

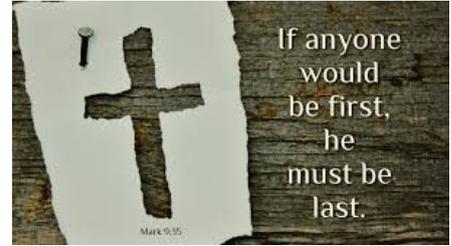


OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA , TERRIGAL

*“ May we Love one Another,
that all experience a Sense of Belonging*

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B

19 September 2021



First Reading: Wisdom 2:12,17-20

The godless say to themselves,
'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us
and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.
Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.
If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.
Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his
and put his endurance to the proof.
Let us condemn him to a shameful death
since he will be looked after - we have his word for it.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 53:3-6,8 R The Lord upholds my life.

Second Reading: James 3:16-4:3

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



To pray together or write your own prayers

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

LEADER: Jesus calls his followers to be servants of all. In that spirit let us pray for the needs of the world.

READER : For leaders in every sphere of public life, that they will put their power at the service of the common good. Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord hear our prayer.**

READER: For all earth's peoples, that they will embrace the eco-conversion called for by Pope Francis for the life of the planet. Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

READER: For peace-makers and aid-workers in places of chronic violence, that their selfless service will open pathways of hope, especially for women and children. Let us pray to the Lord. **All: Lord hear our prayer.**

READER: For all who suffer for their religious beliefs, that they will hold fast to their faith and find strength and life in it. Let us pray to the Lord. **All: Lord hear our prayer.**

READER: For the unsung heroes of the COVID pandemic, that their daily work of civic service will earn the gratitude of the whole community. Let us pray to the Lord. **All: Lord hear our prayer.**

READER: For those most vulnerable to the psychological and economic cost of the pandemic, that they will receive the support they need to cope. Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

READER: For all who suffer from any form of dementia, that they will be cared for with much love and patience. Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

READER: For our parish community, that it will be graced with a spirit of divine wisdom and heartfelt prayer. Let us pray to the Lord. **All: Lord hear our prayer.**

READER: For the recently deceased, and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, that they will share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us pray to the Lord. **All: Lord hear our prayer.**

LEADER

Holy God, your Son Jesus showed us the way of servanthood. Deliver us from ambition and confirm us in humble service. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Easing COVID Restrictions

As you would have heard, the current COVID restrictions will be lifted from the Monday after NSW passes the 70 per cent double vaccination target. Only fully vaccinated people and those with medical exemptions will have access to the freedoms which will include Churches to open, subject to one person per 4sqm rule. Masks will be required and there will be no singing.

Also, up to 50 guests can attend funerals, with eating and drinking permitted while seated (at the wake) and up to 50 guests can attend weddings, with dancing permitted and eating and drinking while seated (at the reception).

We are waiting for details from the Diocese, but this is good news which means that most of us will be able to return to church soon, on the 11th or 12th of October. We pray on this.

SACRAMENTAL ENROLMENT

Catch-up Program at Terrigal Parish

Enrolling Year 4 and over for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (or Confession) has begun.

A COVID SAFE PROGRAM

ITS NOT TOO LATE !

This Catch-up Program has been organised for primary school (Year 4 and over), high school students and adults who have missed out on making any of the sacraments.

Any enquiries to Janette 0421416555

Formation will be through the resource book and personal or group communication via phone or zoom. **We will work together !**

“When you were born, you were crying and everyone around you was smiling. Live your life so that when you die, you're the one smiling and everyone around you is crying.” —Unknown

Faith reflections for living in this time of lockdown

We don't have the Eucharist, but we do have the sustenance of Scripture

"...the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart" (Deuteronomy 30:14)

Without access to Mass, many Catholics feel 'starved' of their regular reception of the bread of life. While the eucharistic liturgy remains irreplaceable, we are still able to feed from the Scriptures in abundance, recalling the words of Saint Jerome: "Indeed, true food and true drink is the word of God which we derive from the Scriptures."

Though liturgically restricted by Coronavirus, we might turn more consciously to regular Bible reading at home and discover anew the transformative power of God's word in our lives.

Walk in another's shoes

Is the current crisis an opportunity to strengthen our moral fibre as people of empathy, understanding and compassion? Most of us are accustomed to a lifestyle where food and medicines, as well as a host of non-essential services, are as close as the local shopping centre or an online delivery. Suddenly we find ourselves 'without' and are afforded a tiny glimpse into the world of the 'other': the limited resources of the poor and the housebound; our grandparents' memories of war-time rations; the history of Australian society during the Spanish flu epidemic; the reality of Catholics in rural communities without access to regular Sunday Mass; the experiences of deprivation of immigrants from war-torn countries.

