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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.

Amen



#### 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.

Whoever exalts
himself will be
humbled, and
whoever humbles
himself will be exalted.

### 5<sup>th</sup> November 2023

### 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

**Month of the Holy Souls** 

**Entrance Antiphon:** Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;

be not far from me!

Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

**1st Reading:** Malachi 1: 14-2: 2, 8-10

**Psalm:** In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

**2nd Reading:** St Paul to the Thessalonians 2: 7-9, 13

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

You have one Father, your Father in heaven; you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Mathew 23: 1-12

Communion Antiphon: You will show me the path of life,

the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

Next Week's Readings 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**1st Reading:** Wisdom 6: 12-16

**Psalm:** My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

**2nd Reading:** St Paul to the Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Gospel: Mathew 25: 1-13

#### **WEEKDAY SERVICES - THIS WEEK**

Tuesday 7 7.30 am - Communion Service

Wednesday 8 7.30 am - Mass - Fr Jack

Thursday 9 7.30am - Communion Service

Friday 10 9.00am - Mass - Fr Ken Saturday 11 9.00am - Mass - Fr Jack

(Reconciliation available before and after Mass on Sarurday)

**WEEKEND MASSES - NEXT WEEK** 

Saturday Vigil 11 5.00pm - Mass

Sunday 12 7.00am / 8.30am / 10.00am

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. Therefore from 8.30 to 8.50) Then after Mass 9.30 to 9.50am) or phone the Parish Office for an appointment.



#### Weddings and Funerals:

#### **Donations to the Parish**

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.

#### **Annual Leave**

Fr Vince is on annual leave till Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November. He is visiting family and friends in Sydney, Southern Highlands, Wollongong and the South Coast.

#### Memorial Plaques for the Shrine. Order in time for Christmas

If you are considering purchasing a plaque to remember a family member or friend, order forms (on green paper) are at the back of the church. Plaques are ordered in groups of 20 and we would like to have a group ready in November (the month of the Holy Souls) so we can have them ready for Christmas. Payment isn't required until the plaques are completed.

Enquiries to Janette at the Parish Office.

May we not forget our former parishioners and loved ones.

#### **Celebrants for Sunday Masses**

#### This Weekend 4<sup>th</sup> November / 5<sup>th</sup> November

#### Saturday

5.00pm Fr Ken

#### Sunday

7.00am Fr Jack 8.30am Fr Paul 10.00am Fr Jack

#### Next Weekend 11<sup>th</sup> November / 12<sup>th</sup> November

#### **Saturday**

5.00pm Fr Ken

#### Sunday

7.00am Fr Jack Month of the Holy 8.30am Fr Paul Souls

10.00am Fr Jack

## november holy souls

#### **November Masses**

Masses in our Parish during
November are be celebrated for
those who have died. Please
write the names of people you
would like to be prayed for on

the card provided and place it in the basket at the foot of the altar. These names will be entered into our November Mass Book. Payment is not expected. If you want to make a donation, please do not leave it at the altar but place a November Mass Envelope on a collection plate or drop it into the slot in the office door. These names will also be added to the November Mass Book and the money sent to the Michaelite Mission in PNG where a Mass for these intentions will be celebrated in November and beyond.

**Wamberal Cemetery** Fr Vince will lead prayers on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm. He will also bless the graves of the family and friends of those in attendance. All are welcome to attend to pray for our parish family and friends that have gone before us.

This has been a custom in our parish for many years. Please spread the word to those who may like to attend.

#### **Bible Study and Discussion**

Where: In the Divine Mercy Chapel, on the

right-hand side of the church.

When: Wednesday evenings

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

All Welcome

There will be **NO** Bible Study on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> November.





We would like to thank you again for your generosity, whether it be a one-off gift or through your commitment as a Mission Partner, through the recent Catholic Mission Appeal.

Your generosity and prayers are supporting lifechanging mission programs like the Maria Auxiliadora Clinic in Venilale, Timor-Leste, where they are addressing critical health issues such as tuberculosis, malnutrition and maternal mortality.

To learn more about the impact of your support, visit <u>catholicmission.org.au/our-work</u>, where you can also sign-up for our regular newsletter.

If you missed your opportunity to learn about this vital mission program, or want to give a gift in support, please go to <u>catholicmission.org.au/timor</u> today.

#### **Exploring the Scriptures**

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

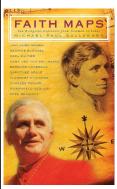


Our next walk is on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November (Melbourne Cup) when we will be walking the Box Head trail in the Bouddi National Park. Hopefully, we again experience the amazing views across the Hawkesbury and Pittwater. We will need to be flexible regarding lunch arrangements as catering for the Cup could be a tad tricky for us. Coffee and cake maybe?

