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NEW WEBSITE

www.bbcatholic.org.au/terrigan

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Monday - Friday
9.00am - 5.00pm

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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 ”*

**28 November 2021
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
YEAR C**

**“Stand erect,
hold your heads high,
because your liberation is near at hand”**



Entrance Antiphon: To you, I lift my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

1st Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalm: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

2nd Reading: Paul 3:12-4:2

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia alleluia
Lord, show us our mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.
Alleluia!

Gospel: St Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Communion Antiphon: The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday to Thursday at 7.30am
Friday and Saturday at 9.00am
Saturday: 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).

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



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

PARISH INFORMATION:

Baptisms: Until the end of the year most Saturday & Sunday Mornings, at 11.30 by appointment. Enquiries to our Parish Office.

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

434 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 you 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 so 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.

In the **celebration of Mass** there can be no congregational singing, although a choir of up to 10 fully vaccinated people can sing.

Funerals and weddings in the church can have 434 people. (The limit is 10 people if an unvaccinated person is attending).

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

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.

If you are unwell or have any symptoms of cold or flu or at high risk of other health conditions, please take care and stay at home.

Celebrants for Sunday Masses

This Weekend 27/28 November

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



Next Weekend 4/5 December

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

READ THE GOSPEL
EVERY DAY
THIS ADVENT SEASON

ADVENT:
PREPARING
OUR LIVES
FOR THE LORD

MAKE A COMMITMENT THIS
ADVENT TO CREATE ROOM
FOR CHRIST IN YOUR LIFE
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AND READING THE DAILY
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Piety Stall

We have lots of lovely Christmas things for sale this year and the Vinnies Christmas cards have arrived! 2022 Columban calendars are also for sale.



ADVENT 1:23

A Christmas Initiative

We are excited to let you know that our parish is taking part in the Broken Bay Advent 1:23 initiative to spread Christmas joy this year by extending an invitation to our family, friends, neighbours and colleagues to join us for Christmas Masses.

Do you have family or friends who have disconnected from their faith that you would like to come to know Jesus? Do you have neighbours or co-workers who you would like to invite to the parish? Are there parishioners perhaps who you have not seen for a while and would like to invite back?

Advent 1:23 encourages each of us all to invite people to Christmas Masses this year. Special cards are available at Masses to take home and write down the names of people that come to mind. We are asked to pray at 1:23pm each day for these people, through the power of the Holy Spirit, that they may be open to attend Christmas Mass and to encounter Jesus.

They will also be prayed for at each Mass in the Parish during Advent. It is our prayers that will underpin this initiative and allow us to collaborate with God in drawing people to faith.

The title of this initiative is based on Matthew 1:23, "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel' which means, 'God is with us.'" Our prayer will be that those for whom we pray may come to know that God is with them during this Christmas season, and that they may come into relationship with God's Son Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit.

We will be planning to form welcome teams to ensure that everyone is made very welcome during Christmas Mass. Please consider being part of this welcoming taskforce. Contact the Parish Office if you can take part.

We look forward to warmly welcoming our guests and sharing with them our Christmas joy.

MORNING ADVENT REFLECTION

All are welcome to join us for a quiet time of prayer, reflecting on the Sunday Gospel reading for this Advent season.



THURSDAY MORNINGS
AT 10:30AM IN THE CHURCH
STARTING THE 25 NOVEMBER

Are you looking for a way to slow down and prepare for Christmas? Why not take up this opportunity to inject some quiet into the noise of this busy time of year. Come along and stay a while.

ADVENT REFLECTION / PRAYER

With prayer and discussion on the upcoming Sunday Gospel reading.
An invitation to meet 5.30pm in the church on Fridays of Advent beginning 26 November



ALL WELCOME

We will use the 'Blessed' books from Wollongong Diocese.

Prepare your hearts for Christmas



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The Advent Retreat are on the notice board.
[Download flyer here](#)



Mass of Inclusion – Sunday 5 December 2021

All are warmly invited to our Diocesan "Mass of Inclusion" to be held at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara on Sunday, 5 December at 9:30am. This Mass marks the International Day of Disability (on 3 December) and recognises the ability and dignity of all. The Mass will be presided by Bishop Anthony Randazzo. Due to the current restrictions, there are very limited places available for people to attend in person.

