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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.

25th JANUARY 2026

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

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: Isaiah 8: 23-9: 3

Psalm: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

2nd Reading: St Paul to the Corinthians 1:10-13. 17

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom, and healed all who were sick.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 4: 12-23

Communion Antiphon: Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your face not be abashed.

Next Week's Readings: FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Zephaniah 2: 3; 3: 12-13

Psalm: Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

2nd Reading: Corinthians 1: 26-31

Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12

WEEKDAY SERVICES January

Monday	26	9.00am Mass for Australia Day
Tuesday	27	7.30am Mass
Wednesday	28	7.30am Mass
Thursday	29	7.30am Mass
Friday	30	9.00am Mass (+ anointing of the sick)
Saturday	31	9.00am Mass

WEEKEND MASSES - NEXT WEEK

Saturday Vigil:	31	5.00pm Mass
Sunday:	1	7.30am & 9.30am 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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Celebrants for Masses

Sat 24 / Sun 25 Jan

5pm Fr Vince
7.30am Fr John; 9.30am Fr Vince

Sat 31 Jan / Sun 1 Feb

5pm Fr Ken
7.30am Fr Vince; 9.30am Fr John

Note: These arrangements may change without notice.

New Seminarians

Nicholas Gomez (Cathedral Parish), Joseph Nicholls (Gosford Parish), and Bryce Gonlin (Chatswood Parish) and Lucas Lopez Rizo will begin formation for the priesthood in Broken Bay in the next few weeks. Please keep them in your prayers.

Donations to the Parish

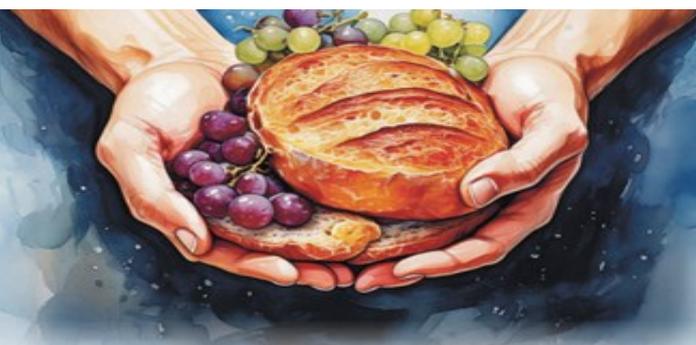
Donations can be made by:

- 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:

Terrigal Parish
BSB: 062 784
Acc: 100001660 or

- using planned giving **envelopes**, available at the back of the church; or
- **regular (monthly) credit card donations**, arranged through the Parish Office.

Thank-you for your continued generosity.



FIRST FRUITS OFFERING

The First Fruits initiative is an invitation to enter more deeply into the life of our parish through regular contributions to the collections. During February there will special materials available to help us prayerfully reflect on our offering.

TWord of God Sunday

The Catholic Church in Australia celebrates Word of God Sunday next Sunday 1 February. The motto for this year is: "**The word of Christ dwells among you**" (Col 3:16). More next week. We will have a table of second hand Bibles to take home for a coin or small donation. The money will go the Missions.

Antioch Weekend. Youth Retreat

Just as every plant begins as a small seed, our faith grows stronger as we nurture it with prayer, community, and through God's love. This year's theme, *Through the Garden*, invites us to journey together through the stages of growth, discovering how God cultivates our hearts and helps us flourish into the beautiful creations we are meant to be.

St Gerards Carlingford. 7 and 8 February. Year 10 to 23 years of age. Cost: \$50.

For further information, click [here](#) or ring Holly 0404 710 488

To book, click here: <https://www.trybooking.com/DIDAP>

Day programs for adults living with disability

Designed for those aged 18 and over, our programs at Brookvale and Waitara provide opportunities to develop social skills in both familiar and new settings - all while having fun and learning. Our programs cover everything from gardening, art, and photography to computers, gym sessions, and more, giving participants a chance to explore new interests and build skills.