As we adjust to life in the time of Lockdown, we might embrace the opportunity to 'walk in the shoes of another' and deepen our capacity for empathy and compassion.

We are one body in Christ

"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it" (1 Cor 12:26-27).

COVID-19 can be transmitted by people without symptoms, and therefore poses a silent but lethal threat to the community at large, especially to those most physically vulnerable. In calling for strict 'social distancing' practices, the government is calling for a strategy that limits the spread of the virus. So it's not just about looking after myself, it is considering how my behaviour might inadvertently impact others, potentially with fatal consequences. This heightened sense of social concern should be second-nature to Christians. After all, our very identity is forged in relational bonds, in our unity with one another in Christ. In the words of St Paul, ["If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ . . ."](#) (1 Cor 12:26-27)

The experience of necessary self-isolation or social distancing practices may range from inconvenience to real personal suffering. Yet we can embrace these measures as a selfless act of love for the sake of the whole body of Christ, indeed, the whole Australian community.

The Common Good

"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me" (Matthew 25:40).

[The Common Good](#) is a key principle of Catholic social teaching. That is to say, what is good for society is not just what benefits the greatest number of people, based on a mathematical equation or a democratic vote. Rather, the best kind of society is one which values and takes into account the life and wellbeing of each and every person, with particular care for the most vulnerable.

Decision-making processes at this time of crisis are fraught with practical and ethical challenges. As Catholics we can pray for our leaders and urge them and all of us to be especially attentive to the plight of those most in need.

Vox Episcopi - The Voice of the Bishop

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Like many of you, I watched the news last week with great interest about the disappearance, search and rescue of "AJ", the three-year-old boy who was lost for several days in rugged NSW bushland. This amazing little boy survived three nights in the bush in freezing temperatures without food or water, sustaining minor injuries before being reunited with his family. It was a heart-wrenching story of initial despair and anguish, progressing to the mobilisation of the community and finally, to hope and elation once AJ was found safe and sound.

[Read Bishop Anthony's Message](#)



Thank you for sending your picture of your sacred space, prayer space or religious corner....

A visible sign of our Faith. Even a prayer can be placed up there with your name.

Just email yours to parish email !

International Day of Peace

To celebrate this day
you are invited
to join an online



International Day of Peace Interfaith Prayer Service

All are warmly invited to celebrate the UN International Day of Peace with an online Interfaith Prayer Service.

When: Tuesday 21 September 2021 at 2.00pm

Where: Zoom - <https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/96010303812>

Occasional address: Rev. Simon Hansford, the Moderator of the Uniting Church in Australia NSW & ACT Synod.

Religious leaders from Aboriginal, Bahai, Brahmakumaris, Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Islamic, Jain, Jewish, Mandaean, Sikh, Sufi and Zoroastrian communities will offer prayers for peace. There will be an opportunity to light a candle for Peace during the service, so please keep a candle and matchbox ready.



Please continue keep in your prayers and support where possible our families who own their own businesses, and all who are struggling with loss of work and balancing family life. No act of kindness is ever wasted.



In preparation for the Feast of St Michael the Archangel on the 29 September there is a Novena some may like to join, in with the Michaelite Community. There was to be a big celebration in Sydney for the 100th Jubilee of the Congregation of St Michael the Archangel. But we can celebrate in other ways like joining in prayer together.

There will be copies of the new Angels Magazines outside the parish office from next Monday. They are \$5.00 just put the money in the mail slot in the door if no one is in attendance. Also, there will be copies of a prayer booklet we have printed for the celebration, with the novena included. It is 23 pages.

There is a prayer sheet taken from it, included on the next page. Thank you to the Michaelite Fathers for this.

**100 YEARS JUBILEE OF THE CONGREGATION
OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL 1921-2021**



NOVENA PRAYER

Novena starts Monday 20 September before the Feast on 29 September

Saint Michael the Archangel, loyal champion of God and His People. We turn to you with

confidence and seek your powerful intercession. For the love of God, who made you so glorious in grace and power, and for the love of the Mother of Jesus, the Queen of the Angels, be pleased to hear our prayer.

