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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.



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 "



# 18 December 2022

## Fourth Sunday of Advent

at 7am or 8.30am on

Friday & Saturday

before Mass

Entrance Antiphon:	Drop down dew from above, y let the clouds rain down the Ju let the earth be opened and br Saviour.	st One;
1st Reading:	Isaiah 7:10-14	
Psalm:	Let the Lord enter; he is king c	of glory.
2nd Reading:	St Paul to the Romans 1:1-7	
Gospel Acclamation:	<b>Alleluia, alleluia!</b> A virgin will give birth to a son his name will be Emmanuel: G <b>Alleluia!</b>	-
Gospel:	Matthew 1:18-24	
Communion Antiphon	: Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and his name will be called Em	
Next Week's Readin	gs:	
1st Reading: Psalm:	Isaiah 52:7-10 All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.	
2nd Reading Gospel:	Hebrews 1:1-6 John 1:1-18	
WEEKDAY MASSES TH	HIS WEEK	Rosary said before Mass Tues - Thursday

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

### CHRISTMAS MASSES

Saturday	Vigil	24
Sunday		25

4 5.00pm (Children's Mass & Pageant) / 9pm
5 8.00am / 10.00am

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

Welcome to all our vísítors, may you feel at home in our Parísh.

### **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.

### Church Cleaning

A great thanks to those who have volunteered to clean the church for Christmas. A special thanks to our organiser who willingly fills in any gaps and to one parishioner who ha



gaps and to one parishioner who has cleaned all the windows in the church!

There are still some things needing to be done. The list is at the back of the church. If you see something that you think needs doing, please step up and get it done.

### **Church Ceiling**

The mold that has formed on the ceiling of the church will be cleaned during the week. Catholic Church Insurances are progressing with the investigation into its cause and will rectify the problem to ensure it does not happen again.

### Twenty Years in our Church

Welcome to Bishop Anthony who will be celebrating the 10am Mass this weekend to recognise twenty years since the dedication of the church. We thank him for joining us for this important occasion.

We encourage all parishioners to attend this Mass, even if you are a regular at another time. Other Masses this weekend will be without music and other ministries.

Thanks to all the parishioners who have helped prepare for the celebrations.

### Parish Pastoral Council

At our meeting last week Michael Slattery resigned as Chair and stepped down from the PPC after many years of service. We can't thank Michael enough for his wisdom, guidance and leadership and look forward to the new ways he will continue to be involved in the parish. Chris Hartcher has accepted the position of Chair for the next year and we look forward to the initiatives under Chris' leadership.

### Congratulations

to Curtis Stephenson who will be received into the church, confirmed and make his First Communion at the 10 am Mass this weekend. Please welcome Curtis and his family into our community.

### **School Holidays**

Our primary school is now on holidays till the teachers return on Friday 27 January. We wish them a relaxed and safe break. Some building work will be done during December and January to prepare for the major capital works of six new, permanent classrooms next year. Please take care around any builders, trucks etc. If you notice anything unusual activity or have any security concerns please contact the parish office (43674610) or our security company, Central Monitoring (9809 9222).

# Future of our Schools in the Northern Beaches

Bishop Anthony Randazzo and Danny Casey, Director of Schools, have announced the exciting initiatives that are being launched within Catholic Schools Broken Bay for 2023 and beyond. Hear the address below from Danny Casey on Catholic education for the Northern Beaches in 2023 and beyond that will strengthen and shape the future of our Schools. <u>Read more</u>

#### **Broken Bay News**

The December 2022 edition of BBN with news from around the diocese is available at the doors of the church. There is an extensive coverage of the installation of the JPII relics at Gosford. Can you spot the parishioners in the pictures on page 7?

### Advent and Christmas Program

Reconciliation during Advent

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec - 7 to 8pm Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec - 8.30 to 10am Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec - 8.30 to 10am



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

Christmas Day Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December 8am & 10am

### 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 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.



### School Captains 2023

Congratulations to the students who have been appointed as captains for Our Lady Star of the Sea School next year.

School Captians are: Max Portass and Eada Coote

Vice Captains are: Emerson Williams and Jesse Borg

### Sport Captains are:

- MacKillop: Emily Bush and Damien Coughlan-Berg
- Therry: Lucy Bayss and Tom Bays
- Chisholm: Grace Leahy and Beau McKeon
- **Polding**: Matilda Lee and Sebastian D'Almaida.

