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Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah



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THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 19th November, 2023



The parable of the talents

In today's Gospel the parable of the talents is narrated. In the parable there are three servants and each of them is given a certain amount of money by their Master to make use of it. Later the Master went on a long journey. The first and the second are industrious. However, the third servant is lazy and a man of excuses. On his return the Master calls all three and asks for an account of the money he had entrusted to them. Each of them gives an account of what they had done with the master's money. The first servant and the second are praised for their hard work and shrewdness as they had multiplied their talents and added returns to their master. But the third servant is severely chastised for his laziness and lack of resourcefulness as he simply buried his talent and did not let it be productive.

Jesus told this parable to explain to us how we need to make use of our God-given abilities and talents in our lives. The parable is certainly not about making money or about accumulating wealth for oneself. Through this parable Jesus is telling us about using our precious time and God given gifts and grow as children of God and useful members of the society. It is by living that we discover our talents, and it is by using them that we grow.

Despite some negative touch, the parable has a lot of positive and encouraging aspects. Two out of three servants heard those magic words from the Master. "Well done." To all who are doing their best - to live good lives- the Lord is speaking those words of encouragement. "Well done, good and faithful servant." Hence the parable reveals the trust, the confidence and the generosity of God towards each one of us. We are invited to respond to it.

"It is more important to be faithful than to be successful." - St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

Fr Baby

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

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

> 9:00am Fr Baby 6:00pm Fr Baby

Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday at 9:00am

Mass (except school holidays)

St Brendan's Church Lake Munmorah

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

9:00 am Monday 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

9:00 am Saturday

St Brendan's Church 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

8:20 am Monday to Thursday & Saturday 8:45 am Friday

First Friday Night Vigil

Exposition after 7pm Mass until 1.30am



Welcome to our ransn. 10day we collected the Welcome you to Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. We welcome you to Welcome to our Parish. Today we celebrate **The Thirty** our Church & are very pleased to see you here.

Upcoming Parish events - Save the Date!

Sat 18th Nov: Family Mass at St Brendan's 4pm Youth activities

followed by Mass at 5pm

Thurs 23rd Nov: Kinder Mass St Brendan's 9am Thurs 23rd Nov: Lectio Divina, 5pm Parish Centre Sun 26th Nov: Year 5 & Kinder 2024 Mass St Mary's 9am

Wed 29th Nov: St Brendan's Christmas Carols from 3pm

Thus 30th Nov: Year 5 Mass St Brendan's 9am

Sun 3rd Dec: Parish Morning teas & Atrium Working Bee

Fri 8th Dec: Parish Volunteer Mass & BBO

Sun 3rd Dec: First Week of Advent

Youth & Family Mass at St Brendan's Church Sat 18th November

There will be a family and youth Mass at St Brendan's starting from 4pm with activities followed by Mass at 5pm. It's always a wonderful occasion, please join us.

First Friday of the Month - 1st December Anointing Mass & Vigil

Anointing Mass is 11am at St Mary's. Please join us in our reparation vigil also at St Mary's. This begins with Holy Mass at 7pm Friday 1st December.

Parish Volunteers BBQ We ask that all Parish Volunteers put Friday 8th Dec in your diary for our annual Thank you BBQ. This will be held

at St Mary's, beginning with Mass at 5pm, followed by the BBQ.

PASTORAL Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) November

WORKS - Our Parish will hold the November appeal for Pastoral Works Broken Bay on the weekend of 25th/26th

November. Envelopes are available in the Churches from this weekend. Thank you for your support.

Catholic Women's League will be holding their last meeting for 2023 on Mon 27th November. Our meeting will commence this month at 9.30am after which we will adjourn for our End of Year Luncheon. New members are always welcome to join our meetings & we hope if you are interested, you will consider doing so in February 2024 when we begin for the New Year.

<u>Invitation to Pray for Sister Tincy</u> - Please keep in your prayers Sr. Tincy, who is Fr. Baby's sister for strength and healing.

You are invited for a Birthday Morning Tea with Eli Fiedler

Eli will turn 9 on 24th Nov and he wants to invite the parishioners to celebrate with him in advance for his b'day this Sunday 18th Nov after 9am Mass at the Parish Centre. He wants to express his gratitude for keeping him in your prayers & he wants also to celebrate that he is newly confirmed. Please join us on this special day. Our wishes and prayers for you Eli.







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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. We conclude this event on 29th November at 6pm Mass at St Brendan's and on 30th November at 6pm Mass at St Mary's. 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. There are Mass Intention envelopes available.

Community Cricket Match - Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who attended and joined in the fun of our cricket match last Sunday. It really was such a fun event with so much talent on display!



<u>Newly Baptised</u> We welcome Hugo, Piper, Te Arawa, Flynn, James, Summer, Theo, Elijah, Maverick, Austin, Georgia, Isabella and their families to our Parish Community.

Working Bee The Atrium needs your helping hands on Sun 3rd Dec 10am-12pm at St. Mary's Church. They need sewers, painters or any help you can for some materials to set-up the sacred space. For more details see our Parish Notice Board. For donations contact Ashleigh on 0466 255 033 or Email Amanda or Ashleigh: centralcoastatrium@gmail.com Your help is very much appreciated.

<u>Young Adult Event</u> - With the sacred season of Christmas drawing near, we'd love for you to join us for a Christmas Holy Hour and Dinner Celebration! It's going to be a special evening and we would love to share it with you all! Date: Thursday December 14 Time: Holy Hour 6pm Dinner Celebration – 7pm at Holy Name Parish 35 Billyard Ave Wahroonga If you are interested, RSVP by December 7. Contact on 0418 522 449 vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Have you, or someone you know, been thinking about becoming a Catholic? A new RCIA process has started in our Parish & you are invited to join us at St. Mary's Church each Tues evening from 5:30-6:45pm where we will explore our Catholic faith & prepare to receive the Sacraments next Easter. For enquiries contact Sarah-Jane at the Parish Office on 4396 4455 or Alison on 0424 737 911.

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



Recently Deceased Noel Marks, Kevin Kelleher, Orfeo Di Rocco, James Cosgrove, Maureen Patrick, Germaine Smolen, Nelda D'Agostini Randon,

Anniversaries Vicky Debono, Priscilla, David O'Connell, Edward Redman, Jose Castanares, Swee Gim Khoo, Isabel Helen Ridgewell

Remembrances Ronald Roach, Bernard Fitzpatrick, Denis Newey, Clara Fitzpatrick, Pat Fitzpatric, Claire Fitzpatrick, Victor Egan, Mary Egan, Margaret Waller, Monica, Theresia, Simon Butcher, Moore & Langley families, Valmai Joseph & Stark Family, Wendy Woodhouse, Carol Brown

Please Pray for the Sick - Sr Tincy, Kylie Musgrave, Avis Sullivan, Brian Fletcher, Rhondda Rey, Christine Yousef, Olive Haslam, Florian Stoffel, John & Bev Jessop, Graham & Sandra Campbell, Marian Campbell, Mia, Barbara Fowler, Margie, Richard Reid, De-Anne Richards, Jackie Chaplin, Michael Casey, Koen Mackaway, John Jessep, Eva Cusick, Melissa, John Jessep, Margaret Connolly, Rita Cini, Baby Mia Lilli, Maria Butseties, Shirley Campbell, Liz Kelman, Josh. R, Robyn Brand, Susan Simmons, Denis Tansey, John van der Kroft, Miklos Bethany

November Birthdays

Eric Grimes (6th Nov)
Amanda Coombe (8th Nov)
Steven Ng (8th Nov)
Nova Jayanthi (9th Nov)
Cecilia McClusky (13th Nov)
Lucy Jurd (13th Nov)
Bill Mulvany (13th Nov)
Lina Samaniego (24th Nov)
Eli Fiedler (25th Nov)
Solome Kaati (26th Nov)



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November



For the Pope
We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to
accompany the flock entrusted to him,
with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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 Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 *Give her a share in what she has worked for.*

A perfect wife - who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for. and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 62:2-8

R. Happy are those who fear the Lord.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!

By the labour of your hands you shall eat.

You will be happy and prosper. R.

Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life. **R**.

Second Reading Thessalonians 5:1-6

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

The day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night.

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons,' since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are

saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is,' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 15:4, 5

Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 25:14-15, 19-21(shorter form) *Because you have been faithful over a few things, enter into the joy of the Lord.*

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said, "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Sunday Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe First Reading-Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17 Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28 Gospel - Matthew 25:31-46

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