

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah

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To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

7th April, 2024

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

As the faithful prepare to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, it is important to review the meaning and historical significance of the day. On the Second Sunday of Easter of the Jubilee Year 2000, at the Mass for the Canonization of St. Faustina Kowalska, Pope John Paul II declared the Sunday after Easter be called "Divine Mercy Sunday." St. Faustina was a Polish nun who received visions from Jesus, including one of Jesus wearing a white

garment with beams of red and white coming from His heart, which came to be known as the image of Divine Mercy. Pope John Paul II discussed the significance of the image of Divine Mercy in his homily for the canonization of St. Faustina:

From that Heart [of Christ], Sr. Faustina Kowalska, the blessed whom from now on we will call a saint, will see two rays of light shining from that heart and illuminating the world. "The two rays", Jesus Himself explained to her one day, "represent blood and water" (Diary, entry 299).

Blood and water! We immediately think of the testimony given by the Evangelist John, who, when a soldier on Calvary pierced Christ's side with his spear, sees blood and water flowing from it (see Jn 19:34). Moreover, if the blood recalls the sacrifice of the Cross and the gift of the Eucharist, the water, in Johannine symbolism, represents not only Baptism but also the gift of the Holy Spirit (see Jn 3:5; 4:14; 7:37-39). Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. As Pope John Paul II stated, "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified." We experience the abundant mercies of the Lord especially through the events of the Holy Week and the Easter season. The sufferings, death and resurrection of Christ have caused an abundant flow of mercy upon the world. In the Gospel of today, Jesus appears to the Apostles, greet them with the gift of peace, empower them with the Holy spirit and gives them the power to forgive sins as a sign of God's mercy. Thomas the apostle is the recipient of the great mercy of God as Jesus appears again after the eight days. Let us celebrate the Divine Mercy Sunday by resolving to seek the Lord's mercy for ourselves and trying to be the instruments of that Mercy for others.

Fr. Baby

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 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 Joshi
Sunday: 8:00am Fr Joshi

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
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



Welcome to our Parish. Today we celebrate the **Second Sunday, Year B.** We welcome you to our Church & are very pleased to see you here.

Upcoming Parish events - Save the Date:

Sun 7th April: Divine Mercy Sunday

Thurs 25th April: Anzac Day

Sun 12th May: Fr Tomy installed as Parish Priest by Bishop Anthony Randazzo

Parish Morning Tea - Please join us in celebrating our Parish Morning tea on Sunday 7th April. This will be after 9am Mass at St Marys & 8am Mass at St Brendan's.

Central Coast Atrium - The newly opened Central Coast Atrium is running Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for 3-6-year-olds. The central aim is to help the child nurture their own personal relationship with God. Sessions run Saturdays 9-10:30am, Our Lady of the Rosary, The Entrance. For information or to join our waitlist contact **centralcoastatrium@gmail.com** or call **Ashleigh on 0466 255 033.**



Divine Mercy Sunday - We celebrate the 'Divine Mercy' Sunday this week. here at St Mary's Toukley. **Celebration will begin with Adoration/Confession from 2.30pm and at 3.00 pm we will begin to recite the Divine Mercy prayers.** All are welcome.

Secular Franciscan Order - The monthly meetings of the Fraternity will be held in the Reynolds Room on the 2nd Friday of each month. The next meeting will be held on Friday, **12th April at 1:00 pm - after the 11:45 am Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, The Entrance.** A warm invitation is extended to everyone. For more information visit the website:

<http://www.ofsaustralia.org.au>

Attention Readers at St Mary's Church - This is a reminder that you are requested to be seated at the front of the church rather than the back until after you have finished your reading. Please feel free to then sit wherever you would like to for the rest of Mass.

Attention Senior Servers at St Mary's Church - This is a reminder to please use the handrail when entering and leaving the Sanctuary. It is there for your comfort and assistance.

Holy Land Collection - Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Holy Land Collection on Good Friday.

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St Joesph Men's BBQ Fri 12th April 7-8.30pm St Mary's Church - "Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." Prov 27:17. All men over 18 are invited to an evening of gathering to share a meal and engage in discussion, camaraderie and personal growth. Share stories over a BBQ dinner & hear from our Guest Speaker about authentic vocation. The evening is open to men of all/no faiths. Register at rb.gy/bdrtjp We also ask for prayers to the intercession of St Joseph for the success of this ministry.

Sacrament of First Holy Communion - Enrolment is still going on until 9th April. Parent's Info Session will be on the **10th April at 7pm via Zoom**. The link will be shared for those who enrolled through trybooking.

