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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.





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.

12th May 2024

The Ascension of the Lord Year B

Happy Mother's Day

Entrance Antiphon:	Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.
1st Reading:	Acts of the Apostles 1: 1-11
Psalm:	God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.
2nd Reading:	St Paul to the Ephesians 1: 17-23
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!
Gospel:	Mark 16: 15-20
Communion Antiphon:	Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.
Next Week's Reading	s Pentecost Sunday
1st Reading: Psalm:	Acts of the Apostles 2: 1-11 Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.
2nd Reading: Gospel:	St Paul to the Galatians 5: 16-25 John 15: 26-27; 16: 12-15
WEEVDAY CEDVICES	

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Tuesday	14	7.30am - Communi	on Service
Wednesday	15	7.30am - Mass	
Thursday	16	7.30am - Mass	
Friday	17	9.00am - Mass	
Saturday	18	9.00am - Mass	
WEEKEND MASSES	5 - NEX	KT WEEK	
Saturday Vigil	18	5.00pm - Mass	
Sunday		7.30am & 9.30am	NEW TIMES

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 enrol.

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.

Baptism

This weekend we welcome Sienna & Valentina Ordonez, Mahlie & Tilly Starkey, Emily Fisher and Jye, Lenix & Azahlia Conroy into our Parish family.

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Please keep these families in your prayers.

Ministers for Sunday Masses

To make it easier for all the ministers, you are asked to indicate you have arrived for the Mass on which you are rostered.

There is a clipboard in the bookstand just outside the servers' sacristy. Please tick the box next to your ministry when you arrive.

If the server feels that a ministry is not covered, it is his / her job to find someone before Mass starts.

Thank-you for your assistance with this. Apologies that our way of doing this has changed over the last three weeks.

Fr Vince

Our Lady of Fatima Night



St Patrick's East Gosford, 11th May, Saturday Vigil @ 5:00 pm Main Celebrant: Bishop Randazzo After Mass multi-lingual rosary & candle procession.

Celebrants for Sunday Masses This Weekend 11/12 May 2024

Saturday 5.00pm Fr Vince

Sunday 7.30am

7.30amFr Vince9.30amFr Vince

Next Weekend 18/19 May 2024

Saturday

5.00pm Fr Vince Sunday

7.30am Fr Vince 9.30am Fr Vince







CONFIRMATION 2024

The Sacrament of Confirmation is offered to baptised children in Year 3 and older. Confirmation is usually the next Sacrament after Baptism, and before Reconciliation and Holy Communion.

Input session with Parents and Children 18th May at 3.30pm in the Church

Please arrive 15 minutes before to allow time to check in. We will also have Confirmation gifts and cards available for sale.

Parish Presentations

18th / 19th May at all Masses Children receiving Confirmation will be presented to the Parish at all the Masses over this weekend. Mass times are Saturday 18th May at 5.00pm, or Sunday 19th May at 7.30am and 9.30am

Confirmation Day

1st June at 12 noon and 2pm The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated by Bishop Bob McGuckan. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Enquiries to Janette Merrotsy, at the Parish Office on 4367 4610 or 0421 416 555.

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
- 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

- having regular (monthly) **credit card** donations, arranged through the Parish Office.

Thank-you for your continued generosity.

Readings at Mass

Some parishioners have asked to have copies of the Sunday readings at Mass. Here are some ways to do that:

- Purchase a Sunday Missal from the piety stall.

- Next week's readings are printed on the front page of the bulletin, and you can find them in your bible. The Jerusalem Bible translation is the one used in the liturgy.

- Google Catholic Mass Readings.

- Download the *Universalis* app onto your phone. It has all the prayers and readings.

- Printed copies of the readings will be made available at the back of the church.

Readers are reminded to project your voice so the readings are proclaimed, make sure your voice reaches those sitting at the back of the church, and keep the microphone close to your mouth; the new microphone makes almost no sound when it is adjusted.

The proclamation of and listening to the scriptures is one of the most important elements of the Mass. Whether my role is reading or listening, it is a good practice to look at the readings before Mass.

Retreat

I will be away from the Parish from Monday 2nd June to Friday 19th July to experience the Full Ignatian Spiritual Exercises.

The Exercises are a series of meditations, prayers, and contemplative practices developed by St. Ignatius Loyola, based on his own spiritual journey to help people deepen their relationship with God.

The Spiritual Exercises are given as a 30-day retreat, which is divided into four sections of varying length, each with a major theme: sin and God's mercy, episodes in the life of Jesus, the passion of Jesus, and the resurrection of Jesus.

The retreat is a time of silence, with no conversation, TV, computer, radio, phone, books etc. Each day I will be meeting with a spiritual director who will review with me the last 24 hours and direct what Exercises I should do next. The bible and a journal to record my prayer experiences are used constantly through-out the experience.

