

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah

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To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community

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Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

11th September 2022



Giving and Accepting Forgiveness

In St. Luke's Gospel Chapter 15, Jesus tells stories about a lost sheep, a lost coin, a lost son and a loving father. These are stories of failure, repentance, forgiveness, of joy and reconciliation. They are stories of starting over - of beginning anew.

The parable of the prodigal son - one of the immortal parables of Jesus - is narrated in detail. It has been called the greatest short story ever told. It is a story about a father and his two sons. The father loves his sons very much. Yet the younger son asks for his share of the property and he spends his money in loose living. Finally he returns to his father's house. The loving father accepts him back unconditionally and showers love and affection on his prodigal son. The father's love for the lost son vividly explains God's unconditional forgiveness and love for the lost ones. The attitude of elder son is harsh and judgmental. This parable tells us about the story of our own lives. The parts played by the prodigal son and the elder son are two sides of the same coin - our own selves.

There are no more important lessons for us to learn as followers of Jesus than that of giving and accepting of forgiveness, of welcoming all of our brothers and sisters into the embrace of our community and loving as totally and as recklessly as our God has loved and accepted us. If we haven't learned that, we really haven't learned the meaning of being Christian. We seem to understand quite well the point that Jesus was trying to make. No matter how terribly we have failed, no matter how far off course we may wander, our God is ready and waiting to reach out in a loving embrace of forgiveness. All we need to do is to ask.

"Starting over" means new opportunities for growth and change. And this is a challenge for both leaders and followers. "Starting over" brings tension into our lives. God speaks very gently to us when he continually invites us to make room for him in our lives. The only way to make room for God - the only way to "start over" with Him - is to let go of that which may be blocking or keeping him out. Starting over may be difficult, but it is worth every ounce of our being.

Fr Baby

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Saturday: Vigil 6:00pm Fr Baby
Sunday: 7:30am Fr Baby
9:00am Fr Baby
6:00pm Fr Tomy

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Saturday: Vigil 5:00pm Fr Tomy
Sunday: 8:00am Fr Tomy

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday - 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 (Mass devoted to Mother Mary)

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Wednesday 9:00am (1st Wed of the month
Anointing of Sick)

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 (by appointment at
other times)

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

Children's Liturgy

St Mary's: 1st & 3rd Sundays 9am

St Brendan's: Saturdays 5pm (most weeks)



Welcome to our Parish. Today we celebrate the **Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C.** Thank you for being here.

Parish Morning Teas

Thank you to everyone who came along and contributed to our Parish morning teas last Sunday. It is wonderful to be able to come together again and enjoy the company of our fellow parishioners.

Family Mass at St Brendan's

All are invited to our next Family Mass at St Brendan's on Saturday 17th Sept at 5pm. All children are invited to participate through Children's Liturgy, processions, offertory and singing.

Pastoral Works - Thank you!

Thank you to those who have contributed to our Parish August collection for Pastoral Works. The amount collected so far is \$1705 which will go towards our quota for the 2022/23 collection year. We appreciate your generosity.

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who came along to support and celebrate with Fr Baby on his anniversary of Ordination, and Sr. Josie and Sr. Jennifer as they renewed their religious vows last weekend.

Diocesan Clergy Retreat - 12-16 September

Fr Baby will be away at a clergy retreat from 12-16 September. During this time, there will be communion-only services at St Mary's on Wed 14th Sept 9am and St Brendan's on Thurs 15th Sept 9am.

Social Justice Message

Catholic Season of Creation

Sept 1st until Oct 4th is the official Season of Creation for the Roman Catholic Church. Saint John Paul II first encouraged this concept. Catholics are invited to join in the Care of our Common Home. Pope Francis said "We have inherited a garden: we must not leave a desert to our children," because they "will never forgive us." "Listen to the voice of creation" is the theme and invitation of this year's Season of Creation. From Margaret Hagan

Central Coast Secular Franciscan Order (OFS) Birthday Mass

Invitation to attend the Central Coast Secular Franciscan Order (OFS) Birthday Mass to be held Thurs 15th Sept at midday this coming week at The Entrance Catholic Church, followed by a light lunch in the church hall. There will be two Franciscan Priests to concelebrate the mass. All welcome. More info: Sandra Petith 0499811177

Catholic Care Pastoral Care Seminar - Wed 26th Oct

Those who are involved in a ministry to care for the sick are invited to a Pastoral Care Seminar Day on Wed 26th October at Pennant Hills. Please see the noticeboard for more details.

Ordinariate Mass - Fr Ken away Thurs 15th Sept

A reminder that on 15th Sept, the 9am Mass at St Mary's will be an ordinary Mass, not the Ordinariate Mass, as Fr Ken will be away.




Catechist Corner

It's almost the end of term 3 already! **We'd love to hear from you if you've ever thought about joining this rewarding ministry!** Now is the perfect time to enquire as training can be completed before the 2023 school year begins. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.



