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### Prayer to St Michael

St Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil.



May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and you, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.



# OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA TERRIGAL

We love one another so that all may have a sense of belonging; desire a relationship with God; and want to share the Good News with others.



# 3rd March 2024

# **3rd Sunday of Lent** Year B

WEEKEND MASSES - Saturday Vigil Sunday	NEXT WEEK 9 5.00pm - Mass 10 7.00am / 8.30am / 10.00am		
WEEKDAY SERVICES Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	<ul> <li>THIS WEEK</li> <li>5 7.30 am - Communion Service</li> <li>6 7.30 am - Mass</li> <li>7 7.30am - Communion Service</li> <li>8 9.00am - Mass</li> <li>9 9.00am - Mass</li> </ul>		
Next Week's Readings 1st Reading: Psalm: 2nd Reading: Gospel:	<ul> <li>Fourth Sunday of Lent</li> <li>Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23</li> <li>Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!</li> <li>St Paul to the Ephesians 2: 4-10</li> <li>John 3: 14-21</li> </ul>		
Communion Antiphon:			
Gospel:	Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! John 2: 13-25		
Gospel Acclamation:	Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.		
Psalm: 2nd Reading:	Lord, you have the words of everlasting life. St Paul to the Corinthians 1: 22-25		
1st Reading:	Exodus 20: 1-17		
Entrance Antiphon:	My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.		

Amen

### Our website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/terrigal

Welcome to all our visitors! May you feel at home in our Parish.

### PARISH INFORMATION:

### **Baptisms:**

Sunday Mornings at 11.30am by appointment. Enquiries to our Parish Office to enrol.

### Annointing of the Sick:

With 9am Mass on the last Friday of the month. Please ring the Parish Office if you have a loved one who is ill or dying.

### **Reconciliation:**

Before and after Saturday 9am Mass (8.30-10am) or phone the Parish Office for an appointment.

### Weddings and Funerals:

Enquiries to the Parish Office.



Donations can be made by:

- putting cash in the collection bag at Mass; or
- using the **Tap'n'Go** machines at the door of the church; or
- giving **directly** to our parish bank account: Terrigal Parish BSB: 062 784 Acc: 100001660 or

- using planned giving **envelopes**, available at the back of the church: or

- having regular (monthly) **credit card** donations, arranged through the Parish Office.

Thank-you for your continued generosity.

### New Sunday Morning Mass Times

Since 2022 the PPC has been discussing a proposal to decrease the number of Sunday morning Masses from three to two.

Permission has been given to make the change; the Parish has been consulted and most agree with the new times of **7.30am and 9.30am**; and this proposal has been sent to the Bishop for his approval.

When we have this, we will set a date for the changeover; the new times will be well advertised in the parish before any change happens; and a review will be conducted six months after the change.

### Celebrants for Sunday Masses

### This Weekend 2/3 March 2024

**Saturday** 

5.00pm	Fr Vince
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#### Sunday 7.00am

7.00am	Fr Vince
8.30am	Fr Vince
10.00am	Fr Vince

### Next Weekend 9/10 March 2024

Saturday

5.00pm	Fr Vince
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### Sunday

7.00amFr Vince8.30amFr Vince10.00amFr Vince

### Baptism

This weekend we welcome Kelly Schuurink into our Parish family. Our prayers are with him and his family.



### Participating in the Mission of Christ

is the Diocesan Lenten Program which is available at the door of the church. An electronic flipbook of the Lenten Program can be downloaded <u>here</u>.

The 2024 Lenten Program focuses on the Sunday Gospel Reading and allows for personal use as well as use in a small group setting.

# **School Building Update**

The demountable classrooms are all functioning, and safe access and play areas are being sorted out. The work site has been fenced off and preparations are underway for the commencement of work in March.

# Through the Desert God Leads us to Freedom

is a simple Lenten resource prepared by Fr Kenneth Hagen based on Pope Francis' Message for Lent 2024. It is just one page, with one question for your reflection each week of Lent. *Copies are available at the door of the church*.

In his message the Pope invites all Christians to reflect on ways by which we can leave the "desert" of the present time and discover the "freedom" which God offers his people.

**Question Three:** What loyalty to those who have taught me in many ways limits me in serving others?





St. Francis de Sales

### Stations of the Cross

6pm on Friday's during Lent.



Anyone wishing to lead one of the Friday's please contact Janette at the Parish Office.