Please pray for me as I prepare for the retreat. - *Fr Vince*

New Tap'n'Go Machines



These new machines give us an option of donating \$5, \$10, \$20 or any other amount. Please give them a try.

Thanks to everyone who uses this facility to donate to the parish.

Catholic Women's League

20th May 10.30am. Coffee Morning at Breakers Country Club.

26th May 9.30am. Blessing Mass followed by morning tea for parishioners.

27th May Branch meeting 10.15am for 10.30am start Guest Speaker Maria Kennedy Principal OLSOS Parish School.

New members always welcome. Enquiries: Ruth Robinson 0414434856

Bible Study and Discussion

- Where: In the Divine Mercy Chapel, on the right-hand side of the church.
- When: Thursday Nights

Time: 6pm to 7pm. Bring your Bible with you. All Welcome



Exploring the Scriptures

Join a small group to read and reflect on the Scripture reading for the following Sunday.

10.30am Thursday mornings in the Parish Office. Attend when you can. All welcome.

Enquiries to the Parish Office or to Bernie 0414 653 146

Come Holy Spirit



Please continue to pray for our 103 children preparing for Confirmation and for their families.

Presentations of the children will be at all Masses next

weekend. The biggest group will be at the 5pm Saturday evening.



Please give generously to

Pastoral Works Broken Bay Appeal



Our Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) Appeal will be on 25th and 26th May.

PWBB supports two key charitable works in the Diocese – the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine or CCD and our Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Program. It also assits students with disabilities and provides practical support for the deaf community.

Envelopes are available near the doors of the church. Donations can be made at any time.

The PWBB May appeal is the last one for the financial year 2023/2024 and all donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

St Vincent de Paul Society

Would you like to volunteer to join our Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society? We meet once a fortnight, on Tuesday evenings, at 5



de Paul Society? We meet once a fortnight, on Tuesday evenings, at 5pm. The meetings usually last one hour.

Joining the Society gives you the opportunity to make a difference by providing assistance to those in need; give a "hand up" by uncovering the long-term help that they may require, raising our voices for social justice and developing our personal spirituality.

We visit in pairs, to mostly women. It is for this reason that we would like to ask women to consider volunteering.

Your commitment would be for one half day per week (or per fortnight). However, this is flexible. If, for any reason, you are unavailable for a scheduled visit, that is not a problem as others will fill in for you. You will visit with your experienced partner.

If you require more information contact Denis O'Rourke at Denis.O'Rourke@vinnies.org.au or 0423 884 892



Ecumenical Gathering **National Day of Prayer** on the 18 May at the Uniting Church, Terrigal Drive.

2pm to 4pm. All welcome

Mother's Day Raffle

The Parish raffle will be drawn after the 9.30am Mass this Sunday 12th May.

There will also be a few little gifts and chocolates to buy for your mum, or to brighten someone's day, or just for you.



St Michael Prayer Group Mass



5:30pm Thursday 16th May 2024

All welcome to attend and join with the St Michael Prayer Group for Mass, Adoration, and individual blessing.

Fr Stan will be with us on this evening.

MEN'S BUSHWALKING GROUP

We had to take a rain check this past week so not much to report.

The next walk will be on Tuesday 21st May. Venue will be decided closer to the date. Any gentlemen interested in participating in any of our walks, please contact Stim Robinson at <u>stimrobinson@hotmail.com</u> or on

0401 058 329 and you can get further details including where to meet for the walk. Our walks usually take an hour and a half or so and then we head off for lunch nearby.



May every mother feel today, the pride and beauty of the family they bear. Through all pain and sorrow Lord deliver them- In your strength and grace may they always stay. Amen!

Book Club

If you've ever wondered what happened to limbo, and why the idea existed in the first place, then James Boyce 's book Born Bad might be of interest to you. The book is a history of original sin and the consequences of this doctrine in the development of the west. We will be meeting on Friday 31st of May at 16:00 hours in the parish office to discuss this book.

In June we will discuss Time for God by Jacques Philippe.

In July we will discuss Graham Greene's novel about the whiskey priest in The Power and the Glory.

In August we will read George Bernanos Diary of a Country Priest. In September we will read Theology of the Body for begin-

2024 Mass Attendance Count

During May all the people attending Sunday Masses through-out the Diocese will be counted.

Last week the numbers in our parish were: 5pm - 120

7.30am - 110

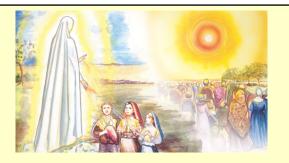
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CatholicCare Family Dispute Resolution (FDR) services

We assist separating and divorcing couples and their children to resolve disputes without needing to take action in the Family Court. With the assistance of an impartial third party, family dispute resolution helps identify issues and together we develop a range of options and alternatives, with the goal to reach a settlement that is suitable to all.