You know the value of our souls in the eyes of God. May no stain of evil ever disfigure its beauty. Help us to conquer the evil spirit who tempts us. We desire to imitate your loyalty to God and Holy Mother Church and your great love for God and people. Since you are God's messenger for the care of His people, we entrust to you these special intentions:

(Mention your requests)

Lord, hear and grant our special intentions for this Novena that we bring before You. Pray for us, St. Michael, and also for those we love. Protect us in all dangers of body and soul. Help us in our daily needs.

Through your powerful intercession, may we live a holy life, die a happy death and reach Heaven where we may praise and love God with you forever. Amen.

P: In thanksgiving to God for the graces bestowed in St Michael we pray:

Our Father ... Hail Mary ... Glory be ...

ACT OF SURRENDER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

This is an ancient consecration prayer which is connected to the shrine at Monte Gargano, one of the oldest Christian sites dedicated to St. Michael the Archangel.

The most glorious prince of the angelic hosts, valiant warrior of the Most High, zealous lover of God's glory, terror of rebellious angels, love and delight of righteous Angels Saint Michael the Archangel, desiring to be among your devotees, I offer myself to You.



I put myself, my work, my family, my friends and what belongs to me under your vigilant protection. Being a poor sinner, my sacrifice is poor, but you will not despise my heart. Remember that from now on

I am under Your special protection, so please, assist me throughout my life.

Obtain for me the forgiveness of my many and grave sins, the grace to cherish with all my heart my God, dear Saviour Jesus Christ, the sweetest Mother Mary and all people, my brothers, beloved by God the Father and redeemed by God's Son. Plead for all the help I need to receive the crown of heavenly glory. Always defend me from the enemies of my soul especially in the last moment of my life. Come to my help, oh glorious Archangel, assist me in the struggle and reject away from me, in the abysses of Hell, that arrogant and proud angel whom you defeated and humiliated during the celestial battle. Lead me to the Throne of God the Most High, that I may praise with You, Saint Michael the Archangel, and with all the Angels, honour, glory and thanksgiving to Him who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

Saint Michael, defend us in our daily battle **R:** So that we may not perish in the last Judgement. Amen

Tuesday 7th September, 2021

Covid Lockdown. Members reported various encounters with parishioners and how they are missing Mass and the community engagement. Fr Vince reported of several funerals. Calls have been The Bulletin has been instrumental in keeping us all in touch. Thank you to those who are putting it all together.

Update of previous Minutes. Letters were forwarded to various ministries. Carpets have been cleaned. Hall is to be done in the holidays. Old tables have been collapsed. Black curtains to be removed soon. "Fair By the Sea" cancelled. Plenary Council in motion soon. Michael and Chris spoke to Jamie Clements re Euthanasia debate. Letter of thanks was forwarded to the Finance Committee. General Maintenance in school will be completed during the holidays. The Kitchen is completed.

Vision on a Page. Please see attachment from Bishop Anthony. It is an opportunity for us to update and design a Vision and Mission Statement since ours was last completed in 2009. It is a job for the future.

Memorial Plaques. These are ready to proceed. We need costings by the Finance Committee on the wall construction. Price may be around \$200 a brick to cover cost of engraving , installing and up keep.

ASPECT school. The school wish to expand to 5 rooms and 50 students. It needs go to the Diocesan Office and through Central Coast Council for approvals. We intend to extend the lease by another 5 years.

OSHC. Camp Australia lease is coming up soon and members are keen to renew the lease.

School Update. Perimeter fence is being planned to make the site secure. Major refurbishments are planned with the removal of demountable toilets and expansion of rooms to accommodate permanency in enrolments of four streams. There have been 80 students attending each day during Covid.

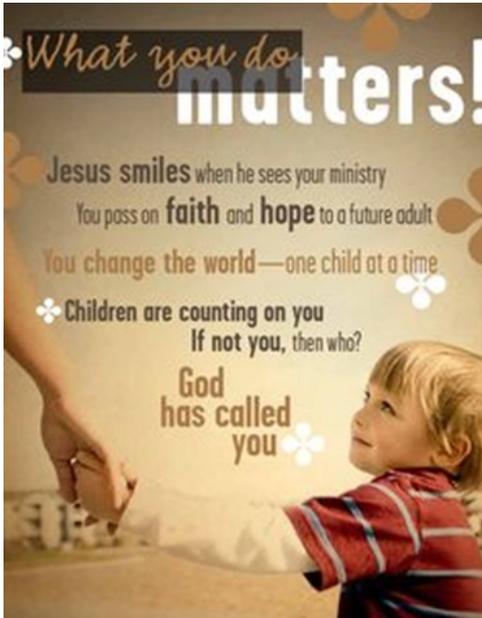
Vaccinations. All Priests are to be vaccinated. PPC members need to plan the return to Church and the possibility of non-vaccinated parishioners returning to Mass .