To book your place, go to <https://form.jotform.com/213147605999063>

The mass will also be livestreamed, and we encourage you to join at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNenwfl7i14XB9TsVBrLvQ>

For more information, please contact Emma Baker at Emma.baker@bbcatholic.org.au or phone 0409 293 432"

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

8:30am MASS
EVERY SUNDAY
(During School Term)

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

If any parishioners, would like to help out on roster, please contact the parish office.

NEW WEBSITE
www.bbcatholic.org.au/terrigan

We now have a new website, connected to the diocesan platform. Please update your records. You might also want to have a look.

Live streaming and TV Masses are still available. Please [click here](#) for all the details.


Catholic Women's League



We are holding our next meeting at 64 Barnhill Road, Terrigal, on Monday 29th November, 10.15am for a 10.30am start.

Could you please bring a plate to share. Please note that membership fees for 2022 of \$40 will be due from then.

New members always welcome.
 Enquiries: Ruth Robinson M: 0414434856



St Vincent de Paul

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal is this weekend. There will be a speaker at every Mass.

Please make a donation to Vinnies by putting cash into the envelopes on the seat and place them on either collection plate.

We cannot have hampers this year but envelopes describing the families we are supporting are at the back of the church.

Please place a food card for the value of the hamper you would give in the mail slot in the

Christmas Masses

For those planning Christmas celebrations, our plans for Christmas Masses are:

Friday 24 December
 6pm Children's Mass, with pageant during Mass
 9pm Youth Mass
 11pm Mass during the Night, with carols before Mass

Saturday 25 December
 8am Dawn Mass
 10am Mass during the Day

Sunday 26 December
 7am Quiet Mass
 8.30am Children's Mass
 10am Mass



Disability & NDIS Supports

The NDIS has opened up possibilities you may not have thought about. However, it's not always straightforward. Let CatholicCare (our dedicated social services agency in the Diocese) work with you to develop the skills and access the support you need to maximise your independence, get out and about in the community, and achieve your personal goals.

CatholicCare is an NDIS registered provider with the Quality and Safeguards Commission. Our dedicated staff pride themselves on developing strong relationships with the people we support along with their families and careers. We work with you to create a world where people living with a disability are valued equally, listened to and included. Our Support Coordination services help you organise your NDIS plan and maximise your funding.

CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay offers:

- Tailored Individual Programs
- After Schools & Vacation Care Programs
- Flexible Group Programs
- Sports & Dance Academies
- Recreational Activities
- Creative Arts Programs
- Social & Skills Development
- Support Coordination
- Independence & Life Skills

Supported Independent Living Services
 For more information visit www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/disability-futures/ or call (02) 9488 2500.



ROSTERS FOR SERVERS and EM (Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion)

Saturday - 5.00pm

27/11/21 D Southwell
4/12/21 L George
11/12/21

Sunday - 7.00am

28/11/21 G Justin
5/12/21 M Slattery
12/12/21

Sunday - 8.30am

28/11/21 E Bastoli (EM) A Bone
5/12/21 P Maniskas (EM) R Ayers
12/12/21

Sunday - 10.00am

28/11/21 B Lobo
5/12/21 P Quinn
12/12/21



ROSTERS FOR READERS OF THE WORD

Saturday - 5.00pm

27/11/21 Maureen Reynolds & Maureen Reynolds
4/12/21 Jane Denny & McCrudden's
11/12/21 Maureen Reynolds & Dawn Smith

Sunday - 7.00am

28/11/21 J Hayes & R Wild
5/12/21 B McMahan & H Arena
12/12/21 J Rogers & B Brown

Sunday - 8.30am

28/11/21 A Strong & B Tutill
5/12/21 G Sproats & E Goodworth
12/12/21 Maurice Paul & F Meek

Sunday - 10.00am

28/11/21 J Merrotsy & M Conroy
5/12/21 J Kearney & J Carlson
12/12/21 M Ellicott & J Merrotsy



Cleaning Angels Roster From the 29/11/21.

