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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.



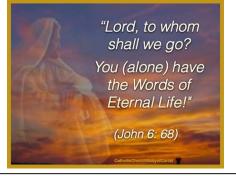
May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and you, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

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



## 25<sup>th</sup> August 2024

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

**Entrance Antiphon:** Turn your eyes, O God, our shield;

save he servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all

the day long.

**1st Reading:** Joshua 24:1-2,15-18

**Psalm:** Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

**2nd Reading:** St Paul to the Ephesians 5:21-32

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life: you have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 6:60-69

**Communion Antiphon:** The earth is replete with the fruits of your

work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the

earth and wine to cheer the heart.

#### Next Week's Readings 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8

Psalm: The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

2nd Reading: St James 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27 Gospel: Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

#### **WEEKDAY SERVICES**

Tuesday 27 7.30am - Communion Service

Wednesday 28 7.30am- Mass Thursday 29 7.30am - Mass Friday 30 9.00am - Mass Saturday 31 9.00am - Mass

**WEEKEND MASSES - NEXT WEEK** 

Saturday Vigil 31 5.00pm - Mass

**Sunday** 01 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.



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
- 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.

#### **Bible Study and Discussion**

Where: In the Divine Mercy Chapel, on the

right-hand side of the church.

When: Thursdays
Time: 1pm to 2pr

1pm to 2pm and

6pm to 7pm in the church 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 Bernie 0414 653 146



#### **Baptism**

This weekend we welcome Julian Duncan-Clarke and Marcus Longo into our Parish family.



Please keep these families in your prayers.

#### First Reconciliations

Congratulations to the 85 children from the parish who made their First Reconciliations during the week. And thank-you to the parishioners who were praying for them and their families.



# First Holy Communion will start with the Parent Input Evening on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm.

This will be for the 85 in our group who have previously enrolled and have just made their First Reconciliation.

Enquiries to Janette on 0421416555.

#### Thank you for your generosity

A huge thank you to your parish communities for supporting CatholicCare's homelessness fundraiser. Your generosity enables CatholicCare to provide vital services to people who are homeless and transient.

CatholicCare provides a women's refuge, transitional accommodation options, young parent's homelessness services and street sleeping outreach supports. They also operate Dom's Place in Hornsby and Mary Mac's Place in Woy Woy.

#### **Supporting the Father's Day Luncheon at Mary Mac's**

A small group of us would like to make 90 mini bags of Rocky Road to place on the table for the luncheon the week before Father's Day . We did a similar gesture for Mother's Day and it was well

received. We will have a box outside at the Masses if you wish to donate a bag for \$2.50. We have about 40 more to be purchased.



#### Catholic Women's League

28<sup>th</sup> August 10.15am for 10.30am start Branch meeting Parish Board room guest speaker: Dr. Gordon Reid.



11th September Delegates' meeting at St. Mary's, Toukley from 10.00am.

1<sup>st</sup> prize – Jenny Proudfoot 2<sup>nd</sup> prize – Carelina

2<sup>nd</sup> prize – Carolyn Metcalfe 3<sup>rd</sup> prize – Joan Haslam

4<sup>th</sup> prize – Buddy Saliba

5<sup>th</sup> prize – Owen Turnbull

Thank you for all your support. We have nearly reached our goal of \$2000.00.

New members always welcome.

Enquiries: Ruth Robinson 0414 434 856

#### **Bookclub**

Next Friday at 1600 in the parish offices our bookclub will be discussing the Diary of a Country **Priest.** Set in a nondescript village in the north of France between the wars, the priest is fighting a rearguard action against spiritual ennui. As his health deteriorates



(he can only eat bread and drink wine) he wanders about his parish conducting spiritual warfare. "People have stopped believing" he writes in his diary, "because they have lost the desire to believe." Those words could have come out of the mouth of Bishop Barron.

In September we will be launching into Theology of the Body for Beginners by Christopher West.

In October we will discuss John Paul II's book Crossing the Threshold of Hope.

In November we will end the year of reading with a session of sharing something that has inspired your faith during the year: a poem. A piece of music perhaps. A painting. Whatever. In previous years this session has been most enjoyable.

In January we will read Richard Rohr's **The Divine Dance**, a meditation of the Trinity.

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

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#### Father's Day next weekend

A basket will be placed in front of the altar for your Father's and Grandfather's names (alive or deceased).



