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Monday - Friday  
CLOSED THIS WEEK

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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

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



**25 December 2022**

**The Nativity of  
Our Lord Jesus**



*Christmas love and blessings to all our parishioners, and our visitors.*

*We remember with love at our Christmas Masses all who left us this year to seek their eternal reward.*

**Next Week's Readings: MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

**1st Reading:** Numbers 6:22-27  
**Psalm:** May God bless us in his mercy.  
**2nd Reading** St Paul to the Galatians 4:4-7  
**Gospel:** Luke 2:16-21



**WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK**

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>9.00 am (Public Holiday)</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>7.30 am</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>7.30 am</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>9.00 am Anointing of the sick</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>

**NEW YEAR MASSES**

<b>Saturday Vigil</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7.00 am / 8.30am / 10.00am</b>

Rosary said before Mass Tues - Thursday at 7am or 8.30am on Friday & Saturday before Mass

**Our new website: [www.bbcatholic.org.au/terrigan](http://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 enrol

### 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 the normal Saturday 9am Mass (8.30–10am) or phone the Parish Office for an appointment.

### Weddings and Funerals:

Enquiries to the Parish Office.



**COVID - 19 : Keeping everyone safe we ask you to:**

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

Where possible, **keep a social distance** of 1.5 metres between people from other family groups.

**Masks are encouraged** to be worn, especially if you cannot keep a social 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**, please take care and **stay at home**.

*Thank-you to everyone for your care to keep each other safe.*

## School Holidays

Our primary school is now on holidays till the teachers return on Friday 27 January. We wish them a relaxed and safe break.

Some building work will be done during December and January to prepare for the major capital works of six new, permanent classrooms next year. Please take care around any builders, trucks etc.

If you notice anything unusual activity or have any security concerns please contact the parish office (43674610) or our security company, Central Monitoring (9809 9222).

## Broken Bay News

The December 2022 edition of BBN with news from around the diocese is available at the doors of the church. There is an extensive coverage of the installation of the JP11 relics at Gosford. Can you spot the parishioners in the pictures on page 7?



## Terrigal Christmas Masses

### Christmas Eve - Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December

- 5pm Children's Mass & pageant
- 9pm Mass during the night

### Christmas Day Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December

- 8am Mass at dawn
- 10am Mass during the day

## Twentieth Anniversary Celebrations

Congratulations and thank-you to all who contributed to our celebrations last weekend with Bishop Anthony. Well done

## Donations to the Parish

Donations can be made at each Mass by putting **cash** in the collection bag; or by using the **Tap'n'Go** machines at the door of the church; or by giving **directly** to our parish bank account:

Terrigal Parish BSB: 062 784 Acc: 100001660

Planned giving **envelopes** are at the back of the church; or to arrange for regular (monthly) **credit card** donations please contact the Parish Office.

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

## Bequests

In writing your will, where you can and after looking after your family, please also consider our Parish. Suggested wording is:

*"I give to the Trustees of the Roman Catholic Church for the Diocese of Broken Bay, (ABN 79 031 652 544) as Trustee for the Catholic Parish of Terrigal in the State of New South Wales for its general purposes, the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ percent of my estate, or the property at \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_ (other specific items), free of all duties, taxes and other deductions of whatever kind.*

*I declare that the receipt for the same signed by the Bishop of the Diocese, or other designated officer, shall be sufficient discharge to my Executors and Trustees."*

If you would like more information, please contact the Parish Office or go to the diocesan website.

## Parish Pastoral Council

At our meeting last week Michael Slattery resigned as Chair and stepped down from the PPC after many years of service. We can't thank Michael enough for his wisdom, guidance and leadership and look forward to the new ways he will continue to be involved in the parish. Chris Hartcher has accepted the position of Chair for the next year and we look forward to the initiatives under Chris' leadership.

## Church Ceiling

The mold that had formed on the ceiling of the church was being cleaned during last week. The crew will be back after Christmas to complete the job. Catholic Church Insurances are progressing with the investigation into its causes and will rectify the problem to ensure it does not happen again.

## Thank-you

Thank-you to the many parishioners who have contributed to our Christmas celebrations. This includes those who cleaned the church, hall, pavers and gardens, decorated the church, prepared the liturgies, organised the children's pageant, musicians and singers, welcomers, readers and servers, collectors and counters, those who have provided hospitality, and anyone else we have forgotten.

Thanks for your generous service and your contribution to our praise of the new-born king.