Young Adults Group (Ages 18 - 35)



Looking for connection, purpose, and faith that speaks to real life?

You're not alone and you don't have to walk the journey alone.

Why a Young Adults Group?

Life between **18-35** is full of big questions: study, work, relationships, faith, decisions, and direction. This group is a welcoming space to:

- ◆ Connect with other young adults
- ◆ Explore faith in a real and relevant way
- ◆ Share life, questions, and experiences

What to Expect

- ◆ Open and honest discussion
- ◆ Friendship, prayer, support, and belonging

First Gathering

You're warmly invited!

Friends, we are excited to begin a **Young Adults Group** at our parish – a space to connect, grow in faith, and build friendships.

Date: Sunday, **15th February**

Time: After the **9:30am Mass**

Venue: Parish Office – Conference Room

If you are a young adult (18–35) and looking for community, meaningful conversation, companionship and faith shared in a relaxed and welcoming environment, this group is for you.

Come as you are – bring a friend if you like!

All are most welcome.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office or Fr John Puli.

We look forward to journeying together.

Australia Day Mass 9am Monday 26th January Followed by Morning tea.



Let us come together in prayer and thanksgiving to celebrate the spirit of unity, diversity, and the vibrant culture that makes Australia.

**“We are one
but we are many
... we are Australian “**

Adopt a Garden

We are inviting individuals, couples, or small groups to consider adopting one of the gardens beds on the church grounds. By “adopting” a garden, you would take responsibility of maintaining that section of garden by helping to weed, care for, and beautify that space throughout the season!



If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the parish office.

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.

Sacramental Programme for 2026



Reconciliation and Eucharist 2026 for Year 4 students and older

Enrolment

In the Parish Office Monday 29th June to Sunday 5th July

Reconciliation Input for Parents

Wednesday 22nd July at 7pm

Parent/Child Support Class

Saturday 1st August at 3.30pm

Presentation

5pm Mass on the 1st August or at the 7.30am or 9.30am Masses Sunday 2nd August

First Reconciliation

Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 12th, Thursday 13th August by appointment

Communion Input for Parents

Wednesday 19th August at 7pm

Parent/Child Support Class

Saturday 29th August at 3.30pm

Presentation

5pm 29th August or any of the Sunday Masses 30th August Masses

First Holy Communion

Saturday 12th September 5pm

Sunday 13th September 7.30am, 9.30am and 2pm

Confirmation 2026 for year 3 students and older

Enrolment

In the Parish Office Monday 21st to Sunday 27th September

Input for Parents

Wednesday 14th October at 7pm

Parent/Child Support Class

Saturday 24th October at 3.30pm

Presentation

5pm Mass on the 24th October or at the 7.30am or 9.30am Masses Sunday 25th October

Confirmation Date

Thursday 12th November at 6pm and

Saturday 14th November at 11am and 3pm at the **Edmund Rice Centre, East Gosford**

Catholic Women's League



Monday 2nd February
10.30am Planning Meeting

Wednesday 11th February
10am Delegates Meeting

Monday 16th February
10.30am Coffee morning at Breakers

Colleen Addison
0425 368 431

Baptismal Preparation

The first Baptismal Preparation for the year will be held in the Church on Tuesday night the 27th January starting at 6pm.



Anointing of the Sick

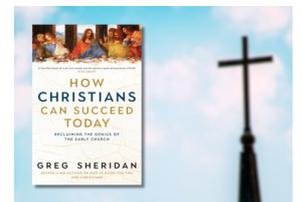
This Sacrament is celebrated during the 9am Mass on the last Friday of the month.

The anointing is for all those who are sick or preparing for surgery will be celebrated at 9am Mass on Friday 30th January 2026.



Parish Bookclub

Next Friday, January 30th our book club will be meeting to discuss Greg Sheridan's book "How Christian's Can Succeed Today".



Sheridan sees parallels between the struggles of the early church and those of our time. A crisis of faith combined with the relativisation of truth looks for a tonic for renewal; this book might be it.

