

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah

St Mary's Church 458 Main Rd Noraville

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To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community

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17th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A 2020

26th July 2020

True Treasure



We all look for good deals. We search for products with the best track records; we'll spend countless hours visiting different merchants, comparing prices all so that we may get the most for our money. We want our investments to yield good interest, our stocks to produce the highest return.

Jesus speaks of hidden treasure and pearls of great price - sought after for many years, finally found and obtained at great cost and great risk. Thus, is the nature of the Kingdom of Heaven - a treasure freely given, a gift of great value. Our natural talents, our faith and the everyday circumstances of our life are all gifts of God - part of His investment in us. He looks for a return, with interest. He expects us to put our gifts to good use - to perfect them, to share them, to use them to renew our world according to the Gospel. For this we need an absolute fresh start. The Gospel cuts into one's life and one must decide. **How do we use the gift of life itself? How do we use the gift of time? How do we use the gift of faith?** We are accountable for this gift that God has given us. We must also make sure that the gift of our faith does not remain buried. We must invest it, make it grow, and nurture and nourish it so that it will continue to bear fruit

These are difficult times for people the world over. All of us have been touched by suffering and death in ways we never could have imagined. We look for moments when the Light of Truth might shine through the current darkness, and it becomes more and more difficult to proclaim the goodness of God and to be witnesses to this great gift of faith. It is time for all of us to dig up the treasure that we may have buried, so that we too can bring a lighted-candle into the common cloud of darkness that we all now seem to share.

Fr Tomy

Parish Facebook Page



Send a Friend Request to our new Toukley-Lake Munmorah Parish.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES (110 People)

St Mary's Church Toukley

Saturday: Vigil 6:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am

9:00am

Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday
(except school holidays)

6:00pm

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah (110)

Saturday: Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am

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

Saturday 9:00 am

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 8:15am—9:00am

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

Understanding COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship Diocese of Broken Bay Fact Sheet

What's new from 1 July 2020?

Under the Public Health Order (No 4) 2020, effective from 1 July 2020 the following restrictions have been revised:

- The number of people allowed inside indoor venues (including places of worship) will be determined by the 'one person per 4 square metre' rule, with no upper limit. All activity must be seated only.
- Occupiers of the premises must develop and comply with a COVID-19 Safety Plan. A copy of the plan must be kept on the premises and made available for inspection by an authorised officer as requested.

What does this mean for places of worship?

- The number of people in a public place of worship must not exceed one person per 4 square metres.
- When calculating the number of people permissible in the church for a religious service, the Celebrant, concelebrants, Deacon, server and other essential ministers are excluded from the head count. All members of the congregation should be counted, including children. The calculation must be made by measuring the floor space of the areas open to the public. For our Churches, this means the sanctuary, sacristy, or other areas where people would not congregate are not included in the calculations. The maximum number of people allowed in the church should be displayed on all entry points to the church.

People attending a religious service will be required to provide their name and contact details (phone or email) when they enter so that they can be used for contact tracing. The details of one adult member per household is sufficient. Parishioners are requested to receive Holy Communion in hand. More details are available on the notice board. We invite all parishioners to take communion on the hand.

Mass during restriction

Number of people allowed to attend Mass during restriction

St Marys Church - 100 people that is one person per 4 square metre.

St. Brendan's also 100 people.

Parish Centre

The number of people allowed in the parish centre is 30

St Mary's Church Rosters are available at the entrance to the Church.



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Bishop Randazzo announces change to the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation

I have been unable to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in the parishes of the Diocese at all this year," said Bishop Randazzo, who has decided, due to ongoing uncertainty and for the sake of clarity for parents and families, parishes and personnel involved in preparing children for the Sacraments that he will not celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at all in 2020.

Formerly, children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation were seven years old, typically those in Year 2. For the future celebration of the Sacrament, Bishop Randazzo has announced that candidates will be at least eight years old, those who are in Year 3.

