

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

Diocese of Broken Bay Under the Pastoral Care of the Discalced Carmelites since 2008

### 9th November 2025, The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Parish Mass Times: Monday to Friday: 9am Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil) Sunday: 8am, 10am, 5pm Public Holidays: 9am Rock Mass: Once a term Baptism: Third Sunday of each month by appointment
Wedding: Contact Parish Office at least 6 months prior notice
Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday: 8:30am
Anointing of Sick: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 9am or by request
Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday 9:30 – 10am concluding with Benediction
Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am
Rosary: Immediately after weekday Mass and Saturday (8:35am)



Every Monday (during term time) Divine Will Prayer Group 10-11:30am

**Every Sunday at 10am Mass** Children's Liturgy

Every Friday (during term time) Lectio Divina 10am in the Parish Hall

Every Thursday Bible Study with Fr. Sunny 7:30pm in Church

Every Second Thursday of the Month Anointing of the Sick - 9am

Every Second Sunday of the Month Morning tea after 8am mass oth November

Every Second Wednesday of the Month Parish morning tea—10.30am at

The Living Room
12th November

**Wednesday 19th November** Christmas Choir rehearsal 7pm in the Church

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"He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area." (Gospel)

Dear parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

A community discerning the building of a new parish church or chapel might first consider the choice of site, asking where we will build. Perhaps it's helpful to ask whether the new church will be built on earth or in heaven? The question is a surprise, but a church in

the Catholic tradition is understood to be a foyer or narthex of heaven. Of course, a church building is not completely in heaven, but neither is it simply another earthly shrine.

Today's feast of the Cathedral for the diocese of Rome blends the boundaries between earthly church buildings and the Church as the body of Christ: We are God's building and Jesus is our foundation. We are, each of us individually and all of us together, temples of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, when we enter a church building we are no longer simply on earth, but we are touching and tasting the heavenly realities and our eternal future. From the Collect for today's feast we pray:

"O God, who from living and chosen stones prepare an eternal dwelling for your majesty, increase in your Church the spirit of grace you have bestowed, so that by new growth your faithful people may build up the heavenly Jerusalem. Amen."

May God bless you, Fr Greg

PARISH OFFICE TEAM

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#### **HELP A FELLOW PARISHIONER ATTEND MASS**

A former parishioner, Kay Crawford, has recently returned to the area and would love to attend Mass again but needs transport — either on Saturday evening or Sunday morning. She lives in North Turramurra.

If you are able to assist, please contact Kay or the parish office as soon as possible.

Your kindness will not only make a real difference in Kay's life but is also a beautiful way to serve the Lord and support our parish family.

Thank you for your generosity of heart. office@corpuschristi.com.au - ph: 91446998 kaycrawford86@gmail.com - ph:0439 033 908



NOVEMBER

WE REMEMBER OUR

**DEPARTED LOVED ONES** 

Scripture says it is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for our departed beloved ones. Because of Jesus Christ, forgiveness and love crosses the grave. We may pray for them but they cannot pray for themselves. However, they can and will pray for us. I know of parents who had a six year old boy who had big behavioural problems. They tried counselling, which is a good thing to do, but to no avail. It turned out that the mother had a miscarriage. They had a mass said for the miscarried child and the behavioural difficulties of the living child were healed.

In terms of responding for your departed beloved ones, you may write the names in a special book we will have available. You may also have a special individual mass said for the person by writing the name of the person on the envelopes found in the foyer and put a small donation in it, which can be put in the collection bowl or handed in at the sacristy. *Please limit each envelope to one name or one family name only*. There will also be candles available that you may light for a gold coin donation as well as an opportunity to bring in a small photo of a deceased family member/s that can be displayed in front of the Sacred Heart statue. At each Sunday mass we will remember your departed ones generally as well. Remember that forgiveness and love crosses the grave through Jesus Christ.

God bless, Fr Greg.

# WHY WE DO The Things We Do

#### WHY PRAY?

Relationships thrive on good communication. Married couples especially will attest to that. To grow in love and friendship we need to communicate, not just honestly but often! When we pray, we express our desire to grow in relationship with God. We use our human capacities to open ourselves to a profound mystery. Through prayer we can praise, thank, ask, cry, argue and express many emotions. We can speak, listen, sing, chant, dance, smile, embrace or just sit with our God. As Christians, our prayer takes on a very specified character. We approach God through the person of Jesus Christ and with a consciousness of being part of a Spirit-led community, the Church.



POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER
INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

FOR THE PROPER USE OF WEALTH

LET US PRAY FOR THE PROPER USE OF WEALTH, THAT NOT SUCCUMBING TO THE TEMPTATION OF SELFISHNESS, IT MAY ALWAYS BE PUT AT THE SERVICE OF THE COMMON GOOD AND SOLIDARITY OF THOSE WHO HAVE LESS.



# Our Deepest Sympathy

#### **Fay Abbott**

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayerful sympathy to the family, relatives

and friends of Fay Abbott. Fay's funeral will be held at Corpus Christi on **Tuesday 11 November at 10.30am.** May Fay experience the fullness of Christ's peace.



For more information on the Carmelite Retreat Program,
please visit

www.mtcarmel.com.au/carmelite-retreat-program

When: December 6th 10am-4pm

Darkness & Light: Embracing the mystery of Advent in the teaching of St. John of the Cross

Presenter: Fr. Ransom Rapirap

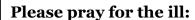
## **Prayer Zone**

## Recently Deceased:

Fay Abbot

## **Anniversary:**

Kath Fletcher



Margot Hallaran; Carmel Hadley; Luigia Bressi; Patricia Chaves; Marina Alburquerque; Michelle Fisher; Fr Sergio Chauira; Jessie Chang; Amy O'Connell; James Frederick Riley; Tom Brewer; Sylvia Fishburn; Nicolette Harris; Marshall O'Brien; Helen McCarthy; Quentin Stewart; Rob Sanders; Anne Jardane; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Thi Nguyen; Fergus O'Brien; Michelle Soumier; Gracie Spencer; Brendan Stone.

If you know of anyone who can no longer attend mass due to illness; or if you have noticed one of our parishioners is no longer attending mass, could you please let Daniela or Davina know.

# FEAST DAYS NOVEMBER

Sun 9th, The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, Feast

Mon 10th, St Leo the Great, pope, saint, Memorial

Tue 11th, St Martin of Tours, bishop, Memorial

Wed 12th, St Josaphat, bishop, martyr, Memorial

Mon 17th, St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious, Memorial

Fr 21st, The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary, Memorial

Sat 22nd, St Cecilia, virgin, martyr, Memorial

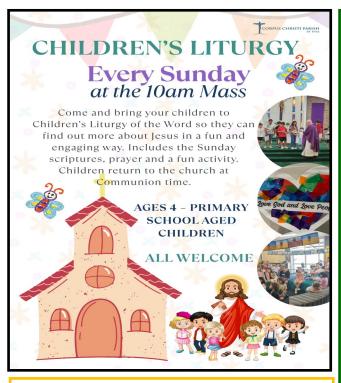
#### **PARISH BULLETIN NOTICES**

If you would like something included in the weekly parish bulletin, please contact the parish office by phone or email. The deadline for submissions is **Wednesday at midday** for the coming weekend.

Thank you,

office@corpuschristi.com.au or ph: 91446998





# PIETY STALL

We are still looking for volunteers to help at the Piety Stall. If you can stay behind after Mass for just ten minutes, please contact Karin on 0412 373 668.

Your help is a meaningful way to support the parish and is greatly appreciated.

Our Piety Stall has been restocked with many lovely new items! Keep an eye out in November for Christmas gifts and decorations.

The stall will be open after all Masses — a wonderful opportunity to find something special for your family or as a thoughtful gift.

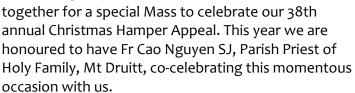
If you'd like to order something specific, please get in touch with Karin. She can arrange Christmas candles and other items and any other special orders for you.

We are now taking orders for the 2026 Daily Missals—if you would like to get your copy for \$35 please let Karin know by the end of November.

#### 2025

# Corpus Christi Parish Christmas Hamper Appeal

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, November 30th**, as we come



For nearly four decades, our parish has embraced the true spirit of Christmas by reaching out to those in need. This cherished tradition has not only brought smiles to countless faces but has also strengthened the bonds within our community.

