

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

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To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community

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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

18th September 2022



All readings today pertain to the subject of faithful stewardship. They remind us that we are God's stewards, and that God expects faithful and prudent stewardship from us. They challenge us to use our God-given talents and blessings wisely to attain Heavenly bliss. Prophet Amos was a great champion of social justice. In the first reading he criticizes the exploitative structures of the society and announces God's wrath on those who oppress and persecute the poor.

Today's Gospel passage contains the parable of the dishonest manager. When he was about to be dismissed from his job by his master, he cleverly makes friendship with his master's debtors by reducing their debt. Deals are made and his future is secure. Jesus does not commend the dishonesty of the man but praises him for his resourcefulness to deal with a crisis situation using his master's wealth. If that is the case with earthly wealth which is transitory one should be more enterprising in using worldly things for gaining eternal life.

The second part of the passage contains Jesus' warning that no one can serve two masters - God and Mammon because both do not work together. If we are too much attached to worldly possessions God takes a back seat and finally God is forgotten. We cannot be faithful and devoted to two masters. So also with God and Mammon (in Aramaic Mammon means riches or treasure). Hence the message is that the only way we can be trusted with possessions or wealth is if they don't possess us. We are all stewards of what God has entrusted to us, so some day we will have to give Him an account of our stewardship. How we handle our money and our possessions is a test of our character.

"God does not create poverty. We do because we do not share what we have" - St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

Fr Tomy

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

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

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

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

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)
Friday 9:15am (Except 1st Friday of Month)

First Friday of Month Anointing of Sick
11:00am

Saturday 9:00 am (Mass devoted to Mother Mary)

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Wednesday 9:00am (1st Wed of the month Anointing of Sick)
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 **Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**. Thank you for being here.

Family Mass at St Brendan's

We welcome everyone to our Family Mass at St Brendan's this Saturday 17th Sept at 5pm. All children are invited to participate through Children's Liturgy, processions, offertory and singing.

St Mary's Year 2 Mass

A big thank you to the students, teachers and families of Year 2 at St Mary's for leading our Mass so beautifully last Sunday. It is wonderful to have you in our Church, we hope to see you again soon.

Parish Morning Tea

Our next Parish Morning Tea will be held on Sunday 2nd October (long weekend), after 9am Mass at St Mary's and after 8am Mass at St Brendan's. All welcome. Thank you to the Rosary Group for planning morning tea at St Mary's, and all parishioners at St Brendan's.

Parish office - upcoming closures

Please be advised that the Parish Office will be closed on Thurs 22nd Sept due to the Public Holiday for Queen Elizabeth II's passing. The office will also be closed on the following days during the school holidays: Fri 30th Sept, Mon 3rd Oct (Labour Day) and Fri 7th Oct.

Social Justice Message

Listen to the Voices of God's Creation

Attend to the cries of anguish; first our sister mother earth, then to creatures crying out as species die. Hear the poorest among us exposed to the climate crisis, more gravely impacted by natural disasters. Finally, there is the plea of our children. Feeling menaced by shortsighted and selfish actions, asking adults to act to at least limit, the collapse of our planet's ecosystems. Let us hear these pleas from God's world and respond to it with deeds. From Margaret Hagan

Catholic Care Pastoral Care Seminar - Wed 26th Oct

Those who are involved in a ministry to care for the sick are invited to a Pastoral Care Seminar Day on Wed 26th October at Pennant Hills. Please see the noticeboard for more details.

Pilgrimage Bus Trip

We are taking expressions of interest in a Parish Pilgrimage to The Schoenstatt Shrine at Mulgoa (near Penrith) on Thurs 20th Oct. Please contact the Parish Office ph 4396 4455 and leave your name and contact details by 30th Sept. Limited seats available on the Parish Bus. Times, costs etc to be advised once we have some interest.

St Mary's Rosters

New rosters for the weekend beginning 24/25 September are available at the doors of the church. Thank you to all those who volunteer their time and talents, especially Christine who prepares the roster.




Catechist Corner

It's almost the end of term 3 already! **We'd love to hear from you if you've ever thought about joining this rewarding ministry!** Now is the perfect time to enquire as training can be completed before the 2023 school year begins. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.



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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 **unwell**. This includes meetings/gatherings.
- Check in using the QR code/paper sign in is **not required**
- Wearing a **mask is OPTIONAL, but ENCOURAGED**
- 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

1st and 2nd Collections

Thank you for your patience as we adapt to our new method of taking up the 1st and 2nd collection. The 'Tap N Go' machine remains near the church doors for credit card donations. A reminder that the 1st collection supports all priests in our Diocese, and the 2nd collection supports the maintenance of our own Parish. Thank you.