School Building Up-date

The holes that have been dug for the foundations are full of water and the builders are waiting for it to subside to continue.



13th May the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima *We pray for Peace*

MARY MAC'S WOY WOY Terrigal Parish proud to support

Thanks to all who continue to support Mary Macs and contribute regularly. Non perishable food items like tin fruit, tinned meals, soups, tuna, tinned ham, poppers, packet noodles are always needed. Items can be left at the Parish Office.

Thank you to many making a difference to many in hardship.

Voluntary Assisted Dying

The Voluntary Assisted Dying Act 2022 came into effect in NSW in November 2023. This means eligible people in NSW will be able to request medical assistance to end their life. This is also known as euthanasia.

Catholic teaching says that assisted suicide is a completely unacceptable solution to the problem of suffering and a genuinely human society does not eliminate those who suffer, but cares for them.

Advocates for VAD insist they are the compassionate ones, while VAD opponents insist it is not "compassionate" to inject someone with lethal drugs, and that VAD doctor-assisted suicide puts the medical profession, who have a duty to care for theill, elderly and vulnerable, in an impossible situation.

The church's position on VAD flows from our understanding of the human person. VAD contradicts the goodness and dignity of each human person, created in the image of God – a unique, irreplaceable individual. The Diocese has published a Pastoral Guideline on Voluntary Assisted Dying for clergy and parishioners. It can be <u>read</u> or downloaded <u>here</u>.

Ignite 2024

Broken Bay will again host the Ignite Sydney Conference in 2024 from Thursday 26 September to Sunday 29 September. Ignite Conference is a gathering of Catholics for four days of formation, renewal of faith, and powerful worship. Put the dates in your diary. More information to follow.

Encounter – Young Adults Event

Join the Vocations Team at Manly Parish for some fun in the sun on Friday May 24 with beach volleyball at 4pm. Then, we head over to St Mary's Church Manly for Holy Hour at 6 pm and for a delicious dinner and an inspiring talk by special guest speaker, Fr. Marek, on 'How to get strong in resisting sin' at 7pm.

What is an Invisible Disability?

When you think of the word, 'disability' what do you see? Perhaps you envision someone in a wheelchair, or a person walking with a cane. The reality is that for 90% of people living with a disability in Australia, their disability is invisible.

If you have close friends and family members living with an invisible disability, you may suggest that they apply for an Invisible **Disability Access Card and lanyard. This is** worn when in public to explain the assistance that they may need.

Click here for more information about Invisible Disabilities.

For more information about CatholicCare's disability and NDIS supports visit our website, email info@catholiccaredbb.org.au or call us today on 1800 324 924.

Finding Your Soulmate Without Losing Your Soul

The Diocese of Broken Bay invites this to hear renowned speaker Jason Everet on Wednesday, 22nd May 2024, at The Light of Christ Centre, Yardley Ave, Waitara. Festivities and food trucks will be available from 6.00pm, with Jason's talk at 7:00pm.

This is a free event, but registration is essential. No ticket means no entry. To register, please visit https:// www.trybooking.com/CRFMV



'Awakening to Oneness' Retreat

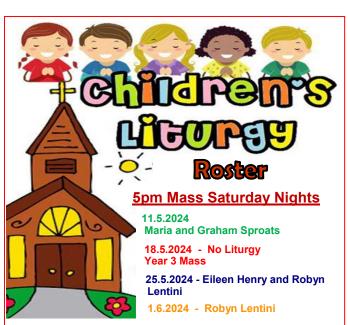
Friday 24th - Friday 31st May, at St Joseph's Spirituality Centre, Kincumber South.

A six day guided retreat to raise our consciousness of love, through quiet, stillness, process, poetry & music. Cost \$800.

At the same time there is a directed retreat with limited spaces. Cost \$850.

This Weeks Prayer Focus.

We pray for nurses, especially those who work in the field of mental health, that International Nurses Day (12th May) will honour their dedication to the wellbeing of patients and the whole community.



New helpers are welcome

Prayer Requests

Recently Deceased

Ross Farrell Bishop Peter Ingham Kathleen Redding Bob Lanigan

David Loeger Helen Manning Gerhard Shriber Stjepan Furjanic

Ray Hinde Shirley Raey Kevin Milner-Bridie Conclon Elizabeth Fardy

Anníversaríes & Remembrance

Alan Newman Catherine O'Brien Silvana Favetta Frank Cross Flo & Joe Ferrier Mary Mifsud Aniela Hofsteter Leslie and Rosa Toth Marie Dunphy Marie Burnham Devits

John Nolan Judith Sulter Hanneke Sheridan Jim Donohue Josefina Herrera Mary Grouse

