



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH FAMILY

Weekly News *Let Your Light Shine*

(Matthew 5:16)

Second Sunday of Lent Year C

16 March 2025



TODAY'S READINGS Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17 – 4:1; Luke 9:28-36
NEXT WEEK (3rd Sunday Lent, Year C) Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15; Psalm 102; 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12; Luke 13:1-9

Second Sunday of Lent

Toefuata'iga - (*Toy-foo-ah-tah-ing-ah*) is a 13-year-old primary school student from Samoa. Samoa



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may be a country surrounded by water, but access to clean drinking water is scarce in some areas, with many families facing extreme hardship as a result.

Toefuata'iga's school community struggled without reliable access to clean water, which impacted students' education and hygiene. Teachers often had to leave the school to fetch water from nearby homes, disrupting lessons and adding strain to the community. When the water ran out at the school, students were sent home which meant they missed out on valuable learning time.

Thanks to the support of Caritas Australia in partnership with Caritas Samoa, Toefuata'iga's school now has a 10,000 L water tank through a Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) program. Teachers and students now have access to clean drinking water at their school and are able to focus on education.



"Now that we have the water tank, things are so much better, we can stay at school all day, and I get to spend more time learning and playing with my friends. I'm happy that we don't have to go home early anymore." – said Toefuata'iga.

This transformative story is just one example of how Caritas Australia's Project Compassion creates waves of change around the world. Will you stand with students like Toefuata'iga this Lent?

Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above.

Or online at: caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Or by calling: 1800 024 413

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty* this Lent.



PARISH NEWS

SAVE THE DATE RETIRMENT LUNCH FOR FR MICHAEL BRADY Saturday 12 April at Club Banora, Leisure Drive, Banora Point

We would like to invite you as members of our parish family to join Bishop Homeming and members of our local clergy, to celebrate with Fr Michael his 20 plus years as our parish priest.

Cost will be \$20 per person which will include a choice from a limited lunch menu and desert.

We have to confirm numbers and lunch choices with payment by the end of this month.

There is a notice at the Welcome Table, which will give the lunch choices and to indicate if you wish to attend.

Club Banora was chosen due to the room size, ease of parking for guests and access for mobility aid if needed.

Please contact the parish office for further information.

PASTORAL CORNER

Bishop Greg has **postponed the closure of St Camillus to 23rd March** due to the weather forecast.

We **welcome Father Michael Alcock** to our Parish as Assistant Priest. He has been working within our Parish over the last few months so I am sure most of you already know him.

Kathy Twohill - Pastoral Associate

LEGION OF MARY ACIES

All parishioners are warmly welcomed to join Legionaries as we renew our love and commitment to work with Mary Our Queen and Mother.

This annual ACIES ceremony will take place at 9am Mass Sunday 23 March 2025 at St Joseph's Church Tweed Heads.

Rosary will commence at 8:40am. Please bring a plate to share and join Fr. Rego SM and legionaries for a cuppa afterwards.

BISHOP GREG'S LENTEN TALK SERIES

The Jubilee Year of Hope

Bishop Greg's talks will be held on Mondays and will begin at 6pm at St Mary's Chapel

Monday 10 March Monday 17 March Monday 24 March

It will be available to view on the YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/c/LismoreDioceseAU>

All are most welcome!

PROJECT COMPASSION DONATION ENVELOPES

This year we have been provided with a limited number of envelopes as charities try and cut back on waste and printing costs. The envelopes we have are available from the back table.

Alternatively, you can donate online or phone as noted. Thank you for supporting this worthy charitable organization.

PARISH NEWS

MESSAGE FROM FR MICHAEL BRADY

I would like to inform you that my condition with MSA has worsened and I am finding it very difficult to remain standing or walk some distance.

Since the Bishop has appointed Fr Michael Alcock as Assistant Priest I have decided that he will take over some aspects of my duties.

From this Sunday I will be concelebrating mass at 9am each Sunday, and endeavor to continue the Thursday 9.10am Mass as long as possible.

According to Canon Law, when a Parish Priest turns 75 he is required to tend his Resignation to the Bishop, it will then be up to the Bishop and the Parish Priest to decide the best course of action.

