

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah

St Mary's Church 458 Main Rd Noraville

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Vision

To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community

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Nineteenth Sunday Ordinary Time Year A

9th August 2020

Do Not Be Afraid



Our journey of faith is a never-ending one - one of constantly coming to know The Father through Jesus. It parallels the journey of the first disciple: their coming to faith, their coming to understand who the Father was - and how they came to know him. The story of today's Gospel is a perfect example of the process of the faith journey, and it outlines for us the stages of one's faith journey. The Gospels are full of examples of Jesus going off to pray. He needs the time be with the Father - to thank Him, to be refreshed, to come to know His Father even more fully. Jesus goes off in one direction - the apostles in the other. When Peter realized it was Jesus coming over water, He calls out: "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." Responding to the Lord's invitation, he jumps over the side and attempts to meet Jesus, only to fail miserably. It is not Peter's lack of faith that causes him to sink into the water. It is his fear.

We are all, quite literally, in the same boat. We share together the turbulent seas of the storm as well as the gentle ripple of the water against the side of the boat on a calm day. We cannot walk upon the water alone; but together with Jesus we can. Perhaps the lesson here is that it is OK to be afraid - God will love us despite our fears and trembling; but fear must be overcome.

The Gospel Story reminds us that we cannot exist on our own, without sustenance from Him - He who is our Source of Life and Love. It is a lesson that we all need to remember when the weather worsens, when the winds whip up, when we seem to sense a ghostly presence that makes us afraid, and when we cry out from the depths, believe in His consoling presence. Jesus is the Presence among us who interprets for us what may seem to be incomprehensible. He makes our hearts burn again, enkindling in us with love, ardent faith and undaunted trust.

Fr Tomy

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 8:15am—9:00am

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

Parish Facebook Page

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

Understanding COVID-19 Restrictions – Places of Worship Diocese of Broken Bay Fact Sheet

What does this mean for places of worship?

- The number of people in a public place of worship must not exceed one person per 4 square metres.
- When calculating the number of people permissible in the church for a religious service, the Celebrant, concelebrants, Deacon, server and other essential ministers are excluded from the head count. All members of the congregation should be counted, including children. The calculation must be made by measuring the floor space of the areas open to the public. For our Churches, this means the sanctuary, sacristy, or other areas where people would not congregate are not included in the calculations. The maximum number of people allowed in the church should be displayed on all entry points to the church.

People attending a religious service will be required to provide their name and contact details (phone or email) when they enter so that they can be used for contact tracing. The details of one adult member per household is sufficient. Parishioners are requested to receive Holy Communion in the hand. More details are available on the notice board

Sacrament of First Communion

. **Group sessions will commence the week of Monday 17 August** and will run for 4 weeks.

Enrolments will be taken next week at the Pastoral Room in the laneway to St Mary's school which runs off the Pandora Parade side of the school at Noraville. Lina, the Sacramental Coordinator will be at the Pastoral Room at St Mary's to take enrolment forms and fees **from 8:00am–8:50am and from 2:00pm–3:00pm every morning and afternoon next week from Monday 10 to Friday 14 August.** You will also be asked to book into the four group sessions when you register.

The cost of the program is \$30 per family, for one or more children. The enrolment fee covers the cost of resources and administrative expenses associated with the Sacramental program. If you are unable to pay at this time, please speak with me (Fr Tomy) or our Sacramental Coordinator, Lina when you enrol. No child will be excluded for financial reasons.

Mass during restriction

Number of people allowed to attend Mass during restriction

St Mary's Church - 100 people that is one person per 4 square metre.

St. Brendan's also 100 people.

Parish Centre The number of people allowed in the parish centre is 20.

First Friday & Sunday morning tea is cancelled until further notice .

Catholic Weekly

IMPORTANT POINTS 9 AUGUST 2020

- Life, work & love in the eternal city
- Theresa & friends run for faith
- Time to make a stand for religious freedom



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Bishop Randazzo announces change to the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation

I have been unable to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in the parishes of the Diocese at all this year," said Bishop Randazzo, who has decided, due to ongoing uncertainty and for the sake of clarity for parents and families, parishes and personnel involved in preparing children for the Sacraments that he will not celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at all in 2020.

Formerly, children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation were seven years old, typically those in Year 2. For the future celebration of the Sacrament, Bishop Randazzo has announced that candidates will be at least eight years old, those who are in Year 3.

