

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Isaiah Is 66:18-21

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory.

They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 116

R. Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

O praise the Lord, all you nations,
acclaim him all you peoples! **R.**

Strong is his love for us;
he is faithful for ever. **R.**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews **Heb 12:5-7, 11-13**

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My sons, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him?

Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; there the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation John 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Lk 13:22-30

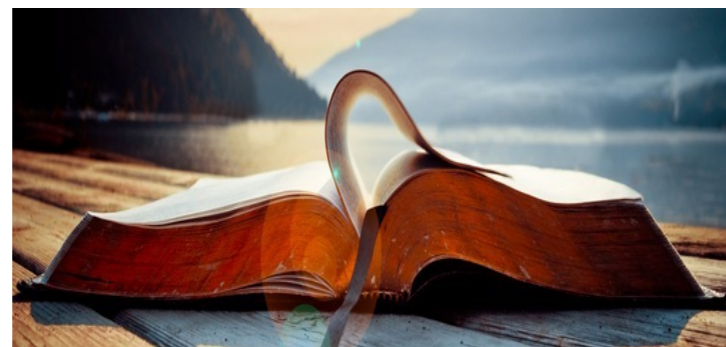
Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from the east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

The Gospel of the Lord.



Next Weeks Readings:

First Reading Eccl 3:19-21,30,31

Second Reading Heb 12:18-19,22-24

Gospel Luke 14:1,7-14

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Twenty First Sunday Ordinary Time Yr C 25th August 2019

Pope Francis - Message of Peace



The peace of Jesus is like the calm of a deep sea. That peace does not come from the world, but from the Holy Spirit. It remains during trial, and even gives us courage to go forward with a smile in our hearts.

The peace of Jesus goes with this life of persecution, of tribulation. A peace that is deep down, deep down, very profound to all these things. A peace that no one can touch, a peace that is a gift, like the sea that deep down is tranquil, while on the surface there are waves.

Living in peace with Jesus is having this experience within, which remains during all trials, all difficulties, all tribulations. This is the gift of the "peace of Jesus", he said, that we cannot obtain through human means, like going to a doctor or taking anti-anxiety drugs. This peace is something different, which comes from "the Holy Spirit within us", and that brings with its "strength".

Peace, the peace of Jesus, teaches us to go forward in life. It teaches us to endure. To go forward in life with an even greater capacity, the ability to "make the heart smile". The person who lives this peace never loses their sense of humour. They know how to smile at themselves, at others, even when things are dark, they know how to smile at everything. This sense of humour which is very close to the grace of God. The peace of Jesus in daily life, the peace of Jesus in tribulations and with that little sense of humour that helps us breathe easier.

May the Lord grant us this peace that comes from the Holy Spirit, this peace that comes precisely from Him, and that helps us to endure, to carry, the many difficulties in life.

Fr Tomy

PARISH LITURGIES

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Saturday: Vigil 6:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am

9:00am

Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday
(except school holidays)

6:00pm

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Saturday: Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday 7:45am

Tuesday 7:45am St Monica

Wednesday 7:45am St Augustine

Thursday 7:45am Passion St John the Baptist

No Ordinariate Mass this week—Communion Service

Fr Ken away on a Clergy Conference

Friday 9:15am

(Except 1st Friday of Month)

First Friday of Month Anointing of Sick

11:00am

Saturday 7:45am

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Wednesday 9:00am

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9:00am St Augustine

Thursday 9:00am Passion St John the Baptist

EXPOSITION BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Mary's Church Toukley

Each Saturday – After Morning Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Mary's Toukley

Saturday 8:15am—9:00am

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Sunday Before 8:00am Mass

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

St Mary's Toukley

7:25am Monday to Thursday & Saturday

8:45am Friday



We welcome all of our parishioners and visitors who have joined us for the celebration of Holy Eucharist this weekend. You are all most welcome here in our Parish Family. Please feel free to make yourself known to us, and we look forward to speaking with you.

Prayer for a New Bishop

Heavenly Father and Eternal Shepherd, you watch over and govern your flock with vigilance and concern. In your immense love, grant to your Church a pastor who will please you by his holiness and aid us with his unflinching care.

In your time, grant us the joy of welcoming a shepherd formed after your own heart.

May he be an example of virtue to your people and, imbued with the power of the Holy Spirit, fill their minds with the truth and beauty of the Gospel. Grant wisdom, O Lord, to those now discerning your holy will in the selection of our new Bishop.

We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord and through the intercession of our Mother, Mary Star of the Sea. Amen

Farewell Sr Eden

We say farewell to Sr Eden this weekend as she prepares to return to the Philippines later this week. Sister is a General Councillor of the Augustinian Sisters of Our Lady of Consolation who accompanied Sisters Josefa and Jennifer to assist them in settling in to their mission assignment in our Diocese. We pray that Sr Eden will have a safe journey home and may God bless her in her ministry.

Social Justice

Why Is Domestic Abuse An Issue For Men?