# **Preparing for Easter**

The 40 days of Lent are our time of reflection and penance. They prepare us for the greatest event in human history – the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. This is the foundation of our faith. As St Paul put it, "if Christ be not risen then we witness in vain." (1 Corinthians 15:14).

Thursday March 7 at 7pm in the Parish Office, in a second session, we will explore some themes relating to Easter:

The last judgement. What will happen? What do we know about it?

Why do the Jehovah Witnesses say only 144,000 people can go to heaven?

Why do so many Christian denominations believe there will be a 1,000-year reign of Christ on earth?

Explore our faith. Understand the message of Christ. **Come along**. No need to register. Christ himself said: "you shall learn the truth and the truth will make you free." (John 8:31). *Chris Hartcher* 



### **Project Compassion**

Boxes and envelopes for this annual Lenten collection are available at the door of the church. Many resources are also available at https:// www.caritas.org.au/resources/ project-compassion/

# **Bible Study and Discussion**

Where: In the Divine Mercy Chapel, on the right-hand side of the church.

When: Thursday Nights

Time: 6pm to 7pm. Bring your Bible with you.



All Welcome

# **Exploring the Scriptures**

Join a small group to read and reflect on the Scripture reading for the following Sunday.

When: 10.30am on Thursday mornings in the Parish Office. Attend when you can, all welcome.

Enquiries to the Parish Office or to Bernie 0414 653 146

# Men's Bushwalking Group



Nine of us walked two trails above Daleys Point on Tuesday. We were fortunate that the rain held off whilst walking but recommenced shortly after our reaching the cars on our way to lunch. Actual conditions were very pleasant for us as well as the largest population of mozzies any of us had ever seen. We got swarmed any time we stopped for a breather and sprayed copious aero-guard to fend them off. As autumn approaches, we hope for fewer pests.

Lunched at the Empire Bay Tavern and we engaged in several very topical discussions on world affairs as well as lots of laughs.

Our next walk will be on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March. Trail and starting time to be decided when we have a better idea of the weather forecast. Will be nice to have an ocean view trail if we can see a decent set of weather conditions around.

Any gentlemen interested in participating in any of our walks, please contact Stim Robinson at <u>stimrobinson@hotmail.com</u> or on 0401 058 329 and you can get further details including where to meet for the walk.

If you would like to join us for lunch, please contact Stim as above.

# Pastoral Works Broken Bay

Our parish share to support these important activities in the Diocese is \$37,978 for 2023-24.

Donation are 100% tax deductable and can be given at any time during the year in numerous ways:

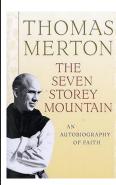
- Place an envelope on any collection plate

- Donate online at <u>bbcatholic.org.au/ pastoral</u> works (mention Terrigal)

- Give directly to Terrigal Parish BSB 062784 Acc 100001990 (mention Pastoral Works)

- Contact the Parish Office to have a direct debit made each month. You will be given a receipt at the end of the financial year.

### **Book Club**



The book club for March has been cancelled as it would have fallen on Good Friday, so we will pick up again at the end of April on the 26th in the Parish Offices at 1600. We will be reading Thomas Merton . Thomas Merton was the author of the most famous book ever written by an American Catholic, writes Michael Mott, his biographer. **The Seven Storey Mountain** became a classic of thought and faith in the postwar years. His

book has often been compared to St Augustine's Confessions. It is really a conversion story and outlines Merton's search for God in contemplation. He was influenced by John of the Cross.

In May we will be reading Born Bad by James Boyce and in June we will be reading Jacques Phillipe's book on prayer called Time for God.

If you find any of these books interesting please join us on the last Friday of every month at 1600 in the parish Offices. (Excepting this month) gazboantonius@gmail.com

# **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

is a particular way of journeying with children toward God. It is grounded in the scripture and the liturgy of the church, then framed by Montessori principles of education. It is a place where children come to be with God to discover, explore and experience God's love for them.

Children 3 to 6 year olds are invited to join us at Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Parish, The Entrance on Saturdays from 9am to 10.30am, commencing 16<sup>th</sup> March.

Cost is \$8 per week, \$5 for siblings. To express your interest email centralcoastatrium@gmail.com or call Ashleigh on 0466 255 033

# **School Open Day Activities**



Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March School tours 5:00pm-6:00pm. Information Evening 6:15pm-7:00pm. Friday 8th March. Kinder fun morning 9:00-10.30am.

Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Primary School

# Easter Camp – Biotou 2024

is being organised in Biotou (Port Moresby) PNG from Holy Thursday 28 March to Easter Sunday 31 March 2024 by Disciples of Jesus Covenant Community, Port Moresby. The leaders expect all the Biotou villagers and several hundred people from the Diocese to participate. **Elias Bastoli**, a parishioner at Our Lady Star of the Sea Terrigal, will be helping to lead the camp. We are invited to partner with Elias and the Disciples in this mission as:

- **Prayer Partner:** Praying and interceding before, during, and after this mission for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit, deliverance, healings, and conversion. This is most needed. Unless the Lord builds the house, we labour in vain.

- **Financial Partner:** Supporting those whom the Lord calls to this mission who are unable to fund themselves. Bank details are:

DOJCC Blue Mountains. Commonwealth Bank BSB 062 601 Account No.1003 5264 (Mention: Biotou 2024)

# The Chrism Mass

will be celebrated at 7.30pm on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara. The Diocese of Broken Bay gather for this celebration with Bishop Anthony Randazzo.

The priests to renew their priestly commitments; the Oils of Catechumens and the Sick are blessed, and the Chrism is consecrated and brought back to each parish. All parishioners are warmly invited to attend.

Women of the Well Weekend Retreat Friday 19<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April at St Josephs Spirituality Centre, Kincumber South. Cost is \$125 for new retreatants and \$350 for others. You can <u>download the files here</u>. If you have any questions, contact Tricia at <u>tricia@womenofthewell.com.au</u> or 0417216917.

REGISTER FOR OUR APRIL WEEKEND RETREAT

# Women of the Well Online Gathering

Join us on **Tuesday 12th March** from **7-8pm**. This is an opportunity to take an hour to reconnect - with yourself, with others and with God. There will be time for prayer, 'Aware Breathing', some input, an opportunity for reflection and journalling. All Women are welcome.

ADD THE GATHERING INTO YOUR CALENDAR

Email us at **info@womenofthewell.com.au** or call Tricia on 0417 216 917.

# Aged Care Volunteers Visitors Scheme

CatholicCare is looking for volunteers to join this <u>scheme</u> where volunteers spend time developing friendships, having a chat and sharing a cuppa with an isolated elderly person. The one-on-one visiting scheme matches <u>volunteers</u> from the local community with seniors who are socially isolated and in need of companionship.



Free Community Seminar Wills, Enduring Guardianship and Powers of Attorney

To increase awareness in the Catholic Community of Broken Bay regarding Wills and how to include a charitable gift to the Diocese or Parish, Broken Bay is promoting a Seminar, with a specialist solicitor, Cecilia Castle from Castle Lawyers, (profile attached). She is an active Catholic, resident of Broken Bay and regular columnist on legal matters. All welcome.

**Date:** Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024, 10.30am-12.30pm

**Venue**: Caroline Chisholm Centre, 423 Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills, NSW. **Registration**:

https://www.trybooking.com/CPGPL

Information: Nicolas Duran on <u>nicolas.duran@bbcatholic.org.au</u> or 02 8379 1664.

# Light to the Nations

is an Easter Pilgrimage event held biannually for Catholics (singles and families) aged 16+.

Camp under the open skies with 1,000+ people as we celebrate the Easter Triduum. The event will be held on the grounds of Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville from 28-31 March 2024.

Visit<u>www.lttn.org.au</u> for more information and register today. Contact <u>rego@lttn.org.au</u> or ring Therese MGL on 0432 228 250.

# 24 Hours for the Lord

This initiative of prayer and reconciliation introduced by Pope Francis will be celebrated around the world on the eve of the Fourth Sunday of Lent.

Chatswood Parish will be hosting our Diocesan event from Friday 8<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March, with the focus being "Walking in a new life".

# Vocations **Scan**, Connect, Engage!

Use our QR Code for all Vocation Office Events! It's your ticket to seamless entry and instant updates. Scan now and join us on the journey of faith! #QRCode #CatholicVocationsEvents



# **Disciples School of Mission**

If you are you aged between 18-40 and searching for an adventure in 2024, then join us for this 4-day live-in course, held at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre Varroville. The Mission calls people from across Australia and beyond to be renewed in their own journey, equipped for mission/youth ministry, and formed in the Catholic faith. You won't regret it!

For more information visit <u>disciplesschoolofmission.com.au</u> or ring Judy MGL on 0479 059 183



# **Morning Tea**

We have tea and coffee after the 8.30am and 10am Masses on Sunday. Everyone is welcome, but we also invite you to bring

along something to share together to eat. It may be a packet of biscuits, but more interesting is something to share that you have cooked. (Be ready to share the recipe as well!)