I am very grateful that Bishop Greg has allowed me to continue as Parish Priest for as long as I can do so, but I am mindful that he will ask me to retire in May when I turn 75.

I will welcome you to attend my dinner in April in accordance with our parish news notice.

DOROTHY GUEST FUNERAL SERVICE

The Requiem Mass for Dorothy will be held on Monday 17 March at 10.30am at St Joseph's Church. Dorothy was a long term parishioner and also mother of our Pastoral Associate Kathy Twohill.

POSTPONED

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS EXHIBITION

Unfortunately this exhibition which was due to take place between Friday 21 and Wednesday 26 March in the Parish Hall, has had to be postponed to later in the year.

Welcome

PLEASE WELCOME

FR MICHAEL ALCOCK (and Zippy)

Bishop Gregory Homering has appointed Fr Michael Alcock as Assistant Priest at St Joseph's Parish.

Please make Fr Michael welcome as he officially commences his ministry as part of the parish pastoral team.

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH LADIES GROUP

Our outing this month is a boat trip with Tweed Escapes.

Date: Tuesday 18 March

Please be at the Coolangatta Tweed Golf Club Jetty at **9.15am**.

Address: 62 Soorley Street,
Tweed Heads South.

For Inquiries please
contact

Jan 0405448719

Jenice 04136060290



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: The recently deceased: Dorothy Guest, KM Thomas, Bruce Wall, Dennis Blake, Martin Plunket, Nonee Reis, Ruth Hall, Joan Yates, **Anniversaries:** Thresyamma, Peter Quinlivan, Danilo Taginbao, Lucio Cruz, John Feely **Also:** for all those whom Masses and prayers have been requested **AND For those who are sick:** Leon Darmody and Fr Michael Brady, Pat Strotton

LEGION OF MARY

Meeting Wednesday 10am in the Parish Fatcher Room new members welcome

PARISH PRIEST: Fr Michael Brady - pp@stjosephs.org.au
ASSISTANT PRIEST: Fr Nicholas Maurice & Fr M Rego SM
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Kathy Twohill - ktwohill@stjosephs.org.au

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL
@6.00 pm

SUNDAY
@7AM @9AM

ST CAMILLUS BILAMBIL
9AM

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES
Monday to Friday
9.10AM
Saturday 9AM

ROSARY

Before Mass Monday to Friday
Commencing at 8.40am
Saturday 8.30am

RECONCILIATION
Saturday 4.30 - 5.30PM
and 1st Friday 9.40 – 10am

BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office
with any Baptism enquiries.

**SACRAMENTS AND
VISITS TO THE SICK**

Please contact the parish office

NEWSLETTERS

If you would like to receive the
weekly news or any upcoming
events and information via email
please contact the parish office
on 0755367522

Or email
tweedadmin@stjosephs.org.au

**ROSTERS 22/23 MARCH 2025
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C**

6PM FR NICOLAS MAURICE

Sacristan: Karen Watson
Adult Server: Karen Watson
Liturgy Coordinators: Jenny Williams
Commentator & POF: Patricia Cummins
Readers: Jeannette Leach & Jenny Williams
Communion: Carmel Mavor & Norm Mavor

7am FR MICHAEL ALCOCK

Sacristan: A & M Laarhoven
Adult Servers: Sally Engle & Simon Dolosa
Liturgy Coordinator: Rosie Cutmore
Commentator: Paul Bolster
Readers: Patricia Bolster & Paul Bolster
Communion: Helen Carlile & Paul Bolster

9am FR MX REGO SM

Sacristan: Denise Dunn
Adult Server: Kathy Twohill
Liturgy Coordinators: Pam & Jim Sullivan
Commentator: Pat Twohill
Readers: Mick O'Donohue & Jan Rolph
Communion: Marie Wilkinson & Arun Sankar



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Safeguarding Office**

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has been abused by someone
working or ministering within the
Diocese of Lismore, we ask you
to contact us. We will listen to
you respectfully; offer support and discuss options
you have available to you. To contact the Safe-
guarding Office, please phone (02) 6621 9444 or
email

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