Our Lady of Perpetual Succour



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Gospel Reflection

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Palm Sunday is the great doorway leading into Holy Week, the week when the Lord Jesus makes his way towards the culmination of his earthly Mission. He goes up to Jerusalem to fulfil the Scriptures and to be nailed to the wood of the Cross, the throne from which he will reign forever, drawing to himself humanity of every age and offering to all the gift of redemption.

"Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! Hosanna in the highest!". This festive acclamation expresses the unanimous conviction that, in Jesus, God has visited his people, and the longed-awaited Messiah has finally come.

What is the content of this cry of jubilation? It is the fulfilment of God's original promise to Abraham, father of all believers: "I will make of you a great nation and I will bless you ... and by you all the families of the earth shall bless themselves" (*Gen* 12:2-3). It is the promise that Israel had always kept alive in prayer, especially the prayer of the Psalms. Hence, he whom the crowd acclaims as the blessed one is also he in whom the whole of humanity will be blessed. Hence Jesus becomes a blessing that permeates, sustains, redeems and sanctifies all humanity and things on earth.

It is always easy to condemn others and throw stones at them. Holy week is the time to look at ourselves and find out where we stand in this drama of the Passion of the Lord.

"Palm Sunday tells us that it is the Cross that is the true tree of life". -Pope Benedict XVI. "It is Palm Sunday and so begins our journey with Jesus from Jerusalem's gate to Golgotha's Cross to Easter's triumph" - Anon. Fr. Baby

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

<u>St Brendan's Church Lake Munmorah</u>

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday9:00 amTuesday9:00 amWednesday9:00 amThursday9:00 amFriday9:15 am(Except 1st Friday of Month)

First Friday of Month Anointing of Sick

11:00am

Saturday 9:00 am

<u>St Brendan's Church Lake Munmorah</u> Wednesday 9:00am

First Wednesday of Month Anointing of Sick Thursday 9:00am

EXPOSITION BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Mary's Church Toukley

Every Saturday – after Morning Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Mary's Toukley

Saturday 9.30am - 10am (by appointment 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 Thursday & Saturday 8:45 am Friday **First Friday Night Vigil**

Exposition after 7pm Mass until 12.30am

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

1st & 3rd Sundays 9am at St Mary's 1st Saturday 5pm at St Brendan's EXCEPT IN SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



We welcome all of our parishioners, especially any new parishioners to the area and those of you who have been away on holidays.



Welcome to our new Office Assistant Bramer Ramasamy! Please welcome our new office Assistant "Brem" to our Parish Community. Brem started in the Parish office this week.

<u>Annual Holidays for Fr Tomy</u> - Fr Tomy will be away for holidays in India from 21st April-23rd May. During this period we have communion service on Weds at St Brendan's 9am & Thurs at St Mary's 9am.

<u>RCIA Catechumens</u> Please pray for our 3 RCIA catechumens and candidates who are making final preparations to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Mass at St Brendan's. **Michele Laing, Amanda Bell & Ramone Ennis.** We thank **Alison Newell** for preparing the candidates.

<u>Sacramental Program 2025</u> *First Holy Communion, Term 2:

For children in Year 4 and above who have made 1st Reconciliation. Enrolment is from



3rd Apr- 14th May via trybooking. Sessions starts on 19th May.

21st June, Sat Vigil Mass- St Brendan's, 5PM 22nd June, Sunday Mass- St Mary's, 9AM

*Confirmation, Term 3: Children in Yr 3 and above who have been Baptised Catholic. It is REQUIRED one parent/ guardian to attend the Parent Information before enrolment starts. Please complete the online form below using the link or scan the QR Code. https://forms.office.com/r/YFpfSk2YWe

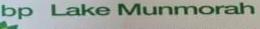


Parish Morning Tea - There will be a morning tea on **Sunday 13th April** at St Mary's and will be organized by St Joseph's Men's Ministry after 9am Mass.

Rosters for May-July at St Brendan's - Rosters are now being prepared for May-July, we are always in need of Volunteers to fill positions on the Liturgy roster. If you are interested in joining please add your details to the sheets at the rear of the Church. Training is provided for all positions.

It is with sadness we advise the Parish of the passing of Fr Brian Moloney's Dad, Mr Leo Moloney. Please keep Fr Brian and the Moloney family in your prayers.

<u>Good Friday Holy Land Collection -</u> On Good Friday 18th April we will be having the Good Friday Holy Land Collection. Envelopes will be available in both churches.