# Encounter

Young Adults are invited to join in an evening of Adoration, Formation & Community at St Agatha's Pennant Hills on Friday, March 15 at 6pm for Holy Hour & Reconciliation, followed by dinner and a guest speaker. RSVP by March 12 to Contact the Vocations Office at 0418 522 449 or vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au.

# **Pastoral Discernment Central Coast**

A **Pastoral Letter** from Bishop Anthony on the PDCC project outlining each key outcome and his response is available for each parishioner at the door of the church. Please collect one before you leave.

# Family Mass

On Saturday 16 March Kindergarten and Year 6 students from the school and their families will be joining us for the Vigil (5pm) Mass. Please make them welcome.



# Lenten Program Resource

An e-flip book is available on the Diocesan website <u>https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/mission/lent-2024</u> or a digital PDF version can be downloaded <u>here</u>. Copies of the booklet still available at the back of the

# CATECHIST SUNDAY

Our Parish Special Religious Education teachers in schools will be commissioned within the Masses on the weekend of 9/10 March.

A special thank you to all of our Catechists who share God's Good News with the children from our Parish six Public Schools.

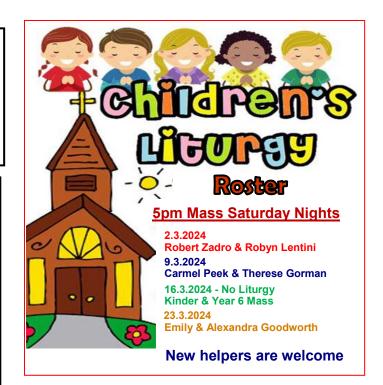
If you would like to join our Ministry please contact our Parish Primary Catechist Coordinator Cheryl Ryan via the Parish Office.



# Men's Discernment Weekend

Are you discerning your vocation to the priesthood?

Take a glimpse into life and formation to the priesthood; the weekend includes talks, time for personal prayer, sacraments, spiritual guidance, Q&A with seminarians, and discussions Designed for men (18 - 35 years) to discern their vocation.



# Children's Liturgy of the Word

is in our Parish on Saturday nights at 5pm. We are seeking volunteers to be involved in this ministry to share the Gospel with a small group of our beautiful children.

We have 2 to 3 people for each lesson and you are placed on a roster for once or twice a term. Parents are welcome to join us with their little ones.

If you are interested or would like more information, contact the co-ordinator, Robyn Lentini, via the Parish Office.

# Are you interested in hospital ministry?

Gosford parish provides a service to patients at Gosford Hospital so that they may receive the Eucharist on Friday, each fortnight. Ideally it should be weekly, therefore the parish is asking anyone interested in joining the team on a weekly, fortnightly or even monthly basis to please contact St Patrick's Parish Office on 4325 1042 for further information.

# Pope's Lenten Message

is inspired by the passage from the Book of Exodus, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery." (Ex 20:1-17). The Lenten exodus helps us to free ourselves from slavery. God sustains our hope-through an ecclesial, communitarian, and personal journey of conversion - to lead us to the land He wants to give us. <u>Message of Pope Francis for Lent 2024 -Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human</u> <u>Development</u>

### **ROSTERS FOR SERVERS and EM**

### Saturday - 5.00pm

2/3/2024	Server J Sheridan	(EM) M Perry & L O'Donnell
9/3/2024	Server J Tarrant	(EM) N Carter & L O'Donnell
16/3/2024	Server P Proust	(EM) M Perry & R Zadro
23/3/2024	Server V & F Duverge	e (EM) M Perry & L O'Donnell

### Sunday - 7.00am

3/3/2024 Server B Lobo (EM) J Sheehan 10/3/2024 Server M Slatery (EM) B Brown 17/3/2024 Server G Justin (EM) M Slatery 24/3/2024 Server P Clayton (EM) E Katselas

### Sunday - 8.30am

3/3/2024 Server V & F Duverge (EM) R Ayers & R Lentini Server D Southwell (EM) N Barcha & A Bone 10/3/2024 Server P Quinn 17/3/2024 (EM) A Bone & R Lentini 24/3/2024 Server D E Bastoli (EM) R Ayers & R Lentini

