

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah

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To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community

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TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

24th August, 2025



Gospel Reflection

Enter by the narrow door

In the first reading Prophet Isaiah speaks about a time of universal salvation. He elaborates that the Lord God is going to gather all nations and language groups into one-fold. The Lord God in His goodness, love and mercy wants to gather the dispersed people and bring reconciliation to everyone.

Second reading explains that every father disciplines his son/daughter. If we are disciplined and chastised by God, it is a sure sign that God treats us as His own children. God trains us, His children through many sufferings so that we may grow to maturity and reach our goal. Hence discipline, training and perseverance are essential prerequisites of the final glory that we will experience in the future.

In today's gospel Jesus exhorts everyone to enter by the narrow door. Then He narrates the parable of a house owner (God) who closed the door (at night) and many desire to enter through that door. It is our personal choice whether to enter through the narrow door (difficult life) which leads us to eternal life or to enter through the wide door (easy life) which leads us to eternal damnation. Hence the message is that entering the kingdom of God is not restricted to just a few people but people from every nationality and various communities. The path of Jesus (the narrow door) gives access to the kingdom of God.

"Jesus came to bring integral salvation, one which embraces the whole person and all mankind." - St. John Paul II (Pope)

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 Church Lake Munmorah

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday 9:00 am	
Tuesday 9:00 am	Communion Service
Wednesday 9:00 am	Communion Service
Thursday 9:00am	Communion Service

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

First Friday of Month Anointing of Sick

11:00am

Saturday 9:00 am

St Brendan's Church Lake Munmorah

Wednesday 9:00am Communion Service

Thursday 9:00am Communion Service

EXPOSITION BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Mary's Church Toukley

Every Saturday – after Morning Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Mary's Toukley

Saturday 9.30am – 10am (by appointment 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 Thursday & Saturday

8:45 am Friday

First Friday Night Vigil

Exposition after 7pm Mass until 12.30am

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

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

1st Saturday 5pm at St Brendan's

EXCEPT IN SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



Welcome to our Parish. Today we celebrate the **Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**. We welcome you to our Church and are very pleased to see you here.

Upcoming Parish events - Save the Date:

Tues 26th Aug: RCIA enquiry night 7-8pm St Mary's Church

Thurs 28th Aug: Rehearsal for Confirmation 3:30pm, St Mary's

Thurs 28th Aug: Feast of the Augustinian Order of Sr. Josie and Sr. Jennifer (and Pope Leo XIV)

Sat 30th Aug: 11am The Rite of Confirmation St Mary's Church

Thurs 4th Sept: Ordination Anniversary Fr Baby

Thurs 4th Sept: Father's Day Whole School Mass St Brendan's 9am

Sun 7th Sept: Parish Morning Teas and Father's Day

Thurs 11th Sept: St Brendan's Kinder Mass 9am

Fri 19th Sept: Sister Sister St Mary's Parish Hall 6.30-9pm

Fri 12th Sept: Catechist Walking Pilgrimage at Canton Beach

Fri 26th Sept: Jubilee of Catechists Pennant Hills with Bishop Anthony



Parish Morning Tea And Ordination Anniversary of Fr. Baby

Please join us to celebrate together on Sunday 7th Sept after 9am Mass at St Mary's and St Brendan's after 8am Mass.

Annual Retreat of Priests from 25th-29th August:

During the week we shall have **only Communion services on Tues, Wed & Thurs in both churches**. We shall have our usual Mass at 9.15am on Friday. On Saturday we shall have only morning Mass. **No Confessions & Benediction in the morning due to Confirmations in the Parish.**

New Parishioner Forms - There is now a new Parishioner form available in both churches for individual or families to register in the Parish.

Attention Readers: At the end of first and second Reading please pause few seconds and then say **"The Word of the Lord"**.

RCIA Program: There will be an enquiry night on Tues 26th Aug 7-8pm at St Mary's Church. If you are interested or if you know someone who would like to know more about the Catholic faith pls call our Parish Office, read our notice board or use this link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/xpBQZmEfau>

Parish Lectio Divina: You're invited to join us in our Lectio Divina every Thurs 5-6pm on Zoom. We reflect together the coming Sunday's Gospel & share inspiring thoughts together as friends praying together. Pls call the Parish office/speak to our Priests/Sisters.

Parish Facebook Account: Please be informed our Parish Facebook account has not sent any friend requests. Please see our Notice Board for the official account, image and page of our Parish Facebook. If you are unsure contact our Parish office or our Priests.

Gardener & Bus Driver Required at St Mary's Church: We need a Sunday Bus Driver, only 4 hours once a month to pick up elderly Parishioners for Mass. We also need a gardener to assist with the area behind the church. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.



Congratulations on the Sacrament of Baptism

May God's blessings be upon **Maya** who is to be baptised at St Mary's this Sunday. We welcome **Maya** & her family to our Parish.



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SISTER SISTER TICKETS! Tickets are now available to purchase at the Parish Office! Also this week at St Brendan's Saturday evening Mass (see Jo) and St Mary's 6pm Mass (see Naomi). \$20 each cash only!

Catholic Women's League: The Monthly meeting is on Mon 25th Aug at 10am in the Parish Centre. Ladies in the Parish are always welcome. For information please call 0430 144 004 or 0421838014.