We will remember them in all the Masses in the Parish that weekend.

#### The new OLSS craft group has started

from 12:30pm to 2:00pm Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> August 2024 (and every second Wednesday after that).



If you are not able to join us this week we will see you next time.

To find out more, call Cath on 0432 982 622



Come join the fun and bring a plate to share.

#### Men's Bushwalking Group



Our next walk is on Tuesday 29th August in the Strictland State Forest. Our previous visits to the area have been very pleasant where we made our way through the various vegetation forms and forests. Weather forecast is looking positive at this stage with a 24° C sunny day predicted. We will meet at the Tallies in Ourimbah for lunch.

Any gentlemen interested in participating in any of our walks, please contact Stim Robinson at stimrobinson@hotmail.com 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.

#### Church in the Café

Yes it's on again. The very successful Church in the Cafe will be at 10am on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, in the parish hall. This is an event not



to be missed. Fine music-videos – and an excellent morning tea. It is a new way of understanding and expressing our faith. So come along.

When John and Andrew met Jesus he invited them to "come and see". (John 1:39). As Christians we need to constantly look and see the glory of God.

The Church in the Cafe is not just a way of worship but also a way of education. The videos enlighten us in the faith and the music enhances our faith.

So, as with the apostles, "come and see".



## Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm on the oval

The great St Francis, whose name has been taken by our present Pope, was so filled with wonderment at the Gospel of Christ that he preached it to the birds. For centuries the church has celebrated this and the beauty of God's creation expressed in so many lifeforms by celebrating each year near the feast of St Francis the blessing of the animals.

Last year was a great success – lots of dogs, birds, guinea pigs (and even a well behaved snake).

This is a great family opportunity as well. It is very popular with children so bring them along – your children and your grandchildren may be reluctant to come to Mass, but they will greatly enjoy having their pet animals blessed. Use this as an opportunity to get them involved in the life of the church.

All are welcome.

#### **NAPLAN Results**

Congratulations to our Year 3 and Year 5 students (and their teachers) who received excellent in all areas of NAPLAN.

Year 3: Reading 90% Writing 99%

Numeracy 90%

Year 5: Reading 84% Writing 89%

Numeracy 89%

# Taize Sunday August 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm St Patrick's East Gosford



Taizé is a simple, meditative form of worship, calling us to dwell deeply on Christ's presence around and within us. Mantra songs, prayerful silence,

and short readings guide the focus of the prayer in a candle-lit environment.

St Patrick's youth will be leading this Taizé service, following the 6pm Youth Mass, and all are invited.

#### Some reminders to ministers

During the celebration of Mass, including the **processions** at the beginning and end of Mass, everyone bows to the altar. We do not bow or genuflect to the tabernacle during Mass, but the tradition continues to genuflect to the tabernacle when we enter and leave the church.

**Collectors** are asked to begin the first collection as soon as we sit after the Prayers of the Faithful. The exception is the collector in the middle aisle, who is asked to wait until after the offertory procession. The second collection begins as soon as the distribution of communion finishes – do not wait till the tabernacle has been closed to begin.

**Communion Ministers** are asked to come onto the sanctuary during the Lamb of God, to sanitise the hands and be ready to receive and distribute a Holy Communion. When you have finished, return the bowl to the altar and return to your seat – do not wait on the sanctuary till the tabernacle has been closed.

#### **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 just tick the box next to your ministry when you arrive – you don't need to write your name. 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.

#### 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 (**Church Account**) stays in the parish to meet all our expenses. Rents, planned giving, regular direct debits and other donations (unless explicitly stated) go to the Church Account. Funds from the account built, and are now used to maintain the church, hall, offices, presbytery and grounds. It pays for all our running costs including insurance, employment and office, church and pastoral expenses. Donations through *Tap 'n' Go* in the church and *Donate Now* on our website go to the Church Account.

All other **special collections** go to the charity or activity that is advertised when we have the appeal. We do seem to have a lot of special collections. **Thank-you** all for your on-going generosity.

#### **Natural Plan**

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is one of the best kept secrets in the Catholic Church. If you are a newly engaged couple, newlywed couple or a married couple who have not learned about NFP, we are excited to share with you a new video-based program that introduces couples to Natural Family Planning. It is called "Natural Plan." It's a little over an hour and it will change how you think about faith and fertility. Natural Plan is a video series featuring doctors, scientists, clergy, fertility coaches, NFP teachers, couples who practice NFP and newlyweds, who came together to share their experiences and insights about fertility awareness, from a Catholic perspective. The videos are lively and interesting. You can sign up for an in-person session or watch it together as a couple in your own home.

