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# NEW WEBSITE www.bbcatholic.org.au/terrigal

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#### Office Hours:

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### Parish Pastoral Associate / Parish Secretary:

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Bronwyn Maley Ph: (02) 4365 3222

### **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



"May we Love one Another, so that all experience a Sense of Belonging"



23 January 2022

# Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

**Entrance Antiphon:** O sing a new song to the Lord;

sing to the Lord, all the earth.

In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

**1st Reading:** Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10

**Psalm:** R. Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

**2nd Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners. **Alleluia!** 

**Gospel:** Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Communion Antiphon: Look toward the Lord and be radiant;

let your faces not be abashed.

### WEEKDAY SERVICES THIS WEEK

Tuesday 25 7.30 am Mass

Wednesday 26 9.00am Mass (Australia Day)

Thursday 27 7.30am Mass Friday 28 9.00am Mass Saturday 29 9.00am Mass

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 29 January 5pm

Sunday 30 January 7am 8.30am 10.00am

Our new 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 enrol.

### **Holy Communion and Anointing of the Sick:**

Please ring the Parish Office if you have a loved one who is ill or dying.

Reconciliation: Before and after the normal Saturday Mass (8.30–10am) or by appointment. Ring the Parish Office.

**Weddings and Funerals:** Enquiries to the Parish Office.

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### **Current COVID - 19 Requirements**

**432 people** can attend services in the church. This is one person per 2 squuare metres.

**Registration is required** each time you come to the church, office, meeting rooms and Hall. Use the QR code (preferred) or write your name and contact details at the door.

**Sanitize your hands** before entry to and exit from the church.

**Social distancing** of 1.5 metres between people from other family groups is **recommended**. Please spread out through the whole church.

Masks are required to be worn.

Singing by the choir and congregation is permitted.

**Communion on the hand is preferred**. If you want to receive communion on the tongue, please wait until the end of the communion line.

Places of worship are seen as **vulnerable** locations. So, please take care when you come to the church. As an **act of love** and a **sign of welcome**, let's make it as safe as possible for everyone.

If you are **unwell** please take care and **stay at home**.

Thank-you to everyone for being aware of our need for caution at Mass to keep each other safe. Keep up the good work.

### **Celebrants for Sunday Masses**

### This Weekend 22/23 January

**Saturday** 

5.00pm Fr Vince

Sunday

7.00am Fr Vince 8.30am Fr Vince 10.00am Fr Jack



### Next Weekend 29/30 January

Saturday

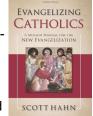
5.00pm Fr Jack

Sunday

7.00am Fr Vince 8.30am Fr Vince 10.00am Fr Vince

### **Bookclub**

The book for the next bookclub meeting on **Friday 28th January** will be Scott Hahn's book "Evangelizing Catholics: A Mission Manual for the New Evangelization. For those who are unfamiliar with Scott Hahn, he and his wife Kimberley are converts and



have told of that conversion process in their wonderful book Rome Sweet Home. In February the group will be tackling Gilbert Keith Chesterton's Orthodoxy.

We shall follow the feet where all souls meet at the inn at the end of the world. Join us.

Garry gazbo2@ozemail.com.au

### CCD

The first catechist training program of the year will begin in February for new and provisional catechists. <u>Download flyer</u>

The Annual CCD Mass & Presentation of Awards will be held on Saturday 26 February 2022. Invitation is on the back of our latest edition of Connections. Download invitation

**Worry** is a conversation you have with yourself about things you cannot change.

**Prayer** is a conversation you have with God about things *He can change*.



# Australia Day 9am Mass followed by a Sausage Sizzle. ALL WELCOME

### Wednesday 26th January at 9am

Mass followed by a BBQ outside in the courtyard. Enjoy a Sausage sandwich, a lamington and cup of tea or coffee in a Covid safe environment.



Giving thanks to God for our beautiful country, and to pray for its protection. We pray for all Australians who have helped form and build Australia into the country it is today. It's a time to remember and reflect and give thanks for our Indigenous people, the early convicts, settlers, migrants, and all who call Australia home.

