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Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah

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To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community

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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR B

27th October 2024



Remembering Departed Souls

Heaven is the perfect union between God and man. Sin distances us from God, and to be in perfect communion with him, we must be completely free of sin. According to Scripture, one must be “clean” to enter heaven (Revelation 21:27). Therefore, a cleaning or “purification” is necessary for those who still require it. Just like a proper guest at a grand banquet, God desires us to be purified and properly attired to enter the wedding feast of the Lamb. The pains of loss refer to the spiritual suffering of knowing God and longing for union with him, while recognizing the obstacles that prevent this lasting, true joy. Above all, there is immense hope for the souls in purgatory, as heaven is both guaranteed and within reach. St. Catherine of Genoa said: “For the souls in purgatory there is great joy as well as pain as they know for certain they are bound for Heaven!”

What Does the Bible Say About Praying for the Dead?

Mentions of purgatory and the influence of prayer for the deceased are seen in both the Old and New Testaments of the Bible. The second book of Maccabees in the Old Testament contains this passage: “Thus he made atonement for the dead that they might be absolved of their sin” (12:46) This passage serves as evidence for the belief that the dead can be assisted by the intercession of the living. One of the clearest references in the New Testament about the forgiveness of sins in the afterlife is found in the Gospel of Matthew where Jesus states: “whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come” (12:32). This statement by Jesus implies that some sins may be forgiven or atoned for after death. The Power in Praying for the Dead: As the Bible and Catholic Tradition point out, our prayers can help the heaven-bound souls in purgatory. Countless saints and mystics have defended these claims. Once in heaven, these purified souls, or saints, can intercede for others before the throne of God—making our prayers for the souls in purgatory even more meaningful. St. Pope John Paul II said that “praying for the souls in purgatory is the highest act of supernatural charity.”

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

Saturday: Vigil 6:00pm Fr Baby
Sunday: 7:30am Fr Baby
9:00am Fr Baby
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

St Brendan's Church Lake Munmorah

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



We welcome all of our parishioners and visitors who have joined us for the celebration of Holy Eucharist this weekend.

Parish events - Save the Date:

Fri 1st Nov: All Saints Day

Sat 2nd Nov: All Souls Day

Fri 8th Nov: Groovin the Green at St Brigid's High School

Sat 16th Nov: CCD Annual Mass 11.30am Waitara Cathedral



New Photocopier Required for the Parish Office - The photocopier in the Parish Office needs replacing. The cost of the new machine is approx \$12,000. Any donation is greatly appreciated. Thankyou to everyone who has donated, so far raised \$2490.

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.



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. **St Brendan's:** every Saturday in October from 4.30-5pm before Mass. **St Mary's:** from **21st-31st Oct** at 5pm in front of Grotto. Final Solemn conclusion of the rosary is on **31st Oct (Thursday) at 5pm**. Refreshments will follow.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW): CLOW is when children are invited to leave the congregation during the Liturgy to celebrate/reflect on the Sunday Gospel reading. They are led through prayers, songs and readings that are appropriate to their level of understanding. They return during the Offertory. Attending Mass together is a part of being a Catholic Family. Parents are welcome to attend the CLOW and be one of the helpers, too. Please approach Sr. Jennifer or Nicole Anderson. St. Mary's: 1st & 3rd Sun of the Month 9am St. Brendan's: every 1st Sat, Vigil Mass at 5pm

Rosters for St Brendan's Nov-Jan: Rosters are being prepared from November to January. We are inviting volunteers for all positions on the roster. Training is provided for all Ministries. Sheets are at the back of the Church to add your details to.

Award of Papal Blessings to Parishioners -

The Parish Pastoral Council and the Mission Council would like to invite you to celebrate the Award of Papal Blessings on **Sat 26th Oct during 5pm Mass at St Brendan's and during 9am Mass Sunday 3rd Nov at St Mary's**. Parishioners receiving this special blessing are **Connie Camilleri, Douglas Cashin, Lina Samaniego, Alison Newell Charlie De Bono, Louisa Foxford and Julie Newey**. Every year the Mission Council nominate Parishioners to receive this award for their dedication to the Church and Parish Community. Congratulations!



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Continued from page 1: Why We Should Offer Masses for the Dead? Since the Eucharist is the "source and summit of the Christian life" (CCC 1324), Masses are the ideal way to pray for the dead, especially for those who are still on their journeys to heaven. The Mass is celebrated not only with members on Earth but also with those already in the glory of heaven (CCC 1370). Therefore, offering a Mass intention for the faithful departed is a powerful form of intercession. Additionally, over the years, the Church has also collected and developed special prayers that are offered for souls in purgatory. **There is Great Reason to Hope in God:** in his love and mercy, desires for us to live with him in eternity. He calls upon the faithful on earth to partake in the salvation of souls by praying for those in purgatory. As the Body of Christ, it is part of our mission to aid those in purgatory so that they may enter heaven and also intercede for us in our time of need. Pope Francis reminds us: "Let us not forget ... that so many deceased also await our spiritual support. Let us remember them in our prayers, together with Mary, 'Queen of all Saints,' asking that they be welcomed into the ranks of the elect in heaven." Consider lifting your loved one in prayer by offering Masses on their behalf. **Fr. Tomy**

