

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

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To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community

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Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

30th October 2022



"Jesus meets Zacchaeus"

The common theme of today's readings is the benevolent, compassionate, forgiving mercy of God for sinners and the response of repentance and conversion expected from us. Today's Gospel we have a graphic description of Jesus meeting with Zacchaeus the chief tax collector of Jericho. After meeting Jesus, Zacchaeus responded to the invitation of Jesus wholeheartedly. That day in Jericho there were large crowds. On inquiry Zacchaeus came to know that Jesus the miracle worker was passing by. He desired to see Jesus just once. Since he was short in stature, he climbed a sycamore tree on the roadside and sat on one of the branches. Jesus along with His disciples came that way.

Then the most unexpected and amazing thing happened in the life of this little rich man. Jesus looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down, for I must stay at your house today". So, he came down from the tree and took Jesus to his house. Till he met Jesus, Zacchaeus wanted only money and more of it. But that chance encounter with the Lord changed everything in his life. He knew very well that the riches he amassed were done dishonestly. So, he gave half of what he owned to the poor and declared that he would repay in fourfold anyone he cheated. Jesus' presence totally and irrevocably changed this man. No wonder Jesus said, "today salvation has come to this house".

Jesus takes the initiative of knocking at the door of our souls, asking for entry. We have one thing in common with Zacchaeus: like him, we are all sinners, and we all need salvation. As Zacchaeus did, we, too, need to "come down," to leave the perches of our pride and allow Jesus to work through our humble lives. Zacchaeus was changed from being greedy to being generous, from selfishness to selflessness.

Today Jesus is passing by and inviting each one of us to come down from the tree (we sit). Let nothing stand between us and Jesus.

"The first step in a person's salvation is knowledge of his sin".

- L. A. Seneca.

Fr Tomy

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Saturday: Vigil	6:00pm	Fr Tomy
Sunday:	7:30am	Fr Tomy
	9:00am	Fr Tomy
	6:00pm	Fr Baby

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

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

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

Saturday	9:00 am	(Mass devoted to Mother Mary)
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St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Wednesday	9:00am	(1st Wed of the month Anointing of Sick)
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Thursday	9:00am	
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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 (except 15th Oct)
(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 (excluding School Holidays)

St Brendan's: Saturdays 5pm (most weeks)



Welcome to our Parish. Today we celebrate the **Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**. Thank you for being here.

Welcome Families to St Brendan's & St Mary's

This weekend we welcome all to our Saturday 5pm Family Mass at St Brendan's. We also welcome St Mary's Year 3 students and their families to 9am Sunday Mass at St Mary's. It is wonderful to have you in our Churches. We thank the school staff who have been involved in preparing the children's involvement in these Masses.

October: Month of the Holy Rosary

Dear friends, Reciting the Holy Rosary is one of the strong traditions of the Catholic Church. The month of October is dedicated to the devotion of the Holy Rosary. As we begin this month, let us be united in praying the Rosary. I would encourage all families to pray the Rosary together. Any family that prays together, stays together. **As a parish community, we will pray the Rosary together at both churches for ten days from Sat 22nd October—Mon 31st October. St Mary's grotto at 5pm, and St Brendan's Saturday 22nd & 29th 4.30pm, other days 5pm.**



All Souls Day - Wednesday 2nd November

We will have Mass for All Souls Day at 9am and 6pm in both churches. After 9 am Mass at St Mary's, please join us for two decades of the Rosary then a further decade in the car park of Noraville Cemetery. Fr. Baby will then Bless the graves.

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. The Parish Office is happy to organise something special for this year. We shall have a special All Souls Day Mass on 2nd Nov at 9am and 6pm in both churches. We will have a special decorated table of remembrance with photo or picture of the deceased. Those who would like to do so, please bring a photo by the end of this month. We conclude this event on the 30th November with 6pm Mass in both Churches. All the mass intention envelopes will be placed on the altar during Masses. Any families who would like to have special prayers said at the graveside, please ring the office to make a date & time.

Best wishes to HSC Students

We pray for all HSC students, especially those in our community. Be proud of all your achievements and know we are behind you!

First Friday of the Month - 4th November


Please join us in our reparation vigil at St Mary's. Begins with Holy Mass at 7pm Friday 4th November.

Catechist Corner

We'd love to hear from you if you've ever thought about becoming a Catechist! Come along to our morning tea at St Mary's Sun 6th Nov after 9am Mass to chat with our Catechists and learn more about this ministry. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.



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1st and 2nd Collections

If you are able to assist with taking up the collection, please see one of the Wardens or priest before Mass begins. The 'Tap N Go' machine is near the church doors for credit card donations. The 1st collection supports all priests and clergy in our Diocese; the 2nd collection supports the maintenance of our own Parish. Thank you.

Catholic Mission Appeal

Thank you to everyone who gave generously to our Catholic Mission appeal. Please return envelopes by this weekend, 29/30 October.

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish The Entrance Celebrations

All are invited to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the founding of The Entrance parish and the 60th Anniversary of the opening of the parish church on Sun 20 Nov 9.30am Mass. Bishop Anthony will be there for the feast of Christ the King, followed by a morning tea.

Social Justice Message

Can We End Poverty?