If you would like to help in setting up before Mass on the day please contact the parish office and we will pass your name on to our co ordinators Anne, Connie or Robyn through the Parish Office

This is our 25th year celebrating this great south land of the Holy Spirit, with a Parish Mass and BBQ—join us this year.



OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS
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We place ourselves under your patronage



Did you know why Australia is referred to as the Great Southland of the Holy Spirit! "La Australia del Espiritu Santo" The

Great South Land of The Holy Spirit "Let the heavens, the earth, the waters with all their creatures and all those here present witness that I, Captain Pedro Fernandez de Quiros... in the name of Jesus Christ... hoist this emblem of the Holy Cross on which His (Jesus Christ's) person was crucified and whereon He gave His life for the ransom and remedy of all the human race... On this day of Pentecost, 14 May 1606...I, take possession of all this part of the South as far as the pole in the name of Jesus... which from now on shall be called the Southern Land of the Holy Ghost ...and this always and forever ...and to the end that to all natives, in all the said lands, the holy and sacred evangel may be preached zealously and openly." These words above are the prayer of a Portuguese navigator, who was part of the Spanish Voyages of Discovery to the Pacific Ocean. There were many ships and explorers of Dutch, English, French, Portuguese and Spanish origins who passed near the north west coast line and so believed that a vast continent in the south, was yet undiscovered by other explorers.

Until the arrival of Captain James Cook in 1770, the East coast remained unchartered. The prayer, of Captain Pedro Fernandez de Quiros, invoking the Holy Spirit is worth recalling, reminding us that we are a nation built on religious/spiritual foundation.

As a devout Catholic, Captain Pedro had passed through Rome, prior to this voyage, to seek the Holy Father's blessings on his distant voyages. He risked peril or joy and months at sea, seeking a vast southern continent, (Australia) we now know and love as home.

Let us, like Captain Pedro Fernandez de Quiros, pray to the Holy Spirit in this time of a virus pandemic that has brought so much suffering and death so quickly throughout the world.

May the words "Come O Holy Spirit, and Renew the face of the earth" become our prayer.

# How is God calling the people of the Central Coast to journey forward together as pilgrim and missionary people?

The Central Coast is recognised throughout Australia as a distinct and separate region. It stretches from the Hawkesbury River to Lake Macquarie. It has one local government area; Central Coast Council; two federal electorates, Robertson and Dobell: and four state electorates, Terrigal, Gosford, The Entrance, and Wyong. With a population of 309,000 it is the third most populous place in New South Wales.

Unlike many other regions it is overwhelmingly Anglo-Australian, has a higher than average age demographic and a lower than average tertiary education. Church attendance across all churches is low. Western Sydney has a much higher rate given the large number of ethnic groups in that area. The last census showed the largest religious group was Catholic (24.7%) behind No Religion (27.9%). About 10% of Catholics attend Mass and the sacraments. This itself is disturbing, but even more disturbing is the age demographic since the great majority of practising Catholics are over 65.

Our Bishop, Anthony Randazzo, has divided the Diocese of Broken Bay into three regions, one of which is the Central Coast.

As part of a program to revitalise the church and assist it and us to face the enormous challenges of a secular and, in many respects, hostile society the Bishop has determined to develop a program which will enable the church, and each of us as church members, to more effectively proclaim and live the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Each parish on the Central Coast is required therefore to undergo a program of pastoral discernment. Discernment means understanding. Parishioners are requested by the Bishop to meet and share their vision of evangelisation. This is to be faithful to the command of Jesus expressed in his last words to the apostles: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them all that I have commanded of you and surely I am with you always to the very end of time." (Matthew 28:19-20)

Accordingly, a meeting of all parishioners will be held in the parish hall on Saturday 12 February from 2 pm to 4 pm. We will be broken up into small groups, each group headed by a facilitator, to discuss the six themes identified by the Bishop. These are: Walking together; Listening; Sharing the story; Participation in mission; Dialogue with others; Moving forward.

