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217 people per Mass allowed inside Church

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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



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

# 24 October 2021 30 Sunday in Ordinary time Year B

# Jesus said to him,

# "Go your faith has saved you"



Entrance Antiphon: Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the

Lord and His strength..

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

Psalm: The Lord has done great things for us; we are

filled with joy.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia alleluia

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,

and brought us life through His Gospel.

Gospel: St Mark 10:46-52

Communion Antiphon: We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in

the name of our God.

### **WEEKDAY MASS TIMES THIS WEEK**

Tuesday to Thursday 7.30am

**Friday and Saturday at 9.00am** Followed by Adoration till 10.00am.

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: Vigil 5pm

Sunday: 7.00am 8.30am 10.00am

**RECONCILIATION** is available Saturday before (from 8.30am) and after Mass (till 10.00am).





Welcome to all our visitors, may you feel at home in our Parish.

### PARISH INFORMATION:

**Baptisms: Until the end of the year m**ost Saturday & Sunday Mornings, at 11.30 by appointment. Enquir- ies to our

Parish Office.

### Holy Communion Anointing of the

Please ring the Parish have a loved one who ing.

Reconciliation: Beafter the normal Sat-(8.30–10am) or by ment. Ring the Parish Office.



and Sick: Office if you is ill or dy-

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

### **FOLLOW YOUR PARISH ON FACEBOOK**

### . Welcome Back

**COVID - 19 Requirements— Yes we still need to continue:** 

**317 people** permitted into the church for each service.

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



Sign in each time you come to the church. Use the QR code and the Service NSW app. Greeters will assist you, if are unsure

**Social distancing** of 1.5 metres between people from other family groups is required. Please be aware and don't sit directly behind or in front of someone, as to keep

a safe 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 or have any symptoms of cold or flu or at high risk or other health conditions, please take care and stay at home.

May we stay kind and look out for each other.

### **Celebrants for Sunday Masses**

### This Weekend (23/24 October)

5pm - Fr Vince 7am - Fr Vince 8.30am - Fr Vince 10am - Fr Jack



### Next weekend (30/31 October)

5pm Fr Jack 7am Fr Vince 8.30am Fr Vince 10am Fr Vince

### **Easing of COVID restrictions**

We are now able to gather in the church for the **celebration of Mass and the sacraments**, and we have returned to our pre-lockdown timetable. **Devotions** such as Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet and the St Michael Prayer Group may also resume, if they are meeting in the church.

**COVID-safe practices** are required in the church.

**Funerals and weddings** in the church can have 217 people. (The limit is 10 people if an unvaccinated person is attending.)

In the **celebration of Mass** there can be no congregational singing, although a choir of up to 10 fully vaccinated people can sing. There will be no communion from the chalice and those wanting communion on the tongue as asked to come at the end of the line.

Only those who are also fully vaccinated may visit the **parish office or hall**. Please register with the QR code when you arrive and wearing masks is recommended.

**From 1 December** there will be even less restrictions and we will be settling into the new normal with COVID-19 in the community.

As an act of love and a sign of welcome, let's make our church as safe as possible for everyone. Please stay safe yourself and let's keep each other safe.







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

(Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion)

### Saturday - 5.00pm

30/10/21 L George & L O'Donnell

6/11/21 P Maniskas

### Sunday - 7.00am

31/10/21 Gary Justin 7/11/21 M Slattery

#### Sunday - 8.30am

31/10/21 E Bastoli *EM A Bone* 7/11/21 P Quinn *(EM) R Ayers* 

### Sunday - 10.00am

31/10/21 P Maniskas 7/11/21 B Lobo



# ROSTERS FOR READERS OF THE WORD

### Saturday - 5.00pm

30/10/21 Mc Cuddens 6/11/21 Dawn Smith 13/11 Georges

### Sunday - 7.00am

31/10/21 Betty Brown Connie Attard 6/11/21

#### Sunday - 8.30am

31/10/21 Chris Hartcher F Cohen 6/11/21

### Sunday - 10.00am

31/10/21 J Kearney & J Merrotsy 7/11/21 B Introna & J Carlson 14/11/21 M Conroy J Kearney



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The retreat programme for October and the Advent Retreat are on the notice board.

**Download flyer here** 

# R.C.I.A. (The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Have you ever thought "I may want to be a Catholic", or heard someone else say that? If you, or someone you know, would like to know more about the Catholic faith, then the R.C.I.A. program may be for you, or someone you know. This program is a gentle, non-threating, series of talks with no obligation. There will be an inquiry evening for those who may be interested on **Wednesday the 17**th of November at 7p.m. We will make sure that we strictly observe Covid 19 safe procedures. If you, or a relative or friend, is interested and would like further information, ring Janette at the parish office 43764610 or Betty 43843756.

