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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

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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.



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TERRIGA

17th August 2025

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Entrance Antiphon: Turn your eyes, O God, our shield;

and look on the face of your anointed one;

one day within your courts

is better than a thousand elsewhere.

1st Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

Psalm: Lord, come to my aid!

2nd Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;

I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 10:27

Communion Antiphon: With the Lord there is mercy;

in him is plentiful redemption.

Next Week's Readings: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

Psalm: Go out to all the world

and tell the Good News.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Gospel: John 14:6

WEEKDAY SERVICES

August 19 7.30am Communion Service Tuesday

20 7.30am Mass Wednesday 21 7.30am Mass Thursday 22 9.00am Mass Friday Saturday 23 9.00am Mass

WEEKEND MASSES - NEXT WEEK

Saturday Vigil: August 23 5.00pm Mass

Sunday: 24 7.30am & 9.30am Mass

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 enroll.

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

Vinnies Winter Appeal

Thank you for your generosity once again. Your donations came to \$7000. This will now allow gererous support to those in need.



Denis. Conference President. denis.o'rourke@vinnies.org.au

Baptisms

This weekend we welcome Roger Fairbairn, Maeve & Rosie Steadand and



Hugo Xavier. Congratulations and God's blessing to these children and their families.

Bible Study and Discussion

Where: In the Parish Office.

When: **Every Thursday**. Times: **1pm to 2pm**

We begin our study of The Gospel of

St John **6pm to 7pm**

We will take a short break until further notice . This is ONLY for the

6pm session.

All Welcome.

Bring your Bible with you.

For more information: Call Elias 0459 220 208



Scripture Reflection Hour

You are invited to enjoy an hour of peace to reflect on the following Sunday's Gospel reading. We meet at 10.30am to 11.30am Thursday in the

meet at 10.30am to 11.30am **Thursday** in the Parish Rooms.

You are welcome to attend whenever you can. Bibles provided. If you are interested and would like to know more call **Robyn Wild** on 0410 454 650.

Live Streaming Parish Mass

We record the Mass each Wednesday and Friday. To have a look

go to the parish website and click on

Mass times and online events, then Mass live. then

Vimeo

or click on this link: Live Streamed Mass

Please note: The Parish Office will be closed Monday until further notice

Congratulations
ON YOUR
ANNIVERSARY
OF PRIESTHOOO

Congratulations to Fr Vince who celebrates 43 years since his ordination to the priesthood on Thursday 21 August.



Thank you for all you do for us.

First Holy Communion Programme



Communion Input for Parents Wednesday 20th August at 7pm. Parent/Child Support Class Saturday 30th August at 3.30pm. Presentation 5pm 30th August or 7.30am & 9.30am 31st August

First Holy Communion Massses

Saturday 13th September 5pm Sunday 14th September 7.30am & 9.30am of Saturday 20th September 5pm Sunday 21st September 7.30am & 9.30am

Enquiries about any of the above to Janette 0421416555

Sacraments

During the week 118 parishioners celebrated their **First Reconciliation**. Thanks to all those who were involved in helping put on the programme, and especially to the parents, who are the primary teachers of their children in the faith.

The **First Holy Communion** programme starts with the Parents' meeting this Wednesday 20th August at 7pm.



St Michael Prayer Group Mass

5:30pm Thursday 21st August 2025

All welcome to attend and join with the St Michael

Prayer Group for Mass and Adoration.

Fr George Gorzkowski will be with us on this evening to pray for the sick and your intentions.

A light supper to follow.

Funeral

A Funeral Mass for Mac Ellicot will be celebrated at Terrigal on Tuesday 26 August at 11am. All who knew Mac are welcome to attend.

CatholicCare: Fundraising For Our Diocesan Homelessness Services

There is no place like home – but for many having a home is not a reality. The causes may be diverse, but the impact is the same – a loss of dignity and a sense of hopelessness.

Envelopes are available at the back of the church & can be placed in any collection bag.

Thank you for supporting this important Diocesan initiative.



On the internet there are many sites and blogs that speak about the Catholic Church and the Pope, controversies and change. Please be careful what you read and listen to.

I have been asked to recommend a site that can be trusted. If anything major happens in the Catholic world it will be reported in CathNews (https://cathnews.com/).

This is a free service, sponsored by the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference that is sent to your email inbox about 9am each morning, Monday to Friday.

CathNews has its own bias, but if you have heard about a significant Catholic statement or event and it is not reported in CathNews, then it probably is not true. *Fr Vince*.

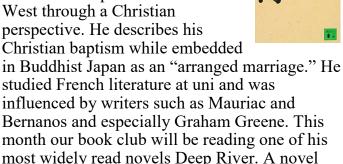
Let Us Pray

We pray for the staff and volunteers of humanitarian agencies; may this week's **United Nations World Humanitarian Day** (19th **August**) encourage them in their compassionate service of victims of violence, poverty and social upheaval. Lord, hear us.

We pray for Australia's children; may this year's **Children's Book Week** thrill them with the adventure of reading. Lord. hear us.

