Our Lady of Perpetual Succour



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Good Shepherd Sunday

Christ Himself is the Good Shepherd, who knows each one of His sheep, who gives His life for them and snatches them from the jaws of the prowling wolf. He is the true shepherd who fulfills Ezekiel's prophecy foretelling for Israel a shepherd from the end of time who was to deliver his people. Christ's sheepfold is the Church. In the Church He bestows on us His life in the Sacraments, His word in the teaching that she gives us, all the riches of His grace to light up our way and uphold our steps as we go forward to our heavenly home; through her He acts as the one Shepherd of our souls. Appointed to lead the flock, Peter gave his life for those entrusted to his care, and ever since then the priestly ministry has assured the continuous presence in the Church of Him who remains the true Shepherd of our souls.

Had Jesus not held firmly to this certainty, that whatever it seemed or felt like this was the truth, the real nature of things, then we would not have been redeemed. His faith would have failed. But as it proved, His faith remained steadfast and triumphed. Jesus the Messiah is the real shepherd expected by the flock of Israel, He who laid down His life for the sheep, has truly risen. He loves his own so much that they know through him the love the heavenly Father. In the guardianship, love and protection that our Good Shepherd offers us we find safety, life and joy.

Fr Joshi

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

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

Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday at 9:00am Mass (except school holidays)

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday	9:00 am	
	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 (by appointment at other times)

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Saturday 4:30 -5:00pm

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

St Mary's Toukley

8:25 am Monday to Thursday & Saturday 8:45 am Friday First Friday Night Vigil

Exposition after 7pm Mass until 1.30am



Welcome to our Parish. Today we celebrate the **Fourth Sunday of Easter**, **Year A.** We welcome you to our Church and are very pleased to see you here.

First Eucharist Sacramental Program

The Sacramental Program for First Eucharist will soon begin. To be eligible, children must be in Yr 4 (or above) and have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Reconciliation. Enrolments are now open through:-



Parish Office - Please note the Parish Office will be closed from Monday 1st May and will re-open on Tuesday 9th May. Fr Baby & Fr Joshi are available and can be contacted on their mobile numbers

<u>Thursday 9:00 am Mass</u> (Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross) - there will be a morning tea after Mass on **4th May**.

<u>Anointing Mass -</u> First Friday of the month **5th May at 11am St Mary's** and First Wednesday of the month **3rd May at 9am at St Brendan's.**

First Friday of the Month - Friday 5th May - next week Join us for the Reparation vigil to the Sacred Heart and Immaculate Heart from 7pm Friday 4th March—1.30am Saturday. With suppliant hearts come and spend some time with our Lord.

Upcoming events - Save the Dates:

First Eucharist Sacramental Program enrolments have begun Sun 7th May - Parish Morning Tea, both churches - please stay and join us and get to know each other Sun 14th May - Mother's Day & St Brendan's Feast Day Celebration Sat 3rd June - Family Mass at St Brendan's 5pm Sat 17th June - Sacrament of First Eucharist 5:00pm St Brendan's and 6:00pm St Mary's

<u>RCIA Program</u> - The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Program has begun. We will be resuming classes on Tuesday nights from 9th May at 5:30pm in the Parish Centre or St Mary's Church. If you would like to join contact the Parish Office before that date.

Rosters St Brendan's May - July 2023

Roster sheets are available for the period May - July at the rear of the Church. We are always looking for volunteers to enrich our Liturgy if you wish to be involved please add you name to the roster sheets, training will be given for all positions.

Pastoral Works Broken Bay (formerly CWF)

The next Pastoral Works Broken Bay (CWF) appeal will be held in May on **27th & 28th.** This is the final Pastoral Works appeal for this financial year so we ask that you give generously to help our Parish achieve our quota. We still have \$29,699.65 to raise and any shortfall must be made up out of Parish funds. Envelopes will be available in both churches, or you can donate online by visiting website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/donate/pastoral-works-broken-bay

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ARPETS





CWL Lamingtons.

Thank you to everyone who has ordered lamingtons. The CWL will, again, be taking orders for lamingtons before and after each Mass. Remember. they will be available for collection NEXT weekend, Sat 6th and Sunday 7th May. There will be plain or cream available at the same price as last year - \$10 for 6 and \$18 for 12. Make sure you don't miss out!! Thank you for your support

<u>Catholic Women's League</u> invite parishioners to join with them on Friday 12th May at 11am for a Liturgy to celebrate WUCWO Day (World Union of Catholic Women's Organisations). The liturgy will take place at St Mary's Church and will be followed by a light luncheon in the Parish Centre. Catholic Women's League is a member of WUCWO and the Liturgy will be celebrated around the world on that day. We hope you may be able to join with us for this celebration.