### **Connected in Christ Resource**



The weekly Connected in Christ resource is back! Please share in your Parish Bulletins. 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** 

## Vox Episcopi

In a special edition of the Vox Epsicopi, Bishop Anthony shares with us his homily from the Ordinations of Fr's Roger, Aldrin and Sam, that took place at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral on Monday 18 October.

**Read Bishop Anthony's Homily Here** 

For those interested the Livestream of the ordination is still available to watch at <a href="https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/ordination">www.bbcatholic.org.au/ordination</a>

#### **Euthanasia**

The NSW parliament has started to debate a bill legalising euthanasia in our state. The church has consistently been against the taking of human life and in the debate high standard palliative care is rarely presented as a positive alternative.

Gosford Hospital now has a 40 bed care palliative care unit which is excellent. I visit it almost every Saturday, when I am on call for the Hospital, to anoint Catholics who are approaching the end of life. It is always a positive experience for the patient, the family and myself. They also provide wonderful palliative care in the home.

The PPC has arranged to have a forum in the parish about palliative care which was postponed due to COVID. We will re-schedule it as soon as possible. If you want to read more about palliative care, click <a href="here">here</a> for a good article.

# For CANNOT KEEP SPEAKING about what SEEN & HEAR we have SEEN & HEAR

This week Catholic Mission will share the story of Churai\*, who having experienced much heartbreak in childhood, turned to the Mother and Babies Home run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok when her partner cast she experienced rejection as an adult, abandoned by her partner and pregnant.

Without this program, many vulnerable mothers like Churai will have nowhere to turn when they need love and care the most.

Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope, going online at <u>catholicmission.org.au/thailand</u> or by texting 'GIVE' to 0488 854 436. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

\*Name and images altered to protect identity





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# Some things to notice as we return to the church

The carpet in the **church** has been steam cleaned.

At the main entrance there are two *Tap 'n' Go* machines. These are set at \$5 and \$10. Place your credit or debit card near the screen. When you hear a beep you have just donated to the second collection.

Give it a try to check that it works! Thanks.

Two plaques have been added to the base of the **Statue of St Michael**, recognizing the Michaelites ministry in our parish.

A TV screen has been installed in the Mercy Chapel.

The servers will notice that all the **albs** have been washed and ironed.

The black curtains have been removed from the **hall**, windows and floor have been cleaned, and tables and chairs stacked.





These rosary beads were designed and handmade in Italy by the Ghirelli family. All the medals and links are finished in vintage bronze and the actual beads are faceted copper bohemian glass. RRP is \$40.00 + postage (our price \$35) 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.

# Mary Mac's - Woy Woy

Terrigal Parish continues to help the sixty clients, by providing (poppers (juice) and small bottles of water).

You can still leave goods at the Parish Office as we deliver each week.

A big thank you from Sally, Gabriel, James and the team.



### **Golden Wedding Anniversary**

Congratulations to parishioners John and Lynette Nolan, celebrating 50 year of marriage. They will receive a Papal blessings at the 10 am Mass

# Live streaming and TV Masses are still available.

Please <u>click here</u> for all the details.

Saint of the week Saints Simon & Jude: Both were Apostles who preached the gospel in Mesopotamia and Persia where they martyred.

**St Simon also known as Simeon,** was born to Cleophas, brother of Joseph, and said to be a cousin of Jesus by way of Mary's sister, according to the Gospel of St. Matthew. **Patron:** Curriers; sawmen and tanners. **St. Jude** Jude is so named by Luke in Acts. In the Gospels of Matthew and Mark he is called by them as Thaddeus. **Patron:** Desperate situations; forgotten causes; hospital workers; hospitals; impossible and lost causes.

### On their feast we pray,

"O God, through the work of these apostles who spoke the Word of love, through your Son, into our world's deafness. Open our ears to hear; open our hearts to heed; open our will to obey, that we may proclaim the good news with our lives."

We learn so much from the saints of the church.....google and find out more.

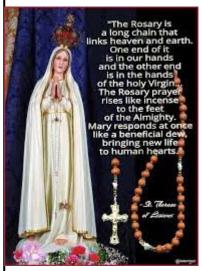


### **Rosary for the Family**

The Vatican has a gift for families for the month of October, which is traditionally dedicated to the Rosary. The gift is a free e-book that features watercolor illustrations of the mysteries of the Rosary, quotes from Pope Francis' 2016 document, *Amoris Laetitia* ("The Joy of Love"), and questions meant to prompt sharing about faith in the family. "The meditations are brief, taken from *Amoris Lae-*

"The meditations are brief, taken from *Amoris Lae*titia and are accompanied by short questions and images that can help you reflect in faith, even with

children."