Daylight Savings - A reminder for you that daylight savings ends this weekend. Don't forget to put your clocks **back 1 hour** before you go to bed on **Saturday 6th April**.

Planned Giving Envelopes - Planned Giving Envelopes are now available at both churches. If you can't see your name there please contact the Parish Office as they may be at the other church and we organise them for you. If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program please let the Priest or Parish Office know. This supports our Parish with the many expenses we face on a continual basis. Your support is greatly appreciated. Leigh Steele will be speaking about this during various Masses over the next couple of weeks. Please talk to Leigh if you have any questions.

St Brendan's Liturgy Rosters for May-July Rosters for the period May to July are now being prepared, the sheets for details will be on the table at the rear of the Church. We invite anyone interested in joining this great ministry to include their details on the sheets, training will be provided for all positions.

Thank you! - Thank you to St Mary's students for the beautiful palm crosses you made for the Parish during Palm Sunday. Well done!

ANZAC DAY - will be observed with a special Mass to pray for all who have served the nation and those affected by war. Ceremonies that honour those involved will be included and all who have served the nation are particularly invited. There will be the Ordinariate Mass at St Mary's and regular Mass at St Brendan's.

ANZAC Day Display - As part of a display at the 9 am Mass on ANZAC Day Fr Ken would like to borrow army, navy etc uniform hats.. Former Service women and men who are willing to loan please contact Fr Ken - 43993523.

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



Recently Deceased -

Ampie Madden, Barbara Cuthbert, Sr Tincy Thomas & Ken Newbold

Anniversaries - Greg Irvine, Albert Sykes, Noel McCool, Carmel Hancock

Remembrances - John Kennedy, Stephens Cappa, Margie Hamer, Abraham Paul, Edward Redman, Valmai Joseph & Stark Family, Wendy Woodhouse & Carol Brown, Brown & Miller family

Please Pray for the Sick - Jim Rush, Sylvia Hudson, Cusick Family, Maree Campbell, Katherine Hoppett, Ann, Krissy & Craig Taylor, Gloria Smith, Tim Keogh, Peter Dormer, Patrick Hobson, Judy Kay, Marion Campbell, Wayne Stafford, Mark Wilson, Michelle Maroon, Diane Booth, Mick G, Kylie Musgrave, Avis Sullivan, Brian Fletcher, Rhondda Rey, Christine Yousef, Florian Stoffel, John & Bev Jessop, Graham & Sandra Campbell, Mia, Robbie Depares, De-Anne Richards, Jackie Chaplin, Michael Casey, Koen Mackaway, Eva Cusick, Melissa, Margaret Connolly, Rita Cini, Baby Mia Lilli, Maria Butseties, Shirley Campbell, Josh. R, Robyn Brand, Susan Simmons, Denis Tansey, Miklos Beothy & Liz Kelman.

April Birthdays

Manny Debono (5th Apr)
Pam Moir (7th Apr)
Rawson Blackwood (10th Apr)
Angeli Lavada (12th Apr)
Cenon Mabini (12th Apr)
Angel Gairan (17th Apr)
Naomi Lavada (17th Apr)
Kate Drake (19th Apr)
Shirley Campbell (23rd Apr)
Alicia Klein (25th Apr)
Mary Debono (28th Apr)



Pope Francis' April Message For the Role of Women

"We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world."

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First Reading Acts 4:32-35

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The whole group was united, heart and soul.

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117:2-4, 15-18, 22-24

**R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
his love is everlasting.**

Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end.'

Let the sons of Aaron say:

'His love has no end.'

Let those who fear the Lord say:

'His love has no end.' **R.**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.

I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone,
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. **R.**

Second Reading 1 John 5:1-6

A reading from the first letter of St John

Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world.

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ
has been begotten by God;

and whoever loves the Father that begot him
loves the child whom he begets.

We can be sure that we love God's children if we love
God himself and do what he has commanded us;

this is what loving God is -

keeping his commandments;

and his commandments are not difficult,

because anyone who has been begotten by God
has already overcome the world;

this is the victory over the world -

our faith. Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God;

Jesus Christ who came by water and blood,
not with water only, but with water and blood;
with the Spirit as another witness -
since the Spirit is the truth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

Gospel John 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week,
the doors were closed in the room where the disciples
were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among
them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed
them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled
with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them
again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you for-
give, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve,
was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples
said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see
the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into
his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples
were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The
doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among
them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to
Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands.
Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer
but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus
said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.'

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the
disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book.

These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is
the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you
may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Next Sunday Third Sunday of Easter**

First Reading - Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Second Reading - 1 John 2:1-5

Gospel - Luke 24:35-48