In February we will be reading Rabbi Jonathon Sacks book **A Letter in the Scroll**. When approached by a group of Jewish University students planning a course and looking for a theme, he suggested they approach Jewish artists and academics, judges and doctors, politicians and writers and ask them for a brief personal note about what being Jewish means to them. This book is a consequence of that challenge. In March we will read Tolstoy's "A Confession", a book he wrote in his early fifties. Thankfully it is not nearly as long as his other writings. Welcome to join us as we enter our fifth year of reading.

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Planned Giving Envelopes

Planned Giving envelopes are now available for collection from the rear of the church. Please note that these envelopes are not numbered or dated. When using them, kindly write your existing envelope number, the date, and the amount given on each envelope.

If you would like to participate in Planned Giving and require an envelope number, please contact the Parish Office.

This year, envelopes are provided in packs of 20. If you require additional envelopes, please contact the Parish Office.

If you would prefer to cancel your envelopes and instead make your contributions via a monthly credit card deduction, the Parish Office will be happy to assist you.

Once again, we sincerely thank you for your continued support and generosity.

OLSOS Craft Group

Meeting dates – February to December 2026



The craft group meets **fortnightly on a Wednesday**, from 12:30 to 2:00 pm in the Parish Office.

Communication via text and email.

Group: Cath - 0432 982 622

Office: 4367 4610

Email: starsea@bigpond.net.au

For your diary:

February	4 18	July	8 22
March	4 18	August	5 19
April	1 15 29	September	2 16 30
May	13 27	October	14 28
June	10 24	November	11 25
		December	9

Grandparents' Group

is meeting this on Wednesday 28th January from 6pm to 7pm in the Parish Office.

Our topic for this month is a "Grand Plan for Grandparents" suggested by MenALIVE. They invite all grandparents "to embrace the challenge of your Christian vocation, the call of your baptism, to share your faith with your grandchildren". Their plan is simple and we will discuss the 12 things they suggest a grandparent can do to raise their grandchildren in the faith.

The Grandparents' Group exists for mutual encouragement and sharing initiatives, ideas and prayer for passing on the faith to future generations.

All are welcome! You don't have to be a grandparent to take part - aunts, uncles, godparents and older single people are all warmly welcomed.

We meet on the last Wednesday of each month and discuss a new topic each meeting.



Name Badges

Name tags can still be ordered at a subsidized price of **\$10** (normally \$17).

We are placing an order this Tuesday.

You can choose from safety pin style or magnetic back. Place order after Mass or phone the Parish Office..

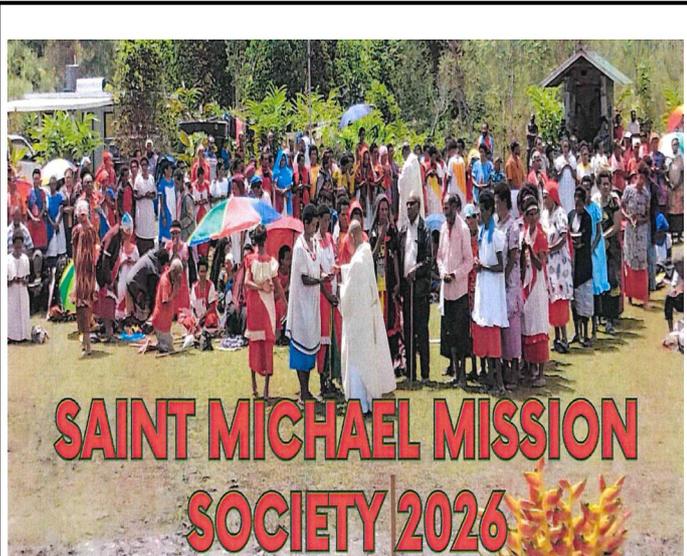
Engaged Encounter Weekends 2026

How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship.

