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217 people per Mass allowed inside Church

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 "

31 October 2021 31st Sunday in Ordinary time Year B

"There is no commandment greater than these"



Entrance Antiphon:	Forsake me not, Oh Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O lord, my strong salvation.
1st Reading:	Deuteronomy 6:2-6
Psalm:	l love you, Lord my strength.
2nd Reading:	Hebrews 7:23-28
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia alleluia All who love will keep my words, and my father will love them, amd we will come to them.
Gospel:	St Mark 12:28-34
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

Monday 1 All Saints Day 7.30am and 9am Tuesday All Souls 7.30am and 9am Wednesday and 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 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.

FOLLOW YOUR PARISH ON FACEBOOK OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA TERRIGAL PARISH COMMUNITY www.facebook.com/OLSOSParish

. COVID - 19 Requirements– Yes we still need to continue:

217 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.

Wamberal Cemetery Prayer Service 3pm Sunday 14 November

This has been a special tradition in this parish for many years. We gather at Wamberal Cemetry and say prayers for the deceased. Father Vince will then bless the graves of the family and friends of those present. For further information please speak to Janette at the parish office.

Celebrants for Sunday Masses

This weekend (30/31 October)



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

Next Weekend (23/24 October)

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

All Saints Day and All Souls Day

These significant feasts celebrating the Communion of Saints are celebrated on 1st and 2nd November (Monday and Tuesday this week). We will have two Masses each day at 7.30am and 9am. All Welcome.

ALL SAINTS DAY MASSES 7.30am and 9.00am

ALL SOULS DAY MASSES

7.30am Mass and 9.00am

The Vatican's Apostolic Penitentiary published a <u>decree</u> on Thursday providing for the possibility of obtaining plenary indulgences in favour of the faithful departed throughout the entire month of November.

The All Souls' Day indulgence is obtained by devoutly visiting a church or cemetery.

To be able to gain an indulgence, the faithful must be in the state of grace receiving the **sacrament of confession** either eight days before or after ,receive **Holy Communion** on that day, and recite **prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father** (one Our Father ,one Hail Mary is the minimum, but any other additional prayers may be added). We can also obtain an indulgence by visiting the Cemetery between 1st and the 8th November and reciting prayers, this is extended through all November with the new decree.



The Church devotes the month of November to prayer for the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

From this weekend you will find the **November Mass** envelopes in the

pews and 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 in November, and beyond.

Every Mass in our church during November will be celebrated for the names entered into our November Mass Book. Payment is not required.

[•] It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins" 2 Maccabees 12:46



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

Saturday - 5.00pm

30/10/21L George & L O'Donnell6/11/21P 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

 13/11/21
 Georges

Sunday - 7.00am

31/10/21	B Brown	C Attard
7/11/21	H Arena	B Mc Mahon
14/11/21	B Brown	J Rogers
21/11/21	P Clayton	S Petith

Sunday - 8.30am

31/10/21	C Hartcher F Cohen
7/11/21	F Meek C Hartcher
14/11/21	G Sproats

Sunday - 10.00am

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

Vox Populi

This week's Vox Populi comes from **Joanna Mak**, the current Youth Minister for the Catholic Parish of Epping and Carlingford. She joined the Parish's Antioch youth group 6 years ago and travelled to the 2016 World Youth Day in Krakow which changed her life. She currently manages three youth groups; Cana (year 6-9), Antioch, (year 10-23) and Emmaus (23-30 years old). In her spare time, she enjoys running, hiking and rock-climbing.

Spring Cleaning by Joanna Mak

It's that time of the year again: 'spring cleaning' For most of us, 2021 has been a bit of an unpredictable year with its challenges. We've been in our homes a bit more due to the covid 19 lockdown but as we hear news of the 'roadmap out of lockdown', this may also be a good time to 'spring clean' and renew our faith and ourselves.

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 17th 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.

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 <u>here</u> for a good article.

Fr Vince

Euthanasia

Catholic Health says improved palliative care better than Assisted Dying Law> For more information go to:

https://catholicoutlook.org/catholic-health-saysimproved-palliative-care-better-than-assisted-dyinglaw/

EILER PROGRAMS

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

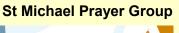
www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/news/financialcounselling-emergency-relief.

he Launch of the Pastoral discernment project is fast approaching, and you are invited to join us to hear about this very important initiative for the Central Coast region of our Diocese. <u>Watch the vidco here</u> Collect a booklet at the back of the church.