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COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship Diocese of Broken Bay Latest Update: 25th February 2022

- Please **do not enter** the church or other parish buildings if you are **unwell**. This includes meetings/gatherings.
- Check in using the QR code/paper sign in is **not required**
- Wearing a **mask is OPTIONAL, but ENCOURAGED**
- No density limits apply in Places of Worship but please allow space between people where possible.
- Please continue to hand sanitise.
- Singing by the congregation is permitted

1st and 2nd Collections

This weekend we will be returning to having our 1st and 2nd collections taken by our wardens as they move up and down the aisles of the church, using long-handled offering bags. Please be patient as we adapt to this collection method. The 'Tap N Go' machine remains near the church doors for credit card donations. A reminder that the 1st collection supports all priests in our Diocese, and the 2nd collection supports the maintenance of our own Parish. Thank you.

St Mary's Year 2 Mass this Sunday 11th Sept

We welcome St Mary's Year 2 students and their families to Sunday 9am Mass this weekend. Thank you for leading our Mass.

Welcome First Communicants

This Sunday 11th September we have two children making their First Communion at 9am Mass at St Mary's. Please join us in praying for and congratulating these children and their families.

Confirmation Sacramental Program

Confirmation will be celebrated at both churches by Bishop Anthony on Sat 15th October. Last weekend we welcomed our candidates to Mass to receive a blessing and hand out their prayer cards. There may be a few more children attending Mass this weekend. Please make them feel welcome and continue to pray for our candidates over the coming weeks.

CWL Lamington Drive

On behalf of the CWL, we would like to say thank you to everyone who supported the lamington drive.

Upcoming events - Save the Dates:

Lectio Divina - has resumed, every Thurs 5pm.

Sat 17th Sept - St Brendan's Family Mass 5pm

Sat 1st Oct - Mother Mary Lady of Fatima 6pm Mass & Procession

Sat 15th Oct - Confirmation Ceremonies,

11am St Brendan's, 2pm St Mary's

Sun 30th Oct - St Mary's Yr 3 lead Sunday 9am Mass



Safeguarding Sunday

The Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour and the Diocese of Broken Bay are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, may we work together to ensure all people feel safe and supported.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area

at: www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday



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

Recently Deceased

Domenica Marini, Doreen Shaw, Patricia Ferraro, Margaret Elphick, Vic Denina, Charles Tabone, Pauline Yee, Stephen Boyle, Martin McCarthy, Thankamma Thomas

Anniversaries

Marrietta Moir, Thomas & Ellen Sheerin, Roy Jeffries, Janet Wood, Paul Kain, James Rush, Thomas Parker, Patrick (Paddy) Doyle, Eileen Crocker, Jack Harris

Remembrances

Bruce Everingham, Ffion Miles, Glen Brown, Pamela Dawn Pearce, Willa McLardy, Carol Brown, Moore & Langley families, Valmai Joseph Stark Family

Please Pray for the Sick

Miklos Beothy, Ray Sleucher, Ken Scales, Pat Corby, Kevin & Helen Turner, Maureen Dries, Pat Glennen, Mary Smith, Sabu Kuruvell, Yvonne Sutton, Liz Kelman, Lailane Bugaoisan, Teresa Jan, Michael Durken, Olive Haslam, Colin Fowler, Joy Rearden, Margaret Brett, Sr Tincy (Fr Baby's sister), Joyce Burns, Diane Booth, Rhondda Rey, Nestor Regalo, Ann Buckman, David Vella, Ann Rigney, Margaret Jones, Margaret Moran, Faye Roberts, Noel McCool

September Birthdays

Helen Cashin (6th Sept)
Robyn Rosina (6th Sept)
Nat Rosina (11th Sept)
Aurora Spencer (22nd Sept)
Irene Deagan (27th Sept)
Marie Steel (28th Sept)
Nancy Bergado (30th Sept)



Call the office to have your birthday included!

Wedding Anniversaries

Please let the Parish Office know if you would like us to include your Wedding Anniversary or any other special celebration.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September



For the abolition of the death penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

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The Community Visitors' Scheme

First Reading

Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

The Lord relented and did not send the evil he had threatened.

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!" The Lord said to Moses, 'I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.' But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said, 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever.' So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 50:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19

R. I will rise and go to my father.

You Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin. **R.**

A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **R.**

O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall declare your praise.
My sacrifice, a contrite spirit;
a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Christ came to save sinners.

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to

trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *2 Corinthians 5:19*

Alleluia, alleluia!
God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 15:1-3, 11-24

There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who does penance.

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery. 'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father. 'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Sunday - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C
First Reading - Amos 8:4-7
Second Reading - 1 Timothy 2:1-8
Gospel - Luke 16:1-13 (*longer form*)