The walks are on a Tuesday starting at 10am on a fortnightly basis and take an hour and a half, followed by lunch at a nearby venue for our 'chat and chew'.

Any gentlemen interested in participating in any of our walks, please contact Stim Robinson at <a href="mailto:stimrobinson@hotmail.com">stimrobinson@hotmail.com</a> 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.



#### **Book Club**

At the end of this month bookclub will be discussing Michael Paul Gallagher's book "Faith Maps" a collection of essays exploring the theology of leading thinkers who have contributed to contemporary culture. Each section of the book takes a major religious thinker and asks how he or she

points us in the direction of Christian faith. Newman Blondel Rahner von Balthasar Lonergan O'Connor Soelle Taylor Sequeri and Benedict XVI.

Bookclub will meet on 15th December at 1600 in the parish offices as an end of year get together. Bring a poem or piece of music or an article of interest.

In January we will be reading Will Carter's book Death Comes for the Archbishop. In 1851, Fr John Marie Latour comes as the apostolic vicar to New Mexico. What he finds is a vast territory of red hills and torturous arroyos, American by law, Mexican and Indian in custom and belief. In the almost 40 years that follow, Latour spreads his faith in the only way he knows – gently, although he must contend with an unforgiving landscape, derelict, and sometimes openly rebellious priests, and his own loneliness. Out of these events Carther gives us an indelible vision of life unfolding in a place where time itself seems suspended. A novel based on the life of Archbishop Jean Baptiste Lamv.

Join us if these interest you. gazbo2@ozemail.com.au



#### TAIZE at Terrigal Parish

Join us for an hour of **Taize Prayer** and music on Saturday\_11 November at 7pm and experience Christian meditation with adoration in a candlelit setting.

All welcome.

Join us for a 'cuppa' afterwards in the Parish Hall, please bring a plate to share.



Contact Parish Office for more information.



### What is spiritual direction?

In spiritual direction you reflect deeply on the experiences of your daily life, your loves, hurts, dreams, joys and fears.

Gradually, as you contemplate, you may begin to discover how God's spirit is moving in your life and that God has been waiting for you to see this closer relationship.

Spiritual direction is really not about being directed, nor is it therapy,or counselling. Rather, it is very much about being encouraged to draw closer to God whether that be in your prayer life, relationships, in nature, or in the events of your life. The privilege and responsibility of a spiritual director is to journey with you, in one-on-one conversations, as you deepen your relationship with God. What is shared is held in confidence.

A meeting time is agreed upon, usually once a month, for an hour.

If you are interested in participating in spiritual direction please call Robyn Wild on 0410 454 650

#### Ministers required

More volunteers are needed for all our ministries and groups. Please consider becoming involved. We especially need help with readers and servers for our 7am Mass on Sunday. Is this a way you would like to become more involved? Please speak with Pauline Maniskas or contact the Parish Office.

#### **Name Badges**

Name tags can be ordered at a subsidized price of **\$10** (normally \$17). It is good to see more and more wearing them. You can choose from safety pin style or magnetic back. Place order at the Parish Office or the Piety Stall.

### God's Word 2024: Daily Reflections

Includes Bible readings set down for each day, with a reflection. Now available from the Parish Office or Piety Stall. Cost \$24.00 Also we have ordered a small



number of Break Open the Word available for \$26.00 each

Mary Macs are collecting from the Parish Office next Wednesday.

Thank you for your continuing support.



Hamper food is always needed, eg; tuna, tinned ham, pasta packets. Maggi Noodles, tinned meals/ soups, muesli bars, poppers, etc. Each Wednesday we have a generous supply to give the Mary Mac's van. Thank you



### High Tea anyone?

Thank you. We have been gifted with about 35 fine china cups saucers and plates, plus a few teapots and lovely serving stands. Still on our wish list is about 15 more

sets of cups, saucers, plates, fancy serving plates, especially the three level stands, fancy sugar bowls and small milk jugs. Thank you to those who have been so kind with the recent donations.

This will be a fun parish event.

Just wait for the invitation in 2024

Enquries ask Janette

Thank you to Fr Vince, Fr Jack and to all my fellow parishioners, for all your prayers, for my safety overseas.

Your prayers certainly helped in keeping me safe as well as the whole group of 38 pilgrims who were with me.

I also thank you for the warm welcome I received on my return last Sunday. I was touched and greatly appreciate it.

God bless you all.

Elias Bastoli

#### Laudato Si

is a call to the world by Pope Francis to care for our common home. It focuses on the social and ecological crisis that exists in our world today, and what we can do to ensure we present preserve our planet for future generations. There are seven themes to the encyclical. This is the fifth.

#### Theme 5. Ecological Education

calls us to educate ourselves and others.