Return to Parish Life after Covid lockdowns. Members are to research what possibilities exist to welcome more people to return. The census in the diocese indicated a drop of about 30% in attendance between Lockdown 1 and Lockdown 2.

Plenary Council. Thank you to Chris for the regular Bulletin updates. Chris to forward to PPC members a video link of Archbishop of Sydney's response to the Plenary. A prayer meeting is planned before the Plenary on the Saturday night. For those interested there will be an APP through Zoom to keep up with progress throughout the Plenary. The Plenary Council is a prelude to prepare for the Worldwide Synod to be held in Rome in 2023.

Euthanasia. The debate is deferred until parliament resumes. Michael and Chris met with local members of parliament.

Other Items. Chris is preparing a paper on a columbarium. Members discussed the need to be prepared for reopening and listed what was carried out after the last lockdown. We will consider an open-air Mass on the oval and try to attract families from the school. Having shade-cloth in the courtyard was discussed.



Why Not become a Catechist ?

For more information, please call one of the following catechists. Phone – Cheryl Ryan, Primary Catechist Coordinator 0403 123 220 or bondi-two@bigpond.co Graham and Maria Sproats catechists, 0417 279 694 or mari-sproats@yahoo.com.au Elias Bastoli Catechist, 0459 220 408 or stolibas@bigpond.com



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\$14 of every membership goes to the school/parish FAIR BY THE SEA ACCOUNT

Money raised will go to update the Hall and Church projects.

THE ENTERTAINMENT BOOK Fundraiser

I have also copied as an attachment to the parish mail out, so you can link straight in. Some good savings on our local area plus all Australia and New Zealand. Has been extended from now,

SEPTEMBER 2021 UNTIL SEPTEMBER 2022



Evangelisation Broken Bay has launched a new program of online events called Bay Connect. The program provides an online program of regular activities to converse, reflect and connect spiritually online during this challenging time.

The program commenced last Monday, and will continue:

SO NOT TOO LATE TO JUMP ON BOARD

• THE CHOSEN MONDAY

Mondays @ 7:30-8:45pm via Zoom - Join us as we go through the first season of *The Chosen*, viewing one episode every Monday, breaking open some themes and coming to know Jesus in a fresh new way.

• TUESDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Tuesdays @ 7:00-7:30pm via Instagram Live (@cybbaus) - A place for the community to come together for prayer and to praise God from the setting of your home. All youth, young adults, singles and families, parishioners and clergy are invited.

• HUMPDAY HANGOUT WITH BR BERNARD

Wednesdays @ 7:00-7:30pm via Zoom - Our jolly friar Br. Bernard Mary will host the session with time for prayer, 'Banger' of the week, casual chat and an entertaining selection of activities.

• FORMATION FRIDAYS

Fridays @ 7:00-8:00pm via Zoom - An opportunity to get some simple Catholic formation on various aspects of the faith, from the basics to the hot topics, featuring a different guest speaker each week, followed by some time for questions/discussion.

To find out more and register online, visit the Bay Connect page on the Diocese of Broken Bay website <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/news/covid-19-updates/prayer-resources/bay-connect>



THESE ARRIVED THIS WEEK. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PLACE AN ORDER -

Please email the parish or phone Janette 0421416555.

They are really lovely and would suit a male or female as a special gift. RRP \$40
(WE WILL SELL FOR \$35)

HELP TO AID THE CHURCH IN NEED The money raised from the sale of the rosaries will assist the works of Aid to the Church in Need in its support of suffering and persecuted Christians around the world .

These rosary beads were designed and handmade in Italy by the Ghirelli family who have been producing rosaries for over thirty years, including the official rosaries for the last three Popes.

This set features Mary MacKillop on the central medal with her name and canonisation date on the reverse side. The Our Father medals show Our Lady, St Joseph, the Sacred Heart and Mary MacKillop's words 'Trust in God.' The crucifix is intricate, emphasising the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

All the medals and links are finished in vintage bronze and the actual beads are faceted copper bohemian glass. Recommended retail is \$40.00 + postage **We are selling I in the parish for \$35.00 .** We placed an initial order for only 20 sets. Good Christmas gifts.



Safeguarding Month

This week we remember in our **prayers** the safety and wellbeing of Children and Young People especially those who are particularly vulnerable due to COVID-19.

