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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.



9th March 2025

1st Sunday of Lent Year C

Entrance Antiphon: When he calls on me, I will answer him;

I will deliver him and give him glory,

I will grant him length of days.

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 4-10

Psalm: Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

2nd Reading: Romans 10: 8-13

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of

endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus

Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel: Luke 4: 1-13

Communion Antiphon: One does not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes forth from the

mouth of God.

Next Week's Readings: 2nd Sunday of Lent - Year C

1st Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Psalm: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Philippians 3:17 - 4:1 2nd Reading:

Luke 9:28-36 Gospel:

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Tuesday 11 7.30am - Communion Service

Wednesday 7.30am - Mass 12 13 7.30am - Mass Thursday 9.00am - Mass Friday 14 Saturday 15 9.00am - Mass

WEEKEND MASSES - NEXT WEEK

Saturday Vigil 15 5.00pm - Mass

Sunday 16 7.30am & 9.30am - Mass

Our website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/terrigal

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.

Annointing 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.

First Fruits Offering

Thank you for reflecting on joining our Planned Giving Program by giving to the *First Fruits Offering*.



The process we have undertaken is important to the future of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish. We appreciate your ongoing support of our parish and want to the process we have undertaken is important to the future of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish.

your ongoing support of our parish and want to say thank you. Your help is appreciated. We will update you on the results once we have the details. Thank you again for your generosity.

If you missed receiving the *First Fruits Offering* pack, more copies are available at the back of the church. You can fill them out at your convenience and place them in the collection bag or drop them into the Parish Office.

Thank you.

Office Closed

On **Tuesday the 11th March the** Parish Office will be closed as staff will be attending a training session at the Diocese for a new Parish computer programme..

Baptisms

This weekend we welcome Olive, Keith & Lily Baldwin and Maddison & Ava Lever into our Parish family. Congratulations and God's blessing.



Bible Study and Discussion

Where: In the Mercy Chapel, on the right-hand

side of the church.

When: **Every Thursday**.

Times: 1pm to 2pm

We begin our study of The Gospel of

Mathew & **6pm to 7pm**

We continue with our study on the

Book of Revelation.

All Welcome.

Bring your Bible with you.

For more information: Call Elias 0459 220 208



Exploring the Scriptures

Join a small group to read & reflect on the Scripture reading for the following Sunday. 10.30am **Thursday** in the Parish Meeting Room.

Attend when you can.

All welcome.

Enquiries to Parish 43674610 or 0414 653 146



A Promise of hope

Lenten Program 2025 A Promise of Hope

Hard copies of the booklet will be available soon. When they arrive they will be available at the back of the church. A digital ebook is available on the Diocesan website. PDF version

Lent in our Parish

Stations of the Cross will be every Friday during Lent at 5.30pm.

If you would like to lead the Stations on one evening, please contact Janette



Lenten Discussion Program

will be every Friday during Lent at 6pm, straight after the Stations of the Cross. Share the journey together.



Lenten Books - Metanoia

The readings for the Sundays in Lent are included and beautifully set out for personal or group discussion.

They are available for \$10 in the Parish Office and Piety Stall.



A Promise of Hope

The Lenten Program from Broken Bay focuses on the Sunday Readings and is designed to be used both individually or within a group setting.

Project Compassion

Boxes and envelopes are available at the back of the church.



"Lent is a time of renewal for the whole Church, for each community and every believer. Above all it is a time of grace."

- Pope Francis

Name Badges

We have a group of Name Tags ready to pick up. Name tags can still 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.

Volunteer needed to clean the brass in the Church- once a month for 5 Items. Please see the Parish Office if you need more details and wish to help.

Lenten Program

Commences this Friday 7 March at 6pm, after Stations of the Cross.

The aim of this small group program is to look behind the gospel narrative and understand what was actually happening.

Everyone is invited. Sessions for one hour. Meetings will be in the in the parish office.

Rest in Peace

It has been a sad week with two of our Parish Families both having sons dying.

We extend our prayers and condolences to Laurie and Maria O'Brien and family on the death of Blake. His funeral will be on Wednesday 12th March at 11am. And to Chris and Liz Lamont and family on the death of Robbie. His funeral will be held at Terrigal (the date and time to be confirmed).

Please keep these families in your prayers at this sad time.

Prayers requested

Please pray for Shiney, Aleena and Evana Cheriyil, the wife and daughters of Noby Cheriyil, the brother of Fr Boby Cheriyil OSH who works in our diocese. They were killed in a tragic train accident in India last week.

Fast and Abstinence

On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, (18 April 2025) the Church calls us to abstain from meat and to fast as acts of penance and self-denial. All those who have completed their fourteenth year of age are to abstain from meat on these days, and those between the ages of 18 and 60 are urged to fast.

