Our Lady of Perpetual Succour



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Vision To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community



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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B The Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour



27th June 2021

The icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help represents the Christian mystery of Redemption.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help is a Byzantine icon that is believed to have its origin sometime during the 13th -15th century. The image is also known as "Our Lady of Perpetual Succour." 'Eikon' is a Greek word meaning image, word or representation. Icons 'speak' through symbols. The more we 'read' the symbols, the more the icon 'speaks' to us.

The Archangels Michael and Gabriel, hovering in the upper corners, hold the instruments of the Passion. St. Michael (in the left corner) holds the spear, the wine-soaked sponge, and the crown of thorns. St. Gabriel (in the right corner) holds the cross and the nails.

The intent of the artist was to portray the Child Jesus contemplating the vision of His future Passion. Frightened by the vision, he runs to his mother for consolation. The anguish He feels is shown by the loss of one of His sandals as he quickly flees into the arms of his Mother.

Despite a forbidding vision of suffering, the icon also conveys the triumph of Christ over sin and death, symbolized by the golden background as a sign of the glory of the resurrection. The royal crowns on the heads of Jesus and Mary also symbolize their triumph as the King of Kings with his Queen Mother.

In a very beautiful way, the Child Jesus grasps the hand of the Blessed Mother. He seeks comfort from His mother as He sees the instruments of His passion. The position of Mary's hands – both holding the Child Jesus (who seems like a small adult) and at the same time presenting Him to us – convey the reality of our Lord's incarnation, that He is true God who became also true man.

What Our Lady of Perpetual Help Means for Us

Just as the Child Jesus fled into the arms of his Mother when he was frightened, so too do we flee into the arms of our Blessed Mother with child-like confidence whenever fear envelopes our hearts. Just as the Virgin Mother consoled and comforted her Divine Child, so too does she console and comfort us, her spiritual children, in our afflictions. We can always come to her in our time of need and receive her help.

In this iconography, Mary is represented as the one who guides us to the Redeemer. The Virgin Mother is also our Help who intercedes with her Son on our behalf. The star painted on Mary's veil, centered on her forehead, highlights her role in the plan of salvation as both the Mother of God and our Mother.

Happy Feast Day to you all

Fr Baby

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Saturday: Vigil	6:00pm	Fr Tomy
Sunday:	7:30am	Fr Tomy
	9:00am	Fr Tomy
		st & 3rd Sun

Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday (except school holidays) 6:00pm Fr Baby

<u>St Brendan's Lake Munmorah</u>

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday9:00 amTuesday9:00 amWednesday9:00 amThursday9:00 amFriday9:15 am(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 9:30am—10:00am

<u>St Brendan's Lake Munmorah</u>

Saturday 4:30—5:00pm

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

<u>St Mary's Toukley</u>

8:20 am Monday to Saturday

<u>First Friday Night Vigil</u>

Exposition after 7pm Mass until 1.30am

COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship Diocese of Broken Bay

Latest Update: 23rd June 2021 (from 4pm for one week) <u>Capacity:</u> Capacity at a place of public worship has been reduced and is now back to <u>one person per 4 square metres</u>. Children count towards the capacity limit. Our capacity: <u>St Mary's: 117, St Brendan's: 160</u> Please do not enter the Church if you feel unwell.

Masks: masks are mandatory for adults and children 12 yrs and over.

Record Keeping: Everyone entering the Church must sign in with their name and contact number, preferably using the QR code, or on the paper sheet provided. <u>Please write clearly</u>. The Parish office will hold the record for 28 days confidentially and securely.

<u>Seating</u>: please sit only where marked, to maintain physical distancing requirements. Members of the same household may sit together. Seating signs are staggered to allow for physical distancing, so please adhere to these signs.

Singing: Singing is <u>not-permitted</u> by the congregation.

Holy Communion: Parishioners are requested to receive Holy Communion in the hand and adhere to 1.5m physical distancing while processing to Communion. Those wishing to receive Holy Communion on the tongue are advised to wait at the end of the Communion line. **No Gathering:** Parishioners are asked to move away promptly from the

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No Sharing Food: Please remember that any meetings we hold <u>must</u> <u>not</u> involve sharing of food. If food is served, it must be individual serves on separate plates/containers, or participants must bring their own food.

<u>Offertory Procession:</u> we are able to resume the Offertory Procession as long as hand sanitiser is used by those involved.

More details about COVID restrictions are available on the noticeboard.

<u>Children's Liturgy</u> will be held on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month at 9.00am Mass at St Mary's.

For Masses without Children's Liturgy, our youngest parishioners are invited to take a worksheet/activity from the Church foyer.

Young Children's Group (5-12 year olds)



We are looking to start a Group (3-12 year ords) school aged children, meeting once a month in the Parish Centre. We are calling on Parishioners, especially parents of young children to be involved. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to help.

Attention young singers & musicians!

Can you sing or play a musical instrument? Join our Youth Band and help us achieve our parish vision of being a vibrant eucharistic community! Held on the <u>First Sunday of each month</u> which is next **Sunday 4th July** at 6pm Mass at St Mary's. See Sr Josie for more details.