Thank you to Bishop Anthony for celebrating Safeguarding Sunday Mass on 12 September. The Mass was live streamed from the Cathedral. I found Bishop's homily thought provoking as it encouraged me to reflect on my own faith journey and the manner in which I personally and we as a community respond to those who are vulnerable. To view click here <https://youtu.be/Ts6Kg4ASEx4>

Safeguarding learning opportunities

Participation of Children and Young People in Catholic Communities: A Guide to Supporting & Engaging, Listening and Communicating with Children and Young people – available from <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/about/safeguarding/safeguarding-month-2021>

Wednesday 22 September 2021 @ 11.00am to 12.30pm, via zoom – "*Ministering to a Church in Trauma*" presentation by Rev Dr David Ranson, Vicar General. To register for this free online event and receive a zoom link click here: <https://bbcatholic.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJItce2qpjovHtWs7Vymz9XkWVhlVTlq22Px>

Connected in Christ

Each week the Evangelisation Broken Bay team will provide Gospel readings, prayers, reflections and children's activities for families to worship and pray at home in this extended period of lockdown.



[Download Connected in Christ](#)

Foundations of Missionary Leadership Course – Sponsorships Available

The Areté Centre for Missionary Leadership offers a *Foundations for Missionary Leadership* course designed to empower and equip participants through a unique blend of theological knowledge, human development, spiritual formation, and practical skills to be effective missionary leaders in our Australian parishes and communities today.

Evangelisation Broken Bay is offering **subsidies** for parishioners from the Diocese who would like to undertake this Course. For further information about the application process, please contact Pina Bernard on 0432 682 239 or pi-na.bernard@bbcatholic.org.au. Applications for sponsorships close 8 October.

A **Virtual Open Night**, with Areté Director Fr Chris Ryan MGL, along with Archbishop Peter Comensoli and Daniel Ang, will be held on 23 September at 7:30pm. Further information about the Course and Open Night can be found at www.aretecentre.org



Something to ponder



Mother Teresa

(Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu)

St Teresa of Calcutta

August 26, 1910 –
September 5, 1997

Helping those in need,
and who need our love.

**“Do not wait for leaders;
you do it alone,
person to person”**

St Teresa of Calcutta

People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centred ;
... Forgive them anyway!

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives;
... Be kind anyway!

If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies;
... Succeed anyway!

If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you;
... Be honest and frank anyway!

What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight;
... Build anyway!

If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous;
Be happy anyway!

The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow;
... Do good anyway!

Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough;
... Give the world the best you've got anyway!

You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God;
It was never between you and them anyway.



Have your own mini retreat with a coffee and maybe sit in the sun and ponder.

After reading the reflection above is there one that speaks to you at this moment in your life ?

Why.....

Ask our loving Jesus to heal the hurt or misunderstanding caused

.....

Ask Him for courage (if needed)



As part of the Bay Connect series of online events, the Life, Marriage and Family team will be running **The Parenting Children Course** (0-10-yr-olds). The Parenting Children Course is a series of 10 weekly sessions for parents of young children seeking connection and support during lockdown while learning new skills. It's fun, hopeful and designed to inspire confidence in your abilities as a parent. To find out more watch this short [video](#).

Starts **21 September 2021** at **7.30pm via zoom**. Click [HERE](#) for more information and registration details.

Social Justice

Download the [Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor](#) [here](#).

Read more about, and download the [statement on climate change by Pope Francis and other Church leaders](#) [here](#).

Find out more about the [Season of Creation and how you can participate](#) [here](#).

Season of Creation

We are into the third week of Season of Creation, and Pope Francis urges us all to some special effort in caring for our Planet. It may be just avoiding buying veggies wrapped in plastic or putting loose veggies in our trolley then into our cloth bags at check-out or recycling unavoidable plastic at Cole's and Woollies. A small start can grow! *Bernie Introna* for the Social Justice Group.

STOP EUTHENASIA IN NSW

https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/protect_life_nsw

Prayer App for each day !

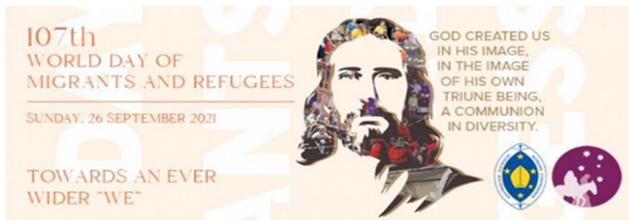
Download the free BREAD4TODAY app from the App Store or Google Play, and take a moment to reflect each day.



