Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah



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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 9th February, 2024



Gospel Reflection JESUS' CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

First reading gives details of the call of Isaiah to be a prophet are narrated. He is called by the Lord God to be a prophet. Isaiah acknowledges his own unworthiness to be a prophet of the Lord God. The Lord God purifies him and appoints him a prophet. Isaiah readily responds to the call of the Lord God.

Today's Gospel narrates the miraculous catch of fish by Peter and his companions. Subsequently Jesus dramatically calls His first disciples. Peter realizes that he is witnessing an extraordinary miracle - a divine intervention through the person of Jesus. This dramatic incident changes the lives of Peter and his companions. Peter, James and John realize the nearness of God: they fall on their knees just like men condemned to death pleading for their lives. Jesus assures them and tells them not to be afraid but to follow Him. Responding to Jesus' invitation they brought their boats ashore; left everything they possessed and followed Him wholeheartedly. That day they lost their livelihood but won eternal life. The spiritual outcome of this miracle was that the disciples, "*left everything and followed*. our mission as Jesus' disciples is to seek, to *find*, and to *respond* to Jesus in all people and events.

Peter became the first person in the Gospel to acknowledge his sinfulness. He is also the first apostle to be called by Jesus. Often, we too are afraid to be touched by the presence of God. It is too dangerous because we are afraid to be caught up by the divine, afraid to be sent by Him. Jesus who dramatically invited the first disciples is inviting each one of us.

"Christ did not appoint professors but followers." - Soren Kierkegaard

Fr Tomy

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Saturday: Vigil	6:00pm	Fr Joshi
Sunday:	7:30am 9:00am	Fr Joshi Fr Joshi
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6:00pm Fr Tomy Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday at 9:00am Mass (except school holidays)

St Brendan's Church Lake Munmorah

Saturday: Vigil	5:00pm	Fr Tomy
Sunday:	8:00am	Fr Tomy

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Monday 9:00 am Tuesday 9:00 am Wednesday 9:00 am Thursday 9:00 am Friday 9:15am (Except 1st Friday of Month)

First Friday of Month Anointing of Sick

11:00am

Saturday 9:00 am

<u>St Brendan's Church Lake Munmorah</u> Wednesday 9:00am

First Wednesday of Month Anointing of Sick Thursday 9:00am

EXPOSITION BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Mary's Church Toukley

Every Saturday – after Morning Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Mary's Toukley

Saturday 9.30am -10am (by appointment other times)

St Brendan's Lake Munmorah

Saturday 4:30 - 5:00pm

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

St Mary's Toukley

8:20 am Monday to Thursday & Saturday 8:45 am Friday **First Friday Night Vigil**

Exposition after 7pm Mass until 12.30am Children's Liturgy

1st & 3rd Sundays 9am at St Mary's 1st Saturday 5pm at St Brendan's





We welcome all of our parishioners, especially any new parishioners to the area and those of you who have been away on holidays. We also welcome any visitors who have joined us for the celebration of Holy Eucharist this weekend.

Upcoming Parish events - Save the Date: Thurs 13th Feb: St Brendan's Opening School Mass 9am Fr 14th Feb: St Brigid's Feast Day mass 11.15am @ St Brendan's Sun 16th Feb: First Fruits Offering Thurs 27th Feb: St Brendan's Year 5 Mass 9am Fri 28th Feb: St Mary's Opening School Mass 9.15am Sun 2nd March: Parish morning teas Tues 4th March: Shrove Tuesday Wed5th March: Ash Wednesday Sun 2nd March: Kinder/Yr 6 Mass & Morning tea St Mary's 9am

Back to School Time - We welcome all our dedicated teachers, staff and students as they commence a new school year. We give a special welcome to all new kindies, Year 7 students and all who are new to our schools. We look forward to a wonderful year in 2025.

Communion Service - There will be only Communion Service at St Mary's on **Tues 11th Feb. Then on THURSDAYS 20th & 27th Feb at 9am.** This is due to Deanery meeting and safe guarding programme for Clergy. St Brendan's will still be only Communion Service on **Weds** during the month of Feb while Fr Baby is away.



First Fruits Offering February 2025 - God calls us to be generous with all our gifts. Stewardship means giving back to God in gratitude for all He has given us, including giving from our treasure. Our First Fruits Offering starts next weekend. This pro-

gram is essential to support funding our maintenance and other special projects **to our Parish.** Thank you for your interest in serving our Parish. God bless you.

Jubilee Year is a Year of Grace and Hope - As we began the year of grace and hope, we shall be having special prayers said during Masses after Communion and the Jubilee candle will be lit during the weekend Masses from this weekend.

Sunday of the Word of God | 9 February 2025 - The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on 9 February 2025. Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to "the celebration, study and dissemination" of the Word of God. Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodsunday to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and setting.

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Sacramental Program 2025

* Candidates from Year 4 and above have already received the Sacrament of Baptism & Confirmation, these will be your next Sacramental preparation.

Reconciliation, Term 1

1st April- St Brendan's, 2:45pm 3rd April- St Mary's, 3:30pm First Holy Communion, Term 2 21st June- St Brendan's, 5pm 22nd June- St Mary's, 9am



A Parent Information Class will be held on the 10th & 11th Feb. A parent or career needs to register using the QR Code provided at our Notice Board, on our Parish Facebook page or you may contact our Parish Office.

Confirmation, Term 3

*Candidates from Year 3 & above have already received the Sacrament of Baptism. **30th August- St Mary's, 11AM**

Further information will be released before the end of Term 2.

