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Vision To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community



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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

20th February 2022



Golden Rule of Life

Today's Scripture readings challenge us to make three types of correct choices in life. First, we are advised to choose the love in the "golden rule" instead of selfishness and insensitivity to the feelings and needs of others. Second, we need to choose unconditional, agape love instead of jealousy and hatred in our relationships with others. Third, we must choose graceful forgiveness instead of harbouring revenge and planning retaliation.

Today's Gospel reading explains how Jesus makes some radical challenges to His disciples. He makes it very clear that revenge and retaliation has no place in His Kingdom. Jesus gives the following action plan for His followers: Love your enemies and do good to those who hate you. Bless those who curse you and pray for those who abuse you. Give to everyone who asks from you. Do to others as you would wish them do to you. Do not judge and you will not be judged. Forgive and you will be forgiven. The measure you give will be the measure you get back. A disciple should have this attitude of Jesus in word and deed. If we follow these precepts of Jesus, the world would be a better place to live in. We would truly become sons and daughters of the Heavenly Father.

Instead of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth as told in the Old Testament, Jesus tells us that when someone strikes you on your cheek you are asked to offer the other also. Christian ethics consists not in merely refraining from evil, but in actively doing good, not only to those who are friends, but to those who hate us or do evil against us. In other words, Jesus expects us to rise above our human instincts and imitate the goodness and generosity of God. The observance of the golden rule makes us like God whose love and mercy embrace saints and sinners alike.

"Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend" - Martin Luther King Jr.

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 or Fr Baby

> 6:00pm Fr Tomy or Fr Baby

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 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 Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C. We are Welcome pleased to see you in our Church.

Kevs

Please see the Parish office if you have any St Mary's keys as the locks have recently been changed.

Caritas Ambassador Needed!

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

Reconciliation Sacramental Program 2022

(for children in Yr 4 or above, who are already Baptised and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation)

Enrolment is now open, call our Parish Office on 4396 4455 or visit our website www.bbcatholic.org.au/toukley if you have not received enrolment details from your child's school.

Pray for Ukraine

As the situation escalates in Europe over fears of a Russian invasion of Ukraine, Pope Francis has issued an urgent plea to all people of goodwill to pray for peace. "Please, no more war!" Pope Francis addressed these words to all political leaders on the Catholic Church's day of prayer for peace (26 Jan 2022) and asked the world to pray that "this land may see fraternity flourish and overcome wounds, fears, and divisions.'

Free seminar on Wills and Estates for our Catholic community

Tues 15th March 11am-12.30pm, Our Lady of the Rosary, The Entrance. RSVP www.bbcatholic.org.au/willsday or call 8379 1664.

Ordinariate Mass

Please note that the 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.

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

<u>CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE</u> recommences with their first meeting in 2022 on Monday 28th Feb at 10am in the Parish Centre. Let's start the year with a bit of fun and join us for a game of Trivia and Morning Tea before we start our meeting. We look forward to getting together again after such a long break and invite any parishioners who would like to come along to get to know us on the day.

Catechist Corner

Our Catechists are looking forward to returning to our Public Schools to teach scripture in the coming weeks. We'd love to have some new helpers so why not consider joining the team?! It's very straightforward - all you need is a WWCC (Service NSW) and then there is some training to complete which can be organized through our Parish. The Public schools where we need some extra catechists/helpers are:

Lake Munmorah (Wed) - 2 catechists needed Northlakes (Tues) - 2 catechists needed

Mannering Park (Wed) - 2 catechists needed

We also look after Blue Haven, Gorokan, and Gwandalan.

Wouldn't it be great to help Catholic students in these schools learn more about Jesus? Classes run for 30 minutes, once a week. We provide full training & support. Please call the Parish Office for more information. We'd love to hear from you!







<u>COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship Diocese of Broken Bay Latest Update: 18th February 2022</u>

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

We welcome back Fr Baby this week after his holiday. We will celebrate his birthday this Sunday during 9am Mass at St Mary's.

