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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First Sunday in Advent Year B
29th November 2020



The Season of Advent is a time of anticipation, preparation, of new beginnings. Advent has a twofold character: as a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered; and as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and heart to await Christ's Second coming at the end of time. Advent is therefore a period for attentive and joyful expectation. It is not a penitential season. The "Gloria" is omitted at Mass only to help us proclaim it with fuller joy and meaning on the feast of Christmas.

The Scripture readings for the four Sundays of Advent are rich with meaning and timeliness. Most of our first readings feature the prophetic visions of Isaiah, concerning the Messiah, the kingdom that He comes to establish, and the final glory that He calls us to share. In today's Gospel, we hear Mark's call to watchfulness and expectation for the coming of Christ - a kind of "hurry up and wait" call to attentiveness.

We will again use signs and symbols to express the spirit of this season: Light in the form of candles on the Advent wreath, and electric lights decorating our homes and lawns reflect our yearning for Jesus to be more perfectly the Light of the World. Evergreens, in the form of wreaths, garlands and trees, remind us that Jesus is the source of New Life and Never-Ending Vitality. Gift-giving is obviously motivated by the Christian's understanding of the meaning of the coming of the Word-made-flesh as God's gift of love, to be shared with those whom we love. We also reach out to the poor, so that they, too, might have reason to rejoice at Christmas.

The four weeks of Advent give us a season of hope. Our Liturgies remind us vividly that God has come, as we relive the mystery of the incarnation of the Son of God in the person of Jesus, son of Mary. We are reminded that God will come again, as we listen again in faith to the great prophesies of Scripture telling us again of the Realization of the Kingdom of God.

Most importantly, these days provide us with the reassurance that God comes now, in the people and events that shape our lives.

Come, Lord Jesus - Be Our Light, Our Joy and Our Peace!

WEEKEND MASS TIMES (100 People)

St Mary's Church Toukley (100)

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 (100)

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 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

Parish Facebook Page

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



<u>Understanding COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship</u> Diocese of Broken Bay

Religious Services: (apart from weddings and funerals) maximum capacity is 300 people or one person per 4 square metres of space, whichever is less. For our Churches, this number is 100. Con-current services, meetings or events on the one property in separate areas or buildings, must have different start and finish times, to avoid overcrowding and mingling outside.

Weddings: up to 150 people, or one guest per 4 square metres, whichever is the lesser, may attend a wedding service in a place of public worship. For our Churches, this number is 100.

Funerals: 100 people, or one guest per 4 square metres, whichever is the lesser, may attend a funeral or memorial service in a place of public worship. For our Churches, this number is 100.

Note: These numbers exclude staff/essential ministers. Children count towards the capacity limit in places of public worship.

<u>Musicians:</u> A small group of up to 5 people may sing together in a large well-ventilated (preferably outdoor) area if: all singers face forwards and not towards each other have physical distancing of 1.5 metres between each other and any other performers, and 5 metres from all other people including the audience and conductor. No singing is allowed in the congregation. Ensembles and other musical groups should rehearse and perform outdoors or in large, well-ventilated indoor spaces.

Hospitality after Masses or other Church events in a meeting room or hall: a maximum of 30 people are allowed to gather outside, or a maximum of 20 inside. No buffet food is allowable. People can bring their own food.

Record Keeping: Parishes must keep a record of the name and contact number or email of those attending Church premises and hold the record for 28 days in a confidential and secure manner.

Parishioners are requested to receive Holy Communion in the hand & are encouraged to wear a mask during Mass. More details are available on the notice board.

Mental Health First Aid Training—EOI- Weekday Course

Expressions of Interest invited for a weekday course in Mental Health First Aid during December or early next year. \$30 per participant (covers textbook and all materials). The learning aims to build skills and confidence to support friends, colleagues and clients during struggles with their mental health. Please phone **Robyn Rosina** on 0402 968 388 to register your interest.

Reminder: First Friday of the Month is next Fri 4th Dec Anointing of the Sick 11am, Friday Night Vigil 7pm

<u>Parish Pastoral Council Seminar</u> will take place on Tues 8th Dec from 5pm-7pm. Pina Bernard will lead the follow up seminar.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

It is the feast of the Religious order of the sons of the Immaculate Conception (CFIC) to which Frs Tomy and Baby belong. Fr Tomy and Fr Baby will renew their religious vows on 6th December during 9am Mass at St Mary's. Please keep us in your prayers.





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Catholic Mission Collection

Collection will be held this weekend 28th/29th Nov. On World Mission Day we invite you to undertake support for mission lands through awareness and publicity for the work of Catholic Mission. Fr Brian Lucas, National Director for Catholic Mission Australia writes, "I re-

alise that the present circumstances are a challenge for parishes but any support of the needs of the missionary churches would be very much appreciated and again thank you for your support and prayers".



November: Time To Remember The Dear Ones

We remember our departed brothers & sisters during the month of November. All of us have someone to remember and pray for. Death is the door that opens the way to paradise. The best gift we can offer for their souls is to pray & offer masses for them. I encourage families & friends to offer masses during this special month of remembrance.

