

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah

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To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community

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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

29th October, 2023



The central theme of today's readings is the greatest commandment in the Bible, namely, to respond to God's love for us by loving Him, and then to express that love in action by loving Him living in our neighbour. Our love for God is tested and put into practice by the way we love our neighbour.

Today's Gospel explains the two great commandments of God: love of God and love of neighbour. These two commandments are inseparable as explained by Jesus to a lawyer. When we love God, it should naturally be seen in our daily lives through our love for our fellow humans. This message of Jesus is beautifully put by St. John, "Anyone who says, 'I love God' and hates his brother is a liar." (1 Jn.4: 20) Hence our love for others must flow from the divine fountain - that is God's love for us. We are enabled to love others because it was God who loved us first and made us capable of loving others. Through this teaching Jesus gives us the following messages: We are asked not just to believe in God but to love God. We are asked not just to respect our neighbour but to love our neighbour. Once our life is governed by love of God and of one another, all other laws will eventually follow.

"If we want to live a life of love of God, we must not fail in our love towards our neighbour". - St. Theresa of Child Jesus.

Fr. Tomy

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

St Brendan's Church Lake Munmorah

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

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 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 Parish. Today we celebrate **The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. We welcome you to our Church & are very pleased to see you here.

Upcoming Parish events - Save the Date:

Wed 1st Nov: All Saints Day

Thurs 2nd Nov: All Souls Day Mass celebrated in both Churches

St Mary's 9am & 6pm & St Brendan's 9am & 6pm

Sun 5th Nov: Papal blessing Mass at St Mary's & Parish morning teas

Sat 18th Nov: Family Mass at St Brendan's 5pm



Congratulations to Joe Formosa, Meg Hickson & Tricia Lavin

Please join us to celebrate the Award of Papal Blessings Mass on 21st October during 5pm Mass at St Brendan's.



Fr. Tomy will be away for Jubilee Celebration

Fr. Tomy will be away from 13th - 23rd November to join the Silver Jubilee of his sister, **Sr. Rositta Kuruvellil**. We wish God's blessings on Sr. Rositta.

Papal Blessing Mass at St Mary's 9am Sunday 5th Nov

Please join us to celebrate the Award of Papal Blessings Mass on 5th Nov during 9am morning Mass at St Mary's. Parishioners receiving this special blessing are **Val Unterrheiner, Cecilia McClusky, Raymond Crocker, Claire Johnston & Dawn Thompson**. We will also have our Parish morning tea to celebrate after Mass.

Atrium Advertisement - Work has begun to set up the Central Coast Children's Atrium. It will offer Catechesis of the Good Sheppard starting with 3-6 year olds in **Feb 2024**. We are asking for donations of materials (wooden child sized furniture, religious images & statues, coloured paper, painting easel, wooden/metal trays), donations of skills & time (sewing, painting, calligraphy, and woodwork). Expressions of interest for your children to attend (ages 3-12) Prayers for the program. To find out more, **email at: centralcoastatrium@gmail.com**

Working Bee in Parish Centre 3rd Dec 10am-12pm

Parishioners are invited to join a working bee on 3rd December to help paint and sew some items in preparation for the Children's Atrium. Please see Amanda Paton for more details or email at: **centralcoastatrium@gmail.com**

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.

Congratulations to our Catechists

CCD Annual Diocesan Mass was held on Saturday 29th Oct and 2 of our Catechists received awards. Congratulations to **Sr Josefa Mabini** for 15 years service and to **Peter Huby** for 5 years of service.



Nativity Invitation for Christmas Eve Masses

Please scan the QR code for more details and more information to come in following weeks.

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October - Month of the Holy Rosary

Dear friends, Reciting the Holy Rosary is one of the strong traditions of the Catholic Church. The month of October is dedicated to the devotion of the Holy Rosary. As we begin this month, let us be united in praying the Rosary. I would

encourage all families to pray the Rosary together. Any family that prays together, stays together. As a parish community, we will pray the Rosary together at St Mary's grotto at **6pm** each day from **22nd Oct - 31st October**. On Saturdays & Sundays the Rosary will be at **5:15pm**. At St Brendan's the Rosary will take place on weekends before Mass on **Sat 4:30pm & Sun 7:30am**.

