Our Lady of Perpetual Succour



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TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Gospel Reflection LITTLE ONES

The story of the disciples arguing over "who is the greatest" is a wonderful lesson in humility. But it is also one of accountability. Jesus points out a child and says: "Whoever welcomes a child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." He takes a little child and talks of welcoming. And for Him, "welcoming" means sitting with them, putting His arms around them, caring for them, taking them as His own.

Often, the Gospels take a phrase or word of Jesus and give it a wider, more significant meaning. Such is true with the phrase "little ones" – we can take it to encompass all those who are seen as "small" or "little" in the eyes of others – not just children. Jesus uses this phrase to point to the downcast of society... those without hope... those sinned against... the oppressed... the forgotten. These are the "little ones" who continually surround Jesus. These were those for whom He continually cries out. These were the "little ones" whom He embraced. So, the Lord sits them down, embraces them, and gently reminds them that the only road to greatness is one of servitude. "If anyone wishes to be first, he must be the last of all and the servant of all." We live in a time when current day "disciples" are in constant need to be reminded of this.

Salvation is an exodus experience. It is a movement from darkness to light, from fear to trust, from abuse to compassion. It is a journey from self-concern to the humility of caring for the little ones, the least of our brothers and sisters. And this has everything to do with the Kingdom of God.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

<u>St Mary's Church Toukley</u>

| Saturday: Vigil | 6:00pm | Fr Tomy |
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| Sunday: | 7:30am 9:00am | Fr Tomy Fr Tomy |
| | 6.00 | |

6:00pm Fr Baby Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday at 9:00am Mass (except school holidays)

<u>St Brendan's Church Lake Munmorah</u>

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

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 9:15 am (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)

<u>St Brendan's Lake Munmorah</u>

Saturday 4:30 - 5:00pm

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

<u>St Mary's Toukley</u>

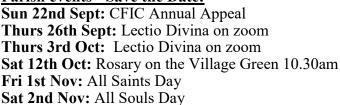
8:20 am Monday to Thursday & Saturday 8:45 am Friday First Friday Night Vigil

Exposition after 7pm Mass until 12.30am Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sundays 9am at St Mary's



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.

Parish events - Save the Date:



Use of Parent/Carer Cry Room in St Mary's Church

Please feel free to use the "cry room" during week day or weekend Masses if your children are needing attention and you wish to still feel included in and be part of the Mass.



<u>New Photocopier Required for the Parish</u>

Office - The photocopier in the Parish Office has reached the end of its life! We need to replace it by December. The Cost of the new machine is approximately \$12,000. If you would like to pate towards the cost of the new machine please

sponsor or donate towards the cost of the new machine please contact the Parish Office. Any donation towards the cost is greatly appreciated. Thank you to everyone who has donated and so far we have collected \$1480.

Volunteers Needed!

We need Volunteers at St Mary's Church for the laundry roster, to assist with cleaning for 1 hour after Mass on the 1st Thursday of the month and someone with the skill of Calligraphy to update some of the traditional Registers kept in the Church. If you are able to help with any of these please contact the Parish office.



Rosary on the Village Green Toukley

On **Sat 12th October at 10.30am**, in honour of Our lady of Fatima, please join us as a Parish as we make public witness of devotion to our Blessed Mother. Fr Baby will give a blessing.



Don't forget Daylight Savings Starts soon!

Daylight savings starts on **Sunday 6th Oct** this year. Don't forget to put your clocks forward 1 hour before you go to sleep Saturday night.

<u>Weekday Masses</u> Dear Friends, the number of people attending weekday Masses in both churches has dropped consistently during the month. I encourage parishioners to participate at weekday Masses if possible. Please encourage friends and families to attend weekday Masses. Fr Tomy





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<u>House or Car Blessings -</u> Please contact the Parish office if you would like your home or car blessed.

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<u>**CFIC Appeal -**</u> The Religious Order of the Sons of the Immaculate Conception (CFIC) founded by Blessed Luigi Maria Monti are holding a special collection this <u>Sunday 22nd Sep-</u> <u>tember.</u> Please give generously to this appeal to show your appreciation to the wonderful foundation that our Priests here are a part of Envelopes are available at both Churches. Other years we had this appeal in December. For those who would like to, you can sponsor Seminarians to show your support on their journey to Priesthood. Thank you for all your generosity and support, it is greatly appreciated.

Feast of Blessed Luigi Maria Monti - The Feast of Blessed Luigi Maria Monti is celebrated on Monday during Mass at 9am on **23rd September**. He is the founder of the CFIC Congregation to which Fr Tomy and Fr Baby belong to. Thanks for all your support and friendship.