## Pastoral Discernment Central Coast

The Bishop has given some more details about the next steps in this process.

- An Implementation Task Group is to be established to consider the Report and to make recommendations for the Bishop's consideration with respect to the implementation of the findings. Members of the Task Group, and Terms of Reference, will be communicated in February 2023.
- As soon as practical a Pastoral Discernment Facilitator will be appointed to undertake the role of Executive Officer (EO) to the Task Group. This person will assist the Task Group in the formulation and implementation of the recommendations and prepare for the future Northern Beaches Deanery Discernment.

He has asked for prayers for the continued success of this important initiative as we journey forward together for the people of God in the region of the Central Coast and the wider Diocesan community.

**Parish Office is closed from the 26<sup>th</sup> December to the 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023.**

**Tuesday the 27<sup>th</sup> is a Public Holiday Mass will be at 9am.**

## Visitors

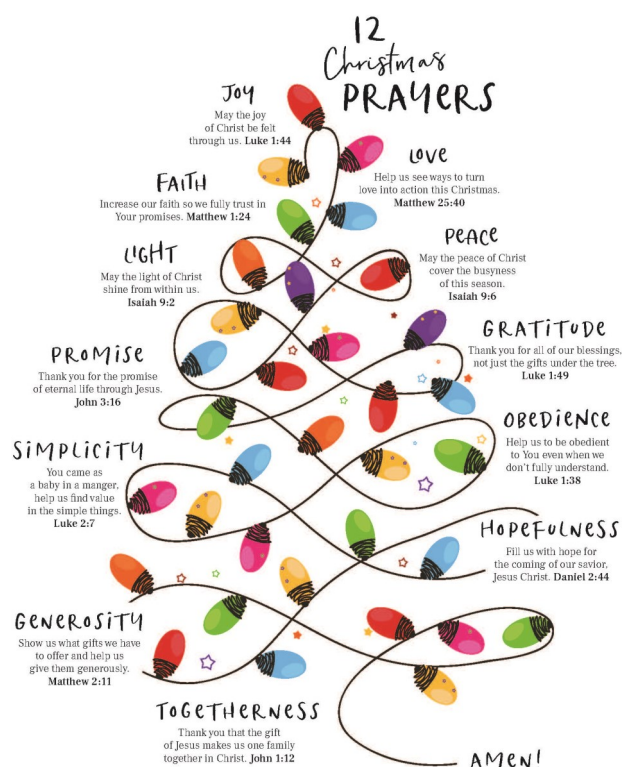
Welcome to all the visitors who have joined us from Sydney and many parts of Australia and the world to celebrate Christmas with us. You are most welcome. Thank-you for coming to Our Lady Star of the Sea. Please introduce yourself to one of the locals and let us know where you are from.

## Scripture / Lectio Divina Advent Preparation



Please join us in the New Year on **Thursdays at 10.30am** in the Parish rooms as we peruse the readings for the upcoming Sunday.

For more information contact; Bernie 0414653146 or the Parish Office



## MARY MAC'S WOY WOY Terrigal Parish proud to support

Thank you to all who have supported Mary Macs over the last year and especially for Christmas holidays. We will continue to collect non perishables for Mary Macs. Items can be left at the parish office. They collect fortnightly.

## NEW PARISH NAME TAGS

The latest order has come back. You can collect from the parish office or after the Masses at the greeting table.

Name tags are \$10  
(subsidised by the parish)

## Book Club

Last Friday the book club met to discuss C S Lewis's book *The Abolition of Man*. Based on a series of lectures he gave during the war, Lewis argues that truth beauty and goodness cannot be subjective. There is an underlying moral order that is recognised by all cultures and the consequences of ignoring it will have consequences. The discussion reflected that his book is as relevant today as it was when it was written.

The book for the end of January is another book based on lectures. *Arguing Religion* by Bishop Robert Barron.

In February, we will be discussing Elizabeth Lev's book: *"How Catholic Art Saved the Faith. The Triumph of Truth and Beauty in Counter- Reformation Art.*

Bookclub meets on the last Friday of every month at 1600 in the parish offices. Join us if you can. Seriously?

What could be more fun.

