

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save?

Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes.

Then the Lord answered and said, 'Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail. See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 94:1-2, 6-9

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us.

Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R.**

Second Reading

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Peter 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever; it is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia!

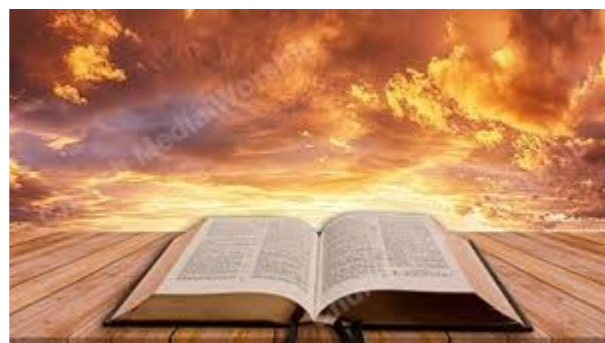
Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you.'

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately?" Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."'

The Gospel of the Lord.



Next Weeks Readings:

First Reading Kings 5:14-17

Second Reading 2 Tim 2:8-13

Gospel Luke 17:11-19

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Twenty Seventh Sunday Ordinary Time Yr C 6th October 2019

**Grace is a Gift
So is the Faith to respond to it**



Today's Gospel invites us to pray for increase of faith. The context is the realization of the Apostles of their own lack of faith and consequently asked Jesus to increase their faith. He taught them by illustrating the power of faith as small as a mustard seed. Such a faith is strong enough to uproot a sycamore tree and plant in the sea. Transplanting a tree in the ocean is nothing short of a miracle - practically impossible.

In the second part of the Gospel, Jesus reminds us that to have faith in God is to carry out our responsibilities in life quietly and with total dedication. Jesus put His faith to His daily activities. That is the reason why He was able to feed the five thousand with five loaves and two fish. He was able to heal the sick from dreaded diseases. He cured the blind and raised the dead to life.

Through His life, Jesus made the Apostles realize what faith can accomplish in their lives.

Today the same Jesus is inviting us to have faith in God and then we will be able to do many mighty works in our lives. Let us too, like Apostles, pray for an increase of faith.

*"Faith is to believe what you do not see,
the reward of this faith is to see what you believe"*
(St. Augustine)

*"To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary.
To one without faith, no explanation is possible"*
(St. Thomas Aquinas)

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 Our Lady of the Rosary

Tuesday 7:45am

Wednesday 7:45am

Thursday 7:45am

(Ordinarite of Our Lady of the Southern Cross)

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

First Wednesday of Month Anointing of Sick

9:00am

Thursday 9:00am

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

Saturday 4:30—5:00pm

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 Sharing Franciscan Vision

God our Creator open our eyes to see your hand at work in the splendour of creation, in the beauty of human life.

Touched by your hand, our world is holy, help us to cherish the gifts that surround us, to share the Spirit of St Francis with our brothers and sisters and to experience the joy of life in your presence.

Order of Secular Franciscans

All Saints Day – Friday 1 November

St Mary's Mass 9:15am

There will be No Anointing Mass the First Friday in November.

All Souls Day – Saturday 2nd November

Vigil Mass Friday 1 November

St Marys 6:00pm

St Brendan's 6:00pm

St Mary's Mass 7:45am Saturday

Next Anointing Mass - 11am Friday 8th November

Blessing of Graves

Fr Tomy and Fr Baby are offering to bless graves in the cemetery during the month of November. Please speak to either one of them, or contact the parish office, if you wish to have a family member's grave blessed.

Catholic Mission Appeal Sunday 20th October

This year's Catholic Mission Appeal highlights the life-saving work supported by Catholic Mission in Ghana, through programs designed to rescue babies and children who are vulnerable and foster their personal development for a brighter future.

St Mary's Rosters

Rosters for the period ending Nov 3rd are now available at the front of the Church. Those involved are asked to complete and return the attachment ASAP. New participants are always welcome and should advise via the listed contact details. Ministry training will be provided.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October

A Missionary "Spring" in the Church

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.



Upcoming Parish Events

October—Month of the Holy Rosary

Now we are in the Month of the Holy Rosary and a 10 day Rosary Novena will be held in the Parish during October, at both St Mary's and St Brendan's.

St Mary's—at the Grotto at 5.30pm each day commencing Friday 18th October until Sunday 27th October.

St Brendan's—in the Mass Centre commencing on the weekend of 12th/13th October, 30 minutes prior to Mass and will continue, prior to each weekend and weekday Mass until Sunday 27th October.

Our Lady of Fatima

Rosary on the Village Green at Toukley on Saturday, the 12th October, commencing at 9.30am

The Filipino community will also celebrate at the 6pm Vigil mass, followed by a procession to the hall.

Parish Safeguarding Presentation

All Parish Staff, Volunteers and those interested in learning more about Safeguarding are invited to attend this presentation on: - Saturday 19th October 10am to 12 noon **or** Wednesday 23rd October 11am to 1pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Hall, 241 The Entrance Rd, The Entrance. Please register via email safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au **or** phone Anita 02 83791605

Home Visits

Dear Parishioners, It has been more than three months we have new clergy in the parish. It is our desire to know you more and to grow in faith. The parish office is organizing clergy visits to families and to bless their homes. Those who wish to do so, please contact the clergy or the parish office. **We also encourage families to organise Home masses, Jubilee or Anniversary masses.**

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



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 need copies of any old documents, wedding or baptism photos, that you may have from over the last 50 years, as we wish to develop an archives display. We would be **most grateful of your support in assisting us with this display. Please put your name, and details of the photo, on the back of each photo and send to the parish office. We look forward to a wonderful celebration of this occasion in our Parish.**

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

Recently Deceased

Phyllis O'Leary, Valerie Auton, Alison Mortiss, Marie Stewart, Della Mary Kelly, Geoff Playdon, Mark Kovacic, Maxwell Lynch, Laurence Coote, Norma Stanwell.

Anniversaries

Sally Rosemary Mulvany, Virginia DeSouza, Neil Voight, John Glennen, Raymond Creighton, Kathleen Reid, Swee Gim Khoo, John Sullivan, Eileen Ryan, Bruce Ross, Thomas & Ellen Sheerin, Tony Gavranic, Kevin Sykes,

Remembrances

Fred Jeffries, Yook Chee Ng, Timothy Maher, Marija Petkovic, Mara Peric, Anton Peric, Marija Gavranic & Anton Gavranic, Carol Brown, Fr Ian Abbott, Irene Martin, Valmai Joseph, Bob Higgins, Anselmo, Paulita, Enrico, Pio Edwin Ambait, Elma Capacite, Romualda and Hermigildo Giba, Pantaleon and Temotea Ambait, Bugeja and DeGabriel families, Stark, Moore, Langley families, Wade, Ross, Mitchell and Dennis families and the Holy Souls

Please Pray for the Sick

4 year old Ethan, Brendon Andrews, Brett Harkins, Ron McDonough, Brian Torrington, John Daniel, Teresa Wegrzyn, Maureen Baxter, Shanon Bradler, Luc Bouquet, Margaret Downing, Daisy Realo, Donatus Morrison, John and Helen Loader, Maria Loisa Etello, Kevin and Therese Harvey, Jeff Henshaw, 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 Tattersall.



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