Many of the questions take an event in the life of the Holy Family and encourage parents to share something of their experience. For example, after praying the third joyful mystery – the birth of Jesus – parents are asked, "How did you feel when you discovered that you were to become parents? What was it like to welcome children to the world?"

Click <u>here</u> to download the gift.

# Join us as a Catechist a Scripture Teacher or helper

We help the children in our local State schools gain a knowledge of the love of God and of the Good News of Jesus?

Training and lesson materials will be provided.

If you wish to be a Helper/Assistant to one of our Teachers we would love to hear from you.

Please Contact our **Primary Catechist Co-ordinator Cheryl Ryan** 

Ph: 4365 9178 or 0403 123 220

### **BREAK OPEN THE WORD**



If anyone would like to place an order for the new Break Open please leave your names at the parish office or see Janette.

They are \$25.00

## **Prayer Requests**

## Recently Deceased

Ariella Whitelum David Proust Christine Casey Marilyn Brown Thomas Wardlaw Lyn Griffiths Robert Shipley Ron Cremen Sheila Mary Ashurst Kevin Duffey Rosalia Rocca Carrie Armstrong Anne Cuthbert Jennifer Walsh Alice Daly Karen Scali

### Anniversaries & Remembrance

Margot Annis Brown Therese Engel Christopher Grouse Mary Lochens

#### Síck.

Ned Lines Miguel Gonzales Gay Walker Anne Perry Len Freeman Noel Nacua Sue Southwell Noleen Sherwood Daphne Beasley Jenny Imbruglia Sandra Tagliabue Mike Caruana Kathleen Little Fiona Connelly Kevin Duffy Eileen Ledwidge Warren Smith Bishop Bill Wright

SACRAMENTAL ENROLMENT
Catch-up Program at Terrigal Parish
Enrolling Year 4 and over for the
Sacrament of Reconciliation
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(or Confession) has begun.
A COVID SAFE PROGRAM
STILL 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 enquries to Janette 0421416555

Congratulations to the newly ordained; Father Roger Delmonte, Father Sam French and Father Aldrin-Valdehueza .



Monday 18th November was wonderful day for Broken Bay Diocese having three new priests ordained at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral in Waitara.

Please pray that God will grant them a spirit of joy and generosity in their vocations.

### Plenary Council 2021



The first session of the Council has come and gone. On analysis it has done a reasonable job. It has opened up debate and for the first time ever has allowed laypeople to engage in dialogue with the bishops on the problems facing the church in Australia. Solutions must come at further sessions. However, the first session did outline the problems. They are enormously challenging, but the church has faced greater challenges in its 2,000 year history and overcome them.

The process designed by the organisers did allow for a number of different expressions of how Catholics in the 21st-century look to their church and understand their faith. Notwithstanding this, the crisis facing the church remains to be confronted. Partially this is the fault of the church as the terrible abuse of children shows. Partially it is the age in which we live in western societies where the value of religious faith has massively declined and the Media/ political class disparage religion, especially Christianity.

Of all the people in the world Pope Francis seems to understand this the best. He wants to church to change from its traditional position of assertion to one mission. He wants a church that emphasises the mercy and compassion of our Saviour rather than one that simply lays down the law. What the Pope seeks is a change of culture throughout the universal church. This is no small thing. At 85 he knows this is not going to be achieved in his lifetime but he is determined to lay the foundations. The visible proof of this is his calling of the worldwide Synod of Bishops for 2023. A Synod where he looks to root and branch reform. A reform based upon the discernment of all Catholics throughout the world, both practising and non-practising.

Australia, though small in the worldwide church, has potentially a significant role to play in that it can develop models of governance and mission which can be an example to other Catholic churches. In 2020, to their credit, the bishops published the "Light from the Southern Cross." This document outlines measures to improve church governance and to instil contemporary standards of accountability and transparency. It could well be the framework for the next session of the Plenary Council in July 2022.

The President of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, Archbishop Coleridge, recently told the ABC radio program *The Religion and Ethics Report*:

"I think the monarchical exercise of episcopal control that gathered to itself the culture of secrecy that was so brutally exposed in the royal commission has got to go."

This is the most senior cleric in Australia, the person chosen by his fellow bishops to be the symbolic head of the church in Australia, stating that the present model of governance solely by bishops is no longer relevant. The church has had many models of governance throughout its history but the most relevant model is that practiced by Jesus Christ himself. It is that model that the Pope seeks to return the church to - a missionary church where all baptised play their part in proclaiming the Gospel. *Chris Hartcher* 

### SAVE THE DATE:

Saturday 4th December 6pm in the Parish Hall.

PARISH FAMILY AND FRIENDS CHRISTMAS DINNER

More information to come.



