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OLSOSParish

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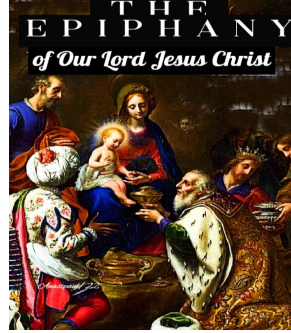
**Prayer to St Michael**

St Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil.



May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and you, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen



# OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA TERRIGAL

*We love one another so that all may have a sense of belonging; desire a relationship with God; and want to share the Good News with others.*

**5<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

**Feast of the Epiphany  
Year C**

**Entrance Antiphon:** Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

**1st Reading:** Isaiah 60: 1-6

**Psalm:** Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

**2nd Reading:** St Paul to Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia!  
We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Matthew 2: 1-12

**Communion Antiphon:** We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord

**Next Week's Readings The Baptism of the Lord - Year C**

**1st Reading:** Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11

**Psalm:** Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!

**2nd Reading:** St Paul to Titus 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7

**Gospel:** Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22

**WEEKDAY SERVICES**

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7.30am - Communion Service</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9.00am - Mass</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7.30am - Mass</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9.00am - Mass</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9.00am - Mass</b>

**WEEKEND MASSES - NEXT WEEK**

<b>Saturday Vigil</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5.00pm - Mass</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7.30am &amp; 9.30am - Mass</b>

**Our website: [www.bbcatholic.org.au/terrigan](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/terrigan)**

*Welcome to all our visitors!  
May you feel at home in our Parish.*

### PARISH INFORMATION:

#### **Baptisms:**

Sunday Mornings at 11.30am by appointment.  
Enquiries to our Parish Office to enroll.

#### **Anointing of the Sick:**

With 9am Mass on the last Friday of the month.  
Please ring the Parish Office if you have a loved one who is ill or dying.

#### **Reconciliation:**

Before and after Saturday 9am  
Mass (8.30 -10am) or phone the  
Parish Office for an appointment.

#### **Weddings and Funerals:**

Enquiries to the Parish Office.



### Donations to the Parish

Donations can be made by:

- putting **cash** in the collection bag at Mass; or
- using the **Tap'n'Go** machines at the door of the church; or
- or giving **directly** to our parish bank account:  
**Terrigal Parish**  
**BSB: 062 784**  
**Acc: 100001660 or**
- using planned giving **envelopes**, available at the back of the church; or
- **regular (monthly) credit card donations**, as arranged through the Parish Office.

### Baptisms

This weekend we welcome **Isabella Conte and Blake Lipburger** into our Parish family.

Please keep all our newly Baptised in your prayers.



### Memorial Plaques



Take a look at the newest Plaques.

We are collecting orders for a new batch that will be ready after January.

Payment can be made on completion.

### Christmas is a Season not just a day.

When we think of Christmas, we're tempted to think of it as just one day, or a small holiday period at the end of the year characterised by Mass, presents and family get togethers.

But Christmas is far more than just a day, it's a liturgical season, dedicated to the Birth of our Lord, beginning with the Vigil Masses on Christmas Eve and concluding with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.



**Parish Office**  
**Closed Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

### Name Badges

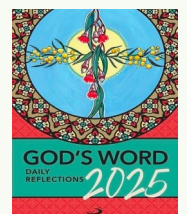
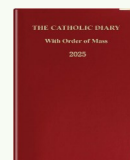
Name tags can be ordered at a subsidized price of **\$10** (normally \$17). It is good to see more and more wearing them. You can choose from safety pin style or magnetic back. Place order at the Parish Office or the Piety Stall.

**A new order going mid January**

### Piety Shop

Great collection of Christmas items, including essential oils (Gold Frankincense and myrrh) and other oils. Columban and Divine Mercy Calendars, 2025 Gods Word and Scripture diaries

**Come and take a look!**





## Exploring the Scriptures

Join a small group to read & reflect on the Scripture reading for the following Sunday. 10.30am Thursday in the Parish Office. Attend when you can. All welcome.

We will gather again on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025.** Enquiries to Parish 43674610 or 0414 653 146



## OLSOS Craft Group

Will resume on the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

To find out more, call Cath on **0432 982 622**



## School Building

The scaffolding has been taken off the new school building and it is on track to be completed in February 2025, but the hand-over will not be till later in the year. More work will continue to improve some of the other classrooms and build more toilets etc.

## Parish Commitment to **SafeGuarding**



**Our Lady Star of the Sea Terrigal is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults.**

## Book Club

A.G. Sertillanges, O.P. in his book **The Intellectual Life** distinguishes four types of reading. "One reads for one's formation and to become somebody; one reads in view of a particular task; one reads to acquire a habit of work and the love of what is good; one reads for relaxation."