Some ideas:

- rethink and redesign educational curricula and educational institution reform
- ensuring equitable access to education for all
- encourage ecological leadership among students and teachers
- ongoing learning for all
- share good ideas with others

### A Prayer for the Israel - Palestine Conflict

God of light and salvation, our refuge and our strength, we pray for the people of Israel and Palestine amid the escalating violence.

We pray for those killed and injured by Hamas in the terrorist attack on southern Israel. May your rod and staff comfort them.

We pray for the protection of those who have been taken hostage by Hamas. As they walk through this dark valley, may they fear no evil.

We pray for those killed and injured by rockets sent from both sides. May you, Lord God, be their stronghold.

We pray for the civilians of Gaza. May they know that their help comes from the Maker of heaven and earth.

We pray for those who are grieving. May they know your ever-present help.

And we pray for those in leadership in Gaza, Israel and the surrounding countries. May you guide them along the right paths.

We ask all this in union with Christ and trusting in the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen



Please continue to pray for Peace in our World

#### **Engaged Encounter**

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#### SIP

Next meeting of **Spirituality in the Pub** is 7.30-9.00pm on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November** at the Grange Hotel, Wyoming.

Our Special Guest Speaker is Dr Andrew Kwong whose highly acclaimed book *One Bright Moon* is the story of a young Chinese boy's awakening – to survival, education, fulfilment, and eventually to a new life of freedom as a successful doctor in Australia.

Hotel bistro opens at 5.30pm. SIP enquiries: 0415 129250 or 0439 678608.

#### **For your Diary**

Our Lady Star of the Sea,
Parish Terrigal
Warmly welcomes you to join us to
Celebrate Christmas.

## Parish Family & Friends Christmas Dinner:

Saturday 2 December at 6pm \$25 a ticket

# Our Christmas Carols: On the oval at the School Friday Saturday 8 December at 5pm

BYO Picnic Blanket
For purchase: Sausage sandwiches,
Popcorn, Fairy floss , Fresh Lemonade,
and drinks.

**Christmas Markets** 

Santa will be making at appearance with a sack of goodies

### Christmas Masses: Christmas Eve Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>

**6pm** (Children's Mass with Pageant)

**9pm** ( No Midnight Mass)

Christmas Day Monday 25<sup>th</sup> 8am and 10am

### MORNING TEA ROSTER Please join us



#### After 8.30 am Mass

Group 5 Chris Whalan, Viv Ball & Alison Bone

- 5.11.2023

Group 6 Nancy Carey-Berryman & Susan Connor

- 12.11.2023

Group 1 Kaye Parker, Wanita Lynch & Robyn Lentini - 19.11.2023

Group 2 Geraldine Czerkesow & Anne Cogglan - 26.11.23

Group 3 Margaret Brown & Robyn Ayers & Juliet Mathew - 3.12.2023

Group 4 Lee & Kerry Oliver - 10.12.2023

#### After 10.00 am Mass

Group 2 Ina Kite & Mary Portelli - 5.11.2023

Group 3 Anne Strong, Eileen Dodds & Mary Jones - 12.11.23

Group 4 Ian & Pat Rimes, Eleonora - 19.11.23

Group 5 June Carpenter, Carmel Peek & Anne-Marie

McCarthy - 26.11.2023

Group 1 Joan Kearney, Claudia Hainey & Robyn Wilmot - 3.12.2023

If you cannot attend your rostered weekend *please* arrange your own replacement.

If you would like to help, please contact the Parish Office or speak to Robyn or Janette after 8.30 or 10am Masses.

How can I support the morning teas if unable to serve on a roster? Bring a packet of biscuits or small cakes that can be used for the next week. There is also a thank you (donation) box on the table.

#### **St Michael Prayer Group Mass**



5:30pm Thursday 30th November 2023

The last one for this year.

**All welcome** to attend and join with the St Michael Prayer Group for Mass and Adoration.

Please bring a small plate to share for our Christmas supper afterwards.



Enrolment renewal forms are available at the back of the church for the St Michael Mission Society. They also make a special gift for families and friends at Christmas.



If you would like to be part of this growing ministry for our children please contact the Parish Office 43674610 or speak to Robyn Lentini on 0414766180. You will be placed on a Roster with other members of the team.

#### **Synod Prayer**

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.