Ellen Dodds Aileen Murphy Ray Cooper Noel Vidler Maurice Wainwright Maria Czannecki Helena Sawicki Michael Kokegei

Síck

Barbara Turner Sue Simmons **Bill Moore** Robert & Gaye Badger Patricia Cooper Michael Vesper Michael Murphy Bob Clarke Joy Rawson

(Baby) Brooks Phillips Kerrie Collins Betty Frein Joshua Mc Carrol Len Freeman Peta Smith Michael Gilbert Pauline Walsh Mary Smith

Francis Stapleton Leo Ambrose Marie Campbell John Lentini Brian Connell Mary Sofia **Claire Hastings** Josh Reid

MAY THE MONTH OF MARY

May is traditionally the month we honour our Heavenly Mother.

There are many ways to do this; Rosary or a special prayer, even a small sacred space in your home with her picture or statue.

You are welcome to say the Rosary in our parish 30 minutes before the morning Mass, (Wednesday to Saturday).

The school will be praying the Angelus, starting this month, in the classrooms.

Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.

ROSTERS FOR SERVERS and EM



Saturday - 5.00pm

11/5/2024 Server J Sheridan (EM) V Duverge & M Perry Server L George 18/5/2024 25/5/2024 Server V & F Duverge (EM) M Perry 1/6/2024 Server P Proust

(EM) G Catanzariti & R Zadro

Sunday - 7.30am

12/5/2024Server M Slattery19/5/2024Server E Bastoli26/5/2024Server N Carter2/6/2024Server P Clayton	(EM) B Lobo & J Sheehan (EM) N Barcha & B Brown (EM) E Katselas & B Brown (EM) M Slattery & J Sheehan
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Sunday - 9.30am

Server P Quinn	(EM) C Addison
Server J Tarrant	(EM) A Bone &
Server P Maniskas	(EM) K Curtis &
Server P Quinn	(EM) C Addison
	Server J Tarrant Server P Maniskas

n & R Ayers J Merrotsy R Ayers n & R Lentini

(EM) R Zadro & L O'Donnell

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

11/5/2024 18/5/2024 25/5/2024 1/6/2024	 (1) McCuddens (1) Maureen Reynolds (1) Julie McManus (1) Maureen Reynolds 	(2) Lynches(2) Georges(2) Goodworths(2) Julie McManus
Sunday - 7.30am		
12/5/2024 19/5/2024 26/5/2024 2/6/2024	 Peter Clayton Sandrea Petith Robyn Wild Chris Hartcher 	(2) Betty Brown(2) John Sheehan(2) Jeanette Rogers(2) Anne Strong
Sunday - S	9.30am	
12/5/2024 19/5/2024 26/5/2024 2/6/2024	(1) Vic Wilmot(1) Janette Merrotsy(1) Jane Watts(1) Susan de Brincatt-Moffat	 (2) Graeme Sproats (2) Anne Mackson (2) Graham Sproats tt (2) Joan Kearney

New Rosters at the rear of the Church to collect.

Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster



13th May 2024 Viv Ball, Ann Vidler, Chris Whalan, Marg Brown & Alison Bone

20th May 2024 Matt Riley, Felicity Riley, Heidi Bridger & Anna Fabri

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.

Thank you to our loyal drivers

Morning Tea after Mass



There are a large number of people gathering after the 9.30am Mass. This is wonderful, but there are a few safety concerns. We have

separated the tea and coffee from the food and cold

drinks; and ask that you stay on one side of the table, so that the volunteers can serve you. Please follow the directions on the safety signs on the tables.

More volunteers are needed after the 9.30am Mass. Please contact Robyn Lentini via the Parish Office if you are able to help.

MORNING TEA ROSTER Please stay and join us

After 9 30am Mass

After 9.30am Mass		
Group 6	Chris Whalan, Viv Ball & Alison Bone - 12.5.2024	
Group 7	lan & Pat Rimes, Linda & Isabel Lee - 19.5.2024	
Group 8	June Carpenter, Carmel Peek & Anne-Marie McCarthy – 26.5.2024	
Group 1	Kaye Parker, Wanita Lynch, Mary Howes & Robyn Lentini - 2.6.2024	
Group 2	Joan Kearney, Ina Kite & Robyn Wilmot - 9.6.2024	
Group 3	Geraldine Czerkesow, Anne Coggan, Nancy Carey-Berryman & Susan Connor - 16.6.2024	
Group 4	Anne Strong, Eileen Dodds, Mary Portelli & Mary Jones - 23.6.2024	
Group 5	Margaret Brown & Robyn Ayers, Juliet Mathew & Kate Curtis - 30.6.2024	
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		

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Marriage Tribunal Office

For information, please phone the Tribunal Office on 02 9307 8309 or email tribunal@bbcatholic.org.au

