)

Friday 3rd September

St Gregory the Great, pope, doctor

St Joseph's Cathedral 12:10pm

Also livestreamed on [cposj.com](https://www.cposj.com)

Saturday 4th September

St Joseph's Cathedral 9:00am

St Joseph's Cathedral

9:30am - 10:30am

Confessions

Vigil Masses

Sacred Heart, Mt Morgan

4:00pm

St Joseph's Cathedral 6:00pm

Sunday 5th September

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's Cathedral 6:30am

St Paul's, Gracemere 8:00am

St Joseph's Cathedral 9:30am

Also livestreamed on [cposj.com](https://www.cposj.com)

St Joseph's Cathedral 6:00pm

Ordinariate Masses

St Peter's Church, Allenstown

Sunday 9:30am

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Thursday 9am - 2pm

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Parish Calendar for the Month of August

Sunday 29th August

Social Justice Sunday

Wednesday 1st September

One Heart Many Voices Mission

Conference at Duhig Centre

Friday 3rd September

Holy Hour for Vocations at St

Joseph's Cathedral

Sunday 12th September

Safeguarding Sunday

22nd - 25th September

Young people from across Diocese

attend IGNITE conference

We pray for our brothers & sisters that have recently died

We pray for those who have recently passed into eternal life:

Pat Ellrott, Julie McDonald, Brian Geaney, Dwight Dellow, Monica Fogarty, Norm Pearce (Gold Coast), Ernie Trevaskis, Terry Molloy, Myrna Albania (Philippines), Stanley Darkin, Jim Woodall & Sharon Wright

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Cathedral Gets a New, Easy way to Donate

The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph gratefully accepts any and all forms of donations. However some giving methods come with costs such as printing that could otherwise be re-invested into Parish life.

With this in mind, our Parish is rolling out a simple, COVID compliant way to donate while at church, using your phone with our Donation Point Go system. It works with a QR code which has become something we are all too familiar with due to the pandemic.

To donate, scan the QR code with your smartphone to be redirected to a secure Parish webpage. Then type in your card details in to the secure page or use your e-wallet. Then click the pay/donate button with the amount you wish to donate fully customisable.

We cannot thank you enough for your continued contribution to our Parish community.



Social Justice Sunday This Weekend

The celebration of Social Justice Sunday is a long tradition in the Catholic Church in Australia. For almost every year since 1940, our bishops have joined together to issue a major social justice statement at this time.

This year's social justice statement is 'Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor'. The statement affirms that "we human beings need a change of heart, mind and behaviour." It draws from Scripture, from the theological tradition, from Catholic Social Teaching, and from the wisdom of the world, including the insights of the First Nations.

In the Statement, the Bishops invite the whole Catholic community to join them in taking up Pope Francis' invitation to a seven-year journey towards total ecological sustainability, guided by seven Laudato Si' Goals. These goals are: response to the cry of the earth, response to the cry of the poor; ecological economics; sustainable lifestyles; ecological spirituality; ecological education; and community engagement and participatory action.

View the full Social Justice Statement at: <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/resources/social-justice-statements/>

Safeguarding Sunday 2021 - 12 September 2021

The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph and the Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton are committed to care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday

Venerable Fulton Sheen

"You will never be happy if your happiness depends on getting solely what you want. Change the focus. Get a new centre. Will what God wills, and your joy no man shall take from you."

Invitation to View Opening Online Sessions of One Heart Many Voices Mission Conference

This powerful online event will be displayed on the big screen at the Duhig Centre behind Bishop's House 170 William Street Rockhampton from 9.30am to 1.15pm Wednesday 1st September 2021.

This event is completely free and attendees can look forward to a morning tea provided by the Diocese.

The two keynote speakers for the morning session will be:

Cardinal Luis Antonio Gokim Tagle - (Prefect of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples and Metropolitan Archbishop Emeritus of Manila)

Dr Miriam – Rose Ungunmerr Baumann AM (Aboriginal activist, educator and artist and Senior Australian of the year)

This conference has been organized by Catholic Mission and Catholic Religious Australia

Greg Clair , Diocesan Director of Catholic Mission says this conference a wonderful experience for an alive Church and a chance to participate in relevant and engaging mission experience.