As we embark on this journey of generosity, let's reflect on the impact of our collective efforts. Each item added to your weekly grocery shop becomes a beacon of hope for a family in need. Whether it's a can of soup, a box of cereal, or a festive treat, every contribution matters.

#### Suggested hamper contents

Canned Food (eg soups/seafood) Canned Fruits
Christmas Pudding / Cake / Biscuits
Long life custard / Jelly
Packets of Rice / Pasta / Nuts / Dried Fruit
Peanut Butter / Honey / Jam / Vegemite
Mixed Lollies or Chocolates
Chips / Pretzels / Popcorn
Non-alcoholic Sparkling Wine
Cordial / Soft drink / Juice
Packets of Tea / Instant Coffee
Packets of Sugar / Long Life Milk
Sauces, Oil or Vinegar
Tissues / Paper Towel
Christmas Decorations / Colouring Pencils
Shampoo and Conditioner

Plus any other non-perishable good you may wish to provide! Some families write personal notes or Christmas cards and place that in the Hamper.

Please place in a sturdy clothes basket, a strong box, recyclable grocery bags—wrapped in cellophane or Christmas paper.

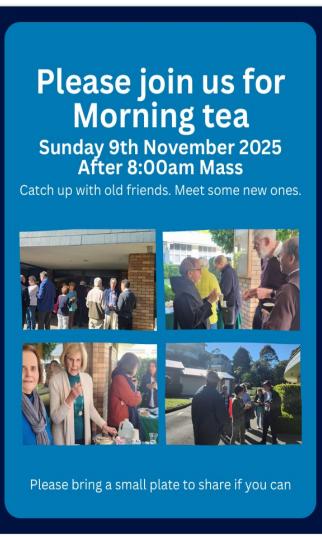
We will also be accepting cash donations for those who can't get a hamper together. Unfortunately we won't be able to accept gift cards this year.

Please reference Hamper Mass

Account Name: St Ives Catholic Parish

BSB: 062 784

Account No: 100001798





You're invited to a

**Parish Coffee Morning** 

At

The Living Room Café

**Outside Verandah** 

St Ives Shopping Village

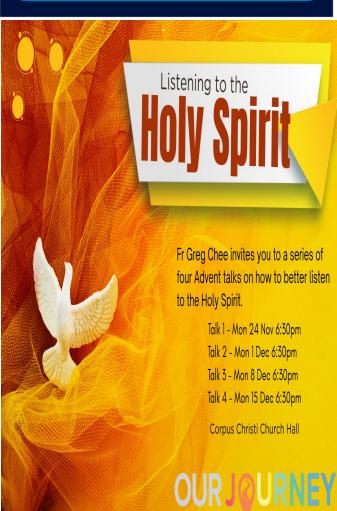
Wednesday 12 November, 2025

At 10:30am

For more information:

Andrena Brewer: 0438 698 993

**RSVP: Just turn up** 





IS GOD CALLING YOU TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN VOCATIONS MINISTRY?

SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

**THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025** 

AT SACRED HEART CHURCH PYMBLE

**COMMENCING WITH MASS AT 6.30 PM** 

OUR MASS CELEBRANT WILL BE FATHER GERARD MORAN OCD OF CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH ST IVES. AFTER DINNER FATHER WILL SPEAK TO US ABOUT SAINT THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME, SO PLEASE COME AND SEE.

For catering purposes kindly telephone Anna Leung on **0478 083 116** or email annayytleung@yahoo.com.au or telephone Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email

terry\_scanlan@bigpond.com if you are planning to attend.

Please remember to pray <u>every day</u> for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians, novices, and for the residence of Joseph House Discernment Centre. Please also pray for the perseverance of existing vocations.



#### **Social Justice Corner:**

During a recent visit to the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) headquarters on World Food Day, Pope Leo XIV made an urgent appeal to global leaders to end world hunger. The pontiff stated that allowing millions to go without food each day represented "an ethical derailment." Condemning the use of food as a weapon of war, Pope Leo urged global leaders to work in solidarity to end hunger.