<u>St Brendan's Coffee & Chat</u> - St Brendan's Social Group is on the 1st Wednesday of the month from 10am - 12pm. Everybody is welcome for a cuppa and chat at Doyalson RSL (The Doylo)

Want to join the Planned Giving Program?

If you would like to join our Planned Giving Program to support the management and maintenance of our church, we encourage and value your contribution. Please complete one of the blue cards found in the foyer of the church. There are several options available, including cash (via numbered envelopes), direct deposit, or credit card. Complete one of the blue cards found in the foyer, and hand it to the priest, warden or Parish Office.

<u>Next meeting of Spirituality in the Pub</u> is 7.30-9.00pm on Tuesday 2nd May at the Grange Hotel, Wyoming. Guest speaker is Michael Barnes who is a retired Uniting Church Minister and keen to share his spiritual journey. Hotel bistro opens at 5.30pm. SIP enquiries: 0415 129250 or 0439 678608.

Good Friday Holy Land Collection

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Holy Land Collection.

Project Compassion

Thank you very much to all our generous parishioners for your contribution to Project Compassion this year.

Peace Prayer

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;

where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy; O Divine Master,



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



Recently Deceased -Graham Curry, Simon Hanley, Des

Wilkins, Helen Hensley, Jean McCall, Margaret Brett, Chris Browne, Lorraine Sykes, Carmen Hancock

Anniversaries - Johanna Jackson, Angelo Caruana, Joseph Debono, William Brennan, Myrtle Brennan, Peter O'Malley, Kathleen Kenny, Jack Gill, Anne Brownsell, Frederik Stephens, Warren Formosa, John Matthews, Mavis Dormer, Faye Lund, Donald & Amela Marshall, Michael Mason, Christopher Dormer

Remembrances - Vicky Debono, Vicky Mifsud, Saviour, Vencenza, Renu, Vince Debono, Salvina Caruana, Mario Azzopardi, Carol Brown, Anne Brownsell, Teresita Realo, Matteo Dimicco, George Castle, Kenneth George Durley, Valmai Joseph & Stark Family, Stephens Cappa, Margie Hamer, Olga Creighton, Jean Jurd, Ronald Pingo Roach

Please Pray for the Sick - Charlie & Nina & Joe, Graham Moir, Diane Booth, Miklos Beothy, Eric Peck, Salomie, Robbie Depares, Shirley Campbell, Daniel Schultz, Eva Cusick, Maureen Price, Liz Kelman, Rhondda Rey, Kerrie Lennard, Florian Stoffell, Ken Hancock, Heatherbell Baker, Alicia Regglo, Alicia Haynes, Robyn Broad, Marcos, Bill & families, Cecelia McClusky, Vaughn Haynes, Sabu Kuruvelil, Sr Tincy, Noel McCool

<u>April Birthdays</u>

Manny Debono (5th Apr) Pam Moir (7th Apr) Rawson Blackwood (10th Apr) Angeli Lavada (12th Apr) Cenon Mabini (12th Apr) Angel Gaoiran (17th Apr) Naomi Lavada (17th Apr) Naomi Lavada (17th Apr) Kate Drake (19th Apr) Shirley Campbell (23rd Apr) Alicia Klein (25th Apr) Mary Debono (28th Apr) Ray Crocker (6th May) Judy Kay (8th May)



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April For a Culture of Peace and Non- Violence - We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens



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

First Reading Acts 2:14, 36-41

God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

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

Responsorial Psalm Ps 22:1-6 **R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **R**.

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. **R**.

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **R**.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **R**.

Second Reading

1 Peter 2:20-25

You had gone astray but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty. This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there

had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

Gospel John 10:1-10 *I am the gate of the sheepfold.*

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again: 'I tell you most solemnly,

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I am the gate of the sheepfold.

All others who have come

are thieves and brigands; but the sheep took no notice of them.

I am the gate.

Anyone who enters through me will be safe:

he will go freely in and out

and be sure of finding pasture.

The thief comes

only to steal and kill and destroy.

I have come

so that they may have life

and have it to the full.'

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

Next Sunday Fifth Sunday of Easter First Reading - Acts 6:1-7 Second Reading - 1 Peter 2:4-9 Gospel - John 14:1-12



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