<u>Mass Collections</u> - In explanation of the way the collections work during Mass, the First Collection is for the support of the Priests around the Diocese.

The Second Collection is for the support of the Parish. You can give directly online into the Parish Account: <u>BSB: 062-784</u> <u>Account :100001614</u> <u>Account Name: Toukley Catholic Parish</u> <u>Reference: Your name</u>

Ministry & Group Calendar 2025 -

Dear friends, the Parish Pastoral Council & Parish Office request different ministries & group leaders in the Parish to come up with their activity programme for the year. We shall be grateful if they are available by mid Feb for the following groups: Mission Council (both churches), Parish Finance Committee, Liturgy Committee, St Joseph's Ministry, First Friday – Alliance of Two Hearts, Catholic Women's Group , Children's Liturgy, School Masses, Family Masses, Catechists & Morning Tea Roster (both churches)

Pope's Message for World Day of the Sick - Hope strengthens us in times of trial In his Message for the 33rd World Day of the Sick, Pope Francis says God remains close to those who suffer, through encounter, gift, and sharing. In 2025, the Church will celebrate World Day of the Sick in the ordinary form, at diocesan level, on 11 Feb. Meanwhile, the solemn celebration of the World Day, which normally takes place every three years, is postponed until 2026.

Mackay Family Funerals

In Association with Mackay Family Crematorium A.B.N. 79 085 423 589 Head Office: 249 Pacific Highway West, Ourimbah 2258 PO Box 89 Ourimbah NSW 2258. Phone: (02) 4362 2733 Fax: (02) 4362 2899 Please pray for those who have died and those who are sick

<u>Recently Deceased</u>: Jean Birkin, Paul Mizzi, Tony Morath, Dr Michael Tsouroutis, Mary Smith, Krystina Glabus, Millicent Zietsch, Tony Demanuele, Gamri Agius, Rita Edge, Vince Debono, Vince Gatt & Manuel Caruana

<u>Anniversaries:</u> Lorenzo Mazzitello, Coy Rugers, Manuel Santos Sr, Ivan Kvesic, Peter Chua Cheng Him, Manuel Tana, Noel McCool & Kathleen McRae

Remembrances: Stephens Cappa, Saviour & Renu Debono, Manuel Tana, Marie O'Keefe, Richard & Margie Hamer, Valami Joseph & Stark Family & Wendy Woodhouse

Please Pray for the Sick: Finn McConnon, Philip Hanlen, Kel Outlaw, Kevin Roy, Kathy Casey, Elaine Horton, Jane, Allen, Helen Sewell, Liz Kelman, Lacey, Chelsea Brame, Nicholas Sheehy, Nicholas Brien, Hunter, Peter De Lacy Peek, Patrick Hobson, Jessica & Lee Abott, Baby Nora, Denis Tansey, Joy Hemera, Lucky Bowen, Sergio, Maxwell, Nacua Sedicol, Sue Reardon, Sandra Turl, Mia & Johanna Harries, Ana das Gracas, Zona Kable, Elaine Horton, Jose Adelino, Barry Egan, Rose Booth, Suzanne Webb, Judy Kay, Ray Crocker, Patricia, Warren Pope, Elaine Scrivener, John Stuart, Stefano & Paolo Macchi, Stephen Jeffrie, Paul Mizzi, George, Sylvia Hudson, Bill O'Keefe, Michelle Maroon, Mick G & Robbie Depares

<u>February Birthdays</u>

Carolyn Metcalf (4th Feb) Alison Newell (15th Feb) Christine Mickkelsen (17th Feb) Rachelle McConnon (18th Feb) Margaret Cashin (20th Feb) Melinda Sullivan (20th Feb) Bob Steele (21st Feb) Elaine Scrivener (22nd Feb) Daryl Grime (22nd Feb) Pat Glennen (23rd Feb) Anthony Newell (26th Feb)





Pope Francis' February Intention For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood



Volunteer Angels

Male & Female Do you have a caring heart & time to become a friend to a lonely person in an Aged Care Facility Please call Anne-Marie 4396 1555

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Here am I! Send me. In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings. And they cried out one to another in this way, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. His glory fills the whole earth.' The foundations of the threshold shook with the voice of the one who cried out, and the Temple was filled with smoke. I said: 'What a wretched state I am in! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord of hosts.' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. With this he touched my mouth and said: 'See now, this has touched your lips, your sin is taken away, your iniquity is purged.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying:

'Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?' I answered, 'Here I am, send me.'

The word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Ps 137:1-5, 7-8 **R.** In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **R**.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **R**.

All earth's kings shall thank you when they hear the words of your mouth. They shall sing of the Lord's ways: 'How great is the glory of the Lord!' **R**.

You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. R.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians *I preach what they preach, and this is what you believe.*

Brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, the gospel that you received and in which you are firmly established; because the gospel will save you only if you keep believing exactly what I preached to you - believing anything else will not lead to anything.

Well then, in the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in ac-

cordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared first to Cephas and secondly to the Twelve. Next he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it. I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless. On the contrary, I, or rather the grace of God that is with me, have worked harder than any of the others; but what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation Luke 1:38 Matthew 4:19 Alleluia, alleluia! Come follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of my people. Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 5:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke *They left everything and followed him.*

Jesus was standing one day by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats - it was Simon's - and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point.

When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me, Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Sunday- Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-8 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 Luke 6:17, 20-26