Thank you from Chris Crocker - On behalf of my family the Crockers, we thank you for all your love and prayers in past month since my Pops death. And also with gratitude, thank you to those who came to funeral. Regards Chris Crocker

Sacramental Programme for Y4-6 & High School: For those candidates who received the Sacrament of Confirmation you have the option to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion before the end of Term 4. There will be a **Parent Information Session on Mon 8th Sept at 3.30pm, St Mary's Church and 7PM on Zoom.** Call the parish office, see the Notice Board or click the form to register <https://forms.office.com/r/TYxUHeTuyG>

Jubilee of Catechists: This is a special celebration within the Catholic Church, **taking place 26-28 Sept 2025.** We will be holding a Walking Pilgrimage as a way of entering into the spirituality of physical movement as part of a spiritual journey beginning with Mass at St Mary's Church at 9:15am then going to Canton Beach (by car). During the walk at Canton Beach, we will pray the Holy Rosary & conclude with a shared meal and fellowship.

St Mary's School Improvements: Building works will commence in the coming weeks to construct 6 new classrooms, the refurbishment of some toilets and existing classrooms and an upgraded administration area at St Mary's Toukley. **Work will commence on September 3rd.** During the construction period, there may be some noise and minor disruption. You will be able to see these new classrooms from our carpark, being constructed next to the current two-story building and oval to ensure that disruptions for parishioners and parents will be kept to a minimum. We'd like to thank you for your patience and support as we take this exciting step forward together. These improvements will make a lasting difference to our school, and we look forward to sharing updates with you as the works progress. *Kind regards, Emma Sellars, Principal, St Mary's*

Please Do NOT turn right when exiting St Mary's Church carpark. It's illegal, dangerous & holding up traffic exiting the driveway.



Please pray for the following:

Recently Deceased: Shannon Murray, Felix Reza Taha, Margaret Anne Johnson, Anne Murphy

Anniversaries: Ronald "Pingo" Roach, Deborah Zammit, John Henry, Janet Wood, Hector Grapulin, Emma Grapulin, Elizabeth Coles, Tim Cahill, Win Sinclair, George Gordon, Maria Krawetkowski & Tom Parker

Remembrances: Leedy Fernley, Iris Mary, Curtin, Elena Mabini, Fred Camenzuli, Brigido Mabini, Charles Radford, Paul O'Neile, Tom Burke, Crysterline & Richard Hamer, Marie O'Keefe, Valami Joseph & Stark Family & Wendy Woodhouse

Please Pray for the Sick: Edward Boyle, Bobby Raymond, Andrew Teo, Gerauld Correia, Leane Dadd, John Knight, Anne Govers, Katherine Hoppett, Willem, Max Jurd, Claire Ray Doris, Beth Andrews, Clare Johnstone, Chris Wilson, Miklos Beothy, Novita Elizabeth Taha Lamharan, Joy Stokes, Dale Bentick, Avis Sullivan, Ken Jenkins, Lawrie & Libby Boshell, Ruben Fernandez Velasco, Ivy Teo, Brian Brame, Irene Tognito, John Muir, Amelia Hamilton-Ford, John Hamilton Jnr, Kel Outlaw, Kevin Roy, Kathy Casey, Elaine Horton, Jane, Allen, Helen Sewell, Liz Kelman, Lacey, Chelsea Brame, Nicholas Sheehy, Hunter, Peter De Lacy Peek, Patrick Hobson, Jessica & Lee Abbott, Baby Nora, Denis Tansey, Lucky Bowen, Sergio, Maxwell, Nacua Sedicol, Sue Reardon, Sandra Turl, Mia & Johanna Harries, Ana das Gracas, Zona Kable, Jose Adelino, Barry Egan, Suzanne Webb, Patricia, Warren Pope, Elaine Scrivener, John Stuart, Stefano & Paolo Macchi, Stephen Jeffrie, Paul Mizzi, George, Sylvia Hudson, Bill O'Keefe, Michele Maroon, Mick G & Robbie Depares

August Birthdays

John Frame (1st)	Mary Azzopardi (12th)
Pat Bulgin (5th)	Peter Turner (20th)
Sr Jennifer Canillas (6th)	Constance Day (22nd)
Jake Elias (6th)	Naomi Hepplewhite (23rd)
Fr Joshi Naduppura (6th)	Geoffrey Swan (29th)
Jeffrey Ranada (6th)	Anne Gover (30th)
Ellen Sherrin (7th)	Nikita Corbett (31st)
Toutain Ketoni (9th)	Angeline Collard (31st)
Heather Baker (10th)	
Ann Firman (10th)	
Dasha Kent (11th)	
Raymond Mahony (12th)	



Pope Leo XIV's Francis' August Intention

For mutual coexistence
Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

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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

First Reading Isaiah 66:18-21

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

They will gather all of your people from all nations.

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Ps 116

R. Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

O praise the Lord, all you nations,
acclaim him all you peoples! **R.**

Strong is his love for us;
he is faithful for ever. **R.**

Second Reading Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

The Lord disciplines those he loves.

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you

tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation John 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 13:22-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

From East and West they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!" Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from the east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Sunday: Twenty Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

First Reading: Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24

Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14