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 Lent Year C

13th March 2022



Transfiguration

Part of the theology that most of us inherited taught that our journey of faith was one of living our lives "according to God's plan. Our ultimate goal is our reunion with our God in the heavenly kingdom and our earthly journey is one of "earning" our citizenship in heaven.

The passage from the letter to the Philippians reminds us that all is not well with the world or with us. We are sinners who have turned in small or large ways from the God. In the Gospel passage, Luke allows us to become witnesses with Peter, James and John, of the Lord's transfiguration. At first they didn't understand the meaning behind the Transfiguration. Only when He is risen from the dead, will they understand. Only then will they remember the Transfiguration, the promise of the victory and the glory that is the reward at obedience and faithfulness.

Being a people of faith does not mean that we will always be able to find Him present in the ups and downs of our everyday lives. There are few "transfiguration events" in our lives. Citizenship in heaven does not exempt us from the responsibilities of citizenship here on earth. Our mission is the same mission for which Jesus willingly gave His life: "to proclaim liberty to captives, recovery of sight to the blind and to let the oppressed go free and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."

For us, the meaning of the Transfiguration is that, as Karl Rahner says: "in the dark night of hopelessness the light of God shines, and a human heart finds in God the power which turns dying into victory." The account of the Transfiguration is a reminder that we cannot live our lives above and removed from daily life.

Today we are challenged to transform our lives - to let the glory of God guide us and shine through us to focus on God along the hills and valleys of our journey of faith knowing that God is near, that He understands our pain, and that He will sustain us and carry us through.

Fr Baby

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

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

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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 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

9:00 am Saturday

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 (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 (currently paused)



Welcome to our Parish. Today we celebrate the Second Sunday of Lent, Year C. We are pleased to Welcome see you in our Church.

Thank you Children & Families

Last weekend we welcomed our Reconciliation Sacramental Candidates and their families at both churches. Thank you for being here. We also thank St Mary's Year 6 and Kinder students and their families who led our 9am Sunday Mass at St Mary's. We look forward to next weekend when we will celebrate a Family Mass at St Brendan's at 5pm Sat 19th March, as we welcome St Brendan's Kinder students and St Brigid's Year 7 students. We also look forward to Sunday 3rd April when St Mary's Year 1 students will lead 9am Mass. It is wonderful to see the children and families in our Churches!

Project Compassion

Envelopes and boxes for Project Compassion are now available at the doors of our churches. Please take one or both. Your donations will help Caritas Australia with their work in various places, such as Solomon Islands, India and Mozambique. Thank you for your support.

Caritas Ambassador Needed!

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

Ukraine Appeal

The escalating violence in Ukraine is rapidly becoming a dire humanitarian crisis. Please consider donating to the Caritas Australia Ukraine Appeal www.caritas.org.au/ukraine

Collection Drive for Tonga

The closing date for donations has been brought forward to this weekend, 13th March. Most needed is tinned food, packaged food such as rice, long-life milk, bottled water. These can be left in the boxes at both churches or at the Parish Office. Also accepting cash donations to help with shipping costs (please put in a marked envelope in the collection bowls). We are grateful for all contributions.

Holy Week Availability—St Mary's

Wardens, Servers, Readers at St Mary's, please indicate your availability for Holy Week by using the form at the doors of the church.

Catechist Corner

Congratulations to Lucy Jurd who was recently presented with a Papal Blessing for 20 years service as a Catechist. Tricia Humphreys was also presented with an award for 5 years service. Why don't you consider joining the team too?! We'd love 2 more catechists to cover our classes in the 6 public schools we teach at. To get started, Catechists need to be fully-vaccinated (Dept of Education requirement), obtain a WWCC (free for volunteers) and complete some training. which the Parish Office can help to organise.

The Public schools where we teach are: Lake Munmorah (Wed), Northlakes (Tues), Mannering Park (Wed), Blue Haven (Tues), Gorokan (Thurs), and Gwandalan (Fri).

Wouldn't it be great to help Catholic students in these schools learn more about Jesus? Clas-

ses run for 30 minutes, once a week. Full training & support is provided. Please call the Parish Office for more information. We'd love to hear from you!