Please make yourself available to attend on 12 February. The views of every parishioner are requested and are important.

If you want further information prior to 12 February this is available online: https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/our-faith/pastoral-discernment-central-coast

### Fr Manoj Manuel

was an Indian priest who has been working in our diocese, at Hornsby Cathedral Parish, for the last year. Manoj had just been re-appointed to Wahroonga Parish and went home to India for a holiday where he died suddenly from a heart attack. His funeral will be at Kerela on Friday morning. This will be 3pm Sydney time, on Friday 21 January.

The link for the Mass is <a href="https://youtu.be/hORNZMf6fuQ">https://youtu.be/hORNZMf6fuQ</a> Please keep Fr Manoj and his family in your prayers.

### St Michael Prayer and Statue

Since I was appointed to Terrigal Parish twelve months ago I have considered the issues of the St Michael prayer and statue in our parish and subsequently I have come to the decision that:

- The statue of St Michael will stay in its prominent position, with two plaques recognizing the contribution of the Michaelites to our parish over twenty years.
- After 1 February the Prayer to St Michael will not be said at the end of Masses in the parish but may be said by individuals or as a private devotion.

A longer note explaining my reasoning was sent out with electronic copies of the bulletin and is available at the back of the church.

I have discussed the decision with the PPC and sent copies of the note to Bishop Anthony and to Fr Stan Kluk.

Fr Vince Casey

By now the Christmas Decorations have been put away and Christmas has already become a memory.

You may like to remember this quote so we don't lose the feeling of wonder and joy and above all love goodwill to all.

in my heart and try to keep it all the year.

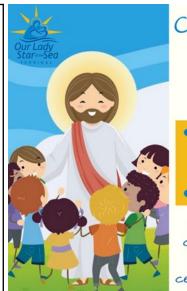
### Rest in peace

John Turner (husband of Patrice) died this week. John was one of our counters for many years and a faithful parishioner. John's funeral tha

Anne Condon (wife of Vince) a dear parishioner died this week. Anne's funeral will be on Tuesday at 10.30am

Please keep both families in your prayers at this sad time.t





### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

STARTS SUNDAY 30TH JANUARY 8:30am MASS

All Primary School age children are welcome to join us for an engaging celebration of God's Word!







# **Knights of St Michael Prayer Group Mass**

Starting **Thursday 17th February at 5.30pm**.

The Michaelite
Fathers have agreed
to celebrate Mass for
the
St Michael Prayer Group
and friends.
on the 3rd Thursday
of the Month at

5.30pm.

Please circulate this information around to anyone who may be interested.

The evening will include Mass, a short homily, adoration and Chaplet of St Michael Prayer.

All welcome to attend.

Enquries to Janette Merrotsy—0421416555 Cordinator for St Michael Prayer Group and St Michael Mission Society (Central Coast)

### St Michael Mission Society Subscription 2022



Now available for those who wish to continue for their own families or to give as gifts. Annual donation is still \$25.

Priests working in

PNG receive little financial assistance and often have to work in difficult conditions. Your support through this enrolment provides assistance to the Priests, seminarians and to the people they minister to and to the extended community.

You will be given a small card of thanks (certificate) from the Michaelite Community when you enrol.

Masses will be said for you and your families during your year of enrolment. Masses are said often for the benefactors especially on Saturday mornings in the Divine Mercy Chapel located in the Highlands.

Enrolments can be placed in a marked envelope with your donation, on the plate or place in the mail slot in the parish door, or see Janette. Thank you for the 51 subscriptions to date. We usually collect around 120 by the end of January, We still have time to gift them and in return have Masses said for our family and friends..

Enquries to Janette 0421416555

# BLESSED FATHER BRONISLAW MARKIEWICZ

## FEAST OF BLESSED BRONISLAW 30 January

Bronisław Markiewicz was a Polish priest and a professed member of the Salesians of John Bosco. Markiewicz established the Congregation of Saint Michael the Archangel that devoted itself to the principles and teachings of John

(Don) Bosco as well as spreading the apostalate of Saint Michael the Archangel.