Safeguarding Corner

Week 4 Safeguarding Message: Physical environments in the Parish must be set up to maximise natural surveillance, minimising opportunities for children to be in secluded areas.





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We wish to welcome all of our regular Parishioners as well as newcomers and visitors to the area, **you are all welcome here!** Today we celebrate the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) and the **Feast of our Church—Our Lady of Perpetual Succour**.

<u>Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Feast Day:</u> <u>Sunday 27th June</u>

We welcome all parishioners to join our celebrations today, Sunday 27th June at St Mary's for the Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour. We will commence with a procession from the Grotto at 9am. School children will be involved with processions and prayers. Unfortunately, due to stricter COVID restrictions this week, we are unable to have morning tea and



cake after Mass. Please note, due to the Feast Day Mass at 9am, there will be no 7.30am Mass today. The Parish Community sends a big **Thank You** to those who prepared today's celebration and those involved in the Feast Day Mass, especially our school children and their families.

Catholic Women's League

Will hold it's monthly meeting on Monday 28th June from 10am in the Parish Centre. New members are always very welcome.

Happy Wedding Anniversary

Best wishes and congratulations to Christine and Michael White on the occasion of their 41st Wedding Anniversary this month!

Guitar Lessons

Guitar group lessons are being offered every Tues 3.30pm from 20th July in the St Mary's Parish Centre. Students from Yr 6—12. A donation of \$10 to the Church is suggested. Bring a guitar. Contact the Parish office to book your spot.

Parish Office hours during School Holidays

The school holidays commence on Mon 28th June, and the Parish Office will only be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday for those 2 weeks. We will resume normal opening hours on Monday 12th July.

Peter's Pence Collection

The annual Peter's Pence collection will take place next weekend on 3rd/4th July. As always, please be as generous as you can. Envelopes will be available next weekend.

Carpark Courtesy

Please remember that our carpark is a shared area and we need to be mindful of everyone who is using it. Please drive slowly and watch out for pedestrians. Remember that you <u>cannot turn right out of the</u> <u>driveway at any time</u>—that is a road rule (not our rules) and you could be fined and lose demerit points if you are caught by police.

First Friday of the Month—next Fri 2nd July

Join us for the Reparation vigil to the Sacred Heart and Immaculate Heart from 7pm Friday 2nd July—1.30am Saturday. With suppliant hearts come and spend some time with our Lord.

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

John McCann, Jeanette Leon-

ard, Rafael S. Reyes, Francis Courte, John McGrath, Spencer Vale, Matthew Edward Lee, Margaret Von Sandent, Agata Jurinic

Anniversaries

Bernie Unterrheiner, Sammie Zerafa, Fr Paul Fitzgerald, Jean Jurd, James William Baker, Yook Chee Ng, William Henry Baker, Fred Wilesmith, Ron Turner, Irma Brown, Mary Lucas, Irma Lucas, Carol Brown, Elizabeth Maher, James Saunders, Trevor Haynes, Fr Ian Abbott, Scott Kay

Remembrances

Vera Mackel, Stephen Cappa, Moore & Langley families, Greg Irvine, Valmai Joseph Stark Family

Please Pray for the Sick

Reg Fisk, Brian Lane, Joe Micallef, Anne Lacrosse, Eleanor Matthews, Dave Rodney, Maila Reyes, Mary Smith, Therese Chetcuti, Graham Moir, Julie Kozak, Sr Tincy Thomas

Funeral Albert Ryan, Thurs 1st July 10.30am, St Brendan's

Baptisms

We welcome these children who will be Baptised this weekend: Isla Cowan, Ronin McGrath, Amelia McGrath

Notices in this section appear as follows: Recently Deceased—3 weeks, Anniversaries—3 weeks, Remembrances—3 weeks, Sick—6 weeks. Funerals & Baptisms—1 week. Please contact the Parish Office to place/renew your notice.

June Birthdays

Harvey Fisk (3rd June) Sinead Horan (10th June) Anne-Marie Moon (12th June) Errol Jurd (14th June) Thomas Horan (29th June)



Call the office to have your birthday included!

Bulletin notices—Wednesday deadline Please ensure that any requests for Bulletin notices are supplied to the Parish Office by midday Wednesday. This is to allow time for the

Bulletin to be prepared and printed. Thank you.



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

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. To be - for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying. Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 29:2, 4-6, 11-13

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. R.

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment: his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. R.

The Lord listened and had pity.

The Lord came to my help.

For me you have changed my mourning into dancing, O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. R.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Your abundance should supply their want.

You always have the most of everything - of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection - so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

2 Timothy 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel. *Alleluia!*

Gospel

Mark 5:21-24, 35-43

Young girl, I say to you, arise.

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

While he was still speaking, some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

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

Next Sunday - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading - Ezekiel 2:2-5 Second Reading - Corinthians 12:7-10 Gospel - Mark 6:1-6

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for June

The Beauty of Marriage: Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.



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