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Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year C

15th May 2022



Love one another as I have loved you

The Book of Revelation speaks to those who look to God for a comfort that only God can give. It is a prophetic book urging us to listen carefully to the Word of God and stay faithful to the covenant God has made with us in Christ. Today's passage presents us with a powerful promise of "a new heaven and a new earth," and if there was ever a time for God to "make all things new" now is the moment.

The present is determined by our vision of the future. This basic paradox that is at the heart of the Christian Gospel: death leading to life, darkness giving way to light, suffering as the road to glory. Unless and until we accept this fundamental condition, we will never understand the love we are called to share. When we examine our own relationship, both with God and with neighbor, we certainly realize how difficult it is for us to imitate the love of Jesus. Our love is imperfect. It can be colored by fear, by some hidden motive, by selfishness. Often, our love is conditional. We only love those whom we like, or those who earn our love by pleasing us. Our love is fragile and sensitive. It withers and dies if we are hurt or misunderstood. Or we simply grow tired of giving.

"Loving one another" is based on the knowledge that, despite the apparent victories of evil in our world, good will overcomes this evil in the end and those who have persevered and lived faithful lives will be rewarded. When Jesus says "Love another as I have loved you", it sounds deceptively simple and easy. But when we measure our love of God and neighbor against that "simple" rule, we find that we fall far short of that ideal most at the time.

Yet this is the heart of the Gospel message - the foundation stone of our Christian faith. Love is a gift of God. When we learn to love, we experience God and our love only reflects God when it is not focused on self but on others. Our love is only God-like when it is given unconditionally, without being earned and when it seeks no return. Only then will the transformation be complete — all things will be made new and we will see a "new heaven and a new earth."

Fr Baby

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

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

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St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday - Wednesday 9:00 am

Thursday 9:00 am (Ordinariate of Our Lady of

the Southern Cross)

9:15am Friday (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

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

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



Welcome to our Parish. Today we celebrate the Fifth Sunday of Easter and the Feast of St Bren-Welcome dan. We are pleased to see you.

Pastoral Works Broken Bay (formerly CWF)

The final Pastoral Works Broken Bay (CWF) appeal for this financial year is being held in our Par-



ish this weekend. We ask that you give generously to help our Parish achieve our quota. Our Parish still has \$21,150 to raise and any shortfall must be made up out of Parish funds. Thank you to those who have given already. Donations over \$2 are tax deductable. Envelopes are available in both churches, or you can donate online by visiting this website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/donate/pastoral-works-brokenbay. Please return envelopes asap so that we can count and finalise our contribution. Thank you for your support.

St Brendan's Feast Day

An invitation to all to attend the celebrations for St Brendan's Feast day with Mass and morning tea commencing on Sunday at 8am on 15th May.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy is being held at both churches this weekend: St Brendan's 5pm Saturday, and St Mary's 9am Sunday. All children aged 4-12 welcome!

First Eucharist Sacramental Program

Preparation classes for First Eucharist have begun. Our candidates will be presented to the Parish at Masses over the coming weekends. Please keep our candidates and their families in your prayers.

Ukraine Appeal

Please consider donating to the Caritas Australia Ukraine Appeal www.caritas.org.au/ukraine

Project Compassion

Thank you again for your generous contributions. Receipts are now available for those who requested one, please check with the Wardens when you attend Mass. If you still have a box or envelope to return, please do so ASAP so that our contribution can be finalised.

Children's Worksheets

Worksheets and pencils are available at the church doors.



Bus Drivers Needed for the Parish Bus - once a month Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

CWL - Monthly Meeting & Biggest Cup of Tea

When: Mon 23rd May in the Parish Centre. We will firstly come together for 9am Mass where we will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians, Patron Saint of Australia and Catholic Women's League. New members are always welcome. The Biggest Cup Of Tea begins at 12.30pm. Entertainment by the Budgewoi Ladies Choir. Entry is \$15 for Biggest Cup of Tea. Raffle and Tombola.

Catechist Corner

SRE classes have resumed for term 2 and we welcome our new catechists Barbara Fowler, Harvey Fisk and Kim Gonsalves into the classroom! Training opportunities are available for our current catechists, please see the Parish Office. We are always



looking for new catechists please call the Parish Office for more info.





