

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah

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Vision

To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community

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Second Sunday of Easter—Divine Mercy

11th April 2021



"DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY" 'A Day of Clearing Doubts'

In today's Gospel reading the disciple at the centre is Thomas. Thomas was a deeply wounded man. When Jesus his Master and friend was put to death on that Friday, he was in deep pain and left the company of other disciples. Thus, he was unable to meet the Risen Lord when He appeared to other disciples. He came to know about it, and he was deeply hurt. When the Lord appeared again, He showed Thomas His wounds. They were the proof of His love for the disciples. Then the Lord invited Thomas to touch those precious wounds. Thus, it was by touching and being touched that he was healed of his unbelief and grief and pain. What Jesus told Thomas that day is relevant to every one of us.

We live in a world of doubts. Many do not believe that Christ is risen and that we can have the experience of the Risen Lord in our lives. They will not be convinced unless they can touch His wounds and see the radiance of His face. But this can happen only if the Risen Lord is seen in His followers. The Risen Lord had a decisive influence on the lives of His followers. For that we ourselves need to experience the presence of the Lord in our lives.

"Jesus' willingness to accommodate Thomas' unbelief is a reminder that God can handle our doubts" - David D Flowers
"Doubting Thomas uttered the greatest confession of faith recorded anywhere in the Bible" - Dr. R.F. Wilson.

Fr Tomy

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Saturday: Vigil 6:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am

9:00am

Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday
(except school holidays)

6:00pm

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Saturday: Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday 9:00 am

Tuesday 9:00 am

Wednesday 9:00 am

Thursday 9:00 am

Friday 9:15am (Except 1st Friday of Month)

First Friday of Month Anointing of Sick

11:00am

Saturday 9:00 am

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Wednesday 9:00am

First Wednesday of Month Anointing of Sick

9:00am

Thursday 9:00am

EXPOSITION BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Mary's Church Toukley

Each Saturday – After Morning Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Mary's Toukley

Saturday 9:30am—10:00am

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Saturday 4:30—5:00pm

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

St Mary's Toukley

8:20 am Monday to Saturday

First Friday Night Vigil

Exposition after 7pm Mass until 1.30am

COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship Diocese of Broken Bay

Latest Update: 29 March 2021

Capacity: Capacity at a place of public worship continues to be subject to the one person per 2 square metre rule. Children count towards the capacity limit. Our capacity: St Mary's: 235, St Brendan's: 320

Please do not enter the Church if you feel unwell.

Masks: mask wearing is not mandatory for places of worship. You are welcome to wear a mask if you would like to.

Record Keeping: Everyone entering the Church must sign in with their name and contact number, preferably using the QR code, or on the paper sheet provided. Please write clearly. The Parish office will hold the record for 28 days confidentially and securely.

Seating: please sit only where marked, to maintain physical distancing requirements. Members of the same household may sit together. Seating signs are staggered to allow for physical distancing, so please adhere to these signs.

Singing: Singing is now permitted in Places of Worship by the congregation.

Holy Communion: Parishioners are requested to receive Holy Communion in the hand and adhere to 1.5m physical distancing while processing to Communion.

No Gathering: Parishioners are asked to move away promptly from the Church after Mass has finished.

No Sharing Food: Please remember that any meetings we hold must not involve sharing of food. If food is served, it must be individual serves on separate plates/containers, or participants must bring their own food.

Offertory Procession: due to easing of COVID restrictions, we are now able to resume the Offertory Procession.

More details about COVID restrictions are available on the notice board and signs at the Church doors.

Thank you for our Easter Celebrations

Fr Tomy, Fr Baby and the Parish Community wishes to thank all those involved in organising and preparing for our Holy Week and Easter Celebrations. Your contributions ensured our liturgies were very holy and reverent celebrations of the death and resurrection of our Lord, and we are grateful for your efforts.

Project Compassion


Please return your Project Compassion boxes and envelopes to the church as soon as possible so that we can finalise our counting and send our contribution to Caritas. Thank you to everyone who has donated already.

Church Library

We will soon offer parishioners an assortment of religious books to borrow. The Library will be set up in the Parents Room at the back of the church. Thank you to the Mackillop school library for their donation of books for our library.



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Thank you to our Pascal Candle Sponsors

Our Parish wishes to thank Creightons Group, Bowden Family Funerals and White Lady Funerals for sponsoring our Pascal Candles this Easter.