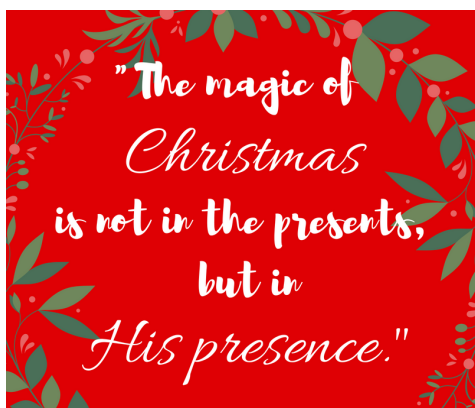
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## St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal Thank you



A very Happy and Safe Christmas. Thank you to all who contributed to our Christmas Appeal. Donations exceed \$6000 and hampers added an estimated \$600 to make a better

Christmas for those doing it tough. Thank you. Denis. Conference President.



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## Parish Pastoral Plan 2022

**Mission:** We, the parishioners of Our Lady Star of the Sea Terrigal are a community of Catholic people whose faith in God is inspired by the love and example of Jesus and his command to 'love one another as I have loved you' and whose actions are guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

**Vision:** 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.

### Objectives:

1. Everyone in the Parish takes a personal interest in others, introducing themselves to people they have not met before; greeting new people to the parish; and inviting family and friends to come to our church. **(Community)**
2. Everyone in the Parish does something each year to grow in their knowledge of the faith and to deepen their relationship with God. **(Conversion)**
3. As a result of hearing the Good News, everyone in the Parish is given the opportunity to be involved in good works through a Ministry. **(Mission)**



## REGISTRATION UPDATE

- The excitement is certainly building as we continue to plan and prepare for WYD23 to Lisbon next year!
- Places for Over 18's on the full pilgrimage have reached capacity.
- We have a number of spaces on the Direct Pilgrimage 29 July to 11 August
- It's not too late to let us know that you'd like to journey with us on the Direct pilgrimage.
- Register to secure your place: <https://bit.ly/wyd2023bbc>

## Supporting the Saint Michael Mission Society



The Congregation of St Michael the Archangel is a missionary order with established missions in many countries. The Michaelites in Australia are associated with missionary work in Papua New Guinea. The focus of the missionary work is mainly education, training and building works for these communities. The picture above is the Divine Mercy Chapel in the Highlands in PNG, which was a project of the Society.

Currently there are six seminarians who are being supported by the St Michael Mission Society. You can support the Mission by way of a subscription of \$25 which are now open for 2023. These can be given as a gift, or as memorial for a deceased friend or relative or for your own family. Masses are said weekly throughout the year for the benefactors. Application forms are at the back of the church or contact Janette for more information. A wonderful way to start the year helping others and knowing our loved ones (and us) are being prayed for.



In recognition of your 2023 \$25 subscription to support the Michaelite Fathers,

Name for whom the Subscription is for (& from )

As one of our benefactors you will be in the Masses and prayers of the Michaelite Fathers during 2023  
Thank you



Fr. Michael CSMA



Due to Covid the Congregation and those who support their work were unable to celebrate in 2021.

**It may be two years later but there is a formal celebration on the 28th January at Holy Spirit Parish North Ryde.**

Mass will be at 5pm followed at 6pm 3 course dinner in the adjoining hall. Tickets are \$45.00 Adults and Children \$20  
Please see Janette at the Parish Office for a ticket.

We are hoping to take the parish bus if we have enough who wish to attend.

### Fr Peter Prusakiewicz csma Terrigal Parish 12 January 5.30 pm Mass

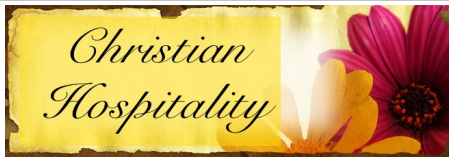
Fr Peter (who currently resides in the General House of the Congregation of St Michael the Archangel located in Marki, Poland) is a well-travelled international speaker for over twenty years and has spoken about St Michael and the Holy Angels and St Faustina at many conferences, retreats and parish missions all over the world.

Fr Peter will be coming to Terrigal parish to talk about St Michael and St Faustina.

There will be Mass at 5.30pm, Homily, Eucharistic Adoration and an individual blessing with a relic of St Faustina.

There will also be some items for sale from the St Michael Shrine in Gargano  
More information closer to the time.