More than one in eight people in Australia are living below the poverty line. One in six children live in poverty. UNSW and ACOSS partnership research showed more people are now locked into poverty than before the pandemic. However income support during Covid showed we can end poverty. (from Margaret Hagan)

St Joseph's Parish Toronto - Men's Breakfast Sat 19th Nov 8am

All males invited plus we will also be hosting a Men Alive weekend 25/26th March 2023. Both events held in the Community Centre.

More info: <https://www.menalive.org.au/menalive-weekend/>

Free Ageing Well Program

Gather with like-minded individuals and receive practical advice so you can live life to the full. Starts Wed 16 Nov, 10.30am-11.30am at Warnervale Parish. To register, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ageing-well-warnervale-tickets-444909244527>.

Spirituality in the Pub (SIP) Meeting 7.30-9pm Tues 8th Nov at the Grange Hotel, Wyoming. Final meeting for 2022. Hotel bistro opens at 5.30pm. SIP enquiries: 0415 129250 or 0439 678608.

Children's Worksheets

Worksheets and pencils are available at the church doors.



Parish Youth Mass at St Mary's - next Sunday 6th Nov

1st Sunday of the month at 6pm Mass. An opportunity for our young people and their families to take part in the liturgy. All welcome.

Newly Baptised

We welcome Aston Mungovan and Leo Birdsong-Smith and their families to our Parish Community.



Reminder: Parish Morning Tea - Sun 6th Nov

We will again hold morning tea at both churches next Sunday 6th November after 8am Mass at St Brendan's and after 9am Mass at St Mary's. All welcome. St Mary's morning tea will be hosted by the Catechists. Thank you in advance.

Upcoming events - Save the Dates:

Lectio Divina - ON HOLD, will resume 3rd Nov

Sat 22nd - 31st Oct - Parish Rosary at both churches

Tues 1st Nov - All Saints Day, Mass 9am St Mary's

Wed 2nd Nov - All Souls Day, Masses 9am & 6pm both churches

Sun 6th Nov - Parish Morning teas, Youth Mass St Mary's 6pm

Sun 20th Nov - St Mary's Yr 5 and Kinder 2023 lead Sunday 9am Mass



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



Recently Deceased

Emmanuel Zammit, Maria Wolanin, Joan Watts

Anniversaries

David O'Connell, Vicky Debono, Vincenza Debono, Salvina Caruana, Tony Hodges, Khoo Swee Gim, Brian Casey, Chris Cleary, Don Metcalfe, Sallie Mulvany

Remembrances

Anselmo, Paulita, Enrico, Arturo, Pio Edwin, Elma, Juan Anselmo, Pantaleon, Temotea, Hermigildo, Romulalda Giba, Norah McCool, John Ledger, Ellen Goonan, Pauline Hicks, Stephen Cappa, Christine Burns, Carol Brown, Moore & Langley families, Valmai Joseph Stark Family

Please Pray for the Sick

Donald Lewis, Kim Thomas, Mrs J Bowering, Margaret Brett, Allen Venneri, Gary Poppett, Kay Correy, Jenna Stoffel, Jeff Moir, Joshua Booth, Miklos Beothy, Ken Scales, Pat Corby, Kevin & Helen Turner, Maureen Dries, Pat Glennen, Mary Smith, Sabu Kuruvellil, Yvonne Sutton, Liz Kelman, Lailane Bugaoisan, Teresa Jan, Michael Durken, Olive Haslam, **Colin Fowler, Joy Rearden, Sr Tincy (Fr Baby's sister),** Joyce Burns, Diane Booth, Rhondda Rey, Nestor Regalo, Ann Buckman, David Vella, Ann Rigney, Margaret Jones, Margaret Moran, Faye Roberts, Noel McCool

Funeral

Maria Wolanin - Wed 2nd Nov 10.30am St Mary's

October Birthdays

Liz Cooper (4th Oct)
Dawn Thompson (5th Oct)
Pacita Wilesmith (5th Oct)
Joe Bridgett (5th Oct)
Fiona Green (7th Oct)
Ivan Intia (16th Oct)
Val Unterrheiner (21st Oct)
Yvonne Weller (22nd Oct)
Deacon Paul Simmons (25th Oct)
Nenita Turner (29th Oct)
Ryan Fiddick (29th Oct)
Fr Vincent Trung Nguyen (30th Oct)



Call the office to have your birthday or anniversary included!

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October



For A Church open to everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

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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

Wisdom 11:22 - 12:2

You have mercy on all things because you love everything that exists.

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground.

Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent.

Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it.

And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you?

You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all.

Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned.

So that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

I will give you glory, O God my King,

I will bless your name for ever.

I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever. **R.**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,

slow to anger, abounding in love.

How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures **R.**

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,

and your friends shall repeat their blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. **R.**

The Lord is faithful in all his words

and loving in all his deeds.

The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down. **R.**

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 1:11 - 2:2

The name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him.

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him:

please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *John 3:16*

Alleluia, alleluia!

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 19:1-10

The Son of Man came to seek and to find that which was lost.

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance; he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor' and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Sunday - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C

First Reading - 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14

Second Reading - 2 Thessalonians 2:16 - 3:5

Gospel - Luke 20:27-38

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