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

- Please <u>do not enter</u> the church or other parish buildings if you are unwell.
- Check in using the QR code/paper sign in is <u>not required</u>
- Wearing a mask is **OPTIONAL**
- 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

Pastoral Discernment Central Coast Project

Please give your feedback to this Project - feedback forms are available at doors of both churches. Return your completed form to the feedback box or contact Robyn Rosina on robynrosina@iinet.net.au or 0402 968 388. We appreciate your feedback. Thank you to Robyn



Rosina for coordinating this and being our Parish Representative.

Rite for Reconciliation of Several Penitents - All Welcome

Individual Confession and Absolution with Candidates for Full Communion with the Catholic Church. Date: Friday 18 March, Time: 7pm. Location: St Patrick's Church, East Gosford

Upcoming events—Fridays in Lent:

Stations of the Cross—St Mary's 8:30am (before 9:15 Mass), 10:30am (before 11am Healing Mass 1st Fri)
The Light Is On—St Mary's, Adoration & Reconciliation 7-7.30pm.

Upcoming events - Save the Dates:

Every Thursday 5pm - Lectio Divina via Zoom Sat 19th March 5pm - St Brendan's - Yr 7 & Kinder School/Parish Mass Wed 30th/Thurs 31st March - First Reconciliation at St Mary's Sun 3rd April 9am - St Mary's - Year 1 School/Parish Mass Wed 6th April - First Reconciliation at St Brendan's Mid-April 2022 - First Eucharist Sacramental Program begins

Newly Baptised

We welcome Mary-Grace Hala'api'api, Alekisanita Gorton, Nevaeh Gorton, Leonidas Gorton, Tariq Angeles, and Aloha Bouma-Leahy and their families to our Parish Community.



Ordinariate Mass

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

Children's Worksheets

Worksheets and pencils are available at the church doors.



<u>Lectio Divina</u> has resumed on Thursday afternoons. Contact the Parish office for details.

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

Recently Deceased

Irene Sutherland, Gloria Morath, John Mickkelsen, Timothy James Younie, Nancy Sprohar

Anniversaries

John Flanagan, Danny Kay, Greg Irvine, Joe Parker, John Kennedy

Remembrances

Katy Ng, Scott Kay, Margie Hamer, Stephen Cappa, Arturo Canillas, Jean Jurd, Anselmo, Paulita, Enrico, Arturo, Pio Edwin, Elma, Juan Anselmo, Pantaleon, Temotea, Hermigildo, Romualda, Thyra King, Ken Johnston, Heather Jones, Carol Brown, Moore & Langley families, Valmai Joseph Stark Family

Please Pray for the Sick

Nestor Regalo, Ann Buckman, David Vella, Ray Sleucher, Ann Rigney, Margaret Jones, Margaret Moran, Faye Roberts, Lisa Hart, Lucas Campbell, Noel McCool, Nenita Turner

Funerals

Gloria Morath - **St Mary's** - Mon 14th Mar 10.30am John Mickkelsen - **St Mary's** - Tues 15th Mar 11am

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.

March Birthdays

Brianna Teresa Fry (6th March)
Frances Johnson (8th March)
Connie Camillieri (11th March)
Terry Reid (14th March)
Ampie Madden (15th March)
Sr Josie (19th March)
Dan Buckman (21st March)
Rose Huby (24th March)



Call or email the office to have your birthday included!

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for March

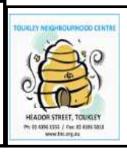
We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.



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

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

God made a covenant with Abraham, his faithful servant.

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms: 'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 26:1, 7-9, 13-14

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? R.

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer.
Of you my heart has spoken:
'Seek his face.' R.

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face. Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help. R.

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! R.

Second Reading

Philippians 3:17 - 4:1

Christ will transfigure these bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body.

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and

they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe. So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 17:5

friends; you are my joy and my crown.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

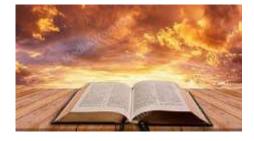
Luke 9:28-36

As Jesus prayed, the aspect of his face was changed, and his clothing became brilliant as lightning.

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' - He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him'. And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Sunday - Third Sunday of Lent, Year C First Reading - Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15 Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12 Gospel - Luke 13:1-9

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