Divine Renovation Australasia is planning a National Conference on 19-21 November 2021. Titled 'Called to Discipleship', it will be held in-person at the Campbelltown Catholic Club (Covid permitting).

We are still making a difference in Covid times for Mary Macs at Woy Woy.

Thank you to our parishioners and Georges Fruit Barn for their generosity.



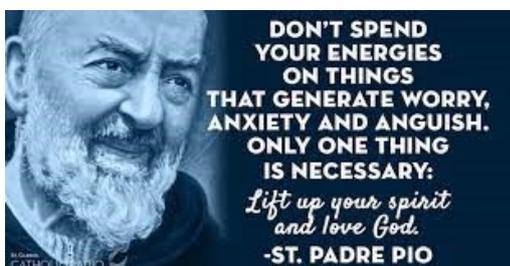
Sunday 26 September is World Day for Migrants and Refugees, where Pope Francis invites us to “journey together towards an ever wider ‘we’.”

As we reflect on our experience of the COVID-19 pandemic, Pope Francis encourages us to build on a shared understanding of our common humanity, “on the truth of ‘we’ that the pandemic has placed before us” which “stands in sharp contrast with the emphasis on the individual that has until now pervaded our times”.

This year, for World Day of Migrants and Refugees let us remember the vast numbers of people who are at any one time traversing our world as migrants and refugees and open our hearts towards an ever wider ‘we’ in our disposition to all people. Go to <https://www.acmro.catholic.org.au/> for more information and resources, including a Migrant and Refugee Kit



The horror in Afghanistan has thrown a spotlight on the ongoing refugee crisis. You are invited to the **Hope out of Horror-seeking Refuge in Australia webinar** hosted by SJAB, St Vincent de Paul and the Jesuit Refugee Service starting **7pm 23 September 2021**. Click [here](#) to register or for more info.



We pray for : Recently Deceased

 Fr Jim Duck Anthony Wallace Ken White
Jeannette Hyland John Schipp Anne Cuthbert
Donald Holmes Ben Donaldson Marcia Harris
Christopher Richards Karen Scali Frank Sprakel
Grace O'Flynn

Anniversaries & Remembrance

James Dodds Richard Bell Cliff Shaw

Sick

Marie Dunphy Noel Nacua John Goodwin
Sue Southwell Noleen Sherwood Daphne Beasley
Jenny Imbruglia Sandra Tagliabue Deanna Browning
Mike Caruana Kathleen Little Fiona Connelly
Kevin Duffy

Parish Finances

Thank you to the many parishioners who have been contributing online to the parish account during the lockdown.

Please note the NEW CORRECT ACCOUNT NUMBER

Terrigal Parish Working Account

BSB: 062784

A/C: 100001660 (1(four Zeros)1660)

Add *Donation* and *Your Name* as a reference.

You can also have an amount debited from your credit or debit card each month. Please contact the parish office on 4367 4610 to make the necessary arrangements.

This is a good opportunity to swap the Planned Giving Envelopes for the credit or debit card monthly system. Payments are taken out on the 3rd week of the month. You keep the same Planned Giving number, but they are not recorded, as they are not tax deductible.

If you need a tax receipt for your business or privately you may want to choose making a monthly credit card donation to Pastoral Works Broken Bay (previously known as CWF). This still helps our parish as it comes off our quota.

Spiritual Corner: Feasts and saints of the week: (Our extended family in Heaven).



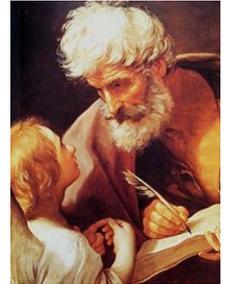
Monday 20 St Andrew Kim and companions St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon is the first native-born Korean priest, who is the patron saint of Korea. He was martyred with nearly 10,000 other Koreans, mostly lay people, before Christianity was tolerated in Korea in 1884. Today, we venerate nearly 100 of these Koreans who have been declared saints, including Andrew and a layman, Paul Chong Hasang.

The first Christians in Korea were baptized by invading Japanese soldiers in the late 1500s. The faith slowly grew, and then in 1777, several Christian texts made their way to Korea and converted some scholars. When a missionary priest visited the country more than a decade later, he found 4,000 Christians living without the Sacraments—they had never seen a priest before.

St. Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang, and the martyrs who died for the faith in Korea, pray for us.