We conclude this event on Mon 30th Nov with Masses at St Mary's at 6pm and St Brendan's at 6.15pm

Volunteers Thanksgiving Mass 11th Dec 6pm at St Mary's

We will be having a Thanksgiving Mass to celebrate the contribution of our Parish Volunteers. We invite all those who have generously given their time across our many ministries throughout this year. Please advise the Parish Office if you are able to attend.

Advent Talk with Fr David Ranson - Wed 9th Dec 6.30pm
We are honoured to have Fr David Ranson, the Vicar General of Broken Bay Diocese, visit our Parish to lead us in a Spiritual Preparation for Advent.

Christmas Masses - Bookings

Due to increased demand at Christmas time, we will be taking bookings for Christmas Masses. Please call or email the Parish Office to make a booking. Christmas Mass times will be:

St Mary's

Christmas Eve - 6pm Children's Pageant, 6.30pm Vigil Mass

11:30pm Carols, Midnight Mass

Christmas Day - 7.30am, 9am

St Brendan's

Christmas Eve - 5pm Vigil Children's Mass

Christmas Day - 8am

Congratulations to Marjorie Garvey

Marjorie has served our Parish as a Catechist for 20 years and was recently presented with a Papal Blessing for her service. Congratulations and Thank You, Marjorie!



Positions Vacant

Join the Team at Broken Bay Diocese: New positions vacant

To apply for these roles or for more information go to www.bbcatholic.org.au/jobs

November Birthdays

Charlie Tabone Cecile McClusky (13th) Lucy Jurd (13th) George Garanavic (15th) Lina Samaniego (24th)



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

Recently Deceased

Joseph Hughes, Thomas Bow, Brian

Butterfield, Alan Macleod, Wayne Puckeridge, Camille Hill, George Gauci, Sylvia Wells, Matthew P.V, Terry Ingersoll, Judy Powell, Tony Hodges

Anniversaries

Bella Orbina, Khoo Swee Choon & Ng Yook Chee, Jean Grimes, Eileen O'Kane, Kathleen Reid, Susannah Pearce and John Glennen, Don Metcalf, Lisa Marie Grenot, Lloyd Buckman, Georgina Baker, Susan King, Alkino, Teodora & Felicitas Bergado, Anselmo, Paulita, Enrico, Arturo, Pio Edwin Ambair, Elma Capacite, Hermigildo, Romualda Giba, Pantaleon, Temotea Ambait, Rosemary Jennifer Mulvany, Severina Hamilton, Felisa Ballivar, Swee Gim Khoo, Antonio, Rema, Marcela, Editha, Alyin, Teresita, Teodoro, Norberto, George James Starkey, Annie McCann, Lorraine Anderson.

Remembrances

Moore & Langley Families, Bernard Yap, V DeSouza, V Baraez, Fred & Ann Stephens, Rosemary Jennifer Mulvany, Gerard De Zilva, Stephen Cappa

Please Pray for the Sick

Tincy Thomas, Deacon Paul Simmons, Bill Martin, Ray Crocker, Lorraine Dunn, Cheryl Kennedy, Zerafa family, Vicky Debono, George Gavranic, Ann Buckman, Josephine Poynting, Eloise Bell, Wendy Peterson, Adrian, Ken Chubb, Fiona Haslam, Teresa Wegrzyn, Ann Durnford, Steve Durnford, Maureen Mulheron, Koby Bourke, Monica Mason, Ariane Hampton, Fr Bill Aliprandi, Linda Read, Eleanor Matthews, Andrew Kelly, Paul Covington, Fiona Gill, Evan Shepherd, Kathleen Strong, Brian Davies, Michael Wiggin & Vanessa Miller, Sister Carmela Debbie Gibba, Mary Powell & Miklos Beothy, Mr Baldovan, Hannah Tierney, Faye Lund, Julie Newey, Kathy Outlaw, Finn McConnon, Anne & Steve Durnford, Vaughn Haynes, Pam Moir (family), Lurlene Dehn, Adrian Collins.

Mr Joseph Hughes, 1st Dec 10:30am at Palmdale

Changes to Collects (opening prayers) in the Roman Missal

As directed by the Vatican, from this Sunday 29th Nov, the word "one" before God will be removed from the Collects. For example: Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

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



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 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8

You, Lord, yourself are our Father,

Our Redeemer is your ancient name.

Oh that you would tear the heavens apart and come down.

Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you? Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance. Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down - at your Presence the mountains would melt. No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like this for those who trust him. You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind. You were angry when we were sinners; we had long been rebels against you. We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours is like filthy clothing. We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind. No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you. For you hid your face from us

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

we the clay, you the potter,

Ps 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

R. Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hear us, shine forth from your cherubim throne. O Lord, rouse up your might, O Lord, come to our help. R.

and gave us up to the power of our sins.

And yet, Lord, you are our Father;

we are all the work of your hand.

God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see, Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. R.

May your hand be on the man you have chosen, the man you have given your strength. And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. R.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

The revelation we looked for, Christ Jesus our

Lord.

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Ps 84:8 Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 13:33-37

Stay awake! You never know when the Lord will come.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Next Sunday - Second Sunday of Advent First Reading - Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 Second Reading - 2 Peter 3:8-14 Gospel - Mark 1:1-8

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

Artificial Intelligence

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.



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