For further info or to register your attendance please phone Greg Clair on 0419 029 839.

Unleash.

IGNITE CONFERENCE 21 BNE

Australia's most dynamic annual Catholic youth conference is back in 2021 in Brisbane! Get ready for incredible live music, engaging speakers and powerful moments of prayer.

Our diocesan group is organising accommodation and transport from Mackay, Rockhampton, Gladstone and Gin Gin, and is open to all young adults and high school students.

When: 22nd to 25th of September

Where: Mueller College, Redcliffe

Cost: \$300 (including accommodation, transport and meals)

For more info or to register with our diocesan group please contact Michael at 0433 897 973 or youth@rok.catholic.net.au.



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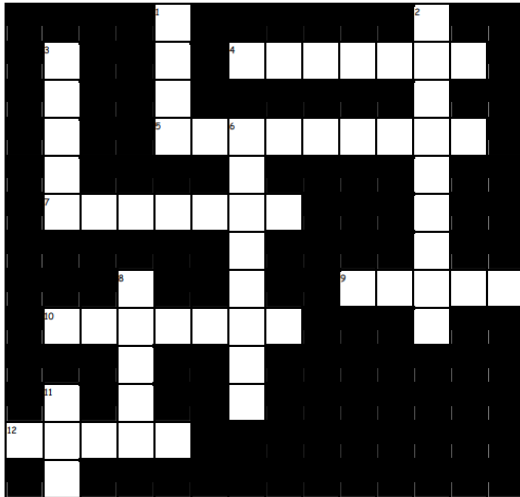
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Reflect

God's law is designed to form our hearts so that we will live in a way that ensures everyone's well-being: our own, and our neighbour's. Jesus warns us against confusing God's law with merely man-made rules and practices. It is our hearts that govern our choices, Jesus says. If our hearts have not been touched by God's law, nothing else can save us.

Sometimes we think of laws as restrictive and oppressive to our freedom. The emphasis today is that laws do in fact make our lives easier; and that God's law in particular frees our hearts from ways of acting that makes us unhappy.

Good hearts and kind words allow you to worship God



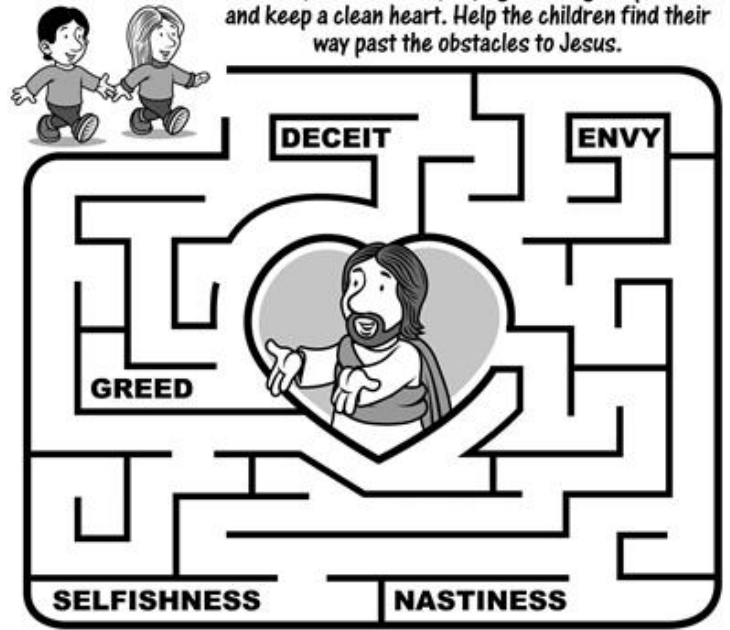
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The way to Jesus is by trying to be a good person and keep a clean heart. Help the children find their way past the obstacles to Jesus.



