

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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Holy Shop Open!

Our Holy Shop at St Mary's is open every weekend, before and after each Mass. Lovely gifts for Sacraments and other occasions

Parish Schools

St Mary's

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

15th January 2023



"Jesus the Lamb of God"

Today's Gospel gives us some details of the witness given by John the Baptist about Jesus. John testifies that Jesus is the one sent by God to take away our sins. John confesses that he himself is not the promised Messiah. The one who comes after him that is, Jesus is indeed the Messiah. The descending of God's Spirit on Jesus is the sign that He is sent by God and He will be baptizing with the Holy Spirit.

John the Baptist announced to the people that Jesus would take away our sins. Often our past sins have a deeper effect in our lives. Each of us is in some way wounded and affected. Hence, we need someone to repair our brokenness and to heal our wounds. This healing and restoration can be done only by Jesus the lamb of God. That is why Jesus has come into the world to live among us. In order to heal the brokenness and to remove our sinfulness. Jesus sought out those who were lost and discarded by the society. He has come to heal the sick and restore wholeness to the mind and heart. Like John the Baptist we too need to recognize God's Spirit working in us and around us. It is the Spirit of God that helps us to love one another. It is the same Spirit that is praying within us so that we may walk in the truth. Like John the Baptist we too need to discover the living Jesus in us and His Spirit working in manifold ways in the world.

Fr Tomy

Special Notices:

Please remember in your prayers:

Recently Deceased: Kenneth George Durley, Gwen Lee Moore & Langley Families, Michael Slattery

Anniversaries: Frederick Jurd, Brigid Boyle, Mrio Azzopardi

Remembrances: Valmai Joseph Stark Family, Brown and Miller Family, Carol Brown, Anselmo, Paulita, Enrico Arturo, Zenaida Elma, Juan Anselmo, Hermigildo, Romualda Pantaleon Temotea

Please pray for the sick:

Vaughn Haynes, Sandra Curry, Mary Cefai, Donald Lewis, Kim Thomas, Mrs J Bowering, Margaret Brett, Allen Venneri, Gary Poppett, Jenna Stoffel, Jeff Moir, Joshua Booth, Miklos Beothy, Ken Scales, Pat Corby, Kevin & Helen Turner, Maureen Dries, Pat Glennen, Mary Smith, Sabu Kuruvelil, Yvonne Sutton, Liz Kelman, Lailane Bugaoisan, Teresa Jan, Michael Durken, Olive Haslam, Colin Fowler, Joy Rearden, Sr Tincy, Joyce Burns, Diane Booth, Rhondda Rey, Ann Buckman, David Vella, Ann Rigney, Margaret Jones, Margaret Moran, Faye Roberts, Noel McCool

January Birthdays: Fr. Baby, Rita Jeffries, Fran Irvine

Wedding Anniversaries

Ben & Sarah-Jane Rosen 22 years 13th January, Congratulations

CFIC Appeal

Generous contributions raised a total of **\$4796.50** which will support the charitable activities of the CFIC.

Confessions & Communion

Confessions will finish at 10am as Fr. Baby is away on Saturdays & every Wednesday there will be only communion service at 9am at St Brendan's.

Rental required

2 bedroom granny flat, contact Kristina PH: 0418955741

Parish Office News

The Parish office will be closed on Wed 18th Jan & will re-open Mon 30th Ja. Please contact the priests for any urgent enquiries if needed.

St Mary's Church Carpet If you would like to help cover the cost of the carpet there are envelopes at the church doors. **\$3685** generously raised towards the cost so far.

First Reading

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I shall be glorified';
I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord,
my God was my strength.
And now the Lord has spoken,
he who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
to gather Israel to him:
'It is not enough for you to be my servant,
to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel;
I will make you the light of the nations
so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 39:2, 4, 7-10

R. Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God. **R.**

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here am I. **R.**

In the scroll of the book it stands written
that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart. **R.**

Your justice I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O Lord. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-3

The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the

church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *John 1:14, 12*

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us.

He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 1:29-34

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world..

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Extra Notices Memorial Mass for Cardinal Pell will take place on Monday 16th January at 6pm at Cathedral, Waitara. We keep him in our prayers.

St Brendan's Masses

14th January Saturday 5pm Fr. Abel Vander

15th January Sunday 8am Fr. Abel Vander

Next Sunday - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

First Reading - Isaiah 8:23 - 9:3

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

Gospel - Matthew 4:12-23