Our Lady of Perpetual Succour



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Vision To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community



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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

13th February 2022



Beatitude is a Blessing

In the first reading Prophet Jeremiah speaks about two types of people - first those who trust in man and second those who trust in the Lord God. He explains to us that life of those who trust in man is as precarious as that of a shrub growing in the desert whereas the life of those who trust in the Lord God as sure as that of a tree growing by the waterside. Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord God.

The second reading affirms St. Paul's faith Christ's resurrection as a symbol and a guarantee that all the faithful who have died and who will die will be raised up by God as Jesus was raised. The resurrection of Jesus hence confirms our faith and reinforces our hope of life after our earthly life.

The word "beatitude" means "blessedness" in a double sense: both enjoying God's favour and enjoying true or supreme happiness. In today's Gospel reading Jesus enumerates various blessings for those who trust in the Lord. Four-fold blessings are mentioned: 1. Blessings for those who are poor. 2. Blessings for those who are hungry. 3. Blessings for those who weep. 4. Blessings for those who are hated and despised because they are followers of Christ. In the second part we have four-fold woes. Through these blessings and woes, we are made to understand the reversal of values in the kingdom of God as opposed to those who follow the values of the world. Hence the beatitudes graphically explain to us that a follower of Christ has to trust in God in all situations of life rather than trusting in worldly riches and possessions. The way of life and true happiness is the way of Jesus, the way of the beatitudes, the way of rendering loving service to God by serving our brothers and sisters.

Fr Tomy

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

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

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St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Saturday: Vigil 5:00pm Fr Joey Sunday: 8:00am Fr Shiju

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday 9:00 am Tuesday 9:00 am Wednesday 9:00 am

Thursday 9:00 am (Ordinariate of Our Lady of

the Southern Cross)

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

Children's Liturgy (currently paused)

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



Welcome to our Parish. Today we celebrate the **Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C.** We are pleased to welcome you to our Church.

Planned Giving 2022-23

The Parish Office is in the process of organising new Planned Giving envelopes for the coming year. If you would like to start giving, or switch to credit card or EFT giving instead of using envelopes, please contact the Parish office on 4396 4455 this Monday before we place the envelope order.

Could this be the role for you?

Do you enjoy working with children and love giving back to your community? We are looking for a few new <u>Catechist volunteers in our Parish</u>, to either lead a class or be a helper, teaching Catholic scripture in our local public



schools. These are the public schools that our Parish looks after: Lake Munmorah (Wed), Northlakes (Tues), Mannering Park (Wed), Blue Haven (Tues), Gorokan (Thurs) and Gwandalan (Fri). Perhaps one of these is your local school? Or you know a student there? Wouldn't it be great to help Catholic students in these schools learn more about Jesus? Classes run for 30 minutes, once a week. We provide full training & support. Please call the Parish Office for more information. We'd love to hear from you!

Caritas Ambassador Needed!

If you are interested in being the Caritas Ambassador for our Parish, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Reconciliation Sacramental Program 2022

(for children in Yr 4 or above, who are already Baptised and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation)

Enrolment is now open, classes begin late-Feb/early March, Celebration of the Sacrament will be 30th and 31st March for St Mary's and 6th April for St Brendan's. Enrolment information will be communicated via St Mary's Catholic Primary School and St Brendan's Catholic Primary School, as well as the local Public Schools. We recommend calling our Parish Office on 4396 4455 or visiting our website www.bbcatholic.org.au/toukley for more information if you have not received details from your child's school.

<u>First Eucharist</u> and <u>Confirmation</u> will be held later in the year. Please check our website for details www.bbcatholic.org.au/toukley

<u>Have your say – help shape future character of Toukley and sur-</u> rounds Visit for more info: <u>www.yourvoiceourcoast.com/</u>

<u>characterTPD</u> *Focus Groups* 16th, 21st and 23rd Feb at Toukley Community Hall - registration required.

Pray for Ukraine

As the situation escalates in Europe over fears of a Russian invasion of Ukraine, Pope Francis has issued an urgent plea to all people of goodwill to pray for peace. "Please, no more war!" Pope Francis addressed these words to all political leaders on the Catholic Church's day of prayer for peace (26 Jan 2022) and asked the world to pray that "this land may see fraternity flourish and overcome wounds, fears, and divisions."

Free seminar on Wills and Estates for our Catholic community

Tues 15th March 11am-12.30pm, Our Lady of the Rosary, The Entrance. RSVP www.bbcatholic.org.au/willsday or call 8379 1664.





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<u>COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship Diocese of Broken Bay Latest Update: 24th Dec 2021</u>

- Please <u>do not enter</u> the church or other parish buildings if you are unwell.
- CHECK-IN in using the QR code is MANDATORY
- Wearing a mask is MANDATORY
- 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 <u>now permitted</u>

IMPORTANT: signing-in on paper is only a back-up option if you cannot check-in with a QR code. If you have a smartphone, please download the Service NSW app, create a log-in and then use your smartphone to scan the QR code and sign-in at the church doors.