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SCHEDULE FOR THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM: PALM SUNDAY- Parishioners are encourage to bring their own palms for the blessings. Holy Thursday- NO MASS in the Morning. *Mass of the Last Supper & Washing of the Feet 5PM- St Brendan's 6PM- St Mary's with Adoration until 10pm Good Friday- NO MASS in the Morning *Station of the Cross- 9AM both Churches *Passion of the Lord- 3PM both Churches Holy Saturday- NO MASS in the Morning **Easter Vigil (Saturday Evening)** 5PM- St Brendan's 6PM- St Mary's **Easter Sunday Mass Schedule:** St Brendan's- 8AM St Mary's- 7:30 & 9AM; NO Evening Mass Volunteers for Washing of the Feet & assigned to Process the Holy Oils - We encourage you to attend the Formation & Information night on Mon 14th April at 6pm in the Parish

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER MONDAY

Please return Project Compassion envelopes boxes next week.



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Parish Pilgrimage -The Pilgrimage was wonderful. Each shrine was spiritually uplifting and we learnt so much. Thank you

Darryl for looking after us. At each shrine we were given warm welcomes and appreciate their time and hospitality. A truly memorable day.

Chrism Mass Tuesday 15th April at Waitara - The Parish Bus will leave St Mary's Church at 5.30pm. Limited seats available. Please call the Parish office to put your name down if you would like to attend.

New Parish Pastoral Council Executive Members

Rev. Fr's Tomy & Baby and Rev. Sr' s. Josie & Jennifer
Jo Spek (Chair Person)
Peter Huby (Vice Chair Person)
Amanda Paton (Secretary)
New Members: Joe Tuaimau, Naomi Hepplewhite
We thank all past members of the PPC for their advice, time & support.

Easter Egg Hunt - Exciting news for all children! There will be an Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday after 9am Mass at St Mary's with surprise gifts for those good at hunting. Don't miss the fun!

Mackay Family Funerals In Association with Mackay Family Crematorium

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 Please pray for those who have died and those who are sick <u>Recently Deceased</u>:



Leo Moloney, Sharon Barnes, Yvonne Clement, Ruben Fernandez Velasco, Julie Gumm, Baby Alice Stanford, Gwendoline Griffin, Valerie Kennedy

<u>Anniversaries:</u> Warren Formosa, Emanuel Camilleri, Carmel Hancock, Stephens Cappa, Ingrid Hamer, Goreg Caruana, Greg Irvine, Frank Sinclair, Toni Despoges, George & Tony

Remembrances: Colin McCool, William Henry Baker, Teresita, Brigoli family, Cogtas family, Tale, Pena, Marino, Castanares, Pajulas & Sucio families, Lorna, Peggy Batchelor, Barbara Dawes, Mary Jane Jurd, Katy Ng, Marie O'Keefe, Valami Joseph & Stark Family & Wendy Woodhouse

Please Pray for the Sick: Ruben Fernandez Velasco, Ivy Teo, Brian Brame, Irene Tognito, Avis Sullivan, John Muir, Amelia Hamilton-Ford, Mairead Moulder, Finn McConnon, John Hamilton Snr, John Hamilton Jnr, Kel Outlaw, Kevin Roy, Kathy Casey, Elaine Horton, Jane, Allen, Helen Sewell, Liz Kelman, Lacey, Chelsea Brame, Nicholas Sheehy, Nicholas Brien, Hunter, Peter De Lacy Peek, Patrick Hobson, Jessica & Lee Abott, Baby Nora, Denis Tansey, Lucky Bowen, Sergio, Maxwell, Nacua Sedicol, Sue Reardon, Sandra Turl, Mia & Johanna Harries, Ana das Gracas, Zona Kable, Jose Adelino, Barry Egan, Rose Booth, Suzanne Webb, Judy Kay, Ray Crocker, Patricia, Warren Pope, Elaine Scrivener, John Stuart, Stefano & Paolo Macchi, Stephen Jeffrie, Paul Mizzi, George, Sylvia Hudson, Bill O'Keefe, Michelle Maroon, Mick G & Robbie Depares

Funeral: The funeral for the late **Sharon Barnes** will be held at St Mary's on **Monday 14th April at 2pm**

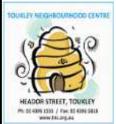
<u>April Birthdays</u>

Manny Debono (5th Apr) Rawson Blackwood (10th Apr) Angeli Lavada (12th Apr) Cenon Mabini (12th Apr) Angel Gaoiran (17th Apr) Naomi Lavada (17th Apr) Kate Drake (19th Apr) Shirley Campbell (23rd Apr) Mary Debono (28th Apr)





Pope Francis' April Intention For the use of the New Technologies That the use of new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person and will help us face the crises of our times.



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: Isaiah 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' R.

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones. R.

They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! **R**.

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons.' R.

Second Reading Philippians 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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Gospel Acclamation Joel 2:12-13 Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! With all your heart turn to me, for I am tender and compassionate.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel Luke 22:14 - 23:56

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Sunday: Sunday of the Resurrection First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43 Second Reading: 1 Colossians 3:1-4 Gospel: John 20:1-9