Parish Lectio Divina: Is a method of praying with the Scriptures. Together we pray and meditate on the Sunday's Gospel and share the text that the Holy Spirit inspires. We invite you to join us every Thurs at 5pm via zoom or face-to-face. Contact our parish office or simply use the QR Code provided.



October - Month of the Holy Rosary

Dear friends, Reciting the Holy Rosary is one of the strong traditions of the Catholic Church. The month of October is dedicated to the devotion of the Holy Rosary. As we begin this month, let us

be united in praying the Rosary. I would encourage all families to pray the Rosary together. Any family that prays together, stays together. More information will be provided next week.

Don't Ignore this! Share your talents and skills in ministries where you are called to be. Feel free to approach our Priests, Wardens or contact our Parish Office. Just fill in the form and return after. Ministries: Altar Server, Readers, Choir/ Musician, Warden & Welcomers, a Catechist or a helper, Linen upkeep, Hospitality & Maintenance upkeep.

<u>Catholic Women's League</u> will be gathering for their meeting in the Parish Centre at **10am on Mon 30th Sept.** Please note this is the 5th Monday of the Month instead of the 4th and is for this month only. New members are always welcome.

<u>The Tap & Go Machine at St Mary's</u> has been repositioned to inside the church to avoid congestion at the entrance of the church. Tap & Go is towards the upkeep of the parish.



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>: Mari Newbury, Dick Pollard, Patrick Poyzer, Valarie Houston & Shannon Hanlen

<u>Anniversaries</u>: Christopher Dominic Lee, Teofilo & Elena, John Sullivan, Bob Moon & Fred Jeffries

<u>Remembrances</u>: Marie O'Keefe, Yook Chee Ng, Doris & Tony Psaila, Ivan Kvesic, Debono family, Simon Butcher, Moore & Langley families, Stephens Cappa, Valmai Joseph & Stark Family, Wendy Woodhouse & Carol Brown

Please Pray for the Sick: Sue Reardon, Rita, Sandra Turl. Mia & Johanna Harries. Ana das Gracas. Zona Kable, Elaine Horton, Jose Adelino, Barry Egan, Rose Booth, Jose Adelino, Suzanne Webb, Judy Kay, Ray Crocker, Patricia, Warren Pope, Elaine Scrivener, John Stuart, Stefano & Paolo Macchi, Ruben Fernandez V, Mia Lili Harries, Joanne Gravelle, Angie Newton, Shirley Dormer, Jenny Roy, Stephen Jeffrie, Paul Mizzi, George, Jim Rush, Finn McConnon, Sylvia Hudson, Cusick Family, Maree Campbell, Katherine Hoppett, Ann, Krissy & Craig Taylor, Tim Keogh, Patrick Hobson, Marion Campbell, Wayne Stafford, Mark Wilson, Bill O'Keefe, Michelle Maroon, Mick G, Kylie Musgrave, Avis Sullivan, Brian Fletcher, Rhondda Rey, Christine Yousef, Bev Jessop, Sandra Campbell, Mia & Robbie Depares, De-Anne Richards, Jackie Chaplin, Michael Cassey, Koen Mackaway, Eva Cusick, Melissa, Margaret Connolly, Rita Cini, Baby Mia, Lilli, Maria Butsetis, Shirley Campbell, Josh. Ro, Robyn Brand, Denis Tansey & Miklos Beothy

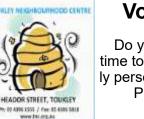
September Birthdays

Charlie Cassar (5 Sept) Bede Irvine (6 Sept) Helen Cashin (6 Sept) Robyn Rosina (6 Sept) Jennifer Proudfoot (7 Sept) Nat Rosina (11 Sept) Mary Gavranic (16 Sept) Patricia Roach (17th Sept) Aurora Spencer (22 Sept) Wayne Bulgin (26 Sept) Irene Deagan (27th Sept) Samir Bou-Said (27th Sept) Marie Steel (28th Sept) Nancy Bergado (30th Sept) Barry Rosen (30th Sept)





Pope Francis' September Intention For the Cry of the Earth Let us pray that each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.



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 Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 A reading from the book of Wisdom

Let us condemn him to a most shameful death.

The godless say to themselves, 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after - we have his word for it.'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Ps 53:3-6, 8

R. The Lord upholds my life.

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth. **R**.

For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God. **R**.

But I have God for my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. **R**.

Second Reading James 3:16 - 4:3

A reading from the letter of St James Justice is the harvest of peacemakers from seeds sown in a spirit of peace.

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves

first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation cf 2 Thessalonians 2:14

Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 9:30-37 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of humanity ... All who wish to be first must make themselves the servants of all.

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Sunday Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading : Numbers 11:25-29 Second Reading: James 5:1-6 Gospel: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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