Tuesday 21 St Matthew Little is known about St. Matthew, except that he was the son of Alpheus, and he was likely born in Galilee. He worked as a tax collector, which was a hated profession during the time of Christ. According to the Gospel, Matthew was working at a collection booth in Capernaum when Christ came to him and asked, "Follow me." With this simple call, Matthew became a disciple of Christ.

From Matthew we know of the many doings of Christ and the message Christ spread of salvation for all people who come to God through Him. The Gospel account of Matthew tells the same story as that found in the other three Gospels, so scholars are certain of its authenticity. His book is the first of the four Gospels in the New Testament.



Wednesday 22 Our Lady Queen of Peace Glorious Queen of peace, grant us peace in our hearts, harmony in our families and concord throughout the world. Immaculate Mother, as patroness of our beloved country, watch over us and protect us with your motherly love. Amen. May we say and carry our rosary in the times we need to hold the hand of our Heavenly Mother.

Thursday 23 St Padre Pio of Pietrelcina Padre Pio, also known as Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, was an Italian Franciscan friar, priest, stigmatist and mystic, now venerated as a saint in the Catholic Church. Born Francesco Forgione, he was given the name of Pius when he joined the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin. Died only in 1968, his life story is worth researching further.

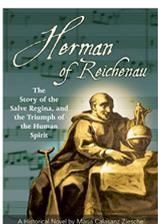
A few of his quotes follow:

"Jesus is with you even when you don't feel His presence. He is never so close to you as He is during your spiritual battles. He is always there, close to you, encouraging you to fight your battle courageously. He is there to ward off the enemy's blows so that you may not be hurt."

"Joy, with peace, is the sister of charity. Serve the Lord with laughter." A healing prayer of Padre Pio (Copy the link below)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nkfikB3FbUM>

Friday 24 Our Lady of Walsingham Our Lady of Walsingham is a title of the Blessed Virgin Mary venerated by Roman Catholics, Western Rite Orthodox Christians, and some Anglicans associated with the Marian apparitions to Richeldis de Faverches, a pious English noblewoman, in 1061 in the village of Walsingham in Norfolk, England.



Saturday 25 Bl Herman of Reichenau Born with a cleft palate, cerebral palsy, and spina bifida to a farm family. His parents cared for him until the age of seven, but in 1020 they gave him over to the abbey of Reichenau Island in Lake Constance in southern Germany. He spent the rest of his life there. He became a Benedictine monk at age twenty. A genius, he studied and wrote on astronomy, theology, maths, history, poetry, Arabic, Greek, and Latin. He built musical instruments, and astronomical equipment. In later life he became blind, and had to give up his academic writing. The most famous religious poet of his day, he is the author of *Salve Regina* and *Alma Redemptoris Mater*. (An amazing story.)

Plenary Council Online Prayer Vigil

The First Plenary Council Assembly starts Sunday 3 October and we are inviting the community of the church of Broken Bay to an online prayer vigil on Saturday 2 October from 7-7:30pm.



“Listen to what the spirit is saying” has been the theme of this Plenary Council acknowledging the importance of prayer and God’s relationship with His Church. This prayer vigil will call the community to come together as one Church to offer our prayers of support to the Bishop, Members, Delegates, and the whole Assembly gathering. More details to come soon.

Plenary Council Report

Amazing as it may seem the Church is now in the lead up to the first session of the Plenary Council. It commences in Adelaide for its initial eight-day forum on Sunday 3 October next. Every Catholic has been asked to pray for the success of the Council and the details of our parish night of preparation are set out elsewhere in this bulletin.

The Council has been a long time coming, and by unintended circumstance, will be a prelude to a worldwide Council, convened by the Pope, commencing in Rome in October 2023.

The tens of thousands of submissions received representing approximately the expressed views of up to 1 million Catholics in Australia are according to Bishop Bill Wright, the Bishop of our adjoining diocese of Maitland Newcastle, submissions seeking ... optional celibacy of the clergy, women priests, a lesser role for the clergy in governance and teaching, greater inclusion of the laity...

How this will be reflected at the plenary Council is yet to be seen. While there are 282 representatives attending, only the bishops have an actual “deliberative vote”. All others, laity and religious, have only what is called a “consultative vote”. This means the actual decisions which go to Rome for final ratification are made solely by the bishops. However, unlike Plenary Councils in the past they must consult the laity and the religious before taking a final vote.