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



#### Saturday - 5.00pm

4/11/2023	Server L George	(EM) N Carter & R Zadro
11/11/2023	Server J Sheridan	(EM) M Perry & R Zadro
18/11/2023	Server J Tarrant	(EM) M Perry & L O'Donnell
25/11/2023	Server J Sheridan	(EM) N Carter & L O'Donnell

#### Sunday - 7.00am

5/11/2023	Server E Katselas	(EM) B Brown
12/11/2023	Server P Clayton	(EM) John Sheehan
19/11/2023	Server V Lobo	(EM) John Sheehan
26/11/2023	Server M Slattery	(EM) B Brown

#### Sunday - 8.30am

5/11/2023	Server E Bastoli	(EM) R Ayers & N Barcha
12/11/2023	Server D Southwell	(EM) A Bone & R Ayers
19/11/2023	Server V & F Duverge	(EM) R Lentini & R Ayers
26/11/2023	Server D Southwell	(EM) N Barcha & A Bone

#### **Sunday - 10.00am**

5/11/2023	Server P	Quinn	(EM) C Addison & N Carter
15/10/2023	Server P	Maniskas	(EM) J Merrotsy
			(EM) C Addison
26/11/2023	Server P	Maniskas	(EM) C Addison

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

If you wish to be involved in this ministry please contact the Parish Office.

### ROSTERS FOR READERS OF THE WORD



#### Saturday - 5.00pm

4/11/2023	(1) Connie Attard	(2) Dawn Smith
11/11/2023	(1) Georges	(2) Lynches
18/11/2023	(1) Julie Burris	(2) Connie Attaro
25/11/2023	(1) Georges	(2) Dawn Smith

#### Sunday - 7.00am

5/11/2023 (1) Betty Brown	(2) Sandrea Petitl
12/11/2023 (1) Helen Arena	(2) J Rogers
19/11/2023 (1) John Sheehan	(2) Peter Clayton
26/11/2023 (1) Justine Hayes	(2) Robyn Wild

#### Sunday - 8.30am

5/11/2023	(1) Anne Strong	(2) Chris Hartcher
12/11/2023	(1) Jane Watt	(2) Graham Sproat
19/11/2023	(1) Christine Lovatt	(2) Sue Southwell
26/11/2023	(1) Chris Hartcher	(2) Anne Strong

#### Sunday - 10.00am

5/11/2023 (1) Joan Kearney	(2) C Addison
12/11/2023 (1) June Carlson	(2) Janette Merrotsy
19/11/2023 (1) Maddie Conroy	(2) Joan Kearney
26/11/2023 (1) C Addison	(2) June Carlson

#### **Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster**

#### 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023



#### 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Eileen Dodds, Sor Morales, Pamela Price, John Donnelly & Robert Cross

#### **Prayer Requests**

For those who request prayers, we will leave the name in the bulletin, and then will pass the names to our prayer groups.

#### Recently Deceased

Rex Sutherland	Sandra Hassan	Jessie Sammut
Donald Knox	Amalia Costa	Judy Deve
Peter Kilganon	Jonathan Wheatley	John O'Rourke
Elizabeth Methanath	•	

#### Anniversaries & Remembrance

Zofia Bekrycnt (12yrs)	Margot Annis-Brown	<b>David Merrotsy</b>
Michael Kokegèi (14yrs)	Joe Baynie	Tom Doyle
Patricia & Frank Aryton	Joseph Baildon	John Nolan
Mario & Silvana Favetta	Patrick Fardy	
Robert & Anne Smith	Joan & Bernard O'Br	ien
Francis & Tony Stephens		

#### Síck

Michael Vesper	Neville Squire	
Peta Smith <sup>·</sup>	Brian Connell	Doreen Cullen
Michael Murphy	Michael Gilbert	Mary Sofia
Bob Clarke .	Pauline Walsh	Pat Dodds
Pedro Luis Tamayo Jr	Stewart McLean	Claire Hastings
Zac William	Bill Moore	Anna Smith
Peter Gaffey	John & Sue Madigan	Mary Smith
Josh Reid	Maryanne Paterson	Joy Rawson
Terri Marshall	Carlos Martinez	•



## Our Parish Piety Shop

New stock has arrived along with Columban, Franciscan and Divine Mercy

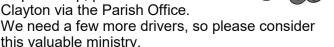
Calendars .We have some small items suitable for our scripture teachers to give their students. There are Rosary beads and rosary bracelets ready for Rosary Day at the school on 16th November.

Our Christmas Oils of Gold, Frankincense and Myrhh, are a special gift, plus other Christmas and gift items.

Sales from our Piety Shop go to the Winter and Christmas Appeals for St Vinnies, plus we support the parish and missions where possible. Some of the goods we buy are from the Mission orders; Columbans, Carmelites, Franciscan, Josephites, Michaelites, and St Vinnies Christmas Cards. Please take a look at our little shop, you are helping the parish and the wider community through our sales.

#### **BUS TO MASS**

The Parish bus collects parishioners for 10am Mass. If you would like to be picked up, please contact Peter Clayton via the Parish Office



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