### **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.



### Safeguarding

**National Catholic Safeguarding Standards** The ACSL has announced the formal approval of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards. The latest edition includes safeguarding measures for adults with a focus on adults at risk. You can access *Who is an adult at risk* training and other ACSL resources through <u>https://www.acsltd.org.au/</u> <u>services/support-materials/acsl-training/</u>

### **Supporting Parents**

The eSafety Commissioner has released resources to support parents with safe and secure tech gifts for children. For further information and resources visit https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/resources/

### NEW PARISH NAME TAGS

The latest order has come back. You can collect from the parish office or after the Masses at the greeting table. Name tags are \$10 (subsidised by the parish)

### Book Club

The next bookclub meeting will be discussing Bishop Robert Barron's book Arguing Religion. This is a book based on a talk he gave at Facebook and Google where he outlines a mechanism for discussing religion in a way that best exemplifies faith seeking understanding. He believes there is a middle ground between violent imposition and bland, subjectivizing indifferencenamely the art of arguing religion. His YouTube clip "Ideas have Consequences" have had close on a million views suggesting that there is a great thirst for understanding of where religion fits into this ever changing world. If this sounds at all interesting come and join us. The book is available from the Australian branch of the Word on Fire website.

gazbo2@ozemail.com.au

On behalf of those who have attended



### St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

A reminder to return your Christmas Hampers at this weekend' Masses. We intend to deliver them on Sunday. Thank you to all parishioners

who have contributed to our Christmas Appeal. We really appreciate your generosity. When you see the relief on a person's face when they receive assistance, you know your donation has made someone's life just a little easier. Denis. Conference President

### CatholicCare

is here to help and offers a range of services for people in need including emergency relief, financial supports, homelessness and housing assistance, domestic violence support, counselling supports including financial counselling, disability and seniors supports and more. Go to <u>https://tinyurl.com/</u> <u>bd54c5mb</u> or call today on 1800 324 924 or visit <u>www.catholiccaredbb.org.au</u> for more information.

### Mary Mac's and Dom's Place

In October 2022 the Parishes, CatholicCare and Catholic Schools in the Diocese, contributed to a Diocesan Homelessness Fundraiser. \$111,419.50 was raised for two of our homelessness services – Mary Mac's Place in Woy Woy and Dom's Place in Hornsby. Neither receive Government funds. Terrigal Parish contributed \$2,592.15. Thank you for your generosity.

### **Christmas Pageant**

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

On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>, 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.



### Parish Pastoral Plan 2022

**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**)

### Funeral

Michael Slattery, a parishioner of Wahroonga, a former priest of the Diocese and retired member of the Broken Bay Chancery died suddenly last Friday. Michael will be buried from Holy Name Church Wahroonga on Wednesday 21 December at 11am



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.



#### Hospital Chaplaincy & Pastoral Care Practitioners

Helping those who are vulnerable, experiencing loneliness or sick in hospital.



Catechists taking the gospel to State school students.



Serving year K-12 students with disability.



College Serving year 7-12 students with disability.



Ephpheta Centre

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.

#### Rest in Peace

On Thursday we had the funeral of Maureen D'arcey a much loved and long serving member of the parish. Maureen with her husband Tony, was one the original Piety Stall co ordinators. Maureen was in the CWL for many years.

Next Wednesday Frances Mc Inerney another dear parishioner will have her funeral Mass at 2pm. Frances is the sister of Terry Gardiner).

# Have you ever thought about becoming a **Catechist**?

maybe God is calling you...

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

# CATECHIST OPPORTUNITY

# For a person who likes working with children



### What does a Catechist do?

- We listen to the children and encourage them in prayer to know Jesus' unconditional love for them.
- Anyone can do it no experience necessary and it only involves an hour or two per week!
- Training and lesson materials provided
- Come and check it out! Yes! Come into the classroom as an assistant.

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 3	Margaret Brown & Robyn Ayers
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	<u> 18.12.22</u>

Group 4 Lee & Kerry Oliver - 8.1.23

- Group 5 Chris Whalan, Viv Ball & Alison Bone - 15.1.23
- Group 6 Nancy Carey-Berryman & Susan Connor - 22.1.23
- Group 1 Kaye Parker, Wanita Lynch & Robyn Lentini 29.1.23
- Group 2 Geraldine Czerkesow & Anne Cogglan - 5.2..23

#### After 10.00 am Mass

- 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
- Group 2 Ina Kite, Lyla Cross & Mary Portelli - 5.2.223

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.



