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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

"May we Love one Another, so that all experience a Sense of Belonging"



Go back and tell John what you hear and see.

11 December 2022

Third Sunday of Advent

(Joy Sunday)

Entrance Antiphon: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice.

Indeed, the Lord is near.

1st Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6,10

Psalm: Lord, come and save us.

2nd Reading: St James 5:7-10

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;

he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

Communion Antiphon: Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not

fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will

save us.

Next Week's Readings:

1st Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14

Psalm: Let the Lord enter; he is king

of glory.

2nd Reading St Paul to the Romans 1:1-7

Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24



WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK

 Tuesday
 13
 7.30 am

 Wednesday
 14
 7.30 am

 Thursday
 15
 7.30 am

 Friday
 16
 9.00 am

 Saturday
 17
 9.00 am

Rosary said before Mass Tues - Thursday at 7am or 8.30am on Friday & Saturday before Mass

WEEKEND MASSES NEXT WEEK

Saturday Vigil 17 5.00pm

Sunday 18 7.00am / 8.30am / 10.00am

Our new 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 the normal Saturday 9am Mass (8.30–10am) or phone the Parish Office for an appointment.



Weddings and Funerals:

Enquiries to the Parish Office.

COVID - 19 : Keeping everyone safe we ask you to:

Sanitize your hands before entry to and exit from the church.

Where possible, **keep a social distance** of 1.5 metres between people from other family groups.

Masks are encouraged to be worn, especially if you cannot keep a social distance.

Communion on the hand is preferred. If you want to receive communion on the tongue, please wait until the end of the communion line.

If you are **unwell**, please take care and **stay at home**.

Thank-you to everyone for your care to keep each other safe.

Cleaning our Church and surrounds for Christmas - Help needed

On the table outside the church you will find our wish list of jobs to do before Christmas. If you can assist, please put your name beside one of the jobs that need to be done.



You may like to work by yourself, in pairs, or form a group. Just come in your own time for as long as you want.

Before coming it is best to phone and check with the Parish Office that nothing is happening in or around the church.

If cleaning windows sometimes, it is easier to bring your own supplies.

A special thing to do for Advent

Celebrants for Sunday Masses

This Weekend - 10/11 Dec

Saturday

5.00pm Fr Vince

Sunday

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

Next Weekend - 17/18 Dec

Saturday

5.00pm Fr Vince

Sunday

7.00am Fr Vince 8.30am Fr Vince

10.00am Bishop Anthony

Ministries next weekend

Since we have been all encouraged to attend the 10 am Mass there will be no rostered ministries next weekend (17 & 18 Dec). There will also be no music (except at 10am). Fr Vince will ask for volunteers for each Mass from those who attend.

Celebrating twenty years on this site

On the Fourth Sunday of Advent in 2002 we moved from the original site of a Lady Star of the Sea church in school to our new site, here. On that day, precious items from the old church were brought in possession to be part of our new church, which was consecrated by Bishop David Walker. To celebrate twenty years since the move and consecration we have asked Bishop Anthony Randazzo to join our parish for a special Mass at 10am on Sunday 18th December.

To prepare for the day, we invite anyone who was part of the move to write down your memories and to send them to the parish office at starsea@bigpond.net.au. Copies of pictures would also be welcome. These will be displayed in the church when we receive them.

And to celebrate as a parish we are asking everyone to attend the 10am Mass on Sunday, 18th December. The other Masses (5pm, 7am, 8:30am) will still be celebrated, but there will be no singing or other ministries provided. Please, if possible, join us as one parish community for the celebration with the Bishop.

Notes for Ministers at Mass

I remind **Eucharistic ministers** that when their communion line is finished to return the ciborium to the altar and then return to their seats immediately for their private prayer. Do not wait till the blessed sacrament is returned to the tabernacle. This is not a significant action in the Mass and ignores the Eucharistic presence on the altar for communion to the sick and in every person who has received communion. When all the communion lines have finished the **second collection** will taken up immediately. Again, do not wait till the sacrament is returned to the tabernacle. And towards the end of the collection the choir will begin the **thanksgiving hymn**. This means we will be able to give thanks to God together, without interruption.