For further information visit our web site: www.engagedencounter.org.au

Choose any of the coming Weekends:
**Feb 21-22, May 23-24,
 Aug 8-9**





Thank you to those who have already enrolled in the St Michael Mission Society. The membership forms are at the back of the church if you would like to join and support.

There is also a flyer on the noticeboard showing the **nine** seminarians presently studying in PNG, who are supported by the Mission Society.

In return our families are prayed for at the Divine Mercy Shrine and the Michaelite parishes in PNG.

You will be given a prayer card with your family name on it or for whoever you wish to gift it to.

A wonderful way to start the year helping others and knowing our loved ones (and us) are being prayed for.

Forms at the back of the church or in the parish office

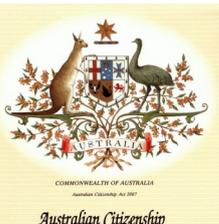
St Michael Prayer Group Mass
Thursday 12th February at 5.30pm

All are welcome to attend and join with us for Mass and Adoration, with St Michael prayers. Fr Stan will join us on this evening. A light supper to follow. Enquiries to Janette 042141655



2026 Programme for your diary.

Thursday 12 February 5.30pm	-2nd Thursday
Thursday 19 March 5.30pm	-3 rd Thursday
Thursday 23 April 5.30pm	-4 th Thursday
Thursday 21 st May 5.30pm	-4 th Thursday
Thursday 25 June 5.30pm	-4 th Thursday
Thursday 23 July 5.30pm	-4 th Thursday
Thursday 27 August 5.30pm	-4 th Thursday
Thursday 24 Sept 5.30pm	-4 th Thursday
Thursday 22 October 5.30pm	-4 th Thursday
Thursday 26 Nov 5.30pm	-4 th Thursday



Citizenship
On Australia Day Fr John Puli, our new priest, will become an Australian citizen. Congratulations! We will have a morning tea to celebrate with Fr John after the 9.30am Mass next weekend.

Pilgrimage to Italy May 2026:
You are invited to join the Provincial of the Michaelites, Fr Anthony Casemento, on a special Harvest pilgrimage to Italy in May.

Highlights include visits to sacred sites from Rome to Venice and include a grace filled journey to Monte Sant'Angelo, the Michaelite shrine to St Michael in Gargano.

Experience faith, fellowship, and renewal.

For more information see the poster on the noticeboard.



Men's Bushwalking Group

Our walk on Tuesday 27 will be in the Kincumba Mountain Reserve with an early (8.00 am) start to avoid the midday heat. Overall conditions are looking good and the bush should be benefitting from the recent rains. Coffee will be at the Kincumber Hotel or nearby. Any gentleman interested in participating in any of our walks, please contact Stim Robinson on 0401 058 329 or stimrobinson@hotmail.com to get further details including where to meet for the walk. Our walks usually take an hour or so and then we head off for lunch nearby.



Children's Liturgy

Roster

5pm Mass Saturday Nights

24.1.2026 - Robyn Lentini
31.1.2026 - Robyn Lentini
7.2.2026 - Julie Tarrant, Robyn Lentini & Alexandra Goodworth

ROSTERS FOR SERVERS & EM



Saturday - 5.00pm

24/01/26	Server L George	(EM) J Costello, M Perry, G Catanzariti, S Dunn
31/01/26	Server P Proust	(EM) L O'Donnell, P Ross, A Vidler, T Gorman
14/02/26	Server J Sheridan	(EM) L O'Donnell, P Ross, A Vidler, T Gorman
21/02/26	Server R Zadro	(EM) J Costello, M Perry, G Catanzariti, S Dunn P Ross, L O'Donnell

Sunday - 7.30am

25/01/26	Server P Maniskas	(EM) B Reid, M Slattery J Rogers, S Petith
01/02/26	Server M Slattery	(EM) P Maniskas, B Brown, N Barcha, J Rogers
15/02/26	Server B Lobo	(EM) M Slattery, P Maniskas, N Barcha, J Rogers
22/02/26	Server P Maniskas	(EM) S Petith, B Brown, B Reid, M Slattery

