

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah

St Mary's Church 458 Main Rd Norville
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Vision

To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community

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Third Sunday of Easter
18th April 2021



YOU ARE WITNESSES TO THIS

The resurrection appearances of Jesus are filled with surprises and mystifying details. He speaks of peace and forgiveness. He promises the gift of His Spirit. He sends His disciples to change the world.

Luke is often called the "evangelist of mission." His Gospel points out in vivid detail how people's lives are turned upside-down and inside-out - from being self-focused to living lives for others. He continually reminds us that we are all called to self-transcendence, and that the meaning of discipleship is mission and witness.

The Risen Christ offers His Peace, and tells them that they are to be His "witnesses" - to preach His name to all nations. Witnessing to our faith in Jesus Christ means allowing the Gospel message to permeate our minds, hearts and lives in such a complete way that people around us will know clearly who we are and what we believe.

Because of Christ's Resurrection, we possess a source of light and power that we cannot keep hidden. The Emmaus story is a beautiful description of the way the early church was transformed by accepting the Risen Lord in their lives. It is the Risen Lord who takes the initiative, pulling them out of their confusion and unbelief. The two disciples had left the others, devastated by all that had happened. But now, they run to tell the others what had happened. They are overcome with joy because he has again become present in their lives. A new life is beginning for them.

Likewise, we will be measured not only by our strength but by our collaboration; not by our weakness but by our willingness to be raised up and supported by one another. And the "witness" we give will not simply end in the breaking of the bread, but by standing compassionately with our brothers and sisters, and quietly inviting them to believe by the example of how we live our lives.

Fr Baby

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Saturday: Vigil 6:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am
9:00am

Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday
(except school holidays)

6:00pm

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Saturday: Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday 9:00 am

Tuesday 9:00 am

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

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

COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship Diocese of Broken Bay

Latest Update: 29 March 2021

Capacity: Capacity at a place of public worship continues to be subject to the one person per 2 square metre rule. Children count towards the capacity limit. Our capacity: St Mary's: 235, St Brendan's: 320

Please do not enter the Church if you feel unwell.

Masks: mask wearing is not mandatory for places of worship. You are welcome to wear a mask if you would like to.

Record Keeping: Everyone entering the Church must sign in with their name and contact number, preferably using the QR code, or on the paper sheet provided. Please write clearly. The Parish office will hold the record for 28 days confidentially and securely.

Seating: please sit only where marked, to maintain physical distancing requirements. Members of the same household may sit together. Seating signs are staggered to allow for physical distancing, so please adhere to these signs.

Singing: Singing is now permitted in Places of Worship by the congregation.

Holy Communion: Parishioners are requested to receive Holy Communion in the hand and adhere to 1.5m physical distancing while processing to Communion.

No Gathering: Parishioners are asked to move away promptly from the Church after Mass has finished.

No Sharing Food: Please remember that any meetings we hold must not involve sharing of food. If food is served, it must be individual serves on separate plates/containers, or participants must bring their own food.

Offertory Procession: due to easing of COVID restrictions, we are now able to resume the Offertory Procession.

More details about COVID restrictions are available on the notice board and signs at the Church doors.

Project Compassion

Please return your Project Compassion boxes and envelopes to the church as soon as possible so that we can finalise our counting and send our contribution to Caritas. **Thank you** to everyone who has donated already.

**PROJECT COMPASSION
BE MORE**

Spirituality in the Pub (SIP Central Coast)

Tuesday 4th May 2021, 7.30pm - 9.00pm, The Grange Hotel Function Room, Cnr Renwick St & Pacific Hwy, WYOMING
Bistro opens at 5-30pm. Enquiries: 4365 9197 or 0498 588 261


Theme 2021: "Influences on my Spiritual Journey"

Church Library at St Mary's

We will soon offer parishioners an assortment of religious books to borrow. The Library will be set up in the Parents Room at the back of the church. Thank you to the Mackillop school library for their donation of books for our library.



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Planned Giving Envelopes

This is the final weekend to collect Planned Giving envelopes from the church. Envelopes can then be collected from the Parish Office. To start Planned Giving, please call the Parish Office or fill out one of the blue cards and return it to the Priest or Parish Office. Automatic credit card giving is available.

Parish Census Weekend—1st/2nd May

We will be asking Parishioners to complete a Parish Census/Registration form at Masses on the weekend of 1st/2nd May. If you completed a form at Christmas time, there is no need to do so again.