The canon law of the Church, as promulgated by Pope John Paul II in 1983, states: “The Christian faithful have the right and even at times the duty to manifest to the sacred pastors their opinion on matters which pertain to the good of the Church and to make their opinion known to the rest of the Christian faithful.” (Canon 212).

All the bishops are well aware of the enormous challenges facing the Church – the ongoing decline in church attendance and sacramental observance, the declining vocations to the clergy and religious life, the low reputation of the Church brought about by the sexual abuse of children, the problem that all religions in Australia face due to increasing secularisation of our society.

This Council may be the last that is dominated by the bishops.

Pope Francis has made clear that he wishes to see the bishops take on a new role in the church and that will be clarified at the worldwide Synod in 2023. In his opening address to the 68th general assembly of the Italian Bishops Conference in May 2015, Pope Francis said bishops must not be “pilots” but “pastors”. He has repeatedly reiterated that bishops are “pastors not princes.” While giving a retreat for the bishops of Spain he stated: “...feeling ourselves to be collaborators not owners, humble servants like Our Lady, not princes”. And he ended with the words: “the people desire a pastor, not a refined man who loses himself in things which are in vogue.”

In the apostolic exhortation, *evangelii gaudium*, Pope Francis states:..”Clearly Jesus does not want us to be grandees who look down upon others but men and women of the people. This is not an idea of the Pope ... (but an) injunction contained in the Word of God ...”

Cardinal John Newman, recently canonised as St John Newman, one of the giant figures of 19th century Catholicism was at a forum once when a Bishop said: “The laity, who are they”? Cardinal Newman replied: “We would look rather foolish without them”.

The bishops will look more than rather foolish if they fail to heed the voice of the laity expressed in over 200,000 submissions.

Chris Hartcher



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A struggle that rarely makes news headlines is that of children and young people in our community who are suffering. Many have been through experiences few of us could begin to fathom and who, without our help, will go through childhood without the love and support of a family. CatholicCare provides essential support, care and stability for these children and young people often affected by abuse and neglect, to enable them to recover and thrive. The reality is though, we just don't have enough carers. If you have a spare bedroom and the time to help, you'll be showing them they haven't been forgotten. We need carers for babies, right through to kids aged 18 years.

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Broken Bay News wins the Top Award at the ACPA Awards



On Wednesday the **Australasian Catholic Press Association (ACPA)** held their annual awards, presented on Zoom as the annual conference was cancelled due to COVID.

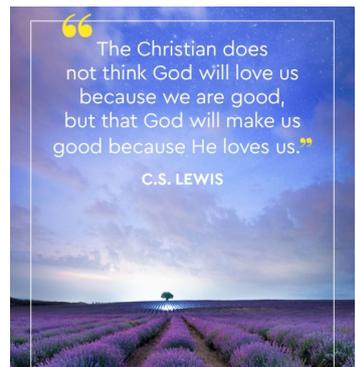
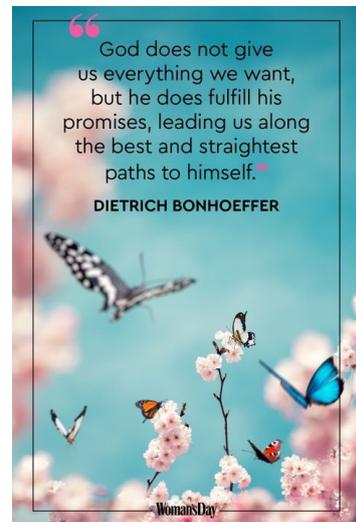
We are very proud to announce that our **Broken Bay News** won the top award, the Bishop Philip Kennedy Memorial Award for Overall Excellence, for Best Publication (online and print). This is the first time since 2004 that BBN has won this award, and only the second time in history. BBN also won Best Print Publication and Most Improved Publication.

For a small publication, this is a great achievement. Congratulations to everyone that contributes to making BBN the wonderful publication that it is. A special thanks to Melissa Loughlin, editor, and Edward Baricevic, who redesigned and reimagined the magazine to make it what it is today.

Mass For You At Home

"Mass for you at Home" is broadcast on Channel 10 at 6.00am Sunday, and is available to watch on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC56U6_XgoR3bJBqClxLLp4Q).

The Mass is also available on YouTube from 7.00am on Sunday https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC56U6_XgoR3bJBqClxLLp4Q



COVID-19 Updates on the Intranet

The latest COVID-19 updates on restrictions and the Diocese of Broken Bay's response can now be found at: <https://intranet.bbcatholic.org.au/resources/covid-19-update-for-parishes>

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