Our Lady of Perpetual Succour



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Second Sunday of Easter, Year C



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

We are now invited to celebrate the Fifty days of Easter - fifty days because this one event cannot be captured in a single day - fifty days to let the aftershock of this incredible event vibrate in our minds and hearts and spirits. The impact of Easter, in the early Church, and hopefully again in our time, is for believers to gather, to be together to contemplate the mystery of the Lord's resurrection, to let it touch minds and hearts, and to reaffirm for us, once again, that we do not live - we cannot live - in isolation. The special sense of Community brought about by the Resurrection was very tangible in the apostolic church. We read about common living, sharing of common goals and goods, and a great concern that none of the believers should be left alone or in need. The Gospel incident with Thomas also highlights this same sense of community. The disciples gathered together, partly in fear and wonder, and partly because they needed each other's support. When Jesus appeared to them, He offered them His gift of peace, and urged them to make mutual forgiveness the very first sign of their faith in the resurrection.

Thomas was absent on that occasion, so when he joined them they shared their experience of the Risen Lord. Thomas was so sure of himself. He would not be touched by their communal witness; he insisted on personal, direct proof. Only when Jesus invited him to touch the wounds of His hands and feet, did Thomas proclaim his faith." My LORD and MY GOD". And Jesus simply says: "Blessed are they who have not seen, yet have believed." There's a very important lesson here about the role of the community. Many, many people insist on personal proof; they will not learn from their brothers and sisters; they want somehow to touch the mystery of God directly.

Jesus reaches out to all of us as he did Thomas and reminds us all: "Blessed are they who have not seen and yet believe." Jesus wants us to be together with those who share their faith, so that we can be strengthened, consoled, and nourished. The Risen Lord clearly invites all of us to be evangelists, to give powerful, personal and communal witness to our faith, and so to lead many others out of the prison of their aloneness into the joyfilled, peace-filled, and forgiveness-filled community of faith that is the reality of Church.

Scripture reminds us that the resurrection of Jesus brings these gifts of peace and joy; and the mission of forgiveness.

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 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 -	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

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





Welcome to our Parish. Today we celebrate **Divine Mercy Sunday.** We are pleased to see you in Welcome our Church.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy has resumed at St Mary's on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 9am Sunday Mass. Children's Liturgy will resume at St Brendan's on Sat 30th April at 5pm Mass. All children aged 4-12 welcome! We still need some helpers for St Mary's so please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

First Eucharist Sacramental Program

The Sacramental Program for First Eucharist will soon begin. To be eligible, children must be in Yr 4 (or above) and have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Reconciliation. Enrolments will open after the school holidays (late April). We will communicate the enrolment details through our Parish schools and local public schools. Please contact the Parish Office for further details.

Parish Morning Teas

We look forward to our next Parish Morning Teas on Sunday 1st May. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to help so that we can put your name on the roster.

Good Friday Holy Land Collection

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Holy Land Collection.

Ukraine Appeal

Please consider donating to the Caritas Australia Ukraine Appeal www.caritas.org.au/ukraine

Project Compassion

Thank you very much to all our generous parishioners for your contribution to Project Compassion this year. Receipts will be issued in the coming weeks to those who requested one. If you still have a box or envelope to return, please do so this weekend.

Attention Altar Servers/Acolytes

There will be a refresher seminar for all altar servers (senior & junior) in our Parish at St Mary's Parish Centre on Thurs 28th April starting at 5.30pm. Refreshments and light dinner provided. This is a must-attend event to be able to continue serving. Please RSVP to the Parish Office by Tues 26th April at the latest.

Children's Worksheets

Worksheets and pencils are available at the church doors.

Pastoral Works Broken Bay (formerly CWF)

The next Pastoral Works Broken Bay (CWF) appeal will be held on the weekend of 14/15 May. This is the final Pastoral Works appeal for this financial year so we ask that you give generously to help our Parish achieve our quota. We still have \$21,150 to raise and any shortfall must be made up out of Parish funds. Envelopes will be available in both churches, or you can donate online by visiting this website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/donate/pastoral-works-broken-bay

Catechist Corner

As we return to classes after the school holidays, we remind everyone that we're looking for 2 more catechists to help in the public schools we teach scripture at. Full training & support is provided. Please call the Parish Office for more information.





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THE GARAGE SERVICE CENTRE

at 🔘 BP Lake Munmorah 58 1302

ALL MECHANICAL & ELECTRICAL REPAIRS incl.

COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship Diocese of Broken Bay Latest Update: 25th February 2022

- 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 not required
- Wearing a mask is OPTIONAL
- 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

Communion Only Service - St Brendan's Wednesdays 9am

While Fr Tomy is away, Wednesdays at St Brendan's will be a communion-only service. Fr Carmelo will be celebrating weekend Masses at St Brendan's. We thank Fr Carmelo for his assistance.

CWL Lamington Drive

What: Plain or Cream lamingtons. \$10 for ½ doz. \$18 per doz When: Collect at both churches on 7th/8th May.

Why: To help the CWL in their support of yr 11 and 12 students in our Catholic Schools on the Central Coast. How: Call the parish office on 4396 4455 to place your order or put the correct money in an envelope marked

with your Name, phone number and type/quantity you are ordering, and put the envelope on the collection plate. Thank you

Anzac Day - Monday 25th April

We will commemorate Anzac Day in our Parish at 9am Mass at St Mary's on Monday 25th April. All welcome.

Pastoral Discernment Central Coast Project

All are invited to participate in a face-to-face gathering, hear what the data is saying, and discover the themes that are beginning to emerge. **Sunday 15 May 2022,** 12 noon for light refreshments, for a 12:30 pm start, **Venue**: OLR Parish Hall, 239-243 The Entrance Rd, The Entrance. **Register:** www.bbcatholic.org.au/pdcc

Upcoming events - Save the Dates:

Late-April 2022 - First Eucharist Sacramental Program enrolments Sat 30 April - Children's Liturgy resumes at St Brendan's 5pm Mass Sun 1st May - Parish Morning Tea, both churches 14/15 May - Pastoral Works Appeal weekend Sat 4th June - Family Mass at St Brendan's Sat 18th/Sun 19th June - Sacrament of First Eucharist Sun 19th June (TBC) - St Mary's Yr 4 lead the 9am Mass

Bus Drivers Needed!

St Mary's Sunday 9am Mass, once a month. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

Letter of thanks from CFIC Provincial

The Indian Provincial thank the whole parish community for their generosity in supporting the mission works. The letter is now available on the noticeboard for you to read.

Praisefest - World Youth Day Launch

All young people (aged 15-35) in our Diocese are invited to Praisefest for the World Youth Day 2023 launch, on Friday 29th April, 6-9pm at Light of Christ Centre, Waitara. No cost.

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



Recently Deceased

Beryl Moloney, Elizabeth Connors, Joe Johannas

Anniversaries

Albert Sykes, Peter O'Malley, Frederick Stephens, Warren Formosa

Remembrances

William Henry Baker, Brian Murphy, Anselmo, Paulita, Enrico, Arturo, Pio Edwin, Elma, Juan Anselmo, Pantaleon, Temotea, Hermigildo, Romualda, Stephen Cappa, John Harrison, Arturo Canillas, Carol Brown, Moore & Langley families, Valmai Joseph Stark Family

Please Pray for the Sick

Maureen Johnston, Myra Langley, Ken Scales, Sr Tincy (Fr Baby's sister), Joyce Burns, Diane Booth, Rhondda Rey, Judy Kay, Nestor Regalo, Ann Buckman, David Vella, Ray Sleucher, Ann Rigney, Margaret Jones, Margaret Moran, Faye Roberts, Lisa Hart, Lucas Campbell, Noel McCool, Nenita Turner

Newly Baptised

We welcome Archer Deegan and Harmonica Harrison, and their families to our Parish Community.



Please call or email the office to have your loved one's name included above.

April Birthdays

Manny Debono (5th Apr) Pam Moir (7th Apr) Rawson Blackwood (10th Apr) Angeli Lavada (12th Apr) Cenon Mabini (12th Apr) Angel Gaoiran (17th Apr) Naomi Lavada (17th Apr) Naomi Lavada (17th Apr) Kate Drake (19th Apr) Shirley Campbell (23rd Apr) Alicia Klein (25th Apr) Mary Debono (28th Apr)



Call the office to have your birthday included!

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April We pray for Health Care Workers



who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

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 5:12-16

The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:2-4, 22-27

R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' **R**.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. **R**.

O Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord, grant success. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light. **R**.

Second Reading

Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19

I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever.

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle. When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

Gospel

John 20:19-31

After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me

so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

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



Next Sunday - Third Sunday of Easter, Year C First Reading - Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 Second Reading - Revelation 5:11-14 Gospel - John 21:1-14

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