Christmas Dinner Thank you

Thank you to all helped in any way for the preparation of a special evening. We dined well and were beautifully entertained.

Michael and Joey won the L'isle de France dinner for two on the chocolate wheel.

We also raised \$3030 on the evening for the parish, which will be used to help with the Audio Visual Upgrade which will be happening after Christmas.

Donations to the Parish

Donations can be made at each Mass by putting **cash** in the collection bag; or by using the **Tap'n'Go** machines at the door of the church; or by giving **directly** to our parish bank account:

Terrigal Parish BSB: 062 784 Acc: 100001660

Planned giving **envelopes** are at the back of the church; or to arrange for regular (monthly) **credit card** donations please contact the Parish Office.

Thank-you to everyone who has been so generous to us during the year.

Bequests

In writing your will, where you can and after looking after your family, please also consider our Parish. Suggested wording is:

"I give to the Trustees of the Roman Catholic Church for the Diocese of Broken Bay, (ABN 79 031 652 544) as Trustee for the Catholic Parish of Terrigal in the State of New South Wales for its general purposes, the sum of \$______ or percent of my estate, or the property at

______, or ______ (other specific items), free of all duties, taxes and other deductions of whatever kind.

I declare that the receipt for the same signed by the Bishop of the Diocese, or other designated officer, shall be sufficient discharge to my Executors and Trustees."

If you would like more information, please contact the Parish Office or go to the diocesan website.



Preparing for Advent 2022

The Advent program continues this week on **Wednesday Evening at 7pm** and repeated on **Friday at 11am** in the Parish meeting rooms.

This is a time of preparation for the Nativity of Jesus. A time for each of us to stop and contemplate as we read the scriptures together.

Enquiries to the Parish Office or to Chris Hartcher who is leading the group.

Everyone is invited.

Come along to reflect and prepare.

A few booklets left now at \$3.00 available in the parish office, or piety stall.

Scripture / Lectio Divina Advent Preparation



Please join us on **Thursdays at 10.30am** in the Parish rooms as we peruse the readings for the upcoming Sunday.

For more information contact; Bernie 0414653146 or the Parish Office

Advent and Christmas Program

Reconciliation during Advent

Saturday 10th Dec - 8.30 to 10am & 4 to 5pm Saturday 17th Dec - 8.30 to 10am & 4 to 5pm Thursday 22nd Dec - 7 to 8pm Friday 23rd Dec - 8.30 to 10am Saturday 24th Dec - 8.30 to 10am

Second Rite of Reconciliation in neighboring parishes

Kincumber Tuesday 13th Dec at 7pm Woy Woy Thursday 15th Dec at 7pm Gosford Friday 16th Dec at 7pm



Terrigal Christmas Masses

<u>Christmas Eve - Saturday 24th December</u> 5pm Children's Mass & pageant & 9pm

Christmas Day Sunday 25th December 8am & 10am

NEW PARISH NAME TAGS ORDER YOURS NOW

New Catholics

During the week **Peter Bunker** was received into full communion with the Catholic Church through the Anglican Ordinariate. Since The Ordinariate only provides Mass once a week (on Thursdays) in Broken Bay Peter will be a regular parishioner with us at Our Lady Star of the Sea. Congratulations and welcome! Also, welcome to **Curtis Stephenson** who will be received into full communion in the coming weeks. Curtis has been worshipping with us for over a year now. Please continue to make him welcome as part of our parish.

Christmas Scene

The stable will be erected this weekend and the figures put in place during the week. This is for the school children to visit during their last week of school for lessons and prayers around the Christmas story. The Christ child will then be removed as we wait for Christmas.