The Church also encourages us to embrace each Friday throughout the year as a special day of penance and prayer, as well as a day to accompany others, through charitable works of mercy.

Lenten Program: A Promise of Hope

A digital e-book is available on the <u>Diocesan</u> <u>website</u>. There is also a <u>PDF version</u>

St Michael Prayer Group Mass

5:30pm Thursday 20th March 2025

All welcome to attend and join with the St Michael Prayer Group for Mass, Adoration, and an individual blessing for healing. This is an opportunity to pray for friends and family who are in need of our prayers especially for healing.

Fr Stan will be with us on this evening.

Supper afterwards, you may like to bring a plate to share.

Art of Celebrating Holy Week

Members of Parish Liturgy Committees, Acolytes, Ministers at the Altar, Senior Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion are invited to attend this day seminar, which will focus on the different Holy Week liturgies.

Saturday 15th March from 9:30am to 3pm in the Caroline Chisholm Centre, 2/423 Pennant Hills Rd Pennant Hills.

Morning tea and lunch provided. For more information or to register your interest, please email mission@bbcatholic.org.au

BreakThrough Companion Training Course

Have you encountered an individual in a marriage in distress and your heart longed to help them?

If the answer is YES! Sign up to become a BreakThrough Companion. Join us for a training course which will take place via three 90 minute webinars:

17th March - Part 1 24th March - Part 2 31st March - Part 3 Time: 7:30pm (Sydney)

The Companion Track is a response to appeals for help from spouses in stressed marriages who seek someone to accompany them in their BreakThrough journey. Its launch enables you or another Companion, to pastorally accompany a participant as they progress through the BreakThrough course.

If you cannot attend but are interested in becoming a Companion, please still register for the webinar as we can send you the recordings and keep you informed of future Companion training.

REGISTER FOR THE WEBINARS

Save the date



Our famous annual Italian Night with entertainment from award winning tenor Graeme Wright and home cooked Italian food. the will be held this year on the 12th July at 6pm.

Monster Garage Sale

At St Joseph's Spirituality Centre, 8 Humphreys Rd, Kincumber South on Saturday 15th March from 9am

We have a large range of items for sale including furniture, bedding, glassware, kitchenware & much, much more. Come along & bring your friends! You are sure to get a bargain.

A sausage sizzle & refreshments will be available to purchase. (Spoke to Sr Helen and she said we have a lot of items to see!)



The Safeguarding Broken Bay Microsite

is a public site that has multiple resources that can be used to raise awareness within our communities. As well as having multiple resources, including Diocese Policy and Guidelines, through the website we are able to promote and create awareness of Key Safeguarding events throughout the year. More information can be accessed via the following link Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay.

OLSOS Craft Group

(Held every second Wednesday, unless stated)





To find out more, call Cath on 0432 982 622

Come join a small friendly group of lovely ladies. Dates to June on noticeboard



PROJECTCOMPASSION

This Lent, we are called to *Unite Against Poverty* through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion.

Your support this Lenten season will enable Caritas Australia to provide life-changing support to communities facing poverty, food insecurity, lack of education, and water shortages, while building resilience against future challenges.

Book Club

Last Friday our book club met at the usual time - the last Friday of every month at 1600 in the parish offices) We met to discuss Sheldon Vanauken's book A Severe Mercy. We were joined by Dr Frank Brennan, a palliative care physician from Calvary hospital who gave us all an impromptu lecture on grief and the latest developments in the literature. Grief was one of the major themes of Vanauken's book. This month however we will be reading about the "showings" of Julian of Norwich, a series of revelations from God which have been published as "Revelations of Divine Mercy". It will be interesting to discuss her revelations in the light of a book we will be reading in May- That all Shall be saved by David Bentley Hart. Anyone interested in the argument of Universalism should join us. In April we will be reading "A Rabbi Talks With Jesus" by Jacob Neusner.

In May, as mentioned, we will reflect on David Bentley Hart's argument "That all Shall be Saved", a book about Heaven Hell and Universal salvation. In June we will discuss Brant Pitre's book "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist". If any of these books appeal, please join us on the last Friday of every month at 1600 in the parish offices to share in the joy of communal reading. gazboantonius@gmail.com

Live Streaming **Parish Mass**

We record the Mass each Friday. To have a look go to the parish website, click on this link:



Tax Deductions Important?

For some parishioners a tax deduction is important. Contributions to Pastoral Works Broken Bay are 100% deductable. A regular payment can be made by using the envelopes at the back of the church or contacting Janettte in the parish office to arrange a monthly credit card deduction.

