



HOLY ANNUNCIATION ORTHODOX CHURCH

BRISBANE'S ENGLISH-LANGUAGE ORTHODOX PARISH

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES: SEPTEMBER 2017

Date	Time & Event	Description
Sun 27 Aug	6pm Festal Vigil	THE DORMITION OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY, THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY. <i>NB: The Festal Vigil includes the Litia.</i>
Mon 28 Aug	8:30am Liturgy and Moleben	<i>Liturgy is followed by a Moleben for the participants of the 1917-18 All-Russia Council. Then, church vestments will be changed to Gold. The Dormition Fast ends on this day.</i>
Thu 31 Aug	6:30-8pm Catechism 9	Our ninth catechetical talk is entitled ' The Occasional Sacraments: Baptism and Chrismation, Marriage and Ordination '. <i>All welcome!</i> <i>NB: The backyard is inaccessible due to concreting. Sorry for any inconvenience!</i> <i>NB: Fr Andrew will be available for Office Hours (by appointment) from 5:30pm.</i>
Sat 2 Sep	<i>No Services at HAOC</i>	Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Apostle Thaddeus of the Seventy.
Sun 3 Sep	<i>this weekend.</i>	<i>See other parish details at: https://orthodoxyinaustralia.com/churches-in-queensland/</i>
Fri 8	6pm Festal Vigil at ROCKLEA	Patronal Feastday of the Rocklea Parish: The Meeting of the Vladimir Icon of the Mother of God.
Sat 9	8:30am Liturgy at ROCKLEA	<i>All services at Vladimir Icon Parish: 14a Douglas St, Rocklea.</i>
Sat 9	<i>No service</i>	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Venerable Moses the Black, of Scetis.
Sun 10	8am Matins & Liturgy	
Mon 11	8am Matins & Liturgy	The Beheading of the Glorious Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptist John.
Thu 14	6:30-8pm Catechism 10	Our tenth catechetical talk is entitled ' The Regular Sacraments: Communion, Confession and Unction '. <i>All welcome!</i> <i>NB: Fr Andrew will be available for Office Hours (by appointment) from 5:30pm.</i> <i>Also: This concludes our series for 2017. Thanks to all who joined us!</i>
Sat 16	6pm Vigil	Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Holy Prophet and God-seer Moses.
Sun 17	8:30am Liturgy	<i>After Liturgy, the church vestments will be changed to Blue.</i>
Wed 20	6pm Festal Vigil	THE NATIVITY OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY, THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY.
Thu 21	8:30am Liturgy	<i>NB: Whether Litia is served will depend on the amount of people present.</i>
Sat 23	6pm Vigil	Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Sunday before the Elevation of the Cross. Venerable Silouan of Mt Athos.
Sun 24	8:30am Liturgy	<i>After Liturgy, the church vestments will be changed to Red.</i>
Tue 26	6pm Festal Vigil	THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS.
Wed 27	8:30am Liturgy	<i>NB: Whether Litia is served will depend on the amount of people present.</i> <i>After Liturgy, the church vestments will be changed to Gold.</i>
<i>The Sacred Music Conference in Brisbane runs from 27 Sep to 2 Oct.</i>		
Sat 30 Sep	6pm Vigil at CATHEDRAL	Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost. St Eumenes of Gortyna, the Wonderworker. <i>As the Sacred Music Conference is in Brisbane, all parishes have been invited to concelebrate: Saturday, at 344 Vulture St; and Sunday, at 14a Douglas St.</i>
Sun 1 Oct	8am Hierarchical Liturgy at ROCKLEA	<i>This means that there will be no services at Holy Annunciation this weekend.</i>
Thu 5 Oct	6:30-8pm ' Acts ' Bible Study	Our Bible Study series on 'The Acts of the Apostles' begins tonight. <i>All welcome!</i> <i>NB: Fr Andrew will be available for Office Hours (by appointment) from 5:30pm.</i>
Sat 7 Oct	<i>No service</i>	Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Venerable Sergius, Abbot of Radonezh.
Sun 8 Oct	8am Matins & Liturgy	<i>Followed by the Parish Association's Annual General Meeting</i>

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Upcoming Events, in Brief...