Book Club

Last Friday our book club discussed the final chapters of St Augustine's Confessions. One of the most beloved writers in our long tradition. The book is a narrative journey of a restless soul choosing between eternal life and death. Between my will be done and Thy Will be done. The book starts and ends with one of the most widely quoted passages in all of literature-"Thou hast made us for Thyself and our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee." When approaching the fork in the road, St Augustine chose life. Next bookclub will be discussing C S Lewis' book The Abolition of Man. He sets out by outlining the consequences for mankind of abandoning the idea of objective truth, in much the same way that Pope Benedict XVI argued against the dictatorship of relativism. It is only 90 pages long but densely argued. The bookclub for January will be discussing a book based on a speech Bishop Barron gave at Google and Facebook. It is titled 'Arguing religion. Bishop Barron builds on Pope Saint John Paul II's encyclical Faith and reason. Join us if you can! gazbo2@ozemail.com.au

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal



Thank you to those people who took the information for a hamper. We are providing a Christmas cake for each hamper. We don't require you to provide a present but thank you

to those who want to.

Please return them to the back of the church either this weekend or next. Make sure you attach the sticker with your hamper's number. We need to deliver them on Sunday, 18th.

If you took an envelope, return it when you think you can afford to make a donation.

Thank you, Denis, Conference President.

Christmas Pageant

The beautiful tradition of the Children's Vigil Pageant will be at the 5pm Mass Christmas Eve.

On Wednesday 21st, there will be a full dress rehearsal from 10am to 12 noon for all in the Pageant.

Children attending the Mass without rehearsal are welcome to dress as angels and shepherds to sit in the pews.

No practice needed to adore Him.



Parish Pastoral Plan 2022

Over the last three weeks members of the PPC have spoken about the three objectives of the Pastoral Plan. Every member of the parish can contribute to each of these objectives. The plan is reproduced again below.

Mission: We, the parishioners of Our Lady Star of the Sea Terrigal are a community of Catholic people whose faith in God is inspired by the love and example of Jesus and his command to 'love one another as I have loved you' and whose actions are guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Vision: 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.

Objectives:

- 1. Everyone in the Parish takes a personal interest in others, introducing themselves to people they have not met before; greeting new people to the parish; and inviting family and friends to come to our church. (**Community**)
- 2. Everyone in the Parish does something each year to grow in their knowledge of the faith and to deepen their relationship with God. (**Conversion**)
- 3. As a result of hearing the Good News, everyone in the Parish is given the opportunity to be involved in good works through a Ministry. (**Mission**)



Last weekend we had our collection for the diocesan Pastoral Works. The share we have been asked to contribute is \$39,065. To raise this much the collection needs to continue for the whole year. Can you as-

sist? Cash donations or credit card details can be placed in the Pastoral Works envelope and put in either collection bag. Also, contact the parish office if you would like to have a regular (monthly) deduction from your credit card.

All donations over \$2 are 100% tax deductible.



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Serving year 7-12 students with disability.



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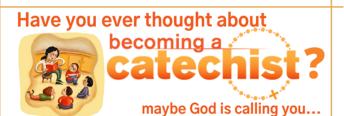
Pastoral care, sacraments, and advocacy for the deaf community.

Every gift makes a difference to someone in hospital, school, a parish or the wider community.

Catechists

One of our SRE teachers will be speaking at each of the Masses this weekend.

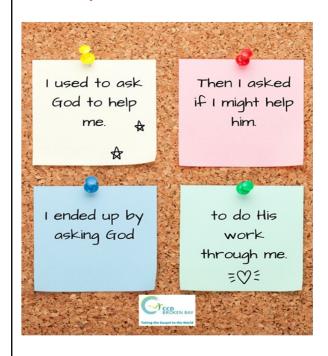
Also, we will be awarding service awards to Robyn Lentini who has been teaching for ten years and Cecilia Cornejo who has been teaching for twenty years. Congratulations and thank-you!