His beatification was held in Poland on 19 June 2005 after Pope John Paul II acknowledged a miracle credited to him in 2004.

On 28 September 2020 in a homily at the Vatican, Pope Francis noted that Markiewicz died in 1912, almost a decade before the Congregation was officially approved by Archbishop Sapieha of Kraków in 1921.

He praised the order's members for living out the founder's spiritual legacy, while "adapting it wisely to reality and to new pastoral demands." He recalled that two of them -- Blessed Władysław Błądziński and Adalbert Nierychlewski -- were among the Polish martyrs of World War II.

He encouraged them to hold fast to the order's motto, "who is like God?" -- the Hebrew meaning of "Michael" - which he described as "the victorious cry of St. Michael the Archangel ...which preserves man from selfishness."

This was not the first time that Pope Francis has highlighted devotion to the archangel. In July 2013, he consecrated the Vatican to the protection of St. Michael and St. Joseph, in the presence of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI.

"In consecrating Vatican City State to St. Michael the Archangel, I ask him to defend us from the evil one and banish him," he said, after blessing a statue of the archangel in the Vatican Gardens.

Blessed Bronislaw was at the bedside of his close friend and mentor St John Bosco when he died in 1888. St John (Don) Bosco's feast is 31 January.







Free Prayer Cards of Blessed Bronislaw and Congregation of St Michael the Archangel are available at the back of the church.



May St Michael continue to bless and protect our Parish, our families and community. Pray and ask his protection often. The prayer Group will be ordering a number of replica mini statues of St Michael from Monte Sant Angelo in Gargano, Italy (the oldest Shrine in Western Europe).

More information when they arrive. Janette

### **Prayer Requests**

### Recently Deceased

John Turner Anne Condon Fr Manoj Manuel Irma de Courcy Hanna Bastolli Br Norman Hart Lottie Babycz Cecily Roberts Sandra Cheryl Jinks Glen Mills Elsie Andreazza Mark Angell

### Anniversaries & Remembrance

Mary Elizabeth Tracey (1st Anniversary) Albert Shad David Crowther Helen Sharpe Heather Madden Fred Carter Selina Orton Ann Freeman Judith Sulter Vic Introna Sam Attard Carol Grew

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# Have you ever thought about becoming a catechist? maybe God is calling you...

Catechists are volunteers who are willing to share their faith with the Catholic children in our local State Schools.

They perform their work on behalf of our parish community, connecting kids and their families with the Church, they are supported by local leaders as well as Diocesan programs.

We are always ready to welcome new Catechists!
If you think you might be interested and would like to learn more, please contact the Parish office (02) 4367 4610 starsea@bigpond.net.au and we will connect you with our Catechist Coordinator.

# Have you ever thought about becoming Catholic?



Maybe you're married to a Catholic or have children in a Catholic school and want to know more about their faith. Maybe you're looking for a Church community to call your own or you feel there is something missing in your life.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the liturgical process through which interested adults are formed in faith and welcomed into the Catholic Community.

The Rite is supported by an adult education program which explores Catholicism over a number of months, in a friendly and relaxed environment and is for anyone who is interest in becoming Catholic.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in finding out more, please contact the Parish Office. (02) 4367 4610 starsea@bigpond.net.au



# Vox Populi – the Voice of the People Remembering a Good Story: Entering the Cycle of Ordinary Time

Very Rev Dr David Ranson PP VG
When the Vikings of old raided the Saxon villages the very first people that they would
seek out to assassinate would be the village
storytellers. They knew only too well that to
take out the story tellers was to remove the
story of the people. Rupturing the people's
link with the stories which animated their common and personal life was to deliver a mortal
blow to the memory of the village. To sever
memory was to create disorientation, to render
the village into a profound sense of hopelessness. When there was no memory, neither
could there be a future.

