

# Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah

St Mary's Church 458 Main Rd Norville

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## Vision

*To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community*

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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

4th September 2022



### **"Renunciation the pre-condition for discipleship"**

The readings today challenge us to the true Christian discipleship of total commitment to the will of God, putting God first in our lives. Today, Gospel explains to us the cost of being a disciple of Jesus Christ. The context is that of Jesus' instructions to His would-be disciples. He told them that to follow Him first of all they should count the cost of being a disciple.

Jesus explained this message through two parables. Jesus pointed out that discipleship must be taken seriously. As in any other sphere of life one should weigh the pros and cons and then take a final decision. One must calculate the cost before venturing out. Break off the excessive attachment to possessions by leading a detached life, willingly sharing one's blessings with others. Jesus is not calling us to hate father and mother but is instead calling us to a commitment above all other commitments, including commitment to family. When Jesus said, "hate your family," he was talking about spiritual detachment, the ability to put God first, before other relationships and before self-interest. Jesus cannot just be a part of our life but must be its centre. Love for Christ does not exclude the other loves, but rather orders them. Indeed, it is in him that every genuine love finds its foundation and support and the necessary grace to be fully lived out. "Discipleship not only means to follow the Master with our 'cross.' It also means to reveal the crucified Christ to others. In other words, through our struggles and in consequence of Faith, Christ is present to us and to those who see us."

Accepting the cross gives us immense graces that will lead us to eternal life. "The key (to discipleship) is not to ignore life's demands but simply to integrate them to your life of faith. That is why Jesus teaches that we are to seek the Kingdom first and then all else will be provided" - D.M. Bickerstaff.

*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)

### St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Wednesday 9:00am (1st Wed of the month Anointing of Sick)

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 (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

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



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

### Happy Father's Day!

Today we welcome and celebrate all fathers and father-figures, and we remember the father's who are in heaven with our Lord. May God bless you all today for the love, guidance and protection you give us. We look forward to sharing morning tea with you!



### Parish Morning Teas

Our Parish Morning teas will be held this Sunday at both churches, after 8am Mass at St Brendan's and after 9am Mass at St Mary's. Thank you to all who helped and contributed, especially the Mission Council for their contribution at St Mary's.

### Family Masses at St Brendan's

Thank you to the families who came along to St Brendan's Family Mass last Saturday and a BIG thank you to the school teachers who organised the Children's Liturgy, procession, offertory and singing.

### Pastoral Works - Thank you!

Thank you to those who contributed to our Parish August collection for Pastoral Works. Envelopes are still available at the back of the church. All donations are 100% tax deductible. The amount collected will go towards our quota for the 2022/23 collection year. We appreciate your generosity.

### Fr Baby's Anniversary of Ordination

This Sunday 4th Sept we will celebrate Fr Baby's Anniversary of Ordination. All are welcome to join us for this occasion.

### Sr Josie & Sr Jennifer Renewal of Vows

Sr. Josie, OSA and Sr. Jennifer, OSA renew their religious vows this Sun 4 Sept at 9am Mass on the Feast day of Our Lady of Consolation, their Congregation's Marian patron. Please include them in your prayers and their congregation the Augustinian Sisters of Our Lady of Consolation and for the increase of religious vocation.

### Diocesan Clergy Retreat - 12-16 September

Fr Baby will be away at a clergy retreat from 12-16 September. During this time, there will be communion-only services at St Mary's on Wed 14th Sept 9am and St Brendan's on Thurs 15th Sept 9am.

### Social Justice Message

#### Men Can be Strong Models for Change

Domestic violence is a learned behaviour. Men can lead by example and words to teach respect for women and girls. Firstly by looking and listening to themselves, their family, and all around them for behaviours that lessen the self esteem of women and girls. Secondly by speaking out to bring about awareness and change. This imitates Jesus who used his status as a male teacher to model respect for women. From Margaret Hagan


### Catechist Corner

Can you believe we are half-way through term 3 already!?! Our catechists are enjoying teaching scripture in our public schools. Have you ever thought about joining this rewarding ministry?

We are always on the look out for new catechists. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.



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**COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship Diocese of Broken Bay** Latest Update: 25th February 2022

- Please **do not enter** the church or other parish buildings if you are **unwell**. This includes meetings/gatherings.
- Check in using the QR code/paper sign in is **not required**
- Wearing a **mask is OPTIONAL, but ENCOURAGED**
- No density limits apply in Places of Worship but please allow space between people where possible.
- Please continue to hand sanitise.
- Singing by the congregation is permitted

**Offerings for Priests & our Church**

Next week, we will be starting a new process for collections. Please listen to the readers at Masses for more information. In the meantime, please remember to place your offering in the collection bowls on the tables or use the 'Tap N Go' machines. Thank you.

**St Mary's Year 2 Mass next Sunday 11th Sept**

We look forward to welcoming St Mary's Year 2 students and their families to our Sunday 9am Mass next weekend. All welcome.

**Safeguarding Month**

The month of September is Safeguarding Month in our Diocese. The focus this September is 'Safeguarding Families'. Have a look at the posters at the church doors for more information and to see how you can get involved.