Thank you for your donations towards the bibles for the year 6 children we raised \$280.00

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Phone – Cheryl Ryan, Primary Catechist Coordinator 0403 123 220 or email – <u>bondi-</u> <u>two@bigpond.com</u>

The Children Need You and Me!



MORNING TEA ROSTER Please join us

After 8.30 am Mass

Group 2 Geraldine Czerkesow & Anne Cogglan - 11.12.22

Group 3 Margaret Brown & Robyn Ayers
-18.12.22

Group 4 Lee & Kerry Oliver - 8.1.23

Group 5 Chris Whalan, Viv Ball & Alison Bone

Group 6 Nancy Carey-Berryman & Susan Connor - 22.1.23

Group 1 Kaye Parker, Wanita Lynch & Robyn Lentini - 29.1.23

After 10.00 am Mass

Group 2 Ina Kite, Lyla Cross & Mary Portelli - 11.12.22

Group 4 Ian & Pat Rimes & Eleonora - 8.1.23

Group 5 Helen Mooney & Denise - 15.1.23

Group 6 June Carpenter & Carmel Peek - 22.1.23

Group 1 Joan Kearney, Claudia Hainey & JM - 29.1.23

The ideal would be to have 3 on a team and to have 6 teams. We would then go on a roster system, of once every 4 to 6 weeks if we can get more teams.



Speak to Janette in the parish office or Robyn at 8.30am Mass with any enquiries.

Third Advent Candle: Joy

God of joy,
It is in Your love
that we find lasting joy.
Teach us to find joy
in the gift of Your Son,
who came into this world with
nothing, yet gave us everything.
May His joy fill our hearts and
overflow to all we encounter.
Amen

Parish Piety Stall with Christmas stock.

Some lovely Christmas Calendars, Cards, Nativity Sets and small gifts as well as other new stock has been recently added to the religious merchandise in time for Christmas Gift giving.

We even have Gold Frankincense & Myrrh oil gift sets and the Story of Christmas in essential oils.

Come and view after each Mass at the weekend or see Janette in the Parish Office during the week if you need something special.

Thank you for supporting your Parish Piety Shop. Because of your purchases we are able to give a \$500 donation to Vinnies for their Christmas Appeal.

Catenian Fortnightly Walks

Open invitation to male parishioners to join us on ~75 minute bush walks in various local areas followed by lunch. Great opportunity to enjoy our beautiful area and get to know fellow Catholic men. Easy to medium grade level. Next walk on Tuesday 6 and 20th December.

Contact Stim Robinson 0401 058 329 or stimrobinson@hotmail.com for further details.



Don't forget the Parish Christmas Raffle \$2 each or 3 for \$5.00

1st Prize: Hand made Wooden Doll House, Cot and truck. Big Christmas Hamper including a Ham from Chad's Quality Meats.

2nd Prize Beautiful Beaded Framed Picture of Santa, Christmas Hamper with lots of goodies and a hand knitted blanket.

3rd Prize: Framed art work, curling wand, Christmas floral centerpiece and a bottle of bubbles.

Drawn today after the 10am Mass

Our Lady of Guadalupe

All are invited to celebrate the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of unborn children, at a Mass celebrated by Bishop Anthony Randazzo. The Mass will include a special blessing for expectant moth-



ers and those wishing to conceive a child.

Date: Monday 12th December

Time: 7:00pm Mass

Venue: Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church,

94 Archer St Chatswood

Download flyer here

ROSTERS FOR SERVERS and EM



Saturday - 5.00pm

10/12/2022 Server P Proust (EM) M Perry & L O'Donnell
17/12/2022 Server J Sheridan (EM) M Perry & R Zadro
24/12/2022 Server L George (EM) L O'Donnell & M Perry
31/12/2022 Server (EM)

Sunday - 7.00am

11/12/2022 Server P Clayton (EM) B Brown & E Katselas 18/12/2022 Server M Slattery (EM) E Katselas & J Sheehan 25/12/2022 Server G Justin (EM) B Brown & J Sheehan 1/1/2023 Server (EM)