November is the Time To Remember The Dear Ones : We remember our departed brothers & sisters during the month of November. All of us have someone to remember and pray for. Death is the door that opens the way to paradise. The best gift we can offer for their souls is to pray & offer masses for them. I encourage families & friends to offer masses during this special month of remembrance. **We shall have a special All Souls Day Mass on 2nd Nov at 9am in both churches.** Both churches will have a decorated table of remembrance for photos the deceased. Those who would like to do so, please bring a photo by the end of this month. We conclude this event on the **29th November with 6pm Mass.** Any families who would like to have special prayers said at the graveside, please ring the office to make a date & time. There are **Mass Intention envelopes now available.** All the mass intention envelopes will be placed on the altar during Masses. **On all Souls Day 2nd Nov** we have 9am Mass at St Mary's and St Brendan's. At St Mary's following Mass the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary will be prayed for the suffering souls in Purgatory. The Glorious Mysteries will then be prayed at Noraville Cemetery after which Fr. Baby will bless graves. **There will be NO confession or exposition at St Mary's Church on this day.**

Catholic Women's League - will gather for their monthly meeting in the Parish Centre at 10am Mon 28th Oct. An invitation is extended to all ladies in the Parish to join us.



First Friday Anointing Mass & Reparation Vigil Fri 1st Nov- The Anointing Mass is 11am, St Mary's. Please join us for the Reparation Vigil to the Sacred Heart and Immaculate Heart from 7pm Friday 1st Nov 7pm - 12.30am Saturday. With suppliant hearts come and spend some time with our Lord.

Diocesan Mass Count: We have our 2nd annual Mass Count during the month of Nov. This will continue to end of the month.

Please pray for those who have died and those who are sick



Recently Deceased Eric McKee, Joy Hemera, Maureen Goss, Kenneth Scales, Bernard Murphy & Eleanor Matthews

Anniversaries: Patrick Post, Harry Linder, Brian Moore, Ellen Cahill, Reg Post, Esme Blunt, Tony Hodges, Kathleen Nolan, John Glennen, Thyra Georgina King, Lisa Grenot, Nelda D'Agostini Randon, Carlos Tahan, Tim Cahill & Win Sinclair

Remembrances: Zachary Nathan Canillas, Sweet Gim Khoo, Kenneth Durley, Anselmo, Paulita, Enrico, Arturo Zenaida, Pio Edwin, Carmelita, Elma, Juan Anselmo, Hermigildo, Romuaaea, Panteleon, Temotea, Gerard De Zilva, Richard & Margie Hamer, Ingrid & Crysterline Hamer, Patricia & Joe Joseph, Stanley & Dan Joseph, Mavis & Sonna Rasiah, Reinald & Mila Perera, Stephens Cappa, Rosemary Jennifer (Sallie) Mulvany, Valmai Joseph & Stark Family & Wendy Woodhouse

Please Pray for the Sick: Nicholas Sheehy, Nicholas Brien, Hunter Peter De Lacy Peek, Patrick Hobson, Rita Edge, Jessica & Lee Aboot, Baby Nora, Denis Tansey, Joy Hemera, Lucky Bowen, Sergio, Maxwell, Nacua Sedicol, Sue Reardon, Rita, Sandra Turl, Mia & Johanna Harries, Ana das Gracias, 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, Finn McConnon, Sylvia Hudson, Bill O'Keefe, Michelle Maroon, Mick G & Robbie Depares

Funerals:

Maureen Goss - The funeral for the late **Maureen Goss** will be on **Thurs 31st Oct** at St Mary's 11am.

Joy Hemera - The funeral for the late **Joy Hemera** will be on **Mon 4th Nov** at St Mary's 12.00pm

October Birthdays

Dawn Thompson (5th) Pacita Wilesmith (5th)
 Joe Bridgett (5th) Fiona Green (7th)
 Robyn Waqanidrola (12th) Ivan Intia (16th)
 Yvonne Weller (22nd) Lillian Ballhause (24th)
 Deacon Paul Simmons (25th)
 Nenita Turner (29th) Ryan Fiddick (29th Oct)

Pope Francis' October Intention



For a shared mission
 We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

Mackay Family Funerals

In Association with Mackay Family Crematorium
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 Head Office: 249 Pacific Highway West, Ourimbah 2258
 PO Box 89 Ourimbah NSW 2258.
 Phone: (02) 4362 2733 Fax: (02) 4362 2899



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 : Jeremiah 31:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

I shall lead them back in mercy - both the blind and the lame.

The Lord says this:

Shout with joy for Jacob!

Hail the chief of nations!

Proclaim! Praise! Shout!

'The Lord has saved his people,
the remnant of Israel!'

See, I will bring them back

from the land of the North

and gather them from the far ends of earth;

all of them: the blind and the lame,

women with child, women in labour:

a great company returning here.

They had left in tears,

I will comfort them as I lead them back;

I will guide them to streams of water,

by a smooth path where they will not stumble.

For I am a father to Israel,

and Ephraim is my first-born son.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Ps 125

**R. The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.**

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **R.**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'

What marvels the Lord worked for us!

Indeed we were glad. **R.**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. **R.**

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:

they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. **R.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and
is appointed to act for men in their relations with

God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he
can sympathise with those who are ignorant or un-
certain because he too lives in the limitations of
weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings
for himself as well as for the people. No one takes
this honour on himself, but each one is called by
God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the
glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the
one who said to him: You are my son, today I have
become your father, and in another text: You are a
priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation cf 2 Timothy 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,
and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 10:46-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Master, grant that I may see.

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large
crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a
blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road.
When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he be-
gan to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have
pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told
him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder,
'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and
said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man.
'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So
throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to
Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to
do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him
'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go;
your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight
returned and he followed him along the road.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Sunday Thirty first Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Hebrews: Hebrews 7:23-28

Gospel: Mark 12:28-34