Thank you to the Cohen Family

Our Parish extends our appreciation to the Cohen family who have donated a large painting of the Last Supper to St Mary's Church.

Palms

If you have palms from last year, please bring them in next weekend (26/27 February) and place them in the baskets at the doors of both churches so they can be burnt for Ash Wednesday.

Pastoral Discernment Central Coast Project

Please give your feedback to this Project - complete a form (at doors/pews/seats) and return your form to the marked box at the doors of both churches. We appreciate your feedback. Thank you to Robyn Rosina for coordinating this and being our Parish Representative.

Spirituality in the Pub

Tues 1st March 7.30pm start (arrive 7pm) at The Grange Hotel Function Room, Wyoming. Meals and drinks will be as usual from the Bistro. The tables and chairs will be arranged to meet the current Covid-19 social distancing requirements. The Grange also requires the usual QR on entry and wearing of face masks but not while sitting and eating in the function room. RSVP asap to <a href="marketa:mark

Collection Drive for Tonga

Our Tongan Catholic Community is calling for donations that will be shipped to Tonga to help families in need after the recent tsunami. Tinned food, long-life milk, bottled water can be left in the boxes at both churches or the Parish Office by 6th March. If you have larger items to donate, such as building materials/tools, used furniture, clothing, bedding, please contact Toni on 0423 614 991. 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.

Parish Bus

The Parish Bus service will resume at St Mary's from this Sunday. Contact Joan Haslam ph 4392 6892 to book a spot for future Sundays.

Lectio Divina resumes 3rd March. Contact the Parish office for details.

Children's Worksheets

Worksheets and pencils are available at the church doors.



Newly Baptised

We welcome Koda Mannix, Isabella Wallisch, and Elijah Klaic, and their families to our Parish Community.

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

Recently Deceased

Marie Cohen, Fay Alchin, Pat Parker, Sue Lillies, Colleen Salvestro, Nola Jermyn

Anniversaries

Conchita Nacua Roberts, Olga Creighton, KJ Buckman, Dorothy Rush, Greta Hackett

Remembrances

Georgina Baker, Patricia McGivern, Frank Costa, Mary Rose Buttigieg, Vicente, Gliceria, Loronzo, Arsenio, Rafael, Jenny Lee, Martin Johnston, Stephen Cappa, Ingrid Hamer, Arturo Canillas, Maurie Cohen, Raphael Cohen, Clarinda Cohen, Jack Webb, Mary Webb, Carol Brown, Greg Irvine, Moore & Langley families, Valmai Joseph Stark Family

Please Pray for the Sick

Gloria Morath, Ann Buckman, David Vella, Ray Sleucher, Eliamma (Fr Baby's mother), Ann Rigney, Margaret Jones, Margaret Moran, Faye Roberts, Lisa Hart, Lucas Campbell, Noel McCool, Nenita Turner

Funerals

Marie Cohen—St Mary's Tues 22nd Feb 10.30am

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.

February Birthdays

Carolyn Metcalfe (4th Feb)
Maureen Johnston (4th Feb)
Bernice Judge (5th Feb)
Alison Newell (15th Feb)
Vivien Van Der Kroft (20th Feb)
Margaret Cashin (20th Feb)
Bob Steele (21st Feb)
Elaine Scrivener (22nd Feb)
Pat Glennen (23rd Feb)



Call or email the office to have your birthday included!

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February We pray for religious sisters and

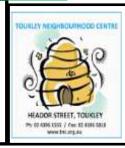
consecrated women, thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.



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

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

The Lord has put you in my power, but I will not raise my hand against you.

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph.

So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt?' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 102:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. R.

It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. R.

The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repays us according to our faults. R.

As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins.
As a father has compassion on his sons, the Lord has pity on those who fear him. R.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Just as we have carried the earthly image, we must carry the heavenly image.

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living

soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

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

Luke 6:27-38

Be merciful as your Father is merciful.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.

'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Sunday - Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C First Reading - Sirach 27:4-7 Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 Gospel - Luke 6:39-45

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