Sunday - 9.30am

25/01/26	Server B Lobo	(EM) A Kopecky, C Addison, R Ayres, A Bone
01/02/26	Server E Bastoli	(EM) S Dunn, J Merrotsy, K Curtis, R Lentini
15/02/26	Server P Quinn	(EM) S Dunn, A Kopecky, M Sproats, R Lentini
22/02/26	Server B Lobo	(EM) J Merrotsy, A Bone, K Curtis, R Ayers,

EM = Eucharistic Minister or correctly Extraordinary
Minister of Holy Communion

ROSTERS FOR READERS OF THE WORD



Saturday - 5.00pm

24/01/2026	(1) Curtis Stephenson	(2) Julie McManus
31/01/2026	(1) Lynches	(2) Dudley Smith
07/02/2026	(1) Maureen Reynolds	(2) Goodworths
14/02/2026	(1) Coral Foo	(2) Georges

Sunday - 7.30am

25/01/2026	(1) John Sheehan	(2) Betty Brown
01/02/2026	(1) Chris Hartcher	(2) Anne Strong
08/02/2026	(1) Ivy Holly	(2) Justine Hayes
15/02/2026	(1) Betty Brown	(2) Sandra Petith

Sunday - 9.30am

25/01/2026	(1) Jane Watts	(2) Graham Sproats
01/02/2026	(1) Vic Wilmot	(2) Susan de Brincatt-Moffatt
08/02/2026	(1) Anne Mackson	(2) Janette Merrotsy
15/02/2026	(1) Colleen Addison	(2) Vic Wilmot

Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster



26th January 2026
Matt Riley, Felicity Riley and
Heidi Bridger

2nd February 2026
Mary Bryant, Evelyn Lazzarini
& Kerry Oliver

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

Narelle Macken	John Bourke	Terence Foster
Jennifer Nolan (Dawn Smiths' Daughter)		Joe Borg
Betty Theaker	John Francis Somers	Mary McCormack
Pedro Meyer	Margaret Smith	Paul Callinan

Anniversaries & Remembrance

Ralph Goss	Anne Condon	Sandra Bastoli	David Waters
Mario & Silvana Favetta	William Crowther	Thomas Foster	
Eva Wakim	Botrous Camilos	Selina Orton	

Sick

Xenie Star	Ashunta	Stephanie Empson
Julio Marquez	Vic Burnham	Kye Mc Intosh
Tracey Homan	Veronica Bishop	Suzanne Russo
Joyce Hone	Sandra Jackson	Sheelagh O'Rourke
Marie Campbell	Ruby Gornall	Sylvia Mann
Jackson Howard	Bernadette Kennedy	Lucy & Pia Favetta
Kathleen Martin	Matthew Cooper	Debbie Bell
Kate Terry	Nita & Ron McGuinness	Sue Warren-Smith
Mary Smith	Andrew Humpherson	Patricia Cooper

MORNING TEA ROSTER



Please stay and join us
After 9.30am Mass

Group 7	Ian & Pat Rimes, Bernadette Wright, Linda & Isabel Lee - 25.1.2026
Group 1	Wanita Lynch, Mary Howes, Robyn Lentini & Julie Tarrant - 1.2.2026
Group 2	Robyn Lentini, Ina Kite, Scott Dunn, Robyn & Vic Wilmot - 8.2.2025
Group 3	Barbara Clarke, Sue O'Connor & Eileen Dodds - 15.2.2025
Group 4	Anne Strong, Eileen Dodds, Mary Portelli & Mary Jones - 22.2.2026
Group 5	Margaret Brown & Robyn Ayers, Juliet Mathew & Kate Curtis - 1.3.2026
Group 6	Chris Whalan, Viv Ball, Pat & Alison Bone - 8.3.2026

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



POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

To pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.



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