Rocklea Parish Feastday services.....8-9 Sep
Midweek Services 11 Sep
Sacraments 2 Talk (*Catechism 10*) 14 Sep
Sacred Music Conference.....27 Sep-2 Oct
Rocklea Spring Ball..... 1 Oct
'Acts' Bible Study starts 5 Oct
Next Toowoomba service..... 7 Oct
HAOC Annual General Meeting 8 Oct



Upcoming Events

Our driveway has been suffering in our previous storm seasons (particularly in terms of our drainage). The Parish Council can now joyfully announce that **the Driveway is being extended, with a pathway** built in from the driveway to the base of our ramp. This will mean that our **backyard will be inaccessible from after the Liturgy for Dormition until 10 September**. To accommodate this, we have cancelled services on 2-3 September (please visit another Orthodox parish this weekend), and have cancelled Vigil on 9 Sep in favour of holding Matins immediately prior to Liturgy on 10 Sep (Confessions are able to be heard during Matins). *Thank you for understanding!*

The last two sessions of our **Public Catechism** course are upon us! These two sessions are **new for 2017**, and will discuss each of the Sacraments across two sessions:

- 31 August will discuss '*The Occasional Sacraments: Baptism and Chrismation, Marriage and Ordination*', and
- The course will conclude on 14 September with '*The Regular Sacraments: Communion, Confession and Unction*'.

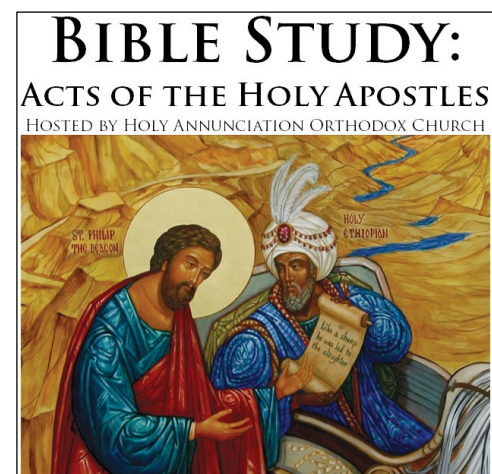
All welcome!

Our sister parish in Rocklea will be celebrating its **Patronal Feastday of the Meeting of the Vladimir Icon** on 8-9 September. For more details, see: www.roq.org.au/vladimir-icon-of-the-mother-of-god.html

We are trialling having **midweek services**. We are aiming for these to celebrate important feasts of the Christian calendar, while also being able to have a full workday afterwards, to allow our parish to sustainably have a fuller liturgical life. Our first such service will be on Monday **11 Sep**, commemorating the Beheading of St John the Baptist. *All welcome!*

Our upcoming **Bible Study on 'Acts of the Apostles'** will be starting on **Thursday 5 October, from 6:30-8pm**. This is an extremely relevant Bible study for many who have noted the similarities between the Roman Empire in the first century (and the place of the Christian Church within it) and our own time and place today. For more information, see: www.HolyAnnunciation.net/Acts. *All welcome!*

The next services at St John's Mission, Toowoomba, are on Saturday, 7 October, from 8:30-11:15am. Details: <http://www.OrthodoxToowoomba.com>



Past Events

In August, we held our Fundraising Dinner and welcomed our Bishop for services, and celebrated the Transfiguration and the Dormition. We also farewelled Olga Malisheff, a former Head Sister and long-serving Parish Councillor who reposed in office. *Memory Eternal!*

For more details as they happen, please subscribe to our parish newsletter (www.eepurl.com/mQmBf) and 'like' our page on Facebook (www.facebook.com/HolyAnnunciation – where photographs from events are uploaded).