**Confirmation Sacramental Program**

Our Confirmation classes have commenced. Confirmation will be celebrated at both churches by Bishop Anthony on Saturday 15th October. **This weekend we welcome our candidates to Mass to receive a blessing and hand out their prayer cards.** Please continue to pray for our candidates over the coming weeks.

**Parish Youth Mass - St Mary's - Sunday 4th Sept**

Every 1st Sunday of the month at 6pm Mass with pizza dinner afterwards! An opportunity for our young people and their families to take part in the liturgy. You are all welcome.

**CWL Lamington Drive for Father's Day:**

If you have ordered lamingtons, they are ready for collection this weekend. Please see the CWL ladies to collect your order.

**Memorial Mass for Charles Tabone**

There will be a memorial Mass for Charles Tabone, to be celebrated by Fr Ken Hagan on Sat 10th Sept 10.30am at St Mary's.

**CYBB Youth Leaders Training Day**

Saturday 10th Sept, 10am – 4pm, at Gosford Parish. Learn more about youth ministry and network with other young leaders. Registration essential, closes 6th Sept. Contact our Parish office for info.

**Upcoming events - Save the Dates:**

**Lectio Divina - has resumed, every Thurs 5pm.**

**Sat 17th Sept - St Brendan's Family Mass 5pm**

**Sat 1st Oct - Mother Mary Lady of Fatima 6pm Mass & Procession**

**Sat 15th Oct - Confirmation Ceremonies, 11am St Brendan's, 2pm St Mary's**



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



**Recently Deceased**

Doreen Shaw, Patricia Ferraro, Margaret Elphick, Vic Denina, Charles Tabone, Pauline Yee, Stephen Boyle, Martin McCarthy, Thankamma Thomas, Tony Culgan

**Anniversaries**

Thomas Parker, Patrick (Paddy) Doyle, Eileen Crocker, Jack Harris, Sherlina Maceda, Quinciano Maceda, Stephen Cappa, Bryan Knox

**Remembrances**

Ffion Miles, Glen Brown, Pamela Dawn Pearce, Willa McLardy, George Vella, Carol Brown, Moore & Langley families, Valmai Joseph Stark Family

**Please Pray for the Sick**

Ken Scales, Pat Corby, Kevin & Helen Turner, Maureen Dries, Pat Glennen, Mary Smith, Sabu Kuruveill, Yvonne Sutton, Liz Kelman, Lailane Bugaoisan, Teresa Jan, Michael Durken, Olive Haslam, Colin Fowler, Joy Rearden, Margaret Brett, Sr Tincy (Fr Baby's sister), Joyce Burns, Diane Booth, Rhondda Rey, Nestor Regallo, Ann Buckman, David Vella, Ray Sleucher, Ann Rigney, Margaret Jones, Margaret Moran, Faye Roberts, Noel McCool

**Newly Baptised**

We welcome Jack Reinhard, Zoe Stanley, Lachlan Stanley, Kai McGarahan, and their families to our Parish Community.



**September Birthdays**

Helen Cashin (6th)  
Robyn Rosina (6th Sept)  
Nat Rosina (11th Sept)  
Aurora Spencer (22nd Sept)  
Irene Deagan (27th Sept)  
Marie Steel (28th Sept)  
Nancy Bergado (30th Sept)



*Call the office to have your birthday included!*

**Wedding Anniversaries**

Please let the Parish Office know if you would like us to include your Wedding Anniversary or any other special celebration.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September**



**For the abolition of the death penalty**

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

**Mackay Family Funerals**

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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 9:13-18

*Who can comprehend the will of God?*

What man can know the intentions of God?  
Who can divine the will of the Lord?  
The reasonings of mortals are unsure  
and our intentions unstable;  
for a perishable body presses down the soul,  
and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind.  
It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth,  
laborious to know what lies within our reach;  
who, then, can discover what is in the heavens?  
As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you  
not granted Wisdom  
and sent your holy spirit from above?  
Thus have the paths of those on earth been straight-  
ened and men been taught what pleases you,  
and saved, by Wisdom.

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

## Responsorial Psalm

Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17

**R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.**

You turn men back in to dust  
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'  
To your eyes a thousand years  
are like yesterday, come and gone,  
no more than a watch in the night. **R.**

You sweep men away like a dream,  
like grass which springs up in the morning.  
In the morning it springs up and flowers:  
by evening it withers and fades. **R.**

Make us know the shortness of our life  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?  
Show pity to your servants. **R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love;  
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.  
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:  
give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

## Second Reading

Philemon 1: 9-10, 12-17

*Receive him, not as a slave anymore, but as a very dear brother.*

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him - I could say - a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could

have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

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

## Gospel Acclamation Ps 118:135

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Let your face shine on your servant,  
and teach me your laws.  
Alleluia!



## Gospel

Luke 14:25-33

*All who do not renounce their possessions cannot be my disciples.*

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes, and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. 'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

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

**Next Sunday** - Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C  
First Reading - Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14  
Second Reading - 1 Timothy 1:12-17  
Gospel - Luke 15:1-3, 11-24