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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.*



20th September 2026

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A**

Entrance Antiphon:

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.
Should they cry to me in any distress, I will
hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

1st Reading:

Isaiah 55: 6-9

Psalm:

The Lord is near to all who call him.

2nd Reading:

Philippians 1: 20-24, 27

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words
of your Son.
Alleluia!

Gospel:

Matthew 20:1-16

Communion Antiphon:

You have laid down your precepts to be
carefully kept; may my ways be firm in
keeping your statutes.

Next Week's Readings: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

1st Reading:

Ezekiel 18: 25-28

Psalm:

Remember your mercies, O Lord

2nd Reading:

Philippians 2: 1-11

Gospel:

Matthew 21: 28-32

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Tuesday	22	7.30 am Mass
Wednesday	23	7.30 am Mass
Thursday	24	7.30 am Mass
Friday	25	9.00 am Mass
Saturday	26	9.00 am Mass

WEEKEND MASSES - Next Weekend

Saturday Vigil:	26	5.00 pm Mass
Sunday:	27	7.30 am & 9.30 am Mass

Our website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/terrigan

*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.

Anointing 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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Baptisms

This weekend we welcome **Hayes de Lepervanche, Louie Horsnell, Henry Sheldon, Emilia Sheldon and Thomas Sheldon.**

Congratulations and God's blessing to each of you and your families.



St Joseph's Appeal 2026

Helping our retired Priests - Thank you

Thank you for caring for the health and well-being of our retired priests. Because of your generosity, our Diocese will be able to provide much-needed care and support through the St Joseph's Appeal for those who have dedicated their lives to serving our community. Your compassion and love ensure they receive the care, comfort, and dignity they deserve in retirement.

If you haven't yet had a chance to give, simply scan the QR code or fill out the envelope and return it next week. All gifts are tax deductible. Thank you and God bless your generosity.



Let us give thanks to our retired priests for their lifetime of selfless service to God and His people in the Diocese of Broken Bay.
All donations are 100% Tax Deductible.

Terrigal

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:

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- using planned giving **envelopes**, available at the back of the church; or

- **regular (monthly) credit card donations**, arranged through the Parish Office; or
- using the parish QR Code:



Thank-you for your continued generosity.

St Michael Prayer Group Mass

Thursday 24th September 2026

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

Enquiries to Janette 0421 416 555



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
20th September at
6.00pm.**

This month's Theme is
"Creaton/Spring"
All warmly welcome.



A Message From Fr John

God's generosity is greater than our calculations

This Sunday's Gospel reminds us that God's generosity is greater than our sense of fairness. The workers who came early were unhappy when those who worked only one hour received the same wage, but the landowner said, "Why be envious because I am generous?" God's mercy is not something we earn; it is a free gift of his love. As Isaiah reminds us, "My thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways are not your ways." We should therefore rejoice when God shows mercy to others, even when they turn to him late in life. God's generosity towards another person does not lessen his love for us. Let us be grateful for his mercy and trust in his generous heart.

Remembering Fr Harry Kennedy

It is with sadness that we remember Fr Harry Kennedy, who passed away on Wednesday evening. As a priest who served for many years in our neighbouring parish of Woy Woy, Fr Harry was known and loved by many across our local community. We give thanks to God for his more than sixty-three years of faithful priestly ministry and commend him to the loving mercy of God. May he rest in peace.

A warm welcome to our new parishioners

It is always a joy to welcome new people into our parish family. Whether you have recently moved into the area, returned to the Church, or simply found your way to our parish, we are very happy to have you with us.

Our parish is a family of families, and every person has a place among us. We hope that you will feel at home, welcomed, valued and supported as you become part of our parish community. Please do not hesitate to introduce yourself to me or to one of our parishioners. We would love to get to know you and share with you the life of our parish.

Welcome to our parish family! We are grateful that you are here, and we look forward to walking together in faith, hope and love.

Confirmation 2026

The sacrament of confirmation is offered to Year 3 children and older.

Enrolments are now being accepted through the Parish Office during office hours (9am-5pm). Input session for parents is on Wednesday 14th October at 7pm. This session is compulsory.

Parent Child Preparation Support Class

Saturday 24th October at 3:30pm plus presentations at the 5pm Mass or on Sunday

Confirmation Day

Saturday 14th November at 12 Noon and 2pm.

Holy Communion Congratulations and Thank You

Last weekend went well and our children looked beautiful as well as our church and surrounds.

Thank you to all who helped in any way. A special thanks to Fr John and Fr Vince at the 2pm



Anointing of the Sick

This Sacrament is celebrated during the 9am Mass on the last Friday of the month.

The anointing is for all those who are sick or preparing for surgery will be on Friday 26th September.



St. Vincent de Paul

Do you have a few hours to spend each month helping those less fortunate than you?