Men can be victims and perpetrators of domestic abuse. 95% of violence is perpetrated by men. Strong men need to become positive role models by showing respect to women and other men. How? By reflecting on their own behaviour and language, challenging abusive statement and disrespectful language of mates. Pick up some strategies at the Domestic Abuse Workshop. The Catholic Church, The Entrance 9:30 for 10:00 a.m. Wednesday 18th September.

Warnervale Social Justice Committee

Baptisms in August



During August we welcomed the Martin, Cies and Takurua families to our parish community for the Baptism of their beautiful children, Riley, Cooper and Zelen. We congratulate the parents on presenting their children for Baptism and look forward to assisting them in their journey of faith.



Catholic Social Justice

Upcoming Parish Events

Monthly After Mass Cuppa

Next Sunday, 1st Sept after 8:00am Mass at St Brendan's hosted by Mariner's Family Group.

After 9:00am Mass at St Mary's hosted by the Parish Pastoral Council. Stay back and enjoy the company and wish all the Dads a Happy Father's Day.

Next CWL Meeting

Monday 26th August 10am Parish Centre.

New members are always welcome.

September—Safeguarding Month

Each Year the Diocese of Broken Bay sets aside the month of September as Safeguarding Month.

This year we are celebrating the theme; *A safe community is one in which all experience a sense of belonging.*

All clergy, parishioners and the wider community are invited to the Diocesan Liturgy of *Inclusion and Care*, which signifies the start of Safeguarding Month, on Tuesday 3 September 2019, 7pm Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Enrolment and Parent Information

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated, on 21st September. The children and their parents are now preparing for the reception of this sacrament. Please keep them in your prayers at this time and may the Holy Spirit be with them.

Golden Jubilee—St Mary's Church Toukley 1969 – 2019

Celebrating 50 Wonderful Years of Worship

St Mary's Church was Blessed and Dedicated on the 7th December 1969 by his Eminence Sir Norman Thomas, Cardinal Gilroy KBE.

This wonderful milestone, will be celebrated on Saturday 30th November 2019, with Mass at 11:00am, followed by lunch in the Fr Fitzgerald Parish Hall.

We would love to hear your stories of the past and include them in our parish bulletin over the coming months.

We also wish to develop an archives display and would be most grateful if any parishioners have any documents or photos, over the last 50 years, that we may be able to take copies to use in our display. The Sydney Archdiocese Archive Office has also been contacted for material for our archives display.

We look forward to hearing from you.

For more information, please contact Deacon Paul



In your charity, please pray for those who have died and those who are sick.

Recently Deceased

Sandra Crisafi, Josephine Tabone, Renae Ormrod, Spiro Vidin, Donell Stonestreet, Felicia Danzante, Carmel Cianter, Simon Kelleher, Patricia Marchant, Caroline Margot.

Anniversaries

Eileen Crocker, Mathew Pathiparampil Chacko, Paul Reid, Doris Glennen, Daniel Michael Goonan, Carol Brown, Paul Kain, James Rush, Lidia Cure, Philip Kinchington, Elizabeth Coles, Charlie McCluskey, Ignatius Lavin

Remembrances

Ruby McCarthy, Thelma Black, Kevin Minehan, Bert Ghent, Irene Martin, Norman Guggenheimer, Andy Lawler, Chet Baker, Bob Huggins, Jack Huggins, James William Baker, Barbara Hudson, Bob Higgins, Fr Ian Abbott, Fr Jack Soulsby, John Sullivan, Anselmo, Paulita, Enrico, Arturo & Pio Edwin, Pantaleon & Temotea Ambait, Elma Capacite, Valmai Joseph, Stark, Moore and Langley Families, and the Holy Souls

Prayer Intentions

Hannah McCool

Please Pray for the Sick

Brian Torrington, Teresa Wegrzyn, Alison Mortiss, Maureen Baxter, Shanon Bradler, John Daniel, Luc Bouquet, Margaret Downing, Wayne O'Neil, Daisy Realo, Donatus Morrison, John and Helen Loader, Maria Loisa Etello, Kevin and Therese Harvey, Jeff Henshaw, Margo Walton, Len O'Shea, Brenda Durley, Lea Slucher, Ray Slucher, Michael Wiggin, Vanessa Miller, Alexis Hagen, Francis Lim, Koby Bourke, Tony Hodges, Eleanor Matthews, Wendy Lott, Fred Butterfield, Lina Phillips, Betty Carroll, Leanne Knight, Mary Mahony, Arnold Fletcher, Stephen Knight, Adrienne Gibson, Arne Jensen, Heather Niblett, Kathleen Strong, Evan Shepherd, Rosa M Santos, Betty Tattersal.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly schools of true human growth..



We are inviting businesses to advertise, in our parish bulletin, at a nominal cost, to assist in the cost of printing.

If you know of a business who might like to advertise in our Bulletin, please don't hesitate to contact the parish office.



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