Sunday - 8.30am

11/12/2022 Server P Maniskas (EM) R Lentini & A Bone 18/12/2022 Server D Southwell (EM) A Bone & R Ayers 25/12/2022 Server V & J Duverge (EM) R Ayers & R Lentini 1/1/2023 Server (EM)

Sunday - 10.00am

11/12/2022 Server B Lobo (EM) C Addison & I Kite 18/12/2022 Server P Maniskas (EM) J Merrotsy & I Kite 25/12/2022 Server B Lobo (EM) C Addison & I Kite 1/1/2023 Server (EM)

EM = Eucharistic Minister or correctly Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

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

Prayer Requests

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

Recently Deceased

Michael Suine Beverley Thomson Len Ellis
Giovanna Forestieri Janice Henderson
Joseph Baynie Patricia Plews Anita Negri
Sophie Coleman Joshua Roil Graham Atterton
Bob Isaac Fr Tony Bolt Tracey King
Patrick McMahon

Anniversaries & Remembrance

Elizabeth O'Shannassy Terry McDermott Lorna Guilfoyle Wendy Gray Silvana Favetta Joan Goodwin Michael Kokegei Jose Goncalurz Michael Riddell Ellen & James Dodds Anne O'Shannassy Tony & Geraldine D'arcey

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Sandra Bastoli Maureen D'arcey Jeff Thomson Baby Theo Mary Smith Little Mateo Kim Byrne Mark Debenham Tracey Burn Jack Ďummett Susan Bonsall Ned Lines Len Freeman Sandra Tagliabue Anne Roy Fiona Connelly Alan Cuthbert Joan Thomson

ROSTERS FOR READERS OF THE WORD



Saturday - 5.00pm

10/12/2022 (1) Dawn Smith (2) McCuddens 17/12/2022 (1) Connie Attard (2) Dudley Smith 24/12/2022 Volunteers please contact Parish Office 31/12/2022 (1) Dudley Smith (2) Maureen Reynolds

Sunday - 7.00am

11/12/2022 (1) J Rogers (2) Betty Brown
18/12/2022 (1) Sandrea Petith (2) Peter Clayton
25/12/2022 (1) Robyn Wild (2) Justine Hayes
1/1/2023 (1) Sandrea Petith (2) Peter Clayton

Sunday - 8.30am

11/12/2022 (1) Anne Strong (2) Chris Hartcher 18/12/2022 (1) Frank Cohen (2) Christine Lovatt 25/12/2022 Volunteers please contact Parish Office 1/1/2023 (1) (2)

Sunday - 10.00am

11/12/2022 (1) June Carlson (2) Marie Ellicott 18/12/2022 (1) Joan Kearney (2) Maddie Conroy 25/12/2022 (1) Marie Ellicott (2) June Carlson 1/1/2023 (1) Janette Merrotsy (2) June Carlson

BUS TO MASS

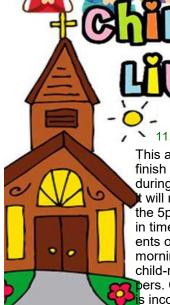
The Parish bus collects parishioners for 10am Mass. If you would like to be picked up, please contact Peter Clayton via the Parish Office.

CHURCH BUS

Masks must be worn on the bus.

More bus drivers are required to go on a roster to help in this important ministry.

Thank you to our loyal drivers



11.12.2022 Robyn & Marie
This activity at the 8.30am Mass will finish this weekend and not continue during the school holidays. Next year t will re-commence in February at the 5pm Saturday Mass. The change in time comes from a request of parents of school age children. Sunday morning is a popular time for many child-related activities such as nippers. Our apologies to anyone who is inconvenienced by the change.

Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster

12 December 2022

Wanita Lynch, Wanita Lynch & Linda Lee

19 December 2022

Barbara Clarke, Nigel Carter, Pina Maisano & Robyn Lentini



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