Mental Health First Aid Training—Expression of Interest

I would like to offer training for our parishioners. Mental Health First Aid is Nationally Accredited Training and I am an Accredited Trainer. The training is over two sessions likely on Saturdays but can be during the week. I will run the training at cost only; \$30 per participant. This covers the textbook and all materials. The learning aims to build skills and confidence to support friends, colleagues and others during struggles with mental health. About 1 in 5 Australian adults experiences a common mental illness each year. Mental Health First Aid Training will teach you practical skills to support someone with a mental health problem. If you are interested in training to be a mental health first aider, please let me know. I hope to have our first course in late August early September 2020.

What you can expect from mental health first aid training.

- **KNOWLEDGE** - Improves knowledge of mental illnesses, treatments and first aid actions.
- **CONFIDENCE** - Increases confidence in providing first aid.
- **DE-STIGMATISING** - decreases stigmatising attitudes.
- **SUPPORT** - Increases the support provided to others.

I look forward to sharing this learning with you. Please let me know of your interest to book your place 0402 968 388. Robyn Rosina

Date Saver – Liturgy of Lament – Listening to the Past: Caring for the future

Tuesday 1 September 2020, 7.00pm @ Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara. The liturgy will also be lived streamed. To view connect at www.bbcatholic.org.au

All are invited to gather to pray together in acknowledging the suffering caused to our most vulnerable and to give public expressions to our sorrow.

Please share the attached flyer with members of your Parish and wider community, family and friends.

Birthday Column

Dear parishioners we always appreciate the gift of life. As a parish community it is always important to remember & pray for someone special to us. We will create a new column in the bulletin for birthday. Parishioners are invited to send names to be published.

NVAW Week - 9 August

National Vocations awareness Week—This week we celebrated the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Our first Australian born canonised saint. St Mary took bold new directions in education and care of children. We know her saying 'Never see a need without doing something about it'. We pray this week that many young people in our communities may embrace this spirit in response to the call of the Lord to serve as priests or consecrated religious.

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

Recently Deceased

Bruce Everingham, James Laurie, Judith Martin, Teresa Harvey, Trevor Haynes, Denis Daly,

Anniversaries

Myra & Jack Hanlen, Steve Salak, Kety & Peter Savris, Doris Glennen, Lidia Cure, Patricia Phillips, Albert Sykes, Eileen Sykes, Rose and Stark Families, Leonard Smith, Mary Cecilia Brown & Donald & Amelia Marshall, John Haslam, William Baker & Col Kelman, Carol Brown.

Remembrances

Beth Robertson, Vera Brown, Teresa Vella, Vera Brown, James Sebastian, Tony Gavranic, James William Baker, Chetcuti Family, Valmai Joseph & Stark Family,, Joseph Boyle, Jack Muller, Brown & Muller Families, Colin Sykes, Gilles Dedrouas, Courtney McCool.

Please Pray for the Sick

Neville Bowman, Geotge Gavranic, Ann Buckman, Josephine Poynting, Eloise Bell, Camille Hill, Wendy Peterson, Adrian, Ken Chubb, Fiona Haslam, Teresa Wegrzyn, Ann Durnford, Steve Durnford, Maureen Mulheron, Koby Bourke, Monica Mason, John Andrews, Ariane Hampton, Fr Bill Aliprandi, Linda Read, Eleanor Matthews, Andrew Kelly, Paul Covington, Fiona Gill, Evan Shepherd, Kathleen Strong, Brian Davies, Tony Hodges, Faye Lund, Michael Wiggin & Vanessa Miller. Sister Carmela Debbie Gibba, Mary Powell & Miklos Beothy.

Special Prayers: For Angel Vassallo Family, & Vicky Debono.

Pope Francis' Prayer

Intention for August

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.



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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

1 Kings 19:9, 11-13

A reading from the first book of the Kings

Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 84:9-14

*R. Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.*

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
A voice that speaks of peace.
His help is near for those who fear him
And his glory will dwell in our land. **R.**

Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven. **R.**

The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him

Second Reading

Romans 9: 1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

I will willingly be condemned if it could help my people.

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ - it is the truth - my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as son, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen

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Gospel Acclamation

Ps 129:5

Alleluia, alleluia!

I hope in the Lord,

I trust in his word.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Command me to come to you over the water.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord', he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Next Sunday TWENTIETH SUNDAY

First Reading Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7

Second Reading Romans 11: 13-15, 29-32

Gospel Matthew 15: 21-28



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