The aim of our book club is to pick a book that can fulfill each of these goals. We resume this year at the end of January. We are still meeting on the last Friday of each month at 1600 hrs in the Parish Offices.

The first book for 2025 will be Richard Rohr's book on the Holy Trinity - **The Divine Dance**. He asks "What if changing our perception of God has the potential to change EVERYTHING." Good question! This will no doubt be discussed when our bookclub resumes on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January at 1600 hrs.

The book for February is Sheldon Vanauken's **A Severe Mercy** - A Story of Faith, Tragedy, and Triumph.

In March we will read Julian of Norwich's work **Revelations of Divine Love**.

If any of these books interest you please join us for a lively discussion.

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## MARY MAC'S WOY WOY

Terrigal Parish proud to support

Thanking you once again for showing your love by donating groceries at the parish office door, which is then collected by Mary Mac's volunteers.

Poppers, mini water bottles, snacks, tin food, always welcome.

## Alpha Youth Series

It's all about proclaiming the Gospel in a way that is engaging, authentic. This new series is available via accessing the link [HERE!](#)

It is made for this generation, by this generation packed with fresh content that speaks to the real questions young people are asking. It is relatable while sparking real conversations about life, faith, and purpose.

## Giving in the Parish

We have **two regular collections** in the parish each weekend.

### The First Collection

**Goes to a common fund (Pastoral Revenue) across all diocesan parishes..**

and is used to support the Bishop and all the priests (active and retired) in the Diocese. Donations for Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals and Easter and Christmas offerings also go to the Pastoral Revenue.

### The Second Collection

**Goes to our Church Account so stays in the parish to meet all our expenses...**

such as rents, planned giving, regular direct debits and other donations (unless explicitly directed elsewhere) The growing funds are also used to maintain the church, hall, offices, presbytery and grounds and to pay all our running costs like insurance, employees, and office, church and pastoral expenses. Donations through *Tap 'n' Go* in the church or *Donate Now* on website go to this account.

All other **special collections** go to the charity or activity advertised when we have the appeal.

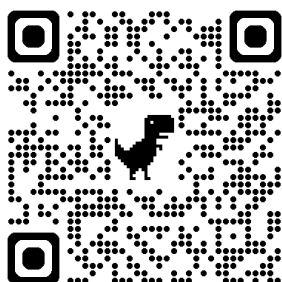
**Thankyou all for your ongoing generosity to all these collections.**

## Live Streaming

Our technology in the church is finally working, and we can live stream Masses from the church.

We recorded the Mass on Friday. To have a look go to our parish website, click on "Mass times", then "Mass Live", then "Please visit the Mass live page here" which will take you to the *vimeo* site for Terrigal Parish. Then click on the date of the last Mass. It might sound complicated, but is easy when you have done it once.

Alternatively, click on this link: [Live Streamed Mass](#) or use the QR code:



## Sacramental Programme for 2025



### Confirmation 2025

#### Enrolment

In the Parish Office Monday 24<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March

#### Input for Parents

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm

**Parent/Child Support Class** Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 3.30pm

**Presentation** 5pm 3<sup>rd</sup> May or at the 7.30am or 9.30am Masses Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May

**Confirmation Date** Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 12 Noon and 2pm

### Combined Programme: Reconciliation and Eucharist 2025

#### Enrolment

In the Parish Office Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June to Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July

#### Reconciliation Input for Parents

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July at 7pm

#### Parent/Child Support Class

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August at 3.30pm

**Presentation** 5pm 2<sup>nd</sup> August and all Sunday Masses 3<sup>rd</sup> August

#### First Reconciliation

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August by appointment

#### Communion Input for Parents

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm

#### Parent/Child Support Class

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August at 3.30pm

#### Presentation

5pm 30<sup>th</sup> August or any of the Sunday Masses 31<sup>st</sup> August Masses

#### First Holy Communion

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September 5pm  
Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September 7.30am & 9.30am

or

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September 5pm  
Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September 7.30am & 9.30am

YOU ARE CALLED TO BE  
PILGRIMS OF HOPE

# JUBILEE 2025

IN THIS HOLY YEAR  
24 DEC 2024 - 6 JAN 2026

A Jubilee Year (or Holy Year) is traditionally proclaimed every 25 years. It is a year set aside to encourage us all to seek conversion of heart, to renew our discipleship, and to forgive the sins of others. Pilgrimage is also an important tradition as part of a Jubilee Year. In the Hebrew tradition, as recorded in Leviticus, a Jubilee was celebrated every 50 years with the freeing of slaves and the forgiveness of debts. In 1300, Pope Boniface VIII instituted the first Christian Jubilee, and since then the Church has designated each new Jubilee as a special year of grace and forgiveness.