I have been a volunteer with Vinnies for a few years, and I can talk to you about the benefits for yourself while you are helping others.

If you can't help, you may know others who might like to volunteer.

Call me, Alex, on **0418673858**, and I can explain the need we have for new male and female Members.



Catholic Women's League

Coffee morning at Breakers on Monday 21st September at 10.30am.

Meeting on Monday 28th September 10.15am for 10.30am.

New members welcome

Colleen Addison - 0425 368 431



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.

JUSTICE AND PEACE

Enquiries: mission@bbcatholic.org.au

Caritas Australia's Nepal Flood Emergency Appeal

A sudden and devastating flash flood struck Nepal's Rasuwa District on 26th August 2026, causing widespread destruction along the Bhoté Koshi River. The impact is devastating: More than 1,300 bodies have been recovered however nearly 5,000 including 38 Australians are still missing. 25 bridges have been severely damaged or destroyed. Homes, roads, markets, hydropower projects and other vital infrastructure have been badly affected. Communities are facing an urgent need for assistance as they begin the long road to recovery. Set up a fundraiser today and help restore hope where it is needed most. If you know anyone interested in setting up a fundraising page in support of the relief efforts, please direct them to <https://fundraise.caritas.org.au/nepal> and to show support or learn more, please visit our website.

PASTORAL DISCERNMENT AND ACCOMPANIMENT WEBPAGE

Where do I start?

In what ways might we nurture a synodal culture in our parish? Not sure where to begin? The Accompaniment Guide is an excellent place to start. It offers an opportunity to pause, reflect and enter into conversation together, guided by the Holy Spirit and attentive to where God is inviting us to journey forward. If you would like support in introducing the Accompaniment Guide in your parish, please reach out to Pastoral Discernment and Accompaniment via PDA@bbcatholic.org.au, Patti would be very happy to accompany you. Visit the PDA webpage to download your copy.



World Day of Migrants and Refugees

On Sunday 27th September, we celebrate the 112th World Day of Migrants and Refugees. This year's theme, "Even Just One of These Children" (cf. Mt 18:10), reminds us to see beyond the statistics and recognise the dignity, stories and hopes of children and young people affected by migration and displacement.

Pope Leo XIV encourages us to be communities of welcome, friendship and belonging, where migrants and refugees are not simply recipients of help, but valued members of our Church and wider community.

We invite parishes to mark the day through prayer, reflection and simple opportunities for welcome and encounter.

Bible Study & Discussion

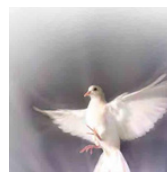
Praise & Worship with Bible Study Discussion every Thursday evening at 7pm. We start with Praise & Worship followed at 7.30pm with Bible Study. We are currently studying Romans.

Break from the 24th September to 29th October. Staring back on the 5th November.

We watch ½ an hour DVD teaching by a theologian, then discuss what we learned for ½ an hour. We limit each session to one hour. Written notes are provided for each session, a couple of days in advance.

All welcome to attend.

Enquiries to Elias 0459 220 408



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 Parish Hall
9am-10.30 am Wednesday (School Term Only). Next week (16/09) it will be set up outside the parish office.**

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

Come and join the fun !

Enquiries to Sarah via the Parish Office



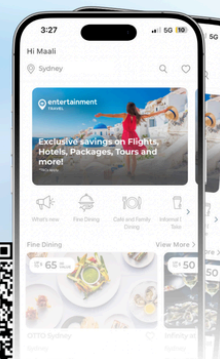
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CCD Ministry Induction Course

Our Term 4 Ministry Induction course will commence mid-October, via Zoom, on Monday mornings. This course equips new SRE catechists with the confidence and skills to teach religion to Catholic students in a public school setting. The course covers eight sessions and includes relevant topics, such as Mission & Ministry of the Catechist, Classroom Management, Safeguarding, Introduction to the Bible and Lesson Planning Using the Authorised Curriculum.

Contact Alicia at our Registrations desk on registrations@bbcatholic.org.au or 02 8379 1643 for enquiries or to register.

Parish BookClub

The best an author can do according to Holbrook Jackson is to make us aware of inward riches which we already possess. What the writer does, says Katherine Mansfield, is not so much solve the question but to put the question. 'The skilled reader, in Montaigne's phrase, puts his ear close to himself, and holds his breath and listens. Conversing with an absent friend separated by time and space so to speak. This month in our book club we will be 'listening' to what Pope Leo has to say about artificial intelligence in his reflections in **Magnifica Humanitas**, and in so doing, putting the question to ourselves as to what role AI will play in our lives.

In October we will read J D Vance's conversion story to Catholicism: **Communion**. The book is an important reminder of Pope Leo XIII's encyclical Rerum Novarum and for those interested he is interviewed by Bishop Barron regarding the book.