Mk 7:1-5, 14-16, 21-23

Across

- 4: the Pharisees wanted to know why the disciples ate without doing this to their hands first
- 5: these people ate without washing their hands first
- 7: someone who teaches
- 9: Jesus said, 'The bad _____ that come out of your mouth are what make you unclean'
- 10: Jesus told the crowd that it is not food that makes you unfit to _____ God
- 12: the Pharisees and all other Jewish people always washed these before eating

Down

- 1: the Pharisees always washed their hands before they ate their _____
- 2: the Pharisees obeyed the teachings of their _____
- 3: evil thoughts and foolishness come from your _____
- 6: to take something that is not yours is called _____
- 8: a large group of people
- 11: you do this when you are hungry

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Mk 7:1-5, 14-16, 21-23

Try to find these words:

ancestors
crowd
disciples
eat
food
hands
heart
stealing
teacher
washing
words
worship

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Enhancing Music at the Cathedral

The Cathedral Parish of St Joseph has been offered a grand piano at a very reasonable price. The piano will be used to enhance the celebration of the liturgy in the Cathedral and enable the Cathedral to become a centre for the performance of sacred music and song – an opportunity for evangelisation and a means for the Church to contribute to the community in a positive way.

If you would like to support the parish in purchasing this instrument your donation would be gratefully received. Donations can be made directly to the Parish Office.

Weekly Prayer

God of wisdom and love,
source of all good,
send your Spirit to teach us your truth
and guide our actions
in your way of peace.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your
Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever and ever. Amen

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

When: Friday September 3rd 5:30pm

Where: St Joseph's Cathedral



An opportunity for prayer and fellowship.
All are welcome to a holy hour in front
of the Blessed Sacrament to pray
for vocations for our diocese
and for our own vocations

Dinner to follow at **6:40pm**
at the Allenstown Hotel. To be
included in the booking for dinner
contact Michael at **0433 897 973** or
vocations@rok.catholic.net.au



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Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's liturgy of the word has recommenced at St Joseph's Cathedral. Thanks to volunteers who have come forward to allow this ministry to recommence fortnightly. We still need more volunteers to ensure we can offer this ministry, every Sunday at the 9.30am Mass. Please contact Cathedral Centre 4927 6744 if you would like to volunteer - training is available.

Major Earthquake Hits Haiti

Caritas Australia's thoughts and prayers are with the people of the Haiti who have been devastated by a **7.2 magnitude earthquake**.

Over 1,400 people have died, and thousands more left injured. Homes, churches and schools have been damaged in the quake, and reports indicate that **more than 30,000 families have been left homeless**.

The country also continues to grapple with COVID-19, poverty, and ongoing political instability and violence.

There is immediate and urgent need for food, water, shelter, hygiene kits and first aid on the ground.

To provide support, you can donate to **Caritas Australia's Emergency Response Appeal**.
Donate today at www.caritas.org.au or by calling 1800 024 413 toll free.

Ecumenical Corner

Churches Together

This weekend please keep in your prayers The Rockhampton Churches Together Committee and its Work.

Ecumenical Teaching

"In the Decree on Ecumenism, the focus is more on a "Pilgrim" church moving towards Christ than on a movement of "return" to the Roman Catholic Church." (Documents of Vatican Council: Preface, Decree on Ecumenism)

Sacraments 2021-2022

Continuing the Journey in the Catholic Faith Sacraments 2021-2022

Calling all families with children who have reached the age of reason (which is seven years of age) to join the preparation journey 2021-2022 towards the celebration of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist in 2022. To register please call the Cathedral Centre on 4927 6744.

Info for Next Round of Dayton University Courses now Available

The Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation is a new initiative to offer adult religious education and faith formation anytime and anywhere via the internet.

Registrations are now open for classes starting on the 22nd of August. There are many wonderful topics available with course lengths ranging from 3 to 6 weeks.

This is an excellent opportunity for further education and formation for all parishioners.

To learn more about the courses on offer, check out the following link:

https://vlcff.udayton.edu/courses/courses.php?group_by_track=1

This Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Deuteronomy 4:1-2. 6-8

The laws of God are a sign of God's presence and offer us God's life.

Psalm

Responsorial Psalm 14:2-5



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Second Reading

James 1:17-18. 21-22. 27





Goodness is all gift, because all goodness comes from God as a gift.

Gospel

Mark 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23

The Gospel is concerned with uncovering what is hidden, especially the secrets of the human heart.

Parish Schools

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