To find out more visit www.naturalplan.org

#### **Prayers**

We pray for Pope Francis, that his missionary visit to Indonesia, Timor Leste and Papua New Guinea in early September will bring good news to each nation as well as to Christian believers.

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

This Sacrament is celebrated during the 9am Mass on the last Friday of the month. The next Mass for anointing will be Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024. The anointing is for all those who are sick or preparing for surgery.

#### SafeGuarding:

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

The role of Safeguarding is seeks to ensure children, young people and vulnerable adults are provided with the fundamental right to be kept safe and respected. This will be achieved as every member of our community strives to be a person who:

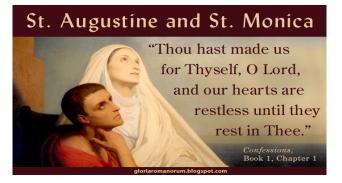
Wants our children to be safe, to grow and to flourish, and have zero-tolerance to any attitude and activity that makes children less than safe.



PROTECTION WEEK

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#### Saints of the Week:



**Saint Monica,** whom we remember on her Feast day 27<sup>th</sup> August was the mother of one of the greatest saints in the history of the Church: Saint Augustine. Monica is affectionally called the Mothers Saint as she prayer constantly for her families conversion.

**St Augustine -** Feast day 28<sup>th</sup> August was the bishop of Hippo (now Annaba, Algeria) from 396 to 430. A renowned theologian and prolific writer, a skilled preacher and rhetorician. He is one of the Latin Fathers of the Church and, in Roman Catholicism, is formally recognized as a doctor of the church.

You have made us for yourself, and our heart is restless until it rests in you.

St. Augustine, Confessions

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#### Social Justice Statement

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference's 2024-2025 Social Justice Statement is 'Truth & Peace: A Gospel Word in a Violent World'. In it the Bishops scrutinise the signs of our own troubled times, observe the violence around us, and ask why it is so. They also ask what is needed if there is to be peace. In a world full of pessimism, they put their faith and hope in the possibility of peace.

Using scripture and the guidance of Pope St John XXIII's Pacem in Terris and Pope Francis' Fratelli Tutti, we learn that peace is possible if we put our trust in Christ who is the way, the truth and the life and the Prince of Peace. It is from him that we learn about the architecture of peace. From him, we learn a commitment to the culture of encounter, the value of dialogue at all levels and the importance of seeing everyone as our sister, our brother.

The statement also provides some suggested actions to help us to build on our commitment to be peacemakers locally and internationally. To download, please click 2024-2025 Social Justice Statement

#### National Child Protection Week is 7<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> September.

The message 'Every child in every community needs a fair qo' and it aims to promote a safe and supported life for every child, now and into the future.

This is complemented with the theme 'Every conversation matters' since conversations are powerful tools to keep children and young people safe and well. Read more here.

#### **Prayer Requests**

#### Recently Deceased

Fr Gerard Collins SJ Peter Chang John Lentini Michael Vesper David Hogbin Mary Walsh Merreice Strange Davey Coughlan Derek Hogg

#### Anniversaries & Remembrance

Jacqui Maher Paul Costello John O'Donnell Hanneke Sheridan John Brennan Colleen Smirth Maree Dorizas Clare Mc Mahon Alison Merrotsy (50yrs)

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Eric Mehn Lucy Favetta Isla Sullivan Marie Campbell Brian Connell Mary Smith

Kate Terry Judy Saunders John & Sue Madigan Belinda Introna Patricia Cooper **Bob Clarke** 

**Barry Cunningham** Peta Smith Claire Hastings

#### **Prayer Requests**

We have had ongoing lists of names in the bulletin as prayer requests for those who are sick, have died recently, or have anniversaries. Some of these names are there for months and what happens is that parishioners don't notice the addition of the name of a person who especially needs our prayers at this time. For this reason, it has been decided to only leave names in for two or three weeks. Please pay attention to the names and, in your generosity, pray for those mentioned in the lists and their families.

Fr Vince

#### Care of Creation

Pope Francis has established 1st September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, encouraging the Catholic community around the world to pray for our common home. The theme for 2024 is "Hope and Act with Creation" which draws its inspiration from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans (Romans 8:19-25).