Bookclub

Shusaku Endo is a well known Japanese author who wrote about the relationship between East and West through a Christian perspective. He describes his Christian baptism while embedded



about a group of pilgrims to the Ganges river. Endo is a great story teller and it is easy to see why he might have been recommended for the Nobel prize. In September we will be reading Corrie ten

Boom's recollections of hiding Jewish families during the occupation of The Netherlands-The Hiding Place.

In October we will be reading Song at the Scaffold by Gertrude von Le Fort. Set during the French Revolution, when madness was thick in the air, this short novel is based on a true story of the Carmelite nuns of Compiègne, who offered their lives for the preservation of the Church in France.

Join us if any of these appeal. You will be made welcome.

Jubilee of Choirs

Celebrate The Jubilee of Choirs at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral. A Festival of Song will be held on at 6.30pm Saturday 22 November, following the 5pm Vigil Mass which will be celebrated by Bishop Anthony Randazzo, and a light supper in the Cathedral courtyard will follow. Link to flyer

Engaged Encounter

provides deeper insights for couples into each other and into married life. It is a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship.

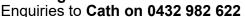
For further information:

www.engagedencounter.org.au

Upcoming weekends: August 16th-17th and November 8th-9th

OLSOS Craft Group

Next meeting Wednesday 20th August 2025.



Come join a small friendly group of lovely ladies.

Men's Bushwalking Group



On Tuesday, we were treated to really beautiful weather and finally got to walk in the Piles Creek area. Whilst there was quite a bit of water seeping on to the tracks, we were able to safely make our way. The creeks were running strongly and provided an excellent background sound to our conversations. We spent quite a while at the larger waterfall taking a lot of photos as the spray glistened in the sunlight each time the breeze came through. We tried out the café at Mount Penang Gardens and had a tasty meal. Worked out very well. Our next walk will be 26 August. Any gentleman interested in participating in any of our walks, please contact Stim Robinson on 0401 058 329 or stimrobinson@hotmail.com to get further details including where to meet for the walk. Our walks usually take an hour or so and then we head off for lunch nearby.



The 2025-2026 ACBC Social Justice Statement, Signs of Hope on the Edge: Serving People Living in Homelessness and Mental III-Health addresses the growing crisis of homelessness in Australia - 273,600 people were assisted by homelessness services in 2022-23, one-third of whom had a mental health issue.

The statement calls on us to follow Jesus' example by offering compassion, friendship, and hope, recognising that secure housing is essential for physical and mental well-being and that everyone is created in the image of God. In this Jubilee Year, Pope Francis urges us to be "messengers and builders of hope" to those on the margins.

Download the 2025-2026 Statement

Catholic Women's League

Coffee morning on Monday 18th August at 10.30. at Breakers.

Scholarship morning tea to meet our recipients will be on Wednesday 20th August at 10am, at St. Mary's Toukley.

We would like as many as possible to attend CWLmeeting will be held on Monday 25th August at 10.15am for a 10.30am meeting in the Parish Office.

The winners of our raffle are:

1ST prize Robyn Lentini 2nd prize Anne Macklin 3rd prize Sandrea Petith

Congratulations to all.

New members always welcome.

Enquiries: Colleen Addison 0425368431



Vocations to the Priesthood

In August we are asked to pray for vocations to the priesthood in our Diocese.

Prayer for Vocations

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, O Lord, that we may be holy.

In your mercy, guard and strengthen us to be disciples who witness to the Good News of Jesus. Call forth from our community of the Church generous and loving shepherds after your own heart. May they be zealous preachers of the Word; faithful teachers of the Truth and devoted servants at the altar.

Fill their hearts with love for you and your creation; open their minds to a lifetime of learning; and make them humble servants of your holy people.

For you, O God, are kind and merciful, and to you we offer glory in your holy Church, now and forever.

Amen.



Orders are being taken at the moment for the plaques to start on the other Memorial Wall. We need 3 more orders to start the next group. If you would like to order see Janette. The forms are at the back of the back of the church.

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



Important Notice regarding Monthly Credit Card Giving.

Firstly thank you to all who have chosen to be part of this mode of giving.

We use B Point through the Commonwealth Bank which is for your safety. We have a new Diocesan system called Pacem which uses the updated B Point platform.

Because of this change we need to reconfirm all your Credit Card details. What we require is:

Name on Card:

Credit Card Number:

CVC: 3 digit no on back

Expiry date:

Amount per month:

Thank you to all who got in touch with the Parish Office with the up date of your Credit Cards. I still have over 20 more to be confirmed.

Please contact me as soon as you can.

Many thanks. Janette 0421416555

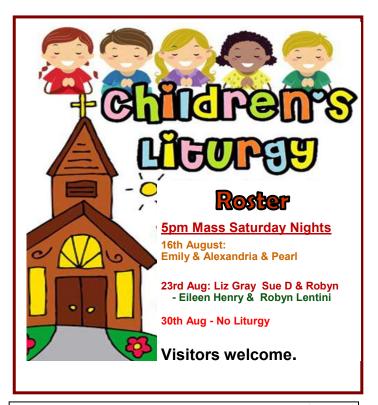
Australian Catholic Historical Society

The next event will be held in the crypt of Saint Patrick's, Church Hill at 2pm on Sunday 17 August. The topic: 60 years since Vatican II's Nostra Aetate – What changed in the Catholic Church's relationship with the Jewish people?

