

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 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

31st August, 2025



Gospel Reflection

Virtue of Humility

Luke's Gospel has a unique focus on the significance of sharing a meal at table. He presents his Gospel in a way that makes this very human activity and Christ's message inseparable, and he does this by framing the narrative as a great journey. Along the way, meals and hospitality play a critical role for Jesus and his followers. One such occasion becomes a springboard for a parable which teaches us much about God and about ourselves.

First reading speaks about the great virtue of humility. It tells us that a humble person is open to the promptings of the Lord God and never rejects wisdom, no matter where it comes from. Humility is the sign of true greatness. The greater a person is, the humbler he/she should be. The message is: be humble and you will find favour with the Lord God. Whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

In today's Gospel Jesus instructs the disciples; When you are invited to a function, do not occupy places of honour. Because in case a person more worthy than you is invited, the host may come and request you to give the honourable place to that person. Consequently, you will be put in an embarrassing and humiliating situation. However, if you are occupying a less honourable place and the host requests you to occupy a more honourable place, you will be honoured in the presence of everyone present. Hence the virtue of humility is of great importance in the life of a follower of Christ. It ranks right up there with the great Gospel values. Thus, for Jesus, to lose one's life is to find it. The last shall be the first and the humble shall be exalted.

"Do you wish to raise yourself: Begin by humbling yourself." - St. Augustine. "It is in being humble that our love becomes real, devoted and ardent." - St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

Fr. Baby

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

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

St Brendan's Church Lake Munmorah

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

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

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

First Wednesday of Month Anointing of Sick

Thursday 9:00am

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 Second 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:

Thurs 4th Sept: Ordination Anniversary Fr Baby

Thurs 4th Sep - Congregational Feasts of Srs. Josie & Jennifer of the Augustinian Sisters of Our Lady of Consolation (ASOLC)

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.



Sacrament of Confirmation: Congratulations to our 65 candidates who are confirmed on 30th Aug, 11am by Bishop Anthony Randazzo. Thank you our dear parish-ioners and the prayer buddies of our candidates for all your prayers and support throughout their sacramental preparation. Thank you to the Sacramental Team & our 3 Catholic Schools for preparing our candidates.



Sacramental Programme for Y4-6 & High School. For those candidates who received their 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**. To register for the Parent Info scan the QR Code provided or click the form to register <https://forms.office.com/r/TYxUHeTuyG>. Please see our Notice Board.

St Brendan's Coffee & Chat - St Brendan's Social Group is on the 1st Wednesday of every month from **10am-12pm**. Everyone is welcome to join together at the Doylo RSL on **Wed 3rd Sept**.



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.

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 2 story building & 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 the updates with you as the works progress.

Kind regards, Emma Sellars, Principal, St Mary's



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Meet Karen Amos Guest speaker

Kaz's experience with faith and spirituality began in her childhood years and she continues to believe that learning how to love and care for herself and others can create a loving caring ripple effect in the world. For Kaz, spirituality is often experienced in nature using her God given talents – two feet and a heartbeat.
You have to go deeper to go further...

Sister Sister

September 19, 2025
6.30pm - 9.00pm
St Mary's Parish Hall
Tickets \$20 each (Includes champagne, lucky door prize and a light supper) Cash Only
Tickets available to purchase at your school or Parish Office
OR Book your tickets via the link

**WOMEN OVER 18
EVENT**

SISTER SISTER TICKETS! Tickets are available to purchase at the Parish Office, \$20 each cash only. They are selling out fast so Ladies don't forget to call the office!



St Brigid's Catholic College News

The students of St Brigid's Catholic College would like to thank the parishioners who supported their Cake Stall fundraiser on the 23/24th Aug. They raised over \$1,000, which is enough to cover their deposit for their pilgrimage. The students from Years 9-11 will be travelling to Melbourne for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) in November. The next Cake Stall Fundraiser will be in October, please keep an eye on the parish bulletin for more details."

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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.

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

Use of Parent/Carer Cry Room in St Mary's Church

Please feel free to use the "cry room" during week day or weekend Masses if your children are needing attention and you wish to still feel included in and be part of the Mass.

Junior Servers Vesting Area: The area for the Junior Servers at St Mary's will be in the Parent Retreat Room.

First Friday Anointing Mass is on 5th Sept at 11am at St Mary's



Please pray for the following:

Recently Deceased: Denis Tansey, Lisha Tannous, Paul Gibb, Enid Wilson, Sr Esperanza Marasigan, OSA Margaret Jones of Wellington, Monica Buck, Shannon Murray & Felix Reza Taha

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

Remembrances: Beth Andrews, Leedy Fernley, Iris Mary, Curtin, Elena Mabini, Fred Camenzuli, Brigido Mabini, Marie O'Keefe, Valami Joseph & Stark Family & Wendy Woodhouse

Please Pray for the Sick: Alexander Wade, Louise Bugden, Edward Boyle, Bobby Raymond, Andrew Teo, Geraild Correia, Leane Dadd, John Knight, Anne Govers, Eva Cusick, Zara Cusick, Willem, Max Jurd, Claire Ray Doris, 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 Abott, Baby Nora, 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

Funeral for the Late Denis Tansey

Tuesday 2nd Sept at St Brendan's Church 10.30am

August /September Birthdays

Anne Gover (30th)
Ashlin Theresa Rajesh (30th)
Nikita Corbett (31st)
Angeline Collard (31st)
Charlie Cassar (5 Sept)
Bede Irvine (6 Sept)
Helen Cashin (6 Sept)
Robyn Rosina (6 Sept)
Jennifer Proudfoot (7 Sept)



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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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 Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

Humble yourself and you will find favour with the Lord.

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble.

There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him.

The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Ps 67:4-7, 10-11

R. God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

The just shall rejoice at the presence of God, they shall exult and dance for joy.

O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. **R.**

Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place.

God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. **R.**

You poured down, O God, a generous rain: when your people were starved you gave them new life. It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. **R.**

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

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

You have to come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God.

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have

been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

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Gospel Acclamation Matthew 11:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

Take my yoke upon you;

learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 14:1, 7-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

All who exalt themselves shall be humbled and all who humble themselves shall be exalted

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Sunday: Twenty Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18

Second Reading: Philemon 1: 9-10, 12-17

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33