The last book club for 2026 will be in November where we will be following the tradition of previous years where we bring along a poem or piece of music or whatever that you find elevating. If any of these interest you please join us on the last Friday of every month in the parish offices at 1600.

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Gazboantonius@gmail.com

Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster

21st September 2026

Wanita Lynch, Julie Roberts & Linda Lee

28th September 2026

Nigel Carter, James Ferguson, Robyn Lentini & Chris Hartcher.



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!



Children's Liturgy

Roster

5pm Mass Saturday Nights

19.9.2026 - Robyn Lentini & Alexandria Goodworth

26.9.2026 - Eileen Henry

3.10.2026 - Emily & Alexandria Goodworth

10.10.2026 - Robyn Lentini & Robert Zardo

Visitors Welcome

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 30th September.

Communication via text and email.

Group: Cath - 0432 982 622

Office: 4367 4610

Email: starsea@bigpond.net.au



MEN'S BUSHWALKING GROUP

Our walk this coming Tuesday will be in the Rumbalara Reserve in Springfield. There are several tracks we will follow in different directions to spice things up a bit for the gentlemen. Lunch at the Elanora in East Gosford.

Our following walk is planned for 6th October. Any gentleman interested in participating in the walks, please contact Stim Robinson on 0401 058 329 or emailstimrobinson@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.

ROSTERS FOR SERVERS & EM



Saturday - 5.00pm

19/09/2026 Server V Duverge	(EM) J Costello, S Dunn, L Gray & T Gorman
26/09/2026 Server D Southwell	(EM) L'O'Donnell, G Catanzariti P Ross & M Perry
03/10/2026 Server J Tarrant	(EM) S Dunn, T Gorman, L Gray & M Perry
10/10/2026 Server R Zadro	(EM) M Perry, J Costello, L Donnell & P Ross

Sunday - 7.30am

20/09/2026 Server P Maniska	(EM) M Slattery, B Reid, N Barcha & J Rogers
27/09/2026 Server M Slattery	(EM) P Maniskas, B Lobo, S Petith, & A Richards
04/10/2026 Server P Maniskas	(EM) J Rogers, B Reid, N Barcha & M Slattery
11/10/2026 Server B Lobo	(EM) B Reid, B Brown J Roger & A Richards

Sunday - 9.30am

20/09/2026 Server B Lobo	(EM) A Kopecky, A Bone, C Addison & K Curtis
27/09/2026 Server E Bastoli	(EM) R Ayers, A Kopecky, J Merrotsy & R Lentini
04/10/2026 Server B Lobo	(EM) R Ayres, A Bone, C Addison & K Curtis
11/10/2026 Server P Maniskas	(EM) A Bone, 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

19/09/2026	(1) Connie Attard	(2) Julie McManus
26/09/2026	(1) Curtis Stephenson	(2) Georges
03/10/2026	(1)	(2)
10/10/2026	(1)	(2)

Sunday - 7.30am

20/09/2026	(1) Jeanette Rogers	(2) Betty Brown
27/09/2026	(1) Robyn Wild	(2) Justine Hayes
04/10/2026	(1) Chris Hartcher	(2) Anne Strong
11/10/2026	(1) Betty Brown	(2) Jeanette Rogers

Sunday - 9.30am

20/09/2026	(1) Jane Watts	(2) Graham Sproats
27/09/2026	(1) Janette Merrotsy	(2) Susan de Brincatt Moffatt
04/10/2026	(1) Vic Wilmot	(2) Anne Mackson
11/10/2026	(1) Colleen Addison	(2) Janette Merrotsy

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



Ben McCann	Paul Angel	Domenic Fattore
Vincenzo Monteleone	Bryan Sharkey	Joan Kearney
Noelene Sherwood		

Anniversaries & Remembrance

Peta Smith	Smith Families	O'Neil Families
Mary Browne	Ferruccio Fattore	

Sick

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 McGuinness
Jackson Howard	Matthew Cooper	Veronica Bishop

MORNING TEA ROSTER



*Please stay and join us
After 9.30am Mass*

Group 6	Chris Whalan, Viv Ball, Pat & Alison Bone - 20.09.2026
Group 7	Ian & Pat Rimes, Bernadette Wright, Linda & Isabel Lee - 27.09.2026
Group 1	Wanita Lynch, Mary Howes, Robyn Lentini & Julie Tarrant - 04.10.2026
Group 2	Robyn Lentini, Robyn Wilmot & Elaine Cooper - 11.10.2026
Group 3	Barbara Clarke, Sue O'Connor & Eileen Dodds - 18.10.2026
Group 4	Anne Strong, Eileen Dodds, Mary Portelli & Mary Jones - 25.09.2026
Group 5	Robyn Ayers, Juliet Mathew & Kate Curtis - 13.09.2026

*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.*



Friday, 16th October 2026

Join us for a great day of golf and giving!
Bookings close Wednesday, 30 September 2026



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