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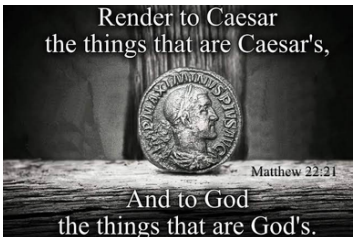
Prayer to St Michael

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.



18th October 2026

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Entrance Antiphon: To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

1st Reading: Isaiah 45: 1,4-6

Psalm: Give the Lord glory and honour.

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-5

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 22: 15-21

Communion Antiphon: Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Next Week's Readings: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

1st Reading:	Exodus 22: 20-26
Psalm:	I love you, Lord, my strength.
2nd Reading:	1 Thessalonians 1: 5-10
Gospel:	Matthew 22: 34-40

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Tuesday	20	7.30 am Mass
Wednesday	21	7.30 am Mass
Thursday	22	7.30 am Mass
Friday	23	9.00 am Mass
Saturday	24	9.00 am Mass

WEEKEND MASSES - Next Weekend

Saturday Vigil:	24	5.00 pm Mass
Sunday:	25	7.30 am & 9.30 am 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.

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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:
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  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; or
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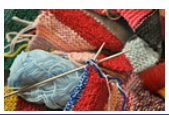
Thank-you for your continued generosity.

OLSOS Craft Group

The craft group meets fortnightly on a Wednesday, from 12:30 to 2:00pm in the Parish Office.

Next meeting is the 13th October.

Communication via text and email.
Group: Cath - 0432 982 622
Office: 4367 4610
Email: starsea@bigpond.net.au



Baptisms

This weekend we welcome **Ace and Ivy Peebles.**

Congratulations and God's blessings to each of you and your family.



Confirmation 2026

Parent Child Preparation Support Class

Saturday 24th October at 3:30pm plus presentations at the 5pm Mass or on Sunday. Both are compulsory to complete the program.

Confirmation Day

Saturday 14th November at 12 Noon and 2pm.
Enquiries to Janette 0421416555



October the Month of the Holy Rosary

All prayer is powerful and the Rosary is like prayer on steroids. It gives many benefits, including 15 specific promises revealed by Our Lady to St Dominic.

Praying the Rosary regularly will also help you increase your holiness. It is so valuable that Holy Mother Church grants a plenary indulgence when prayed with others.

Many parishes pray the Rosary before or after daily Mass including our parish which is prayed 30 minutes before weekday Masses and after the 7.30am Sunday Mass.

Parish office will be closed on Monday the 19th October 2026. Sorry for any inconvenience

A Message from Fr John

Reflection for the 29th Sunday: What belongs to God? (Mt 22:15-21)

We are careful about what belongs to us - our money, our property and our time. But Jesus invites us to look deeper: “Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God” (Matthew 22:21). The coin bears Caesar’s image, but we are created in God’s image (Genesis 1:27). Oskar Schindler, a German businessman, used his wealth and influence to save more than a thousand Jewish people during the Holocaust, showing how possessions can become instruments of compassion and save human lives. As Jesus says, “Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also” (Matthew 6:21). Our faith is seen not only in what we believe, but in how we value others and use what we have for their good.

Celebrating Marriage and Faithfulness

We congratulate Grahame and Maria Sproats on their 50th wedding anniversary, celebrated in August, and Ray and Sally Dwyer, who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on 15 October. We thank God for their lives together and for the love and faithfulness they have shared over the years. May God continue to bless both couples with good health, peace and joy.

If you or someone in your family is celebrating a special wedding anniversary of 25, 40, 50, 60 or 70 years, please let us know. We would be delighted to share in your joy and give thanks to God together as a parish family.

Prayer for our New Bishop

Christ, in whom we are one, you are the Good Shepherd who never abandons your flock. In this time of waiting and anticipation, we place our trust entirely in your providence. We thank you for the gift of our Diocese of Broken Bay stretching from the Northern Beaches, across the North Shore, to the shores of the Central Coast. We are a people shaped by the sea, by community, and by faith. As the waters of our bays and coastline speak of your vastness and your care, so too do we cast ourselves upon your wisdom in this moment of transition. Guide the hearts and minds of those entrusted with discerning the right shepherd for our Diocese that they may listen deeply to your Holy Spirit and choose wisely for the good of your people. Stir in us, your people of Broken Bay, a renewed sense of unity and purpose. May this season of waiting not weaken us, but deepen our faith, strengthen our bonds, and renew our commitment to the Gospel. And we pray for the one you are preparing to lead us as Bishop. Form him in humility and courage. Grant him a shepherd’s heart, a teacher’s wisdom, and a servant’s joy. We turn to you, Our Lady Star of the Sea, patroness of our Diocese and guiding light for all who navigate uncertain waters. As sailors have long looked to the stars to find their way, so we look to you now to intercede for us, to steady us, and to lead us safely to the one God is sending to guide us. May Christ, the Head of the Church, be glorified in our waiting, in our welcoming, and in all that is to come. And this we ask through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

Catholic Women’s League

Coffee morning on 19th October at Breakers at 10.30am.

Next meeting on **26th October 10.15 am for 10.30 am.**

Colleen Addison 0425 368 431

Praise & Worship with Bible Study & Discussion

On a break while Elias is in PNG.

Starting back on the 5th November.

Feastday St John Paul II - The Great

Only four Popes have ever been known as "the Great": Pope Leo I, Pope Gregory I, Pope Nicholas I and Pope John Paul II.

These are not official designations but rather popular acclaim. It's remarkable for Pope John Paul II, this acclaim didn't take time to build, but began immediately following his death.

In the eyes of millions, Pope John Paul II was great. He seemed to be loved by people across the board, providing a source of unity in a sometimes divided Church. He not only led the Church, but also the world. He was a force against dictatorships and communism's ravage of Eastern Europe and particularly in his beloved Poland.

His final years were marked by illness and suffering. He did not view these as battles to run away from, but an opportunity to unite himself more greatly to the Cross.

Then-Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, presided over the Funeral Mass for Pope John Paul II and said the late-Pontiff's life had been one dominated by listening to the words of the Risen Christ: "Follow me."

"The love of Christ was the dominant force in the life of our beloved Holy Father," Cardinal Ratzinger said.

"Anyone who ever saw him pray, who ever heard him preach, knows that. Thanks to his being profoundly rooted in Christ, he was able to bear a burden which transcends merely human abilities: that of being the shepherd of Christ's flock, his universal Church.

"We can be sure that our beloved Pope is standing today at the window of the Father's house, that he sees us and blesses us."

His canonisation on 27 April 2014 was an acknowledgement of what many already believed: that the great Pope had seen the beatific vision and was now interceding for the Church on earth.

As we celebrate his feast day on 22 October, we ask for his intercession, and that just as his life on earth was "great", so too would his prayers be for us.

Saint John Paul II, pray for us.



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This week, you are invited to partner with Catholic Mission and the Church in Malawi as we support families rebuilding after devastating floods and help children access education close to home.

Through projects like St Peter's Nyamikuta Primary School, the Church is creating a place where children can learn, be nourished, and grow with dignity, regardless of their background or beliefs.

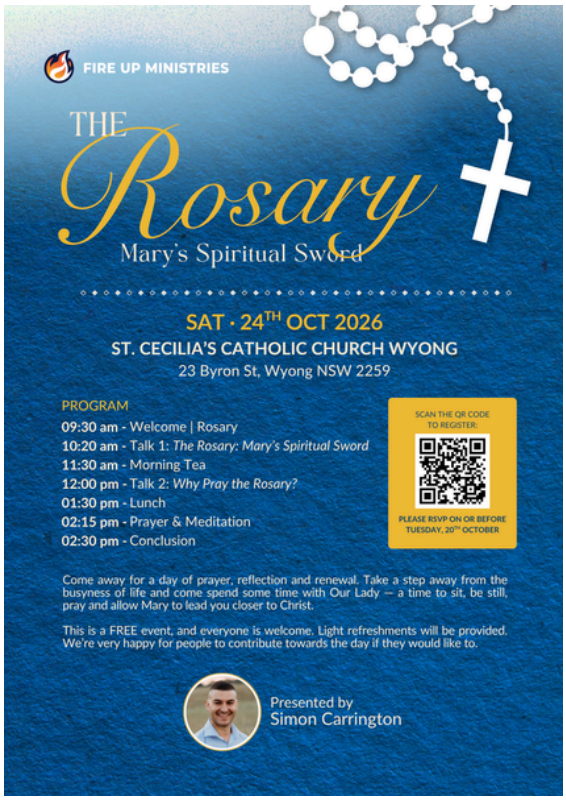
As we celebrate 100 years of World Mission Day, we are reminded by Pope Leo XIV that we are 'One in Christ, United in Mission'.

Join with us in celebration and action by supporting this work with a compassionate gift. Use the provided appeal envelope, scan the QR code, or visit catholicmission.org.au/united to make a difference today.

CCD Annual Mass for Catechists

Our Annual Mass for Catechists will be held on Saturday, 7th November, 11.30am at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara. Catechists receiving awards and training certificates at the Mass have been sent their invitation.

All catechists, family, friends, parishioners and clergy are welcome – please RSVP to ccdadmin@bbcatholic.org.au.



St Michael Prayer Group Mass

5:30 pm

Thursday 22nd October 2026

All welcome to attend and join with us for Mass followed by adoration and St Michael prayers.



Fr Thomas will be with us again on this evening.

Enquiries to Janette 0421 416 555

Our Lady Star of the Sea Playgroup

Looking for connection, friendship and fun? Join us at Playgroup each week for a relaxed morning of play, conversation and community.

Parents, carers and children ages 3+ are all welcome.

OLSOS outside the Parish Office while school orientation is on. 9am-10.30 am Wednesday.

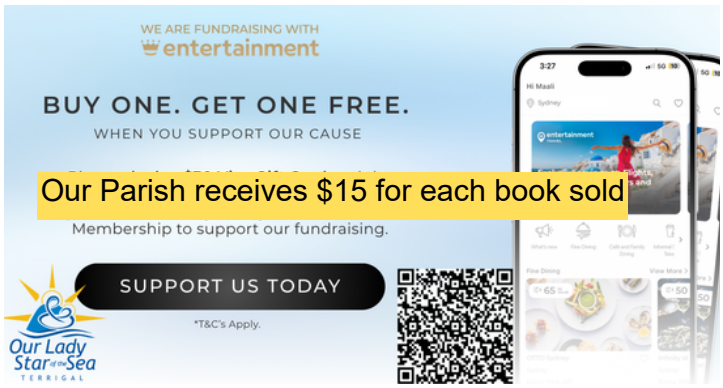
Please register your interest to the Parish Office via telephone or email.

Come and join the fun !

Enquiries to Sarah via the Parish Office







Enquries to Janette 0421416555

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 Parish Rooms. A gentle experience.

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.

Taize Prayer

An hour of peaceful meditation, candlelight, music and silence in our church.

Come and experience the beauty of simple Taize Chant, reflective prayer and quiet stillness in the presence of God.

This Sunday Evening 18th October at 6.00pm. Theme is "Summer"

All warmly welcome.



Grandparents' Group

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 28th Octobfrom 6pm to 7pm in the Parish Office. The group exists for mutual encouragement and sharing initiatives, ideas and prayer for passing on the faith to future generations.

All welcome. You don't have to be a grandparent to take part.



We meet on the last Wednesday of each month and discuss a new topic.

ROSTERS FOR SERVERS & EM



Saturday - 5.00pm

17/10/2026 Server L George	(EM) T Gorman, A Vilder, S Dunn & G Catanzarit
24/10/2026 Server P Proust	(EM) L O' Donnell, P Ross, M Perry & L Gray
31/10/2026 Server J Sheridan	(EM) L O' Donnelll, G Catanzariti, J Costello & T Gorman
31/10/2026 Server V Duverge	(EM) S Dunn, A Vilder, P Ross & T Gorman

Sunday - 7.30am

18/10/2026 Server M Slatery	(EM) N Baracha, B Lobo, B Reid & J Rogers
25/10/2026 Server B Lobo	(EM) A Richards, B Brown, S Petith & B Reid
01/11/2026 Server M Slattery	(EM) J Rogers, N Barcha, P Maniskas & B Brown
08/11/2026 Server M Slattery	(EM) A Richards, J Rogers & B Reid

Sunday - 9.30am

18/10/2026 Server E Bastoli	(EM) R Ayres, A Bone, C Addison & K Curtis
25/10/2026 Server P Maniskas	(EM) C Addison, A Kopecky, J Merrotsy & R Lentini
01/11/2026 Server J Tarrant	(EM) R Ayres, A Bone, C Addison & K Curtis
08/11/2026 Server B Lobo	(EM) K Curtis, A Kopecky, J Merrotsy & R Lentini

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

ROSTERS FOR READERS OF THE WORD



Saturday - 5.00pm

17/10/2026	(1) Julie McManus	(2) Georges
24/10/2026	(1) Connie Attard	(2) McCuddens
31/10/2026	(1) Coral Foo	(2) Goodworths
07/11/2026	(1) Helen Grady	(2) Maureen Reynolds

Sunday - 7.30am

18/10/2026	(1) Robyn Wild	(2) Ivy Holly
25/10/2026	(1) Jeanette Rogers	(2) Sandrea Petith
01/11/2026	(1) Chris Hartcher	(2) Anne Strong
08/11/2026	(1) Robyn Wild	(2) Jeanette Rodgers

Sunday - 9.30am

18/10/2026	(1) Graham Sproats	(2) Jane Watts
25/10/2026	(1) Janette Merrotsy	(2) Vic Wilmot
01/11/2026	(1) Susan de Brincatt -Moffatt	(2) Anne Mackson
08/11/2026	(1) Vic Wilmot	(2) Susan de Brincatt-Moffat

Bus to Mass



The Parish bus collects parishioners for 9.30am Mass.

If you would like to be picked up, please contact Stephen Coyle via the Parish Office.

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

Prayer Requests:



Recently Deceased

Catherine Roberts	Nancy Newman	Wendy Stringer
Penny Dressler	Ben McCann	Paul Angel
George Saab	Domenic Fattore	Roma Hunter

Anniversaries & Remembrance

Noel Langan	Mary Browne	Sonnie Langan
Annie-Kate Langan	Christopher Goss	Selina Orton

Sick

June Carlson

Maryann Paterson	Claire Hey	Jude (Khoury Family)
Laura Langan	Peter James Portelli	Jean Claude
Jaques Miniassan	David Roe	Therese George-Saad
Barbara Russ	Fred Whyte	Debbie Bell
Sandra Jackson	Lucy & Pia Favetta	Kate Terry
Julio Marquez	Donald, Xi, Susie,	Vladimir & Charles
Stephanie Empson	Suzanne Russo	Sylvia Mann
Margaret Dwyer	Baby Rosie	Baby Levi
Kye Mc Intosh	Michael Hallett	Eileen Clayton
Denis Smith	Xenie Star	Marie Campbell
Mary Smith	Maeve McDonald (4yrs)	
Jose Patino	Jane Smith	Greg C
Tracey Homan	Bernadette Kennedy	Joyce Hone
Elizabeth D'Souza	Kathleen Martin	Ron McGuiness
Jackson Howard	Veronica Bishop	

MORNING TEA ROSTER



Please stay and join us
After 9.30am Mass

Group 3 **Barbara Clarke, Sue O'Connor & Eileen Dodds - 18.10.2026**

Group 4 **Anne Strong, Eileen Dodds, Mary Portelli & Mary Jones - 25.10.2026**

Group 5 **Robyn Ayers, Juliet Mathew & Kate Curtis - 01.11.2026**

Group 6 **Chris Whalan, Viv Ball, Pat & Alison Bone - 08.11.2026**

Group 7 **Ian & Pat Rimes, Bernadette Wright, Linda & Isabel Lee - 15.11.2026**

Group 1 **Wanita Lynch, Mary Howes, Robyn Lentini & Julie Tarrant - 22.11.2026**

Group 2 **Robyn Lentini, Robyn Wilmot & Elaine Cooper - 29.11.2026**

Everyone is welcome, and 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.

Pope's Prayer Intentions for October

For mental health ministry. Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.



Parish Book Club

This month our book club will be reading and discussing the conversion story of J D Vance. For those who have read his initial autobiography Hillbilly Elegy, this provides a follow up of sorts. His account of how he lost his faith on going to college and serving in the army, while personal, has general applicability to understanding the religiously non affiliated. What started him back on the path to faith was a passage from St Augustine. In this increasingly divisive age, Vance reminds us that character is far more important than social competition; surprising really considering where he ends up. Worth reading and discussing.

November will be the last book club for the year before the break over December / January and as in previous years there will be no set text. Bring a poem, a piece of music,an art work to discuss -anything that might be enlightening. In January we have decided to dip into some of the short stories of Flannery O'Connor. That should be a treat.
Gazboantonius@gmail.com

Children's Liturgy
5pm Mass Saturday Nights

Roster

17.10.2026 - Robyn Lentini & Alexandria Goodworth
24.10.2026 - No Liturgy class (Year 3 Mass)
31.10.2026 - Robyn Lentini
07.11.2026 - Emily Cairns & Anne Vidler



Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster



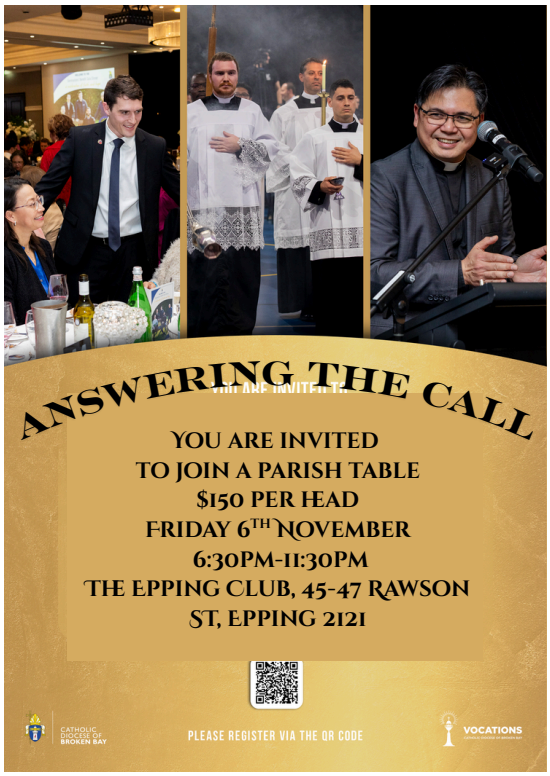
19th October 2026
Eileen Dodds, Sor Morales, Pamela Price & John Donnelly

26th October 2026
Viv Ball, Denise Newman, Chris Whalan, Susan Connor & Alison Bone

Volunteers are needed to help clean the church. If you're available to serve, please contact Alison Bone on 0412 729 395. Thank you for your help!

MEN'S BUSHWALKING GROUP

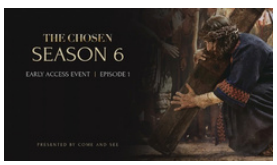
We are planning to walk in the Kincumba Mountain Reserve on Tuesday. We deferred previous walks there pending the control burn. They have since completed it and they covered an extensive area on the south eastern side of the mountain. Lunch at the Kincumber Hotel.
Our following walk is planned for 3 November (Melbourne Cup day). Any gentleman interested in participating in the walks, please contact Stim Robinson on 0401 058 329 or email stimrobinson@hotmail.com to get further details including where to meet for the walk. Our walks usually take an hour and half or so and then we head off for lunch nearby.



The Chosen - No charge

Mission Broken Bay have teamed up with Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, The Entrance to bring you this special Early Access Screening of Episode 1, Season 6 of **The Chosen** before the new season is officially released. Registration for this free event is essential for catering purposes.
Location: **The Ambrose Centre, The Entrance**
Enquiries: admin@ourladyoftherosary.org.au

- Tuesday, 20 October at 10am (popcorn & drinks)



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