The presenter is Dr Teresa Pirola, writer and faith educator with a special interest in Catholic-Jewish relations. No charge. Details of ACHS programme and resources are on the website.

Rest in Peace

Please pray for Asuncion Medina, mother of Fr Teodolfo, Assistant Priest at the Parish of Wyong, who died during the week in the Philippines.



MARY MAC'S WOY WOY

Terrigal Parish proud to support

Thanking you once again for showing your love by donating groceries at the parish office door, which is then collected by Mary Mac's volunteers. Poppers, mini water bottles, snacks, tin food, always welcome.

New Altar Servers

Congratulations to the 13 students from our parish school who have been trained to serve at Mass and received a blessing at the school Mass on Friday. And thanks to Phil Proust who has been preparing them.

Jubilee Year 2025

Website

A dedicated Jubilee site bbjubilee.com.au within the diocesan website contains a myriad of resources, Calendar of Diocesan celebrations, detailed information for parishes and resources from the Holy See.

OLSS Movie Night

is coming up!
Friday, 12th September.
Gates Open at 5:00pm.



The Parish is doing the BBQ. Please contact the office if you would like to help.

ROSTERS FOR SERVERS & EM



Saturday - 5.00pm

16/8/2025 Server D Southwell (EM) L O'Donnell G Catanzariti 23/8/2025 Server L George (EM) V & J Duverge

Sunday - 7.30am

17/8/2025 Server P Clayton (EM) Betty Brown 24/8/2025 Server M Slattery (EM) B Brown & E Katselas

Sunday - 9.30am

10/8/2025 Server B Lobo (EM) R Ayres & R Lentini 17/8/2025 Server J Tarrant (EM) A Bone M Sproats 24/8/2025 Server P Maniskas (EM) C Addison & K Curtis

> **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

(2) Dawn Smith 16/8/2025 (1)Georges 23/8/2025 (1) Mc Cuddans (2) Dudley Smith

Sunday - 7.30am

17/8/2025 (1) B Brown (2) Sandrea Petith 24/8/2025 (1) Jeanette Rogers (2) Robyn Wild

Sunday - 9.30am

17/8/2025 (1) Janette Merrotsy (2) Curtis Stephenson 24/8/2025 (1) Graham Sproats (2) Jane Watts

Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster

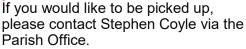


18 August 2025 Mary Bryant, Evelyn Lazzarini, Kerry Oliver

25th August 2025 Wanita Lynch, Julie Roberts, Linda Lee

Bus to Mass

The Parish bus collects parishioners for 9.30am Mass.



Thank you to the people who volunteered to drive the Parish bus.

Prayer Requests

Recently Deceased

Mac Ellicot Bette Townsend Bob Leitch Asuncion Medina David Burgeyne Jean Draper Margaret Cusack Joan Oliver Marjory Bonny Les Carr Fr Chris Riley Jan Terkildsen Paul Summerhayes Bishop Peter Elliot Peter Watton Jacky Worthington Simon Heesh

Anniversaries & Remembrance

Jazmine Gonzales John Lentini Selina Orton Michael Kokegei Bernie Introna Ralph Goss Anne Cuthbert Sam Attard Bob Clarke

Sick

Ruby Gornall Marie Campbell Fr Pat Keenan Jackson Howard Bernadette Kennedy Maureen Smith Joan Kearney Lucy & Pia Favetta Kate Terry Sue Warren-Smith Patricia Cooper Leonard Gav Simon Heesh Suzanne Russo

Sylvia Mann Daniella Galla Debbie Bell Vic Burnham Mary Smith Matthew Cooper Elizabeth D'Souza

MORNING TEA ROSTER



Please stay and join us After 9.30am Mass

Group 7	Ian & Pat Rimes, Linda & Isabel Lee

- 17.8.2025

Group 8 June Carpenter, Carmel Peek & Anne-Marie McCarthy - 24.8.2025

Group 1 Wanita Lynch, Mary Howes, Robyn Lentini & Julie Tarrant - 31.8.2025

Group 2 Robyn Lentini, Ina Kite, Scott Dunn,

Robyn & Vic Wilmot - 7.9.2025

Group 3 Barbara Clarke, Sue O'Connor

& Eileen Dodds - 14.9.2025 Anne Strong, Eileen Dodds, Mary Portelli Group 4

& Mary Jones - 21.9.2025

Group 5 Margaret Brown & Robyn Ayers, Juliet

Mathew & Kate Curtis - 28.9.2025

Group 6 Chris Whalan, Viv Ball & Alison Bone

- 06.10.2025

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

Road to Bethlehem

is a wonderful display and enactment of the Christmas story celebrated on the Central Coast during Advent. If you would like to be an actor in the narrative or a guide explaining the story, please contact Andy Matthes at the Gosford Seventh Day Adventist Church on 0447 244 610 or andymatthes@adventist.org.au



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