Solemn conclusion of the Rosary will be on Tuesday 31st October in St Mary's at 5:45pm. There will be offering of our intentions before Mother Mary. Refreshments shall be followed by the Rosary.

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 shall have a special **All Souls Day Mass on 2nd Nov at 9am and 6pm in both churches.** We will have a special decorated table of remembrance with photo or picture of the deceased. Those who would like to do so, please bring a photo by the end of this month. We conclude this event on the 30th November with 6pm Mass in both Churches. 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.

All Souls Day Thurs, 2nd November Following 9.00am Mass at St Mary's Toukley, the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary will be prayed for the suffering souls in Purgatory. The Glorious Mysteries will then be prayed at Noraville Cemetery after which Fr. Baby will bless graves. St Mary's **9am & 6pm** and St Brendan's **9am & 6pm**

Baptism for School-Aged Children - The Parish of Toukley/Lake Munmorah is running a Baptism preparation program for children from Kinder to Year 6. Three sessions from 6:00pm-6:45pm will be held in St Mary's Church on Mondays 13, 20 and 27 November (need to complete all three sessions). A parent/carer should accompany the child to each session. Dates of Baptism are scheduled to suit families either before Christmas or in 2024. If you would like to enquire about having your child prepared for Baptism, please ring the Parish Office on 4396 4455 or Alison on 0424 737 911.



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 Maureen Patrick, Germaine Smolen, Nelda D'Agostini Randon, Pat McBride, Margaret Wattling, Lena James, Irene Lehehan, Amber Miller, Margo Cluff, Fr. John O'Keefe

Anniversaries Jose Castanares, David O'Connell, Swee Gim Khoo, Isabel Helen Ridgewell, Doreen Goonan, Tony Hodges, Lisa Grenot, John Glennen, Chris Cleary, Rosemary Jennifer (Sallie) Mulvany, Yook Chee Ng, Don Metcalf, Audrey Howett

Remembrances Bernard Fitzpatrick, Clara Fitzpatrick, Pat Fitzpatric, Claire Fitzpatrick, Victor Egan, Mary Egan, Margaret Waller, Monica, Theresia, Simon Butcher, Moore & Langley families, Frank Costa, Stephens Cappa, Margie Hamer, Richard Hamer, Kathleen Reid, Rita Towers, Judith Wilson, Keith Stokes, Rosemary Jennifer (Sallie) Mulvany, Valmai Joseph & Stark Family, Wendy Woodhouse, Carol Brown

Please Pray for the Sick - 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, Baby Dottie, Denis Tansey, John van der Kroft, Dawn, Jenna Stoffel, Montaro family, Celly Wake-man, Sheila Rose, Michele Maroon, Oskar Calvi, Gregory Clark, Hector, Robyn Broad, Dylan & partner, Charlie & Nina Micahllef, Joe, Graham Moir, Diane Booth, Miklos Beothy, Salomie, Robbie Depares, Shirley Campbell, Daniel Schultz, Eva Cusick, Maureen Price, Rhondda Rey, Kerrie Lennard, Florian Stoffell, Ken Hancock, Heather Baker, Alicia Haynes, Robyn Broad, Marcos, Bill & families, Cecilia McClusky, Vaughn Haynes, Sabu Kuruvelil, Sr Tincy

October/November Birthdays

Ivan Intia (16th Oct)
Yvonne Weller (22nd Oct)
Lillian Ballhause (24th Oct)
Deacon Paul Simmons (25th Oct)
Nenita Turner (29th Oct)
Ryan Fiddick (29th Oct)
Fr Vincent Trung Nguyen (30th Oct)



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October



For the Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

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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 Exodus 22:20-26

A reading from the book of Exodus

If you are harsh with the widow or the orphan, my anger will rage against you.

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. **R.**

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. **R.**

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

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

You turned away from idols to serve God and await his Son.

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord

started to spread - and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 22:34-40

You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Sunday Thirty First Sunday Ordinary Time
First Reading - Malachi 1:14 - 2:2, 8-10
Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9, 13
Gospel - Matthew 23:1-12