Barbara Clarke, Nigel Carter,
Pina Maisano & Robyn Lentini

Position Vacant: Nurse

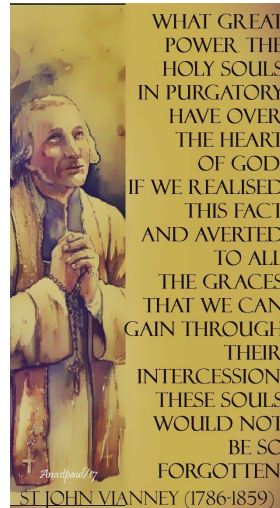
Arrupe House Pymble is a small community of retired Jesuits, priests and brothers. An experienced registered nurse is required to work with a small team of nurses.

This position is on a permanent part-time or casual basis with AM duties.

Please email your CV to:

Drupathi: arrupehouse@sjasl.org.au

NOVEMBER —THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS



Plenary indulgences in favour of the faithful departed may be obtained throughout November, by devoutly visiting a church or cemetery.

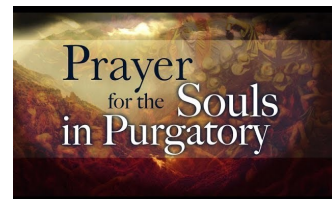
Other requirements include: Receive the **sacrament of confession**; receive **Holy Communion** on that day; and recite **prayers for the Intentions of the Holy Father** (one Our Father, one Hail Mary, one Glory Be is the minimum).

The Church devotes the month of November to prayer for the Holy Souls in Purgatory and you will find the **November Mass** envelopes at the back of the church. The names will be written into the November Mass book from these envelopes and the book will then be placed at the foot of the Altar. All the money paid for Masses will be sent to the Michaelite Missions and a Mass for these intentions will be celebrated.

Every Mass in our church during November will be celebrated for the names entered into our November Mass Book. Place a names a list of names of the people you would like to be prayed for in the bowl at the foot of the altar. Payment is not expected.

"It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins"

2 Maccabees 12:46



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November:

People who suffer from Depression. We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

BOOKS AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OFFICE

Blessed - Advent reflection books from Wollongong Diocese **\$4.00**

Spiritual Diaries 2022 from the Carmelites **\$10.00**

CatholicCare
Diocese of Broken Bay

Has provided us with a services guide for Parishes. Copies are at the back of the church. Please take one home.

Sacramental Formation Process Review

Bishop Anthony has asked that a review of our current 'Sacramental Program,' take place with a vision of creating a new and contemporary set of resources for the next generation of young Catholics as they come to know Jesus in the Sacraments. If you have been involved with formation in the current program or are a parent whose child has undertaken the formation, we would really appreciate feedback on your experience and the resources used. What you share with us in this survey will be invaluable to the success of the project and be kept confidential.

There are two versions, for adults and also for children who would like to participate.

Adult Survey:

<https://forms.gle/DxDWQWokPgaC4SYDA>

Enquiries: Br Bernard Fonkalsrud OFM Conv.
bernard.fonkalsrud@bbcatholic.org.au or 8379 1632.

Voice of the Child: Sacramental Program

The Evangelisation team has sought to hear the views of children. The Safeguarding Office encourages the Sacramental Coordinators of the Parish to invite children to provide their feedback. The children's survey can be accessed from here <https://forms.gle/EY7QJPDovp9n9CQaA>

Safeguarding

To learn more about the 10 **National Catholic Safeguarding Standards** take some time to watch these very short videos

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZLZ7GwWLGvNZkzq9BpWV9OtakyokB5hJ>

There is a video for each standard to view.

Vox Populi - The Voice of the People

This week's Vox Populi comes from Christine Khoudair. She has worked with CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay since 2016 and has lived in the Diocese all her life. Faith, Family and Friends are of important in her life. In her spare time she enjoys the outdoors Bush and Coastal Walks, giving traditional cooking a go and also enjoys The Arts.

"Love Thy Neighbour" By Christine Khoudair

I have been thinking about who my Neighbours are, I know they are more than the houses that surround where I live. Although I was blessed to have the most wonderful neighbours like Kay who used to call out to my Mum on a Saturday morning to put the kettle on and she would be over soon for a cup of tea or Lorraine who ask Mum if she needed any essentials from supermarket knowing Mum did not drive.