Click here to read Full article

### Communication – Positions Vacant

The Diocese has three Communications Officers vacancies, reporting directly to the Diocesan Director, Communications, working from the Caroline Chisholm Centre at Pennant Hills.



### 1. Senior Mission & Media Officer

The Senior Mission & Media Officer has a specific focus on the pastoral priorities of the Bishop and provides stakeholder management, issues and media management, publication, creative design & brand identity, special projects, contractor administration, and parish support services.

### 2. Parish Partnerships Officer

The Parish Partnerships Officer has a specific focus to provide support to our Broken Bay Parishes, enabling them to develop, manage and implement their own communication and media plans. You will provide assistance with parish communications & media planning, parish worker communications and media training.

### 3. Multi-media & Social Media Officer

The Multi-media & Social Media Officer ensures that the Bishop's mission and vision are consistently and creatively communicated, implementing strong visual aesthetics to improve the user experience and enhance communication. You'll develop and implement multi-media, digital and audio-visual projects and services, working in collaboration with graphic designers and web developers.

### How to apply

To obtain a copy of the position description or for further details, please contact <a href="mailto:recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au">recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au</a>. If you are interested in applying for any of the Communications Officer roles please send your CV and a brief cover letter noting which role you are applying for, ensuring you have addressed the skillsets required for this role to <a href="mailto:recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au">recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au</a>.

Applications close Friday 4 February 2022.



### **ROSTERS FOR SERVERS and EM**

(Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion)

### Saturday - 5.00pm

22/01 L George (EM) R Zadro

### Sunday - 7.00am

23/01 M Slattery (EM) E Katselas

### Sunday - 8.30am

23/01 E Bastoli (EM) R Ayres

### **Sunday - 10.00am**

23/01 B Lobo (EM) C Addison

**EM** = Eucharistic Minister

or correctly Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion



### ROSTERS FOR READERS OF THE WORD

### Saturday - 5.00pm

22/01 Jane Denny Mc Cuddens

29/01 Maureen Reynolds

### Sunday - 7.00am

23/01 J Hayes R Wild 30/01 B Brown J Rogers

### Sunday - 8.30am

23/01 C Hartcher E Goodworth 30/01 J Watts G Sproats

#### Sunday - 10.00am

23/01 M Ellicott J Carlson 30/01 J Merrotsy J Kearney



Cleaning Angels Roster From the 24/1

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#### **Donations to the Parish**

Thank-you to everyone who has been so generous to us during the year.

Donations can be made at each Mass by putting cash on the plate or by using the **Tap'n'Go** machines at the door of the church.

Donations can also be made directly to our parish bank account

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To arrange for regular (monthly) donations please contact the Parish Office.

### St Joseph Workshop

supports St Vincent de Paul by manufacturing new furniture that is provided to people experiencing hardship. In the last year 700 pieces, valued at \$70,000, have been made. More volunteers are welcome.

The workshop is located at 18 Dignity Cres, West Gosford. To find out more go to our notice board, or contact Michael Tabone one 0409 254 268 or stjosephworkshop@vinnie.org.au

### Catholic Women's League

Happy New Year to all our members. I am happy to report that we can now resume meetings. To that effect, our planning meeting will be held in the Parish Hall on Monday 31st January 10.15 a.m. for a 10.30 a.m. start.

Don't

forget to bring your \$40.00 membership

### Pastoral Discernment Central Coast

Looking forward to seeing many of our parishioners on Saturday 12 February 2pm to 4pm free to attend our one meeting to enter into this Discernment Process.

More information in this bulletin.



# A RELAXED DISCUSSION ABOUT FAITH AND LIFE

JOIN US FOR A COOL DRINK AND A CHAT THIS SUMMER, SPENDING SOME TIME TOGETHER IN FRIENDSHIP WHILE DISCUSSING SOME CORE QUESTIONS OF FAITH AND LIFE.

### TUESDAY JANUARY 25TH 10:30AM - 12:00PM

### EXPERIENCING GOD IN THE TRINITY

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