### Sunday - 10.00am

3/3/2024	Server P Quinn	(EM) C Addison & A Hanson
10/3/2024		(EM) C Addison & A Hanson
17/3/2024	Server N Carter	(EM) V Wilmont & C Addison
24/3/2024	Server P Maniskas	(EM) C Addison & A Hanson

**EM** = Eucharistic Minister or correctly Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

#### **ROSTERS FOR READERS OF THE** WORD



2) Janette Merrotsy

### Saturday - 5.00pm

2/3/2024	(1) Dawn Smith	(2) Goodworths
9/3/2024	(1) Georges	(2) Julie McManus
16/3//2024	(1) Connie Attard	(2) Maureen Reynolds
23/3/2024	(1) Lynches	(2) McCuddens

### Sunday - 7.00am

3/3/2024	(1) Sandrea Petith	(2) Betty Brown
10/3/2024	(1) J Rogers	(2) Ivy Holly
17/3/2024	(1) Peter Clayton	(2) John Sheehan
24/3/2024	(1) Robyn Wild	(2) Justine Hayes

### Sunday - 8.30am

3/3/2024	(1) Chris Hartcher	(2) Anne Strong
10/3/2023	(1) Christine Lovatt	(2) Susan Southwell
17/3/2023	(1) Christine Lovatt	(2) Susan Debrincatt-Moffat
24/3/2024	(1) Graham Sproats	(2) Jane Watt

### Sunday - 10.00am

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3/3/2024	(1) Anne Mackson	(2) Janette Merrots
10/3/2023	(1) C Addison	(2) J Robinson
17/3/2023	(1) Joan Kearney	(2) June Carlson
24/3/2024	(1) Janette Merrotsy	(2) Anne Mackson

### Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster

4<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Anna Camilleri, James Ferguson and Ann-Marie Finn

11<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Eileen Dodds, Sor Morales, Pamela Price & John Donnelly

# **Prayer Requests Recently** Deceased

John Lo piccolo Jill Crouch Kevin Bates SM **Geoffrey Roberts** 

Sr Tincy Thomas John Beston Br Peter Clinch CFC

Ray Southwell Fr Michael KellyFr Kathleen Mulligan

### Anníversaríes & Remembrance

Beverley Crowther Mervyn Cooper Souad, Jalil and Eva Wakim Patricia & Dudley Burgoyne Michael Aquilina Virginia Favetta Angela Wafer Alan Strong Tony & Francis Stephens

Jennifer Doyle Anthony Ebejer Silvana Favetta Pat Freeman Keith O'Brien John Nolan

### Síck

Robert & Gaye Badger Patricia Cooper John Lentini Michael Vesper Brian Connell Michael Gilbert Pauline Walsh Zac William Joy Rawson Ken Copper Brian Kemp

Joshua McCarrol Paul Grew Ray Doyle Neville Squire Doreen Cullen Marv Sofia Pedro Luis Tamayo Jr Bill Moore Mary Smith Terri Marshall Maryanne Paterson

Marie Campbell Len Freeman Judy Saunders Peta Smith Michael Murphy Bob Clarke **Claire Hastings** Anna Smith Josh Reid John & Sue Madigan Little Leo Ambrose

### MORNING TEA ROSTER Please stay and join us

### After 8.30 am Mass

- Group 3 Margaret Brown & Robyn Ayers & Juliet Mathew - 3.3.2024
- Group 4 Lee & Kerry Oliver 10.3.2024
- Group 5 Chris Whalan, Viv Ball & Alison Bone - 17.3.2024
- Group 6 Nancy Carey-Berryman & Susan Connor - 24.3.2024
- Group 1 Kaye Parker, Wanita Lynch, Robyn Lentini Sandra - 7.4.2024
- Geraldine Czerkesow & Anne Cogglan Group 2 - 14.4.2024

### After 10.00 am Mass

- Group 3 Anne Strong, Eileen Dodds & Mary Jones - 3.3.2024
- Group 4 Ian & Pat Rimes 10.3.2024
- Group 5 June Carpenter, Carmel Peek & Anne-Marie McCarthy - 17.3.2024
- Group 6 Linda Lee, Isabel Lee - 24.3.2024
- Joan Kearney, & Robyn Wilmot 7.4.2024 Group 1
- Group 2 Ina Kite, Mary Portelli & Eileen Dodds - 14.4.2024

### Volunteers Needed!

We still require **one** more groups of three for after the 10am Mass and ideally we need a few spots filled so that all groups have three volunteers.

If you would like to help, please speak to Robyn after the Masses or contact the Parish Office. Thank you.