Development Application

Many of you may be aware that a DA has been lodged to build a childcare centre for 113 children and 38 space carpark at 167 Serpentine Rd. This is the block behind the church with two houses, a horse and two cows. Central Coast Council has received a number of submissions expressing concerns, especially about traffic, stormwater and sewage. At the PPC meeting during the week it was agreed to engage professional consultants to assess our concerns and assist us in a way forward. We will keep you informed of any developments. There are some more details on the notice board outside the church.

Sacramental **Programme for 2025**



Confirmation 2025

Enrolment for Year 3

and over

In the Parish Office Monday 24th to Sunday 30th March

Confirmation Date Saturday 17th May at 12 Noon and 2pm

Combined Programme: Reconciliation and Eucharist 2025

Enrolment for Year 4 and over In the Parish Office Monday 30th June to Sunday 6th July

First Reconciliation

Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th, Thursday 14th August by appointment

First Holy Communion Saturday 13th September 5pm Sunday 14th September 7.30am & 9.30am

Saturday 20th September 5pm Sunday 21st September 7.30am & 9.30am

Enquiries to Janette 0421416555

Adult Sacraments

We have a number of adults who have, for various reasons, missed out on receiving some of the sacraments and we are hoping to form an adult group to prepare for and receive Confirmation, First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion with the children of the parish during the year.

If you are interested, please speak with Fr Vince

Did you know that CatholicCare has a free financial counselling service?

When Jennifer fell pregnant as a young, single woman, she knew that caring for this baby would fall solely on her. Along with the myriad of emotions that came with a positive pregnancy test, she was anxious about her financial future. Jennifer was supported by CatholicCare's financial counselling team, which ultimately reduced her

stress and gave her the breathing space to enjoy her newborn son.

Click here to read more of Jennifer's story.

To find out more about CatholicCare's financial counselling services call us today on 1800 324 924

Jubilee Year 2025



Website

A dedicated Jubilee site bbjubilee.com.au within the diocesan website contains a myriad of resources, Calendar of Diocesan celebrations, detailed information for parishes and resources from the Holy See.

Jubilee of the World of Volunteering - 8th & 9th March

This is an opportunity to thank, affirm and encourage the many people who contribute to the world through volunteering.

Broken Bay Pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome

with Chaplain, Fr Hien Vu on 1-10 October 2025. Included in this pilgrimage will be Mass with Bishop Anthony in Rome, visits to the Holy Doors and participation in the Vatican celebrations for the Jubilee of Consecrated Life on 8-9 October. For more information, please email mission@bbcatholic.org.au

Jubilee Shrines of Hope

We have three diocesan shrines at:

- The Parish of **Gosford** with a relic of Saint John Paul II is a Shrine of Hope for families.
- The Parish of **Chatswood** with a relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis is a Shrine of Hope for young people.
- The Parish of **Manly Freshwater** with a relic of Saint John Vianney is a Shrine of Hope for priests and vocations.

MEN'S BUSHWALKING GROUP

Our next walk on Tuesday 11 March will be in the Rumbalara Reserve area in Springfield starting at 10 am. Hopefully the weather forecast is reliable as the conditions are expected to deteriorate only later in the day. Any gentleman interested in participating in any of our walks, please contact Stim Robinson on 0401 058 329 or stimrobinson@hotmail.com to get further details including where to meet for the walk. Our walks usually take an hour or so and then we head off for coffee or lunch nearby.

Baptismal Preparation

Will be held in the Church next Tuesday night the 25th March starting at 6pm.

Updating Parish Records

The last information gathering in the parish was in 2017. This was in response to the bushfires then raging as we suddenly discovered there was no way of alerting parishioners of the possible closure of the Church site. Since then we have had further issues with storm damage (when a large tree fell down) which could have necessitated urgent warning to people coming to Sunday Mass.

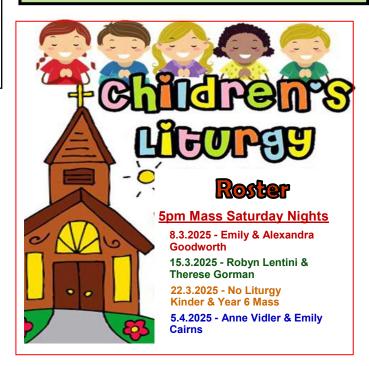
The Church site is still within the bushfire protection area and it is important that the parish be able to communicate with parishioners on this and other matters that may arise.

A new census – gathering of information - will be taken at the Masses over the weekend of 22/23 March. Parishioners will be asked their name, address, phone number, email address and occupation. All information is confidential and used only for church purposes.

This information will be collected during Mass. In anticipation, thank-you for your cooperation.

Volunteers are needed to work the visual display at Mass (especially on Saturday evenings).