We remember Queen Elizabeth II

This weekend we take a moment to remember and pay our respects to Queen Elizabeth II.



Confirmation Sacramental Program

Preparation classes have finished and our candidates and their families now eagerly await their Confirmation day on Sat 15th October. Please continue to pray for our candidates over the coming weeks.

Upcoming events - Save the Dates:

Lectio Divina - has resumed, every Thurs 5pm.

Sat 1st Oct - Mother Mary Lady of Fatima 6pm Mass & Procession

Sat 15th Oct - Confirmation Ceremonies,

11am St Brendan's, 2pm St Mary's

Thurs 20th Oct - Parish Pilgrimage Bus trip

Sun 30th Oct - St Mary's Yr 3 lead Sunday 9am Mass

Sun 20th Nov - St Mary's Yr 5 and Kinder 2023 lead Sunday 9am Mass



Safeguarding Month

The month of September is Safeguarding Month in our Diocese. The focus this September is 'Safeguarding Families'. Have a look at the posters at the church doors for more information and to see how you can get involved.



Ray Sleucher

We ask for prayers for Ray Sleucher, who passed away on Tues 13th Sept. Ray's funeral service will be held on Mon 26th Sept 1pm at Pinegrove Memorial Park, North Chapel, Minchinbury. All welcome.

Glassware - FREE

We have been doing a clean out and we have some glassware available in the Parish Centre if anyone would like them. Please take what you like until Sun 25th Sept, the remaining items will be donated.

Congratulations

We congratulate Max Barsby who is a reader at St Brendan's. Max won second place in the Triple Jump at the NSW State School Athletic Championship. Well done Max!



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



Recently Deceased

Ray Sleucher, Domenica Marini, Doreen Shaw, Patricia Ferraro, Margaret Elphick, Vic Denina

Anniversaries

Kevin Sykes, Saviour & Nazzarine Debono, Marrietta Moir, Thomas & Ellen Sheerin, Roy Jeffries, Janet Wood, Paul Kain, James Rush, Eileen Crocker, Jack Harris

Remembrances

Sallie Mulvany, Chris McCann, Mario Azzopardi, Stephen Cappa, Teresita, Bruce Everingham, Ffion Miles, Glen Brown, Carol Brown, Moore & Langley families, Valmai Joseph Stark Family

Please Pray for the Sick

Jeff Moir, Joshua Booth, Miklos Beothy, Ken Scales, Pat Corby, Kevin & Helen Turner, Maureen Dries, Pat Glennen, Mary Smith, Sabu Kuruvell, Yvonne Sutton, Liz Kelman, Lailane Bugaoisan, Teresa Jan, Michael Durken, Olive Haslam, Colin Fowler, Joy Rearden, Margaret Brett, Sr Tincy (Fr Baby's sister), Joyce Burns, Diane Booth, Rhondda Rey, Nestor Regalo, Ann Buckman, David Vella, Ann Rigney, Margaret Jones, Margaret Moran, Faye Roberts, Noel McCool

September Birthdays

Helen Cashin (6th Sept)
Robyn Rosina (6th Sept)
Nat Rosina (11th Sept)
Mary Gavranic (16th Sept)
Evie Paton (19th Sept)
Aurora Spencer (22nd Sept)
Wayne Bulgin (26th Sept)
Irene Deagan (27th Sept)
Marie Steel (28th Sept)
Nancy Bergado (30th Sept)



Call the office to have your birthday or anniversary included!

Wedding Anniversaries

Joemar & Janel Canillas



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September



For the abolition of the death penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

Mackay Family Funerals

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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

Amos 8:4-7

The Lord God spoke against those who buy the poor for money.

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 112:1-2, 4-8

R. Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed
both now and for evermore! **R.**

High above all nations is the Lord,
above the heavens his glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God,
who has risen on high to his throne
yet stoops from the heights to look down,
to look down upon heaven and earth? **R.**

From the dust he lifts up the lowly,
from the dungheap he raises the poor
to set him in the company of princes,
yes, with the princes of his people. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-8

Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone - petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving - and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the



appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and - I am telling the truth and no lie - a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *2 Corinthians 8:9*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 16:10-13

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

Jesus said to his disciples, 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

'Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty." 'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light. 'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Sunday - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C

First Reading - Amos 6:1, 4-7

Second Reading - 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Gospel - Luke 16:19-31