**MORNING TEA ROSTER**  
Please join us

**After 8.30 am Mass**

- Group 4 Lee & Kerry Oliver - 8.1.23
- Group 5 Chris Whalan, Viv Ball & Alison Bone - 15.1.23
- Group 6 Nancy Carey-Berryman & Susan Connor - 22.1.23
- Group 1 Kaye Parker, Wanita Lynch & Robyn Lentini - 29.1.23
- Group 2 Geraldine Czerkesow & Anne Cogglan - 5.2.23
- Group 3 Margaret Brown & Robyn Ayers - 9.2.23

**After 10.00 am Mass**

- Group 4 Ian & Pat Rimes & Eleonora - 8.1.23
- Group 5 Helen Mooney & Denise - 15.1.23
- Group 6 June Carpenter & Carmel Peek - 22.1.23
- Group 1 Joan Kearney, Claudia Hainey & JM - 29.1.23
- Group 2 Ina Kite, Lyla Cross & Mary Portelli - 5.2.23
- Group 3 Anne Strong, Eileen Dodds & Mary Jones - 9.2.23



The ideal would be to have 3 on a team and to have 6 teams . We would then go on a roster system, of once every 4 to 6 weeks if we can get more teams.

Speak to Janette in the parish office or Robyn at 8.30am

**Christmas Roster Servers**

**5pm Mass**

Servers - L George & P Maniskas  
Eucharistic Ministers - A Bone & L O'Donnell

**9pm Mass**

Servers - D Southwell & B Lobo  
Eucharistic Ministers - R Zadro & N Carter

**8am Mass**

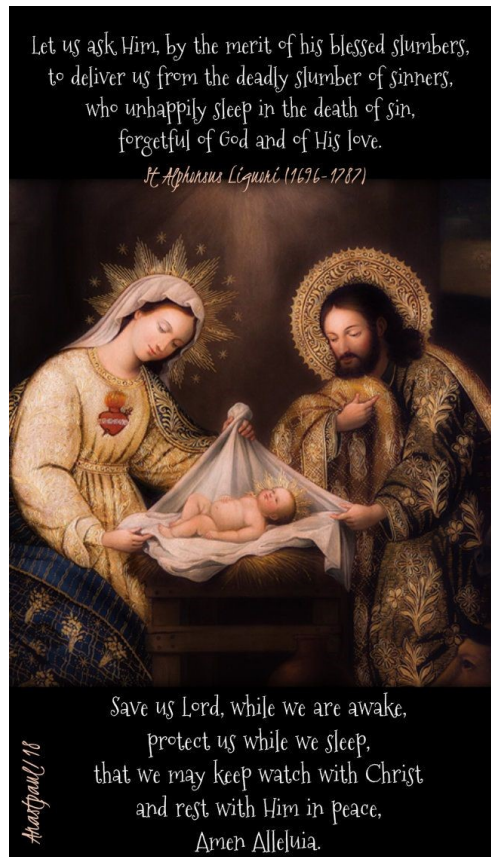
Servers - M Slattery & P Maniskas  
Eucharistic Ministers - R Lentini

**10am Mass**

Servers - V & J Duverge  
Eucharistic Ministers -

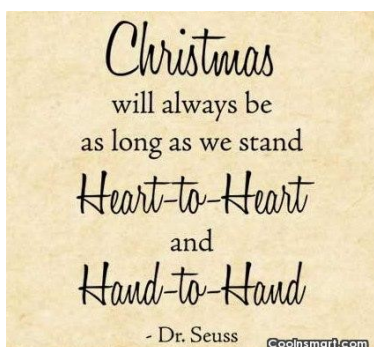
**Parish Piety Stall** 2023 Calendars available, Cards, Nativity Sets and small gifts as well as other new stock has been recently added to the religious merchandise in time for Christmas. We even have Gold Frankincense & Myrrh essential oil gift sets for \$25.00. Christmas Rock Road will also be available a look.

*Thank you for supporting your Parish Piety Shop. Because of your purchases we are able to give a \$500 donation to Vinnies for their Christmas Appeal.*



Rest in peace Joan Ward ( a former parishioner who was a wonderful counsellor to many people in the Parish, through her Adult education). Joan's funeral will be next week in Mortlake.

**D**ear parishioners please be mindful at the Christmas Masses. Where you see a need please bring to someones attention or try to help  
  
Sometimes at busy times the collection plate can be forgotten to be taken up. If a reader is unable to be there, please find a replacement. Also we have a lot of visitors please make them welcome.