<u>We welcome back Fr Baby this week</u> after his holiday with his dear ones. We will celebrate his birthday next Sunday during 9am Mass at St Mary's. We thank Fr Carmelo, Fr David, Fr Joey and Fr Shiju for their help with Masses while Fr Baby was away.

Reconciliation at St Mary's will end by 10am on Saturdays. If Father is unable to hear your confession at that time, please see him for an appointment at another time.

Ordinariate Mass

Please note that the 9am Mass on Thursdays at St Mary's is celebrated by Fr Ken Hagan for Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross. Morning prayer begins at 8:40am, Rosary after Mass.

<u>CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE</u> recommences with their first meeting in 2022 on **Monday 28th Feb at 10am** in the Parish Centre. Let's start the year with a bit of fun and join us for a game of Trivia and Morning Tea before we start our meeting. We look forward to getting together again after such a long break and invite any parishioners who would like to come along to get to know us on the day.

Collection Drive for Tonga

Our Tongan Catholic Community is calling for donations that will be shipped to Tonga to help families in need after the recent tsunami. Tinned food, long-life milk, bottled water can be left in the boxes at St Mary's Church or the Parish Office by 6th March. If you have larger items to donate, such as building materials/tools, used furniture, clothing, bedding, please contact Toni on 0423 614 991. Also accepting cash donations to help with shipping costs (please put cash donations in a marked envelope in the collection bowls).

Patricia (Pat) Parker

Pat passed away at Wyong Hospital on Sun 6th Feb. Pat was an active parishioner at Toukley for over 30 yrs and prior to that for over 30 yrs in the Matraville Parish. She was a tireless community worker along with her husband Joe and was buoyed by her faith in God at the end of her life. A requiem mass to celebrate Pat's life will be held at St. Mary MacKillop Catholic Church, Warnervale at 1pm Tues 15th Feb.

<u>Bishop Anthony's Lenten Penance 2022 message</u> - available on the noticeboards or call the Parish office for a copy.

<u>Lectio Divina</u> resumes 3 March. Contact the Parish office for details

Children's Worksheets

Worksheets and pencils are available at the church doors.



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

Recently Deceased

Fay Alchin, Pat Parker, Sue Lillies, Colleen Salvestro, Nola Jermyn, Frederick Radnidge

Anniversaries

Dorothy Rush, Greta Hackett, Anthony Cefai

Remembrances

Stephen Cappa, Ingrid Hamer, Arturo Canillas, Maurie Cohen, Raphael Cohen, Clarinda Cohen, Jack Webb, Mary Webb, Georgina Baker, Brown & Muller Family, Carol Brown, Greg Irvine, Moore & Langley families, Valmai Joseph Stark Family

Please Pray for the Sick

David Vella, Marie Cohen, Ray Sleucher, Eliamma (Fr Baby's mother), Ann Rigney, Margaret Jones, Margaret Moran, Maria Petesic, Patricia Parker, Faye Roberts, Lisa Hart, Lucas Campbell, Noel McCool, Nenita Turner

World Day of the Sick - 11th Feb 2022 - theme: "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful".

Funerals

Colleen Salvestro - Mon 14th Feb 10.30am, St Mary's Fay Alchin - Fri 18th Feb 10.30am, St Mary's

Please call or email the office to have your loved one's name included above. All names appear for 3 weeks, except the Sick list which appears for 6 weeks. Please call to extend.

February Birthdays

Carolyn Metcalfe (4th Feb)
Maureen Johnston (4th Feb)
Vivien Van Der Kroft (20th Feb)
Margaret Cashin (20th Feb)
Elaine Scrivener (22nd Feb)
Pat Glennen (23rd Feb)



Call or email the office to have your birthday included!

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women, thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.



Stamps for Missions

Used postage stamps can be donated, please drop them off in the box in St Mary's Church foyer, or at the Parish Office. Thank you

Mackay Family Funerals

In Association with Mackay Family Crematorium A.B.N. 79 085 423 589

Head Office: 249 Pacific Highway West, Ourimbah 2258 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

Jeremiah 17:5-8

A curse on those who trust in humanity; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord.

The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord.
He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited.
'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope.

He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 1:1-4

R. Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but whose delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night. R.

He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper. R.

Not so are the wicked, not so!
For they like winnowed chaff
shall be driven away by the wind.
For the Lord guards the way of the just
but the way of the wicked leads to doom. R.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain.

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the

first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 6:23

Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 6:17, 20-26

Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said: 'How happy are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry. Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep. 'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

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



Next Sunday - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C First Reading - 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 15:45-49 Gospel - Luke 6:27-38

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