Contact the Parish Office if you can help.



Volunteers are needed for the Children's Liturgy of the Word.

Please consider joining this Ministry.

Thank you to the wonderful parishioners who volunteered last weekend.

ROSTERS FOR SERVERS & EM



Saturday - 5.00pm

8/3/2025	Server P Proust	(EM) G Catanzariti & J Costello
15/3/2025	Server J Sheridan	(EM) M Perry & L O'Donnell
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22/3/2025 Server V & J Duverge (EM) R Zadro

29/3/2025 Server D Southwell (EM) L O'Donnell & G Catanzariti

Sunday - 7.30am

9/3/2025	Server E Bastoli	(EM) B Brown
16/3/2025	Server M Slattery	(EM) P Clayton
23/3/2025	Server P Clayton	(EM) M Slattery
30/3/2025	Server E Bastoli	(EM) B Brown

Sunday - 9.30am

9/3/2025	Server P Maniskas	(EM) Kate Curtis & M Sproats
16/3/2025	Server J Tarrant	(EM) C Addison & R Ayers
23/3/2025	Server P Quinn	(EM) R Ayers & R Lentini
30/3/2025	Server B Lobo	(EM) A Bone & M Sproats

EM = Eucharistic Minister or correctly Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

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

New roster can be collected from back of Church

ROSTERS FOR READERS OF THE WORD



Saturday - 5.00pm

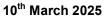
8/3/2025	(1) Connie Attard	(2) Dawn Smith
15/3/2025	(1) Julie McManus	(2) Maureen Reynolds
22/3/2025	(1) Goodworths	(2) Georges
29/3/2025	(1) Maureen Reynolds	(2) Matt McCudden
Sunday - 7.30am		

9/3/2025	(1) Justine Hayes	(2) Robyn Wild
16/3/2025	(1) Peter Clayton	(2) Betty Brown
23/3/2025	(1) Sandra Petith	(2) John Sheehan
30/3/2025	(1) Robyn Wild	(2) Jeanette Roger

Sunday - 9.30am

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9/3/2025	(1) Graham Sproats	(2) Colleen Addison
16/3/2025	(1) Janette Merrotsy	(2) Anne Mackson
23/3/2025	(1) Susan de Brincatt-Moffat	(2) Vic Wilmot
30/3/2025	(1) Jane Watts	(2) Graham Sproats

Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster



Wanita Lynch, Julie Roberts and Linda Lee

17th March 2025

Nigel Carter, Pina Maisano, Robyn Lenitini & Chris Hartcher



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.

Prayer Requests

Recently Deceased

Blake O'Brien Robbie Lamont Lynette Ridgewell Fr Joe Martins (Opus Dei) Peta Smith Philomena Pannell Raymond O'Grady John Roumanous Margaret Ayres Shirley Wilson Kathleen Zammit

Anniversaries & Remembrance

Bill & Fay Tobin	John Nolan	Silvana Favetta
Jack Radovic	Anne Condon	Stephen Imbruglia (Jnr)
Michael Kokegei	Patrick and Duc	lley Burgoyne

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Ray Dwyer	Elaine Edwards	Bernie Introna
Ann Moore	Pat Lynch	Noelene Sherood
Pia Favetta	Kate Terry	Sue Warren-Smitl
_ynne Ridgeway	Joan Kearney	Mark & Jane
Michael Murphy	Steve Forte	Joe Zarb
Sally Anne Gillan	Marie Campbell	Bronwyn Lohan
Sivec McMenamie	Christine Dormer	Phillip O'Rourke
Mary Smith	Judy Saunders	Patricia Cooper
Alexandra Wilkinson	Paula Schmidt	Vince Catrupi

MORNING TEA ROSTER



Please stay and join us After 9.30am Mass

Group 1	Wanita Lynch, Mary Howes, Robyn
	Lentini & Julie Tarrant - 9.3.2025

Group 2 Robyn Lentini, Ina Kite & Robyn Wilmot 16.3.2025

Group 3 Barbara Clarke, Sue O'Connor & Eileen Dodds - 23.3.2025

Group 4 Anne Strong, Eileen Dodds, Mary Portelli & Mary Jones - 30.3.2025

Margaret Brown & Robyn Ayers, Juliet Group 5 Mathew & Kate Curtis - 6.4.2025

Chris Whalan, Viv Ball & Alison Bone

Group 6 - 13.4.2025

Group 7 Ian & Pat Rimes, Linda & Isabel Lee - No Morning Tea - Easter Sunday

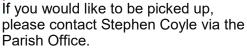
Group 8 June Carpenter, Carmel Peek & Anne-Marie McCarthy - 27.4.2025

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.



Thank you to the people who volunteered to drive the Parish bus.





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