Our Lady of Perpetual Succour



Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah

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Vision To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community



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Palm Sunday 28th March 2021



Dear Parishioners, with Palm Sunday we begin the Holy week celebrations. Today we celebrate Jesus' entry into the Jerusalem city to accomplish the pascal mystery. The memorial of that historical event is celebrated during the Holy mass with blessing of palms followed by procession. Gospel from St. Mark gives us a glimpse of the events of that day when Jesus entered Jerusalem before the pascal feast. By His triumphant entry, Jesus invites us to acknowledge Him as our King and Messiah.

This is the time of year we stop to remember and relive the events which brought about our redemption and salvation. What we commemorate and relive during this week is not just Jesus' dying and rising, but our own dying and rising in Jesus, which will result in our healing, reconciliation, and redemption. It is through the Passion of Jesus we receive forgiveness: "through his wounds we are healed." We are challenged to examine our own lives in the light of some of the characters in the story like Peter who denied Jesus, Judas who betrayed Jesus, Pilate who acted against his conscience, Herod who ridiculed Jesus, and the leaders of the people who preserved their position by getting rid of Jesus.

Events of the Holy week gives us an opportunity to look at our own lives. We must accept our sins and failures. Let us stop blaming circumstances and other people. What shines out from this dark week is the bright light of Christ's love for us. LET THE PASSION STORY INSPIRE US TO TRY IN OUR OWN WAY TO IMITATE THE CHRIST CRUCIFIED.

"Palm Sunday tells us thatit is the cross, that is the true tree of life." - Pope Benedict XVI

Fr Tomy

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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

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

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 9:30am—10:00am

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

First Friday Night Vigil

Exposition after 7pm Mass until 1.30am

COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship Diocese of Broken Bay Latest Update: 12 Feb 2021

<u>Capacity:</u> Capacity at a place of public worship is subject to the one person per 2 square metre rule. Children count towards the capacity limit. Our capacity: St Mary's: 235, St Brendan's: 320

Please do not enter the Church if you feel unwell.

<u>Masks:</u> mask wearing is <u>no longer mandatory</u> for places of worship. You are welcome to wear a mask if you would like to.

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.

<u>Singing:</u> No congregational singing in our Parish, Musicians & Choir only. (Current restrictions allow singing only if masks are worn <u>and</u> if we revert to the 4 sqm rule, so, for now, no singing unfortunately).

<u>Holy Communion:</u> Parishioners are requested to receive Holy Communion in the hand and adhere to 1.5m physical distancing while processing to Communion.

No Gathering: Parishioners must move away promptly from the Church after Mass has finished.

COVID Important Updates:

No Sharing Food: Please remember that any meetings we hold <u>must 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> due to easing of COVID restrictions, we are now able to resume the Offertory Procession.

More details about COVID restrictions are available on the notice board and signs at the Church doors.

Holy Week

Holy Thursday - 1st April

St Brendan's - 5pm Mass, St Mary's - 6pm Mass

Good Friday - 2nd April

St Brendan's - Stations of the Cross 9am

St Mary's - Children's Stations of the Cross 9am, Traditional 10am

Passion - 3pm at both St Brendan's and St Mary's

Easter Saturday Vigil - 3rd April

St Brendan's - 5pm, St Mary's - 6pm

(please bring battery-operated candle)

Easter Sunday

St Brendan's - 8am

St Mary's - 7.30am, 9am (no evening Mass)

Please note: no bookings required for Easter Masses/services



Holy Thursday (1st April) night of the reposition of the Holy Eucharist will be at the Parish Centre from 7pm Thursday until 6pm Easter Vigil (Saturday). We will have all night vigil between these times. All are welcome to come and stay watch with our Lord as we reflect on His Passion and death. Please come and go, time permitting.





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Thank you to our Pascal Candle Sponsors

Our Parish wishes to thank Creightons Group, Bowden Family Funerals and White Lady Funerals for sponsoring the Pascal Candles being used in our churches this Easter.