Piety Stall

Interested in helping out in the Piety Stall at 7.30am Sunday Mass (10 minutes before and after Mass)? Please contact the Parish Office.

Holy Land Collection

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Holy Land Collection on Good Friday. Our Parish's contribution was \$452.15. Thank you!

Catholic Women's League

Next meeting—CWL will meet for their monthly meeting on Monday 26th April at 10am in St Mary's Parish Centre. Due to the bad weather, our speaker on recycling will now be coming to our April meeting. All are welcome.

Lamingtons for Sale—CWL will be selling lamingtons at each Mass on 1st/2nd May. Plain or cream available at a cost of \$8/half doz. or \$15/doz.

Please help the CWL in their support of yr 11 and yr 12 students in our Catholic Schools on the Central Coast. To assist in our ordering, please call the Parish Office on 4396 4455 to place your order as soon as possible and then either pay in person at the Parish Office or put the correct money in an envelope marked with your name, phone number and 'Lamingtons' and put the envelope on the collection plate. Thank you



Sacramental Program—First Eucharist

Parent Information Sessions on Wed 28th Apr 3.30pm at St Brendan's and Thurs 29th Apr 3.30pm and 7pm at St Mary's. Children must be in year 4 (or older) and have received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Reconciliation already.

Communion Dresses

We have some beautiful Communion Dresses available in our Parish, kindly donated by the Epicentre at San Remo. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

CWF Appeal

The next CWF Appeal will be held on the weekend of 15th/16th May. A reminder that whilst Planned Giving donations are not tax-deductible, CWF donations ARE tax-deductible so your generosity with this appeal not only helps our Parish to meet our target but also helps you at tax time!

Attention young singers & musicians!

Can you sing or play a musical instrument? Join our Youth Band and help us achieve our parish vision of being a vibrant eucharistic community! Starting Sun 2nd May at 6pm Mass at St Mary's. Contact Sr Josie or the Parish Office. See noticeboard for more details.



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



Recently Deceased

Vicky Mifsud, Jim Robertson, Colleen Taylor, Faye Lund, Caterina D'Angola, Rex Ceeney

Anniversaries

Matthew Johnston, Frederick Stephens, Peter O'Malley, Ingrid Hamer, Donald & Amelia Marshall, Albert Sykes, Arsenio Reyes, Enid (Joyce) Martin, Evelyn Siskovic, John Matthews

Remembrances

Vicky Debono, Salvina & Angelo Caruana, Saviour, Censa & Renu & Joe Debono, William Henry Baker, Wade, Mitchell, Dennis, Ross families, Stephen Cappa, Colin McIntyre, Anthony Ng, Valmai Joseph Stark Family, Carol Brown

Please Pray for the Sick

Peter Dormer, Arlene Chatterjee, Ivy Teo, Diane Booth, John McCann, Sr Tincy Thomas

Please remember, notices in this section appear as follows:

Recently Deceased—3 weeks, Anniversaries—3 weeks, Remembrances—3 weeks, Sick—6 weeks. Please contact the Parish Office to have your notice appear for a longer period of time.



April Birthdays

Pam Moir (7th Apr)
Rawson Blackwood (10th Apr)
Kate Drake (19th Apr)
Shirley Campbell (23rd Apr)

Call the office to have your birthday included!



Mackay Family Funerals

In Association with Mackay Family Crematorium
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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 3:13-15, 17-19

You have killed the prince of life; God, however, raised him from the dead.

Peter said to the people 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses. 'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 4:2, 4, 7, 9

R. Lord, let your face shine on us.

When I call, answer me, O God of justice;
from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! **R.**

It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves;
the Lord hears me whenever I call him. **R.**

'What can bring us happiness?' many say.
Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. **R.**

I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once,
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. **R.**

Second Reading

1 John 2:1-5

Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and those of the whole world.

I am writing this, my children,
to stop you sinning;
but if anyone should sin,
we have our advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ, who is just;
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away,
and not only ours,
but the whole world's.

We can be sure that we know God
only by keeping his commandments.
Anyone who says, 'I know him',
and does not keep his commandments,
is a liar,
refusing to admit the truth.
But when anyone does obey what he has said,
God's love comes to perfection in him.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

cf Luke 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 24:35-48

It was written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

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

Next Sunday - Fourth Sunday of Easter

First Reading - Acts 4:8-12

Second Reading - John 3:1-2

Gospel - John 10:11-18

[Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April](#)

Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