### Blessed Chiara Luce Badano Feast 29 October



Even at the age of four, Chiara seemed aware of the needs of others. She would sort through her toys to give some to poor children, and she would never give away just the old or broken ones. She invited less-fortunate people into the family's home for holidays and visited the elderly at a retirement center. When other children were sick and confined to bed, Chiara visited them. She loved the stories of the Gospel and loved to attend Mass.

When she was 9, Chiara became involved with the Focolare movement and its branch for young people. Focolare emphasizes brotherhood and unity among all people.

Chiara was very popular, had lots of friends, she played sports, and she loved to sing and dance. When once asked, she said she did not try to bring Jesus to her friends with words, she tried to bring Jesus to them with her example and how she lived her life. When she was 17, Chiara learned she had a very serious form of bone cancer. Treatments were painful and unsuccessful. She became paralyzed. One day someone asked her if she hoped to walk again, and her answer was no. When she suffered, she felt closer to Jesus. She even refused to take pain medication that would make her too sleepy to continue to live her life.

Despite her illness and being confined to bed, Chiara wrote letters and sent messages to others. She attended Focolare youth meetings. She inspired everyone who she encountered with her faith and love for others. She gave all her savings to a friend who was becoming a missionary in Africa. When her life was nearly at an end, she said, "I have nothing left, but I still have my heart, and with that I can always love." Chiara died in 1990. Within nine years, the bishop of her diocese began the work on her cause for canonization. Pope Benedict XVI declared her "Blessed" in 2010. "Only Love with a capital L gives true happiness," and that's what Chiara showed her family, her friends and her fellow members of the Focolare movement, the pope said. She was a normal, everyday girl, and possibly a normal, everyday saint. Chiara's brief life showed us how much one person can accomplish in God's name.



## Financial Counselling & Emergency Relief Programs

Throughout Australia, housing prices are on a sharp increase. Therefore, you'd think that Australia's economy is booming too, right? After all, property sales are driving housing costs up, so this means that people have the means to purchase new houses and cars. Yes? Unfortunately, this isn't always the case. Currently record numbers of Australians seeking emergency relief services and financial counselling. CatholicCare can help. This recent article provides more information www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/news/ financial-counselling-emergency-relief.



Central Coast

This project will be formally launched on 31 October. It is an initiative to recall how the Spirit has guided our journey and will provide for opportunities to engage richly in the conversation and to listen to diverse experiences of faith and life.

You are invited to join us for the online virtual event. During the launch, you will hear from Bishop Anthony Randazzo who will share his vision of the project and Patti Beattie, project facilitator will outline the scope of the project and ways that you can participate.

Date of launch: Sunday 31 October 2021

Time: 12 noon (AEDT)

Online: www.bbcatholic.org.au/pdcc Details of the project can be found at www.bbcatholic.org.au/pdcc which includes details of both the Launch and Briefing Circle registrations.



# Synod of Bishops 2021-2023

In March 2020, Pope Francis announced that the theme for the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of For a synodal Church Bishops would be "For a Synnion | participation | mission odal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission".

The actual Synod of Bishops gathering will be held in October 2023, however, the journey towards its celebration begins this month.

This 2-year process allows a period of wide consultation and walking together as a worldwide Church: "It is precisely this path of synodality which God expects of the Church of the third millennium. This journey, which follows in the wake of the Church's "renewal" proposed by the Second Vatican Council, is both a gift and a task: by journeying together and reflecting together on the journey that has been made, the Church will be able to learn through Her experience which processes can help Her to live communion, to achieve participation, to open Herself to mission. Our "journeying together" is, in fact, what most effectively enacts and manifests the nature of the Church as the pilgrim and missionary People of God."

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has developed a webpage which contains information about the Synod at <a href="https://www.catholic.org.au/">https://www.catholic.org.au/</a> synodalchurch

### St Michael Prayer Group



Thursday 11 November at 5pm with Mass homily on the Angels, followed by the Chaplet of St Michael. Fr George Gorzkowski csma we will lead us on this evening.

We pray the Chaplet to St Michael and have Benediction. All are welcome to attend.

> All welcome to attend. Enquiries Janette 0421416555 (St Michael Group co-ordinator).

### **New Eileen O'Connor website**

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney has launched a new website and social media platforms aimed at promoting Eileen O'Connor's pathway to sainthood. The new website, eileenoconnor.com.au





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### AN INVITATION TO JOIN OUR CHURCH CLEANING TEAM

We refer to our church cleaners as the Cleaning Angels. They are often unseen and humble in what they do. If you wish to join the team, please contact the Parish Office and you will be placed in a group. Alison who looks after the roster will make you welcome and show you around the church areas. You will only have one area to clean. So, many hands make light work.

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