## ROSTERS FOR SERVERS and EM



### **Saturday - 5.00pm**

24/12/2022 Server L George (EM) A Bone & L O'Donnell  
 31/12/2022 Server J Sheridan (EM) M Perry & R Zadro  
 7/1/2023 Server L George (EM) L O'Donnell & M Perry  
 14/1/2023 Server V & J Duverge (EM) M Perry & L O'Donnell

### **Sunday - 7.00am**

25/12/2022 Server G Justin (EM) B Brown & J Sheehan  
 1/1/2023 Server M Slattery (EM) E Katselas & J Sheehan  
 8/1/2023 Server G Justin (EM) J Sheehan  
 15/1/2023 Server M Slattery (EM) G Justin

### **Sunday - 8.30am**

25/12/2022 Server V & J Duverge (EM) R Ayers & R Lentini  
 1/1/2023 Server D Southwell (EM) A Bone & R Ayers  
 8/1/2023 Server V & J Duverge (EM) R Lentini & A Ayers  
 15/1/2023 Server D Southwell (EM) R Ayers & A Bone

### **Sunday - 10.00am**

25/12/2022 Server B Lobo (EM) C Addison & I Kite  
 1/1/2023 Server P Maniskas (EM) J Merrotsy & I Kite  
 8/1/2023 Server B Lobo (EM) C Addison & I Kite  
 15/1/2023 Server P Quinn (EM) I Kite & J Merrotsy

**EM = Eucharistic Minister or correctly Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion**

**If you wish to be involved in this ministry please contact the Parish Office.**

## *Prayer Requests*

*For those who request prayers, we will leave the name in the bulletin for a few weeks, and then will pass the names to our prayer groups.*

### *Recently Deceased*

Lalgean Jakeman	Joan Ward	Maureen D'Arcey
Frances Mc Inerney	William (Bill) Quinn	Michael Suine
Maruja Zavolokin	Beverley Thomson	Len Ellis
Janice Henderson	Saverio Maisano	Joseph Baynie
Patricia Plews	Joshua Roil	Graham Atterton

### *Anniversaries & Remembrance*

Annunziata Gioffre	Brian Ayers	Terrance Paterson
Albert Shad	Elizabeth O'Shannassy	Lorna Guilfoyle
Wendy Gray	Silvana Favetta	Joan Goodwin
Michael Kokegei	Jose Goncalurz	Colleen Smith
Ellen & James Dodds	Selina Orton	John Mooney
Tony & Geraldine D'arcey		

### *Sick*

Betty Fardy	John Goodwin	Sandra Bastoli
Jeff Thomson	Baby Theo	Mary Smith
Little Mateo	Kim Byrne	Mark Debenham
Tracey Burn	Jack Dummett	Susan Bonsall
Ned Lines	Len Freeman	Sandra Tagliabue
Anne Roy	Fiona Connelly	Alan Cuthbert

## ROSTERS FOR READERS OF THE WORD



### **Saturday - 5.00pm**

24/12/2022 **Volunteers please contact Parish Office**  
 31/12/2022 (1) Dudley Smith (2) Maureen Reynolds  
 7/1/2023 (1) (2)

### **Sunday - 7.00am**

25/12/2022 (1) Robyn Wild (2) Justine Hayes  
 1/1/2023 (1) Sandra Petith (2) Peter Clayton  
 8/1/2023 (1) J Sheehan (2) McMahan  
 15/1/2023 (1) B Brown (2) R Rogers

### **Sunday - 8.00am**

25/12/2022 **Volunteers please contact Parish Office**  
 1/1/2023 (1) Sue Southwell (2) Meg Southwell  
 8/1/2023 (1) (2)

### **Sunday - 10.00am**

25/12/2022 (1) Marie Ellicott (2) June Carlson  
 1/1/2023 (1) Janette Merrotsy (2) June Carlson  
 8/1/2023 (1) Maddie Conroy (2) Joan Kearney  
 15/1/2023 (1) June Carlson (2) Marie Ellicott

## **BUS TO MASS**

The Parish bus collects parishioners for 10am Mass. If you would like to be picked up, please contact Peter Clayton via the Parish Office.



**Masks must be worn on the bus.**

More bus drivers are required to go on a roster to help in this important ministry.

**Thank you to our loyal drivers and Merry Christmas**

## **Children's Liturgy Roster**

The Children's Liturgy will re-commence in February at the 5pm Saturday Mass. The change in time comes from a request of parents of school age children. Sunday morning is a popular time for many child-related activities such as nippers. Our apologies to anyone who is inconvenienced by the change.

## **Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster**

**26 December 2022**

Helena Farmer, Carol Clayton,  
 Vicki McGuinness & Gerry Jeltas

**2 January 2023**

Viv Ball, Ann Vilder, Chris Whalan  
 Marg Whalan & Alison Bone



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