The 2025 Jubilee will be centered on the theme "Pilgrims of Hope". As Pope Francis expressed it:

"We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision."

The Jubilee begins on 24<sup>th</sup> December 2024, with the Opening of the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica, and runs to 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026, the Feast of the Epiphany, with the Closing of the Holy Door.

Our Broken Bay Diocese has established three diocesan "Jubilee Shrines of Hope" which are offered as places of pilgrimage, worship, prayer, and hope for the people of Broken Bay during the Jubilee Year.

These shrines are:

- The Parish of **Gosford** with a relic of **Pope Saint John Paul II** will be a Shrine of Hope for **families**.
- The Parish of **Chatswood** with a relic of **Blessed Carlo Acutis** (a young man of our own century who died in his teens) will be a Shrine of Hope for **young people**.
- The Parish of **Manly Freshwater** with a relic of **Saint John Vianney** (patron saint of parish priests) will be a Shrine of Hope for **priests and vocations**.

The 2025 Jubilee Year is an opportunity to explore the many different ways that we, as a community, can participate as Pilgrims of Hope.

## Marriage Preparation for Engaged Couples

**Engaged Encounter** provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship.

For further information, visit our [website](#). Choose any of the coming Weekends: 22-23 Feb 2025; 17-18 May 2025; 16- 17 Aug 2025.

**Smart Loving Engaged** is an online marriage preparation consisting of nine lessons, you progress through the course at your own pace, doing the couple activities as you go. There is an option for a married Sponsor Couple from your community to accompany you through the course. <https://smartloving.org/broken-bay>

## A Happy Marriage

A sense of gratitude is one of the distinguishing characteristics of happy couples. Gratitude leads spouses to look for the good in each other rather than the faults. They have found ways to embrace their differences with good humour rather than argue about them. And they are motivated to serve each other, because they each feel blessed and privileged to be loved by the other.

*SmartLoving* is gifting us with a Gratitude EBook in the hopes it supports you in your marriage journey.

[Download the Gratitude eBook](#)



**Children's Liturgy**

Will re-commence on the 8<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at the 5pm Saturday Mass.

Kids bulletins will still be available at the rear of church.

## ROSTERS FOR SERVERS & EM



### Saturday - 5.00pm

4/1/2025	Server J Sheridan	(EM) D Southwell
11/1/2025	Server V & J Duverge	(EM) R Zadro
18/1/2025	Server D Southwell	(EM) L O'Donnell & G Catanzariti
25/1/2025	Server L George	(EM) V & J Duverge

### Sunday - 7.30am

5/1/2025	Server E Bastoli	(EM) P Clayton
12/1/2025	Server P Clayton	(EM) John Sheehan
19/1/2025	Server E Bastoli	(EM) E Katselas
26/1/2025	Server E Katselas	(EM) B Brown

### Sunday - 9.30am

5/1/2025	Server J Tarrant	(EM) R Ayers & J Merrotsy
12/1/2025	Server P Quinn	(EM) Kate Curtis & R Lentini
19/1/2025	Server B Lobo	(EM) A Bone & M Sproat
26/1/2025	Server P Maniskas	(EM) A Bone & Kate Curtis

*EM = Eucharistic Minister or correctly Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion*

*If you wish to be involved in this ministry please contact the Parish Office.*

## ROSTERS FOR READERS OF THE WORD



### Saturday - 5.00pm

4/1/2025	(1) Connie Attard	(2) McCuddens
11/1/2025	(1) Lynches	(2) Dudley Smith
18/1/2025	(1) Julie Mc Manus	(2) Georges
25/1/2025	(1) Dudley Smith	(2) Goodworths

### Sunday - 7.30am

5/1/2025	(1) Chris Hartcher	(2) Anne Strong
12/1/2025	(1) Robyn Wild	(2) Justine Hayes
19/1/2025	(1) John Sheehan	(2) Ivy Holly
26/1/2025	(1) Peter Clayton	(2) Betty Brown

### Sunday - 9.30am

5/1/2025	(1) Joan Kearney	(2) Janette Merrotsy
12/1/2025	(1) Susan de Brincatt-Moffatt	(2) Jayne Robinson
19/1/2025	(1) Anne Mackson	(2) Colleen Addison
26/1/2025	(1) Graham Sproats	(2) Jane Watts

## Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster



**6<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

Mary Bryant, Fiona Bush, Evelyn Lazzarini & Kerry Oliver

**13<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

Wanita Lynch, Julie Roberts & Linda Lee

## Prayer Requests

### Recently Deceased

Rex Malone	Javier Cabarrus	Rita Anderson
John McPhee	Helen Milne	Rodolfo Torzani
Judith Kersten	John Lentini	

### Anniversaries & Remembrance

Leon Maher	Selina Orton	Moyna O'Donnell
Terrence Bastia	Colin Robson	James Dodds
Ellen Dodds	Francis Stephens	Michael Vesper
Michael Kokegei	Smith & O'Neill families	Bruce Cameron
Gwen & George Grove	Silvana & Mario Favetta	Anne Develin
Elizabeth O'Shannassy	John Mooney	

### Sick

Michael Murphy	Steve Forte	Joe Zarb
SallyAnne Gillan	George Vojkovic	Marie Campbell
Vic Burnham	Pia Favetta	Sivec McMenamie
Margaret Ayres	Philomena Pannell	Christine Dormer
Phillip O'Rourke	Mary Smith	Kate Terry
Michael Murphy	Bernie Introna	Judy Saunders
Patricia Cooper		

## MORNING TEA ROSTER

*Please stay and join us After 9.30am Mass*

- Group 8** June Carpenter, Carmel Peek & Anne-Marie McCarthy - **5.1.2025**
- Group 1** Wanita Lynch, Mary Howes, Robyn Lentini & Julie Tarrant - **12.1.2025**
- Group 2** Joan Kearney, Ina Kite, Robyn Wilmot & Viv Coleman - **19.1.2025**
- Group 3** Geraldine Czerkesow, Anne Coggan, & Susan Connor **Volunteer needed** - **26.1.2025**
- Group 4** Anne Strong, Eileen Dodds, Mary Portelli & Mary Jones - **2.2.2025**
- Group 5** Margaret Brown & Robyn Ayers, Juliet Mathew & Kate Curtis - **9.2.2025**
- Group 6** Chris Whalan, Viv Ball & Alison Bone - **16.2.2025**
- Group 7** Ian & Pat Rimes, Linda & Isabel Lee - **23.2.2025**

Everyone is welcome, but we also invite you to bring along something to share together to eat. It may be a packet of biscuits, but more interesting is something to share that you have cooked.

*Safety warning - Please do not walk behind the tables that the volunteers are serving from.*

*Thank you.*



## Bus to Mass

**The Parish bus collects parishioners for 9.30am Mass.**

If you would like to be picked up, please contact Peter Clayton via the Parish Office.

**We need a few more drivers, so please consider this valuable ministry.**



## MEN'S BUSHWALKING GROUP

We hope to resume walks towards the end of January when life is bit more settled and hopefully pleasant temperatures.

Happy New Year.— *Stim*

**Saint Michael Mission Society 2025 MEMBERSHIP ENROLMENT**



The Saint Michael Mission Society (SMMS) was established in Sydney in 1996 to provide ongoing support to the Order of Catholic Priests known as the Congregation of Saint Michael the Archangel (Michaelites) in their missionary work in Australia and Papua New Guinea (PNG).

The Order was founded by Blessed Bronislaw Markiewicz in Poland in 1912. Michaelite priests began working in PNG in 1970. In November 2000 they were given their first parish in Australia at Holy Spirit North Ryde.

They continue to work in the highlands of Papua New Guinea within their 3 parishes. Priests working here receive little financial help and often live and minister in very difficult conditions.

The SMMS was established to provide this much needed financial assistance that helps the priests & seminarians directly and the communities they serve.

As an enrolled member & benefactor you will be given a prayer card and special masses will be held by our PNG priests at the National Shrine of Divine Mercy, (built from past donations) with prayers said, throughout the whole year.



**\$25**

**Saint Michael Mission Society Inc. Subscription Fee \$25 per family or friend**

**YES** I would like to join the Saint Michael Mission Society for 2025

NAME:

PRAY FOR:

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**Thank "YOU"!**

Please lodge:

at Terrigal Parish Office 4367 4610 with Janette Merrotsy (Coordinator) 0421416555 or via post at P.O. BOX 4, TERRIGAL, NSW 2260

A wonderful way to start the year helping others and knowing our loved ones (and us) are being prayed for.  
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**Enquiries to Janette 0421416555**



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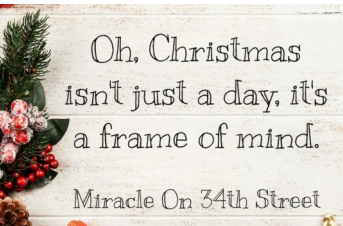
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