[Read Message from Christine Khoudair](#)

Connected in Christ Resource

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](#)



Learning Hub – Responding to disclosures of child abuse:

Key messages a child needs to hear from you (KidsHelpLine, 2021)

<https://kidshelpline.com.au/parents/issues/responding-disclosures-child-abuse>

Key messages a child needs to hear...

Supporting a child who has disclosed abuse can be overwhelming. Above all, here are some important messages they need to hear from you:



I believe you



You're brave for telling me about it



I want to help you be safe



What's happened is NOT ok



What's happened is NOT your fault



You're not alone



I'm here for you and will support you



You've done the right thing telling me

Euthanasia

The Euthanasia legislation passed its first hurdle this week in the NSW Legislative Assembly. It now goes to the Legislative Council, the upper house. It is expected that the Legislative Council will deal with the bill in February 2022. It is expected to pass through without difficulty. To allow for the development of procedures and inevitable regulations euthanasia will probably come into practice in early 2023.

This will mean that for the first time in its history the NSW Parliament has sanctioned assisted suicide. It will inevitably also mean a downgrading of the value of human life. The present parliament elected in 2019 has an extraordinary and appalling record. Abortion was officially legalised in 2019 and now euthanasia in 2021/2222. Disappointingly all four Central Coast members of Parliament in the legislative assembly supported the legislation.

Despite claims that the law will contain safeguards to prevent abuse, experience overseas shows these are gradually watered down. Overseas experience also shows that the alternative to euthanasia, palliative care, is also gradually reduced. Unsurprisingly experience shows problems relating to pressure and indeed coercion by impatient family members. It shows also that the legislation by downgrading the value of human life sends a message to people that suicide is acceptable solution to personal problems. In New South Wales suicide of males under the age of 30 is the principal cause of death, bigger than any other cause and far bigger than road accidents. Ironically a royal commission is presently investigating suicide among defence personnel and veterans with the aim of developing preventative policies.

Pope John Paul II in condemning euthanasia decried that modern society was replacing a culture of life with a culture of death. Throughout the centuries the Catholic Church has sought to maintain the dignity of human life and to acknowledge it is a gift from God. Catholic Church teaching on life has its foundation in the divine commandment: thou shalt not kill.

Catholic medical practitioners, Catholic Hospitals and retirement homes now face potentially difficult decisions. Tragically this is not unusual. It is summarised in the story of the early church, as set out in the Acts of the Apostles (5.29): "But Peter and the apostles answering, said: we ought to obey God, rather than men."

Chris Hartcher.

Second Rite of Reconciliation

During Advent the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in our local churches from Tuesday 14th to Friday 17th December.

More details when they are available.



Prayer Requests Recently Deceased



John Mooney
Gemma Catelyn Aitkens (4 months)
Michael Hourigan Dave Proust Karen Scali
Elaine Timmens Bishop Bill Wright

Anniversaries & Remembrance

Moria Southwell Noel Harriman Wendy Gray
Justin Spittles David Smith Anna Platek
Fariba Ghazi Craig Highfield Mary Evans
John Byrne Lorna Guilfoyle Wendy Gray
Jill Gray Mario Favetta

ALL HOLY SOULS

Sick

Susan Bonsall Ned Lines Miguel Gonzales
Len Freeman Noel Nacua Sandra Tagliabue
Mike Caruana Kathleen Little Noleen Sherwood
Fiona Connelly Warren Smith Eileen Ledwidge
Wendy O'Rourke

Mary Mac's - Woy Woy

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

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

Mass & Picnic

A friendly Invitation to attend our secular Franciscan Mass to be celebrated by Father Joseph Nguyen OFM from Sydney at 11am, Our Lady of the Rosary The Entrance Thursday 2nd December followed by a Christmas BYO everything Picnic Lunch get together at The Waterfront Park The Entrance.

Bring a warm jacket if attending the picnic. Further information please contact
Sandrea Petith Central Coast OFS
Fraternity 0499811177



A **Christmas Catalogue** from *That Catholic Shop* are available in the Piety Store for

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St Jude holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honours and invokes you universally, as the patron of difficult cases, of things almost despaired of, Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Intercede with God for me that He bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly *-(make your request here)* - and that I may praise God with you and all the saints forever. I promise, O Blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor granted me by God and to always honour you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen

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