Mental Health First Aid Training—Expression of Interest

I would like to offer training for our parishioners. Mental Health First Aid is Nationally Accredited Training and I am an Accredited Trainer. The training is over two sessions likely on Saturdays but can be during the week. I will run the training at cost only; \$30 per participant. This covers the textbook and all materials. The learning aims to build skills and confidence to support friends, colleagues and others during struggles with mental health. About 1 in 5 Australian adults experiences a common mental illness each year. Mental Health First Aid Training will teach you practical skills to support someone with a mental health problem. If you are interested in training to be a mental health first aider, please let me know. I hope to have our first course in late August early September 2020.

What you can expect from mental health first aid training.

- **KNOWLEDGE** - Improves knowledge of mental illnesses, treatments and first aid actions.
- **CONFIDENCE** - Increases confidence in providing first aid.
- **DE-STIGMATISING** - decreases stigmatising attitudes.
- **SUPPORT** - Increases the support provided to others.

I look forward to sharing this learning with you. Please let me know of your interest to book your place 0402 968 388. Robyn Rosina

Catholic Women's League Australia

Invites all parishioners to join them for Novena for Priests St John Vianney Novena Prayers for "All Catholic Priests, especially those to whom we are indebted in any way"

Please join us in praying from Monday 27 July - Tuesday 4 August 2020 . The Novena Prayers are available at the entrance to the Church.

The Sacraments

A new course on The Sacraments will commence on Monday 10th August 2020 at 10am and again at 7pm in the church. There is no need for you to register for this course – just come! Bishop Barron is the presenter. Please bring a pencil and paper as I'm sure questions will arise from the content and time will be available at the end for questions and discussion. There will be six sessions in all and this first lesson is titled 'Introduction and Baptism'. You are very welcome to join us. If you have any questions contact Terry Pate 0408 973 316.

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

Recently Deceased

Bruce Everingham, James Laurie, Judith Martin, Teresa Harvey, Denis Daly, Ken Johnson, Grant Frankie, Olive Chesterton, Joseph Jnr & Joseph Senior Cini & Charlie Cini,

Anniversaries

Lidia Cure, Louis Despoges, Patricia Phillips, Albert Sykes, Eileen Sykes, Rose and Stark Families, Leonard Smith, Mary Cecilia Brown & Donald & Amelia Marshall, John Haslam, William Baker & Col Kelman, Carol Brown.

Remembrances

Tony Gavranic, Chetcuti Family, Valmai Joseph & Stark Family, Brett Palmer, Joseph Boyle, Jack Muller, Brown & Muller Families, Colin Sykes, John Sullivan, Gilles Dedrouas, Norman Pierce, Ngt Yook Chee, Lorraine Anderson, Courtney McCool.

Please Pray for the Sick

Eloise Bell, Camille Hill, Wendy Peterson, Adrian, Ken Chubb, Fiona Haslam, Vicky Debono, Teresa Wegrzyn, Ann Durnford, Steve Durnford, Maureen Mulheron, Koby Bourke, Monica Mason, John Andrews, Kathleen Wiegold, Ariane Hampton, Fr Bill Aliprandi, Linda Read, Eleanor Matthews, Andrew Kelly, Paul Covington, Fiona Gill, Evan Shepherd, Kathleen Strong, Brian Davies, Tony Hodges, Faye Lund, Michael Wiggin & Vanessa Miller. Sister Carmela Debbie Gibba, Mary Powell & Miklos Beothy.

Special Prayers: For Angel Vassallo Family, & Vicky Debono.

Pope Francis' Prayer

Intention for July

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.



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The Community Visitors' Scheme

First Reading

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

A reading from the first book of the Kings

You have asked for wisdom.

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord, I love your commands.

My part, I have resolved, O Lord,
is to obey your word.

The law from your mouth means more to me
than silver and gold. **R.**

Let your love be ready to console me
by your promise to your servant.
Let your love come to me and I shall live
for your law is my delight. **R.**

That is why I love your commands
more than finest gold.
That is why I rule my life by your precepts:
I hate false ways. **R.**

Your will is wonderful indeed;
therefore I obey it.
The unfolding of your word gives light
and teaches the simple. **R.**

Second Reading

Romans 8:28-30

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

He predestined us to become true images of his Son.

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 13:44-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
He sells everything he owns and buys the field.

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They said 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Next Sunday EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY

First Reading Isaiah 55:1-3

Second Reading Romans 8:35, 37-39

Gospel Matthew 14: 13-21