Planned Giving Envelopes

Our new envelopes have started, please check the back of the church if you have not yet collected yours. If you cannot find your envelopes at the back of the church, please let the Parish Office know. If you would like to start Planned Giving, please call the Parish Office or fill out one of the blue cards and return it to the Priest or Parish Office. Credit card giving is also available.

Piety Stall

A very special thank you to Mary Muller for her service in the Piety Stall over the past 6 years. It is truly amazing when a volunteer uses their talents or background knowledge to assist others. This aids the Church and helps fulfil its needs. Without volunteers, we wouldn't have a church, the people are the church! Thank you so much Mary, you really helped me out in a time of need, from Jo Marlin, Fr Tomy, Fr Baby and the Parish Community. If anyone is interested in helping out in the Piety Stall at the 7.30am Sunday Mass (10 minutes before and after Mass) please leave your details with the Parish Office.

Holy Land Collection

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Holy Land Collection on Good Friday.

Lamingtons for Sale

The CWL will be selling lamingtons before and after each Mass on the weekend of 1st & 2nd May. There will be plain or cream available at a cost of \$8 for ½ doz. and \$15 per doz. Please help the CWL in their support of year 11 and year 12 students in our Catholic Schools on the Central Coast. To assist in our ordering, please call the parish office as soon as possible, on 4396 4455, to place your order. Thank you



Sacramental Program—First Eucharist

The Sacramental Program for First Eucharist will begin with Parent Information Sessions on Wed 28th April 3.30pm at St Brendan's and Thurs 29th April 3.30pm and 7pm at St Mary's. Parents of children in year 4 who have already received their Confirmation and Reconciliation are encouraged to attend one of these sessions.

Communion Dresses

If you know a girl who will be receiving the Sacrament of First Eucharist this year and would like a beautiful Communion Dress, we have some available in our Parish, kindly donated by the Episcopate at San Remo. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

April Birthdays

Pam Moir (7th April)
Rawson Blackwood (10th April)

Call the office to have your birthday included!



In your charity, please pray for those who have died and those who are sick.



Recently Deceased

Caterina D'Angola, George Gavranic, Paul Oakes, Rex Ceeney, Pat McCann, Gregory Irvine, Sofia Anay, Ruth Stephens

Anniversaries

Ingrid Hamer, Donald & Amelia Marshall, Albert Sykes, Arsenio Reyes, Enid (Joyce) Martin, Evelyn Siskovic, John Matthews, Christopher Dormer

Remembrances

Stephen Cappa, Colin McIntyre, Anthony Ng, Valmai Joseph Stark Family, Carol Brown

Please Pray for the Sick

Peter Dormer, Arlene Chatterjee, Ivy Teo, Diane Booth, John McCann, Merv Waters, Sr Tincy Thomas

Please remember, notices in this section appear as follows:

Recently Deceased—3 weeks

Anniversaries—3 weeks

Remembrances—3 weeks

Sick—6 weeks

Please contact the Parish Office to have your notice appear for a longer period of time.



Attention young singers & musicians!

Can you sing or play a musical instrument? Join our Youth Band and help us achieve our parish vision of being a vibrant eucharistic community! Starting Sun 2nd May at 6.00pm Mass at St Mary's. Contact Sr Josie or the Parish Office. See noticeboard for more details.

Mackay Family Funerals

In Association with Mackay Family Crematorium
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PO Box 89 Ourimbah NSW 2258.

Phone: (02) 4362 2733 Fax: (02) 4362 2899



Volunteer Angels

Male & Female

Do you have a caring heart & time to become a friend to a lonely person in an Aged Care Facility

Please call Anne-Marie 4396 1555

The Community Visitors' Scheme

First Reading

Acts 4:32-35

The whole group was united, heart and soul.

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect. None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:2-4, 15-18, 22-24

R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say:
'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.' **R.**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.
I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone,
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. **R.**

Second Reading

1 John 5:1-6

Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world.

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets.

We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is—keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world—our faith.

Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness—since the Spirit is the truth.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!
Alleluia!

Gospel

John 20:19-31

After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'
After saying this he breathed on them and said:
'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:
'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Sunday - Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading - Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Second Reading - 1 John 2:1-5

Gospel - Luke 24:35-48

[Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April](#)

Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