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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 <u>unwell</u>. This includes meetings/gatherings.
- Check in using the QR code/paper sign in is not required
- 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

Communion Only Service - St Brendan's Wednesdays 9am

While Fr Tomy is away, Wednesdays at St Brendan's will be a communion-only service. Fr Carmelo will be celebrating weekend Masses at St Brendan's. We thank Fr Carmelo for his assistance.

CWL Lamington Drive

The CWL in this parish would like to say a big thank you, to those many parishioners who were happy to support us, with either purchasing lamingtons or giving a donation. Our profit is well over \$500, which will assist us in sponsoring year 11 and year 12 students in our Catholic Colleges on the Central Coast.

Pastoral Discernment Central Coast Project

A reminder for those who have registered: Sunday 15 May 2022, 12 noon for light refreshments, for a 12:30 pm start, Venue: OLR Parish Hall, 239-243 The Entrance Rd, The Entrance.

Upcoming events - Save the Dates:

4/5 June - Vinnies Winter Appeal Sat 4th June - Family Mass at St Brendan's Sun 5th June - Parish Morning Teas Sat 18th/Sun 19th June - Sacrament of First Eucharist Sun 19th June - St Mary's Yr 4 lead the 9am Mass Sun 26th June - Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Feast Day Mass



St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

The annual Vinnies Winter Appeal will be held on the weekend of 4th/5th June. Envelopes will be available at both churches. Please give generously to help Vinnies support those who are disadvantaged in our community.

Congratulations Charlie!

Our very own Charlie Saliba has been awarded the 2021 NSW Rotary Volunteer of the Year Award. The award recognises Charlie's 7000 hours of Police Volunteering based at Wyong Police Station. We are very proud of you Charlie and very grateful for your service to our local community. May God bless you and keep you in good health and many more years doing the things you love.

Alive in the Spirit Online Conference

Reconnect, Renew and Reimagine Catholic Community and Mission. 26 – 28 May 2022. Inspiration and Formation for everyone engaged in the life of our Church. See keynote speakers, workshop information and register at www.aliveinthespirit.com.au

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.

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

Recently Deceased

Dun Mose Debono, Maureen Johnston, Patricia

Anniversaries

John Haslam, Vickie Mifsud, Angelo Caruana, Joseph Debono

Remembrances

Stephen Cappa, Ken Johnston, Mario Azzopardi, Vince Debono, Vicky Debono, Carol Brown, Moore & Langley families, Valmai Joseph Stark Family

Please Pray for the Sick

Barbara Pik, Joy Rearden, Margaret Brett, Myra Langley, Ken Scales, Sr Tincy (Fr Baby's sister), Joyce Burns, Diane Booth, Rhondda Rey, Judy Kay, Nestor Regalo, Ann Buckman, David Vella, Ray Sleucher, Ann Rigney, Margaret Jones, Margaret Moran, Faye Roberts, Lisa Hart, Lucas Campbell, Noel McCool, Nenita Turner

Notices in this section appear as follows: Recently Deceased—3 weeks, Anniversaries—3 weeks, Remembrances—3 weeks. Sick—6+ weeks. Funerals & Baptisms—1 week. Please call or email the office to have your loved one's name included above.

Newly Baptised

We welcome Sofia Esposito, Reed Young, Brock Chapman, McKenna Chapman, Eli Ainsworth, and their families to our Parish Community.



May Birthdays

Ray Crocker (6th May) Judy Kay (8th May) Aileen Reed (15th May) Fr Tomy (25th May) Charlie Debono (26th May) Charlie Micallef (28th May) Peter Huby (31st May)



Call the office to have your birthday included!

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May We pray for Faith-filled Young People

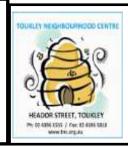


That all young people, called to live life to the fullest, may discover in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage of faith, and dedication to service.

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

Acts 14:21-27

They assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them.

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:8-13

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. R.

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. R.

Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. R.

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-5

He will wipe away all the tears from their eyes.

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among

men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new'.

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

Gospel Acclamation John 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 13:31-35

I give you a new commandment: love one another.

When Judas had gone Jesus said:
'Now has the Son of Man been glorified,
and in him God has been glorified.
If God has been glorified in him,
God will in turn glorify him in himself,
and will glorify him very soon.
My little children,
I shall not be with you much longer.
I give you a new commandment:
love one another;
just as I have loved you,
you also must love one another.
By this love you have for one another,
everyone will know that you are my disciples'.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Sunday - Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year C First Reading - Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Second Reading - Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23 Gospel - John 14:23-29

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