#### Explore the links below

To read the Message of Pope Francis for the 2016 World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, 'Show Mercy to Our Common Home', click here

To watch the Press Conference on the Pope's Message for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 2016, click here

To read the full letter establishing the World Day of Prayer from Pope Francis, click here

To read the latest papal encyclical, Laudato Si' (Praised Be), click here

To learn how you can care for creation, click here

#### ROSTERS FOR SERVERS & EM



#### Saturday - 5.00pm

24/8/2024	Server P Proust	(EM) G Catanzarit & R Zadro
31/8/2024	Server J Tarrant	(EM) M Perry & L O'Donnell
7/9/2024	Server L George	(EM) G Catanzarit & R Zadro
14/9/2024	Server J Sheridan	(EM) L O'Donnell & V Duverge

#### Sunday - 7.30am

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25/8/2024	Server E Bastoli	(EM) E Katselas & J Sheehan
1/9/2024	Server G Justin	(EM) N Barcha & A Hanson
8/9/2024	Server P Clayton	(EM) B Brown & E Katselas
14/9/2024	Server E Bastoli	(EM) A Hanson & J Sheehan

#### Sunday - 9.30am

25/8/2024	Server B Lobo	(EM) C Addison & R Lentini
1/9/2024	Server P Quinn	(EM) K Curtis & A Bone
8/9/2024	Server E Bastoli	(EM) E Katselas & B Lobo
14/9/2024	Server P Maniskas	(EM) A Bone & R Ayers

**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

	(1) Julie McManus (1) Dawn Smith	(2) Maureen Reynolds (2) Dudley Smith
7/9/2024	(1) Georges	(2) Connie Attard
14/9/2024	(1) Lynches	(2) Georges

Sunday - 7.3	0am	
25/8/2024 (1	1) Peter Clayton	(2) Betty Brown
1/9/2024 (1	1) Chris Hartcher	(2) Anne Strong
	1) John Sheehan	(2) Sandrea Petith
15/9/2024 (1	1) Betty Brown	(2) Jeanette Rogers

#### Sunday - 9.30am

25/8/2024	(1) Graham Sproats	(2) Jane Watts
1/9/2024	(1) Jayne Robinson	(2) Joan Kearney
8/9/2024	(1) Joan Kearney	(2) Janette Merrotsy
18/8/2024	(1) Anne Mackson	(2) Javne Robinson

New Reading Rosters can be found outside the Alter Servers Room

#### **Weekly Cleaning Angels Roster**



**26<sup>th</sup> August 2024**Eileen Dodds, Sor Morales, Pamela Price & John Donnelly

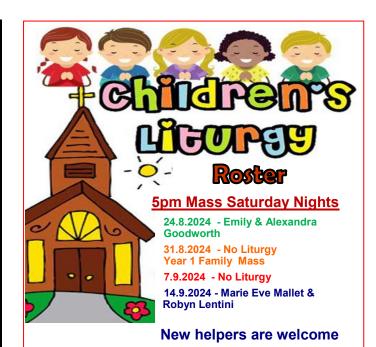
2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

Viv Ball, Anne Vidler, Chris Whalan, Marg Brown & Alison Bone

#### **Ordination**

Congratulation for Martin Hien Vu who was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Broken Bay this weekend. Please pray for Fr Vu and his ministry.





#### MORNING TEA ROSTER

Please stay and join us

After 9.30am Mass

Group 5	Margaret Brown & Robyn Ayers, Juliet
_	Mathew & Kate Curtis - 25.8.2024

Group 6	Chris Whalan, Viv Ball & Alison Bone
	- 1.9.2024

## Group 1 Kaye Parker, Wanita Lynch, Mary Howes & Robyn Lentini - 22.9.2024

Group 2 Ioan Kearney Ina Kite Robyn Wilmot &

## Group 2 Joan Kearney, Ina Kite, Robyn Wilmot & Viv Coleman - 29.9.2024

Group 3 Geraldine Czerkesow, Anne Coggan, Nancy Carey-Berryman & Susan Connor - 6.10.2024

Group 4 Anne Strong, Eileen Dodds, Mary Portelli & Mary Jones - 13.10.2024

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 is something to share that you have cooked.

#### **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.

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(Pope Pius X)

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