Date of launch: Sunday 31 October 2021 Time: 12 noon

Online: <u>www.bbcatholic.org.au/pdcc</u> Details of the project can be found at <u>www.bbcatholic.org.au/pdcc</u> which includes details of both the Launch and Briefing Circle registrations. We look forward to you joining us.





Thursday 11 November at 5pm with Mass

Short 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).

Synod of Bishops 2021-2023

In March 2020, Pope Francis announced that the theme for the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops would be "For a Synodal 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 <u>https://www.catholic.org.au/</u><u>synodalchurch</u>

The Official Synod of Bishops website is here: <u>https://www.synod.va/en.html</u>

Children's Liturgy of the Word

We will be beginning this important ministry again at 8.30 Mass on Sunday mornings in a few weeks. It involves the children leaving the Mass and going to the hall (or offices) to hear and learn about the Gospel at Mass at their own level. We are looking for parishioners who would like to lead the children in this teaching. If you are interested in being on a roster. Please contact the Parish Office.

Children's Week

23 October – 31 October 2021 Children's week is celebrated with a theme based on an article from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. The theme this year is Children have the right to choose their friends and safely connect with others. To learn more go to<u>https://www.childrensweek.org.au/</u>

Vatican Institute of Anthropology

Vatican institute seeks to create 'culture of care' – the Church's leading institute for safeguarding and child protection has expanded with a revamped mission to provide a 'culture of care for all human being". Source NCR Online. Learn more about the <u>Institute of Anthropology</u> – Interdisciplinary Studies on Human Dignity and Care -<u>https://iadc.unigre.it/</u>

Plenary Council 2021



The Synod of Bishops and the Plenary Council

Catholics in Australia are now invited to join Catholics throughout the world in the process of local consultations about their experience and expectation of Synodality within the church as part of the 2 year journey towards the next international Synod of Bishops scheduled for October 2023 in Rome.

Last Sunday dioceses across the world celebrated the opening of the Synod preparations, a week after Pope Francis officially opened the global process for what is the 26th General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. The theme outlined by the Pope is: For a synodal church: communion, participation and mission.

Ten areas of Synodality are being explored with questions in each area across those themes of communion, participation and mission. Catholics are invited to pray with, reflect upon, and also to help develop the process of communal spiritual discernment.

The very word Synod means "journey together" and the papers issued by the Holy Father emphasise that this is fundamental to the church's mission which requires all the people of God to walk together with each member playing their particular role in communion with their sisters and brothers.

Further, in what is quite unusual given past practice but is not unexpected when it comes from a person of the standing of Pope Francis, is that this communion and consultation is for all Catholics both practising and non-practising. The Parable of the Lost Sheep rings out loud and clear.

What is also different about this particular Synod is that the Pope is trying to make this ongoing deliberation and consultation the norm within the church rather than occasional moments which has been the past practice. In the past the bishops came together to discuss matters, issued statements and then went home. What the Pope has made clear is that he wants there to be permanent and ongoing consultation and consultation means talking to the whole People of God not just the bishops.

Coincidentally for the Australian church this is in symmetry with the Australian Plenary Council, the first session which was recently held by Zoom in Adelaide.

A new online portal has been set up to receive submissions across the various questions the Synod's preparatory document poses. Those submissions will initially be considered at the diocesan level, and then be used to develop a national report.

That national report will be provided to Rome to the Synod of Bishops Secretariat for the drafting of key documents to support the Synod process.

OUR PARISH FAMILY AND FRIENDS CHRISTMAS DINNER





Our first big event using the newly renovated kitchen.

Everyone is invited to share in a Christmas Feast, with some live entertainment. Lets come together to celebrate after such a disturbing year.

We are planning a white Christmas with silver bells, our own winter wonderland.

Tickets will be available from the weekend 13/14 November 2021.

Book a table of 8 or we can place you at a friendly table.

PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay

November 2021 Appeal

St Edmund's College is one of the five beneficiaries of Pastoral Works Broken Bay. The College supports 120 students with disabilities such as intellectual, sensory impairment or autism, providing skills and experience for them to fully engage in life. Your generous donations help with vital fee assistance to families in our Catholic community so that their children can access the services offered by St Edmund's.