Holy Land Collection—Good Friday

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, 2nd April. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Please be as generous as possible and remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday and keep them in your prayers. Thank you.

Project Compassion

This coming wee is the last week of Project Compassion. Please continue to use your Project Compassion boxes and envelopes and return them to the church next weekend.

New Mission Council Member

St Mary's Mission Council has elected Eric Grimes as a new member. We thank Dan Buckman for his service and support over the past year.

60 years of Priesthood Rev Fr Joseph A Rebello Msfs

We congratulate Fr Joseph Rebello on the 60th anniversary of his ordination. Fr Rebello was Asst Priest with Fr Brian Maloney at St Cecelia's, Wyong and St John Fisher, Tumbi from 2000-2002, and Asst Priest with Fr Peter deSouza here at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Toukley/Lake Munmorah from 2006-2010. He is ever grateful to all those who have walked with him during his Priestly Ministry, he thanks all those who still keep in touch with him and offer him that prayerful support.

Reminder: Daylight Saving time ends soon

Daylight saving time ends at 3am on Sunday 4th April (Easter Sunday). Clocks go back by 1 hour. Mark your calendar!

<u>Thank you to the Micallef family</u> for sponsoring the new holy water bucket and asperge. We appreciate your generosity.

Chrism Mass

The Diocesan Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday evening this week. Due to restrictions with numbers attending, our Parish will be represented by our Priests, nuns and 5 members of our Parish.

First Friday of the month

Please note that for April, the Communion of reparation vigil for Friday/Saturday will be held on Fri 9th April starting at 7pm.

March Birthdays

Brianna Teresa Fry (6th March)
Frances Johnson (8th March)
Terry Reid (14th March)
Ampi Madden (15th March)
Sr Josie (19th March)
Dan Buckman (21st March)
Rose Huby (24th March)



Call the office to have your birthday included!

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



Recently Deceased

George Gavranic, Paul Oakes, Pat McCann, Gregory Irvine, Sofia Anay, Ruth Stephens, Lorraine Moore (sister of Pauline O'Malley), John Hall

Anniversaries Christopher Dormer

Remembrances

Lydie Fernley, Patricia Baker, Margie Hamer, Stephen Cappa, Charles Radford, John Kennedy, Valmai Joseph Stark Family, Carol Brown, Keith & Nancy, Mark & Peter Prizeman, Kathryn Tuxworth, Gabrielle Woodrow

Please Pray for the Sick

Ivy Teo, Diane Booth, John McCann, Merv Waters, Julie Kozak, Faye Brunton, Sr Tincy Thomas

Funeral

Gregory Irvine, Tues 30th March 11am, St Mary's

Wedding

Rebecca & Paul Peacock, Sat 27th March, St Mary's

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! Starting Sun 1st May at 6.00pm Mass at St Mary's. Contact Sr Josie or the Parish Office. See noticeboard for more details.

<u>Call to Prayer for Justice and Peace in Myanmar</u>

On Palm Sunday we remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on a donkey. Jesus accepts death on a cross rather than engaging in violence. The contrast between the Prince of Peace and the powers and dominions of his day could not be starker. This is the basis of the Palm Sunday tradition of protest in favor of peace and nonviolent alternatives for addressing social, ecological and economic and political issues. The Office for Social Justice invites you on Palm Sunday, and beyond, to pray for justice and peace in Myanmar.

Mackay Family Funerals

In Association with Mackay Family Crematorium A.B.N. 79 085 423 589

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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
The Community Visitors' Scheme

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-7

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' R.

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones. R.

They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! R.

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons.' R.

Second Reading

Philippians 2:6-11

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

His state was divine,

vet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are. and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Philippians 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross.
Therefore God raised him on high

and gave him a name above all other names.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel

Mark 14:1 - 15:47

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

(Please refer to the printed booklets or the screen.)

Next Sunday - Sunday of the Resurrection First Reading - Acts 10:34, 37-43 Second Reading - Colossians 3:1-4 Gospel - John 20:1-9

<u>Pope Francis' Prayer Intention</u> for March

Sacrament of Reconciliation Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.



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