Our Lady of Perpetual Succour



Catholic Parish Toukley/Lake Munmorah

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Vision To be A Vibrant Eucharistic Community



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3rd November 2024



Gospel Reflection

Love the Lord your God with all your Heart

Jesus says, true religion is loving God and loving our fellow human beings at the same time. It is by showing genuine, active love for our neighbours that we can demonstrate that we really love God. Deep within our beings we have always longed to become whole, to be complete, to find peace, to experience love and to give of ourselves totally to another. But we also know that we cannot achieve this on our own. May be that is why periodically throughout our history God has entered a covenant with mankind.

We find the word covenant frequently in both the Old and New Testaments. It is an ordinary, secular word which does not in itself have any special technical or spiritual meaning.

When it comes to biblical covenants, a couple of points are important to consider. First, in all covenants between God and man there is always a firm emphasis on God's initiative and God's love. The covenant is never a pact between equals. It is not some kind of negotiated settlement. It is always God who takes the first step.

Secondly, the covenant is always two sided. Sometimes the importance of God's initiative is emphasized in such a way as to minimize the importance of man's response.

Jesus' simple statements in today's Gospel embrace everything we need to do to emerge from our brokenness and become whole. They remind us of the covenants that God has continually made with us and are a foretaste of the New Covenant that Christ has made with His blood. And yet, they demand a radical change in our lives and a radical change in our whole perception of religion and faith.

We are all made in God's image and likeness. We are called to reverence the Lord in the many ways in which He is present in his world. When we love others, we are loving people who themselves are broken, but who are unique reflections of the presence of God. We cannot do otherwise.

Fr. Baby

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church Toukley

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

> 9:00am Fr Tomy 6:00pm Fr Baby

Children's Liturgy 1st & 3rd Sunday at 9:00am

Mass (except school holidays)

St Brendan's Church Lake Munmorah

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 9:15am (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 1st Saturday 5pm at St Brendan'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:

Thurs 7th Nov: St Brendan's Year 4 Mass 9am

Thurs 7th Nov: Lectio Divina 5pm

Fri 8th Nov: St Mary's Year 3 Mass 9.15am

Fri 8th Nov: Groovin the Green St Brigid's High School 2-6pm Sat 16th Nov: CCD Annual Mass 11.30am Waitara Cathedral Sat/Sun 16/17th Nov: Pastoral Works Broken Bay Appeal

Sat/Sun16/17th Nov: Catechist Sunday

Sun 17th Nov: Family Mass St Mary's 6pm (cricket 4.30pm)

Sun 24th Nov: Solemnity of the King

Mon 25th Nov: Catechist Mass 4pm St Mary's

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.

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 \$4510.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is happening at St. Brendan's! -We invite families to allow your children to join our CLOW every 1st Saturday of the Month, at 5pm Vigil Mass. This is for ages 4- 12 years of age. Parents are welcomed to join us. For queries have a chat with Nicole or Sr Jennifer.

Groovin The Green - Our Parish will have a stall during this special event organized by St. Brigid's College and St. Brendan's School. This will be on the 8th Nov at St. Brigid's from 2-6pm. Please come and support our parish and school communities. Bring your friends and families.

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.

Award of Papal Blessings to Parishioners -

This Sunday during 9am Mass 3rd Nov at St Mary's, Parishioners receiving this special blessing are Connie Camilleri, Douglas Cashin, Lina Samaniego & Alison Newell. Every year the Mission Council nominate Parishioners to receive this award for their dedication to the Church and Parish Community. Congratulations to all recipients! Please stay for morning tea to celebrate.







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. Both churches have a decorated table of remembrance for photos the deceased. Those who would like to do so, please bring a photo to place there for the month of November. We conclude this event on the 29th Nov 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.

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

<u>St Brendan's Gate key -</u> The key for the gate at St Brendan's is kept in the Sacristy in the church for convenience and to remain there. Call the Parish Office for further details if required.



<u>Thank you to Doug Cashin and all the team at Charmhaven Carpets</u> - Thank you so much for your generous support to our Parish over the years.

<u>St Brendan's Coffee & Chat</u> - St Brendan's Social Group is on the 1st Wednesday of every month from 10am-12pm. Everyone is welcome to join together at the Doylo RSL on **Wed 6th Nov.**

<u>St Cecilia's Relic Installation Mass</u> - St Cecilia's Wyong is having a Relic Installation Mass by Very Rev Dr David Ranson VG on **23rd Nov at 11am**. All are welcome.



<u>Pastoral Works November Appeal</u> - This month our Parish will hold the November Appeal for Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) on 16th/17th November. The key focus for this Pastoral Works appeal will be the Confraternity

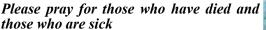
of Christian Doctrine (CCD) and Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioners. Envelopes are available this weekend or by visiting bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks. Thank you for your support to this great cause in our Diocese.

Accommodation required Toukley Gorokan Area: We are seeking on behalf of a Parishioner accommodation. If you have a room available, please contact the Parish office. Any help would be much appreciated.

Catechist Corner

We'd love to hear from you if you've ever thought about becoming a Catechist! Now is the perfect time to enquire & sign up...ready for the new school year! Contact the Parish Office for more information.





Recently Deceased Mark Balbi, Shirley Dormer, Eric McKee, Joy Hemera & Maureen Goss

Anniversaries: Mary Bezzina, Sykvira Wello, 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: Ronald Roach, Zachary Nathan Canillas, Swee 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, Reginald & Mila Perera, Stephens Cappa, Valmai Joseph & Stark Family & Wendy Woodhouse

Please Pray for the Sick: Lacey, Chelsea Brame, Nicholas Sheehy, Nicholas Brien, Hunter Peter De Lacy Peek, Patrick Hobson, Rita Edge, Jessica & Lee Abott, Baby Nora, Denis Tansey, Joy Hemera, Lucky Bowen, Sergio, Maxwell, Nacua Sedicol, Sue Reardon, Rita, 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, Finn McConnon, Sylvia Hudson, Bill O'Keefe, Michelle Maroon, Mick G & Robbie Depares

<u>Funeral for Joy Hemera -</u> The funeral for the late Joy Hemera is on **Mon 4th** Nov St Mary's 12pm

November Birthdays

Eric Grimes (6th Nov)
Amanda Coombe (8th Nov)
Steven Ng (8th Nov)
Nova Jayanthi (9th Nov)
Cecilia McClusky (13th Nov)
Lucy Jurd (13th Nov)
Bill Mulvany (13th Nov)
Lina Samaniego (24th Nov)
Eli Fiedler (25th Nov)
Kathleen Cheetham (28th Nov)





Pope Francis' November Intention For anyone who has lost a child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

Mackay Family Funerals

In Association with Mackay Family Crematorium A.B.N. 79 085 423 589

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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: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. R.

Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me. He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed. R.

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal priesthood.

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one

who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 12:28-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Sunday Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16 Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44