Watch the attached short film to see the amazing impact your donations support <u>https://</u>youtu.be/3r5BE2602H4.

To donate, complete the collection envelope in your parish, or visit <u>www.bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks</u>. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

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.

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

NEW WEBSITE www.bbcatholic.org.au/terrigal

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

November 3rd 2021



Saint of the week St Martín de

Porres Velázquez OP was a Peruvian lay brother of the Dominican Order who was beatified in 1837 by Pope Gregory XVI and canonized in 1962 by Pope John XXIII. He is the patron saint of mixed-race people, barbers, innkeep-

ers, public health workers, and all those seeking racial harmony.

His piety and acts of compassion for the sick became part of the justification for his canonization as **the first black saint of the Americas**.



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Choose any of the coming Weekends: Nov 13-14 2021; Feb 19-20 2022



CatholicCare Psychologist available now

Psychologist Mary McMullen has capacity to take on new clients, and is available for Medicare rebates, Victims Services (VOC) and NDIS. She also can bulk bill. Mary has a particular interest in working with clients living with anxiety and depression, PTSD and a range of mental health disorders relating to trauma. Mary is experienced in working with both adolescents and adults. Mary is providing telehealth sessions during lockdown, moving back to face-to-face appointments when safe to do so.

For more information or to book an appointment call 1800 324 924 or visit www.catholiccaredbb.org.au.

www.camonecareupp.org.au.

Are you looking for a new opportunity within CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay?

We are seeking a **Community and Outreach Manager** to join our organisation with a focus on integrating our suite of services into the community, with a particular focus on our parishes and schools. This position is Permanent Full-time. Applications close 31 October 2021

Please use this link to access more information about the position (including the position description) as well as instructions on how to apply: https://catholiccaredbb.expr3ss.com/?d=3&s=3

Welcome

Just before the lockdown we had arranged to employ a Pastoral Associate, Alison Ryan, to work with youth and in formation for the rest of the parish. Now that restrictions are easing Alison is able to begin work and she had a day for her induction during the week. Employment arrangements are progressing slowly. I have asked Alison to speak at all the Masses in a few weeks. Please make her welcome. *Fr Vince.*



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"), "Click <u>here</u> to download the gift.

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.

At this stage, as a diocesan directive 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.

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.



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. Cost \$25

Welcome back

Last weekend was the first time we were able to gather for Sunday Masses since June. Numbers attending were down on those who were coming to Mass before the lockdown, but good for the first weekend back. For your interest, the numbers were 5pm - 69 people; 7am - 52 people; 10.30am - 69 people; 10 am - 69 people.



forgiving & good, *abounding in love* to all who call to you.

Prayer Requests

Recently Deceased

Paulita Saranillo Pat Larkin 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

Anníversaríes & Remembrance

Margot Annis Brown Therese Engel Emilio Nacua Snr

Síck.

Susan Bonsall 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



Alpha Refill Event

All who have been involved in Alpha in some way are invited to a Catholic gathering to share stories and be refilled after a challenging vear.

The evening will include guest speakers. Date: Thursday 4 November Time: 7:00pm – 9:00pm <u>Register Here</u>

Fresh Heart, Ministry Symposium: "Fresh Fresh Hope! Heart, Fresh Hope" Practical Exploration with Live Panel

In this one-day symposium, we explore best practices and pitfalls in our efforts to

engage our communities and key groups to effectively grow our mission in Jesus Christ.

Our scenario is a fictional parish, planning for 2022 **Session 1: Let's Dream Big!** Engaging with the community – both present and disconnected – in a new vision for 2022.

Session 2: Managing Change Managing the tensions, roadblocks, and opportunities for healthy conflict and collaboration as the vision starts to come to life.

Session 3: Making it Happen Determining how to align goals, resource actions, and keep people motivated through safe and healthy processes.

After each panel session, small group sessions further develop ideas and approaches.

In our rapidly changing world we are invited to consider new and innovative pathways in ministry. Fresh Heart! Fresh Hope! Offers inspiration through a practical scenario for getting going in 2022 with the Holy Spirit and your community for the sake of Christ's mission!

For more information and registration: <u>https://aliveinthespirit.com.au/symposium/</u>



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

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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