# Our Lady of Perpetual Succour



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Today, we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. We must enthrone Jesus as the King in our hearts and in our homes. Jesus is a king like no other. His rule is not the power of force but the force of Love.

Christianity is not just a "personal" religion, addressed to private spirituality. It is a lifestyle, a way of being in the world that is simple, nonviolent, shared, and loving. Today's parable calls every one of God's people to respond to the poor, the suffering, the hungry, the refugee and the outcast. The Lord addresses two groups of people. Both groups do not recognize the presence of God in others. But only one group is welcomed into the Kingdom.

Though they did not recognize they were doing anything for Christ, or acting in his name, they shared what they had with those who did not have. They simply did what came naturally to them. We all know people like that. It is Christ who urges us to respond to these needs in others, just as he did. We are to have the mind and the heart of Christ. The scene shows that judgment is not going to be based on some arcane theological point or some work that will take an enormous effort to achieve. Norms for the judgment are simple. Did we take care of the most pressing problems of the needy? Did we address their hunger, thirst, being a foreigner, lacking clothes, illness and imprisonment?

What gives us hope and vision in the middle of this broken world is our recognition of the presence of Christ in one another. The truth is that we are all called into God's kingdom. The Gospel reminds us that the kingdom is present whenever people act lovingly towards others. The parable that Jesus teaches today is not so limiting. People will be invited in who didn't even recognize Christ in the needy they served. They just helped and aided those whom they saw with eyes of compassion.

Jesus is a king whose strength was compassion, not power. This is the Shepherd King who gathers all to himself and beckons: "Come, blessed of my Father..."

# WEEKEND MASS TIMES

# **St Mary's Church Toukley**

Saturday: Vigil	6:00pm	Fr Joshi	
Sunday:	7:30am	Fr Tomy	
	9:00am	Fr Tomy	
	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
Sunday:	8:00am	Fr Baby

# 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

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 12.30am

THE GARAGE SERVICE CENTRE

at 🔘 BP Lake Munmorah



Welcome to our Parish. Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, Year A. We welcome you to our Church & are very pleased to see you here.

#### **Upcoming Parish events - Save the Date:**

**Sun 26th Nov:** Solemnity of Christ the King (End of Year A) Sun 26th Nov: Year 5 & Kinder 2024 Mass St Mary's 9am Wed 29th Nov: St Brendan's School Carols Wed 29th Nov: Memorial Mass for All Souls St Brendan's 6pm Thus 30th Nov: Year 5 Mass St Brendan's 9am & Baptisms Thurs 30th Nov: Memorial Mass for All Souls St Mary's 6pm Sun 3rd Dec: First Sunday of Advent Start of Year B & Parish Morning teas. Atrium Working Bee is also on from 10am this day Thurs 7th Dec: Conclusion of Lectio Divina at Parish Centre 5pm 7th & 14th Dec: Rehearsals of participants for Childrens Nativity 3.30pm at St Mary's & St Brendan's Churches Fri 8th Dec: Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Fri 8th Dec: Parish Volunteer Mass at 5pm followed by BBQ

Pastoral Works November Appeal - This weekend PASTORAL our Parish will hold the November Appeal for Pastoral WORKS Works Broken Bay (PWBB). The key focus for this Pas-

toral Works appeal will be the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) and Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioners. Envelopes are available this weekend or by visiting bbcatholic.org.au/ pastoralworks Thank you for your support.

Fr. Baby will be on leave from Tues 28th Nov - Fri 8th December

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

St Brendan's Church Wed 29th Nov & Wed 6th December Please be advised there will be communion-only service at St Brendan's on the above dates at 9am.

November: Time To Remember The Dear Ones We conclude our month of remembrance on Wednesday 29th November 6pm Mass at St Brendan's and 30th November 6pm Mass at St Mary's. Everyone is welcome.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Program & First Holy Communion - Enrolment is now open via trybooking. This is only applicable for Year 3 & above who have already received the Sacrament



of Confirmation. See notice board, visit our website or contact the Parish office.

# Parish Morning Tea - next weekend - Sun 3rd Dec

We will hold morning tea next Sunday 3rd Dec after 8am Mass at St Brendan's and after 9am Mass at St Mary's. All welcome.



# Feast of the Immaculate Conception - Renewal of Vows

This is the feast of the Religious order of the sons of the Immaculate Conception (CFIC) to which Frs Tomy, Baby and Joshi belong. On the weekend of 9/10th Dec there will be a special collection to support the charitable activities of the CFIC. Fr Tomy, Fr Baby and Fr Joshi will renew their religious vows on 10th Dec during 9am Mass at St Mary's.



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<u>Catholic Women's League</u> 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.

First Friday of the Month - 1st December Anointing Mass & <u>Vigil</u> 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.

**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/centralcoastatrium@gmail.com Your help is very much appreciated.

<u>Nativity Mass</u> - For school aged children who are interested to join different roles in the Nativity story, choir, collectors & a lot more during Childrens' Christmas Mass on 24th Dec, please scan the QR code and register now. For more information phone Nicole on 8379 1730.



**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.

<u>Virtual Advent Series</u> - All are invited to a series of virtual Advent talks on 4 Tuesdays starting Tues 28 Nov 7-8pm. Free to join. Contact the office for rego details.

<u>Catholic Mission -</u> Thank you for your generous donation to Catholic Mission, the Parish donated \$820.00 which will make a very big difference to those in need..

<u>St Mary's Christmas Roster -</u> The rosters are now available for St Mary's in the Church foyer for Christmas

<u>Kids Sunday Bulletin & Worksheets</u> - available after the Mass at the foyer, for your kids to take home and learn the importance of the Sunday's Gospel.

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**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.

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 Please pray for those who have died and those who are sick



**<u>Recently Deceased</u>** Renato Simeon Apologista, Richard Reid, Tom Harris, Noel Marks, Kevin Kelleher, Orfeo Di Rocco, James Cosgrove, Maureen Patrick, Germaine Smolen, Nelda D'Agostini Randon,

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

**<u>Remembrances</u>** Ronald Roach, Doreen Goonan, 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, Michelle Maroon, Diane Booth, Mick G., 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)



**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.



# 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** Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17 *You, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep.*

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest - it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and hegoats.

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

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 22:1-3, 5-6 **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. **R**. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. 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 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in the proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# Gospel Acclamation Mark 11:9, 10

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

#### Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

# He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Sunday First Sunday of Advent Year B First Reading - Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8 Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Gospel - Mark 13:33-37

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