# Fourth Advent Candle: Love

God of love, You sent Your Son, Jesus, To shine bright like the sun, lighting the way for all who walk in darkness. Let Your love shine

like a light to all people, and may the light of Your love always shine in our hearts.

Let Your love transform us and inspire us to love more deeply.



### Parish Piety Stall with NEW Christmas

**stock.** 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.

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 will be Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December.

Contact Stim Robinson 0401 058 329 or <u>stimrobinson@hotmail.com</u> for further details.

Christmas Roster Servers

5pm Mass Servers - L George & P Maniskas (if no one else available) Eucharistic Minister - A Bone & L O'Donnell 9pm Mass Servers - D Southwell & B Lobo Eucharistic Minister - R Zadro & N Carter 8am Mass Servers - M Slattery & P Maniskas Eucharistic Minister - R Lentini (2 more needed) 10am Mass Servers - V & J Duverge Eucharistic Minister - (3 needed)

#### Fr Peter Prusakiewicz csma Terrigal Parish 12 January 5.30 pm Mass

Fr Peter (who currently resides in the General House of the Congregation of St Michael the Archangel located in Marki, Poland) is a well-travelled international speaker for over twenty years and has spoken about St Michael and the Holy Angels and St Faustina at many conferences, retreats and parish missions all over the world.

Fr Peter will be coming to Terrigal parish to talk about St Michael and St Faustina.

There will be Mass at 5.30pm, Homily, Eucharistic Adoration and an individual blessing with a relic of St Faustina. More information closer to the time.

ROSTERS FOR SERVERS and EM	Prayer Requests
Saturday - 5.00pm 17/12/2022 Server J Sheridan (EM) M Perry & R Zadro 24/12/2022 Server L George (EM) A Bone & L O'Donnell 31/12/2022 Server (EM)	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.
7/1/2023Server P Proust(EM) M Perry & L O'DonnellSunday - 7.00am18/12/2022Server M Slattery(EM) E Katselas & J Sheehan25/12/2022Server G Justin(EM) B Brown & J Sheehan1/1/2023Server(EM)8/1/2023Server(EM)	Recently DeceasedMaureen D'Arcey Michael Suine Len EllisFrances Mc Inerney William Quinn Maruja Zavolokin Janice HendersonBeverley Thomson Saverio Maisano Patricia PlewsJoseph Baynie Graham AttertonPatricia PlewsJoshua Roil
Sunday - 8.30am 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) 8/1/2023 Server (EM)	Anníversaríes & Remembrance Elizabeth O'Shannassy Lorna Guilfoyle Wendy Gray Silvana Favetta Joan Goodwin Michael Kokegei Jose Goncalurz Colleen Smith Terrance Paterson Ellen & James Dodds Selina Orton John Mooney Tony & Geraldine D'arcey
Sunday - 10.00am         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)         8/1/2023 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.	SickJohn GoodwinSandra BastoliJeff ThomsonBaby TheoMary SmithLittle MateoKim ByrneMark DebenhamTracey BurnJack DummettSusan BonsallNed LinesLen FreemanSandra TagliabueAnne RoyFiona ConnellyAlan CuthbertJoan Thomson
ROSTERS FOR READERS OF THE WORDSaturday - 5.00pm17/12/2022 (1) Connie Attard(2) Dudley Smith 24/12/2022 Volunteers please contact Parish Office 31/12/2022 (1) Dudley Smith (2) Maureen Reynolds 7/1/2023 (1)3unday - 7.00am	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. 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
18/12/2022 (1) Sandrea Petith(2) Peter Clayton25/12/2022 (1) Robyn Wild(2) Justine Hayes1/1/2023 (1) Sandrea Petith(2) Peter Clayton8/12/2023 (1) J Sheehan(2) McMahonSunday - 8.30am18/12/2022 (1) Frank Cohen(2) Christine Lovatt25/12/2022 Volunteers please contact Parish Office1/1/2023 (1)1/1/2023 (1)(2)	Children's
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Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster           19 December 2022           Barbara Clarke, Nigel Carter,           Pina Maisano & Robyn Lentini           26 December 2022           Helena Farmer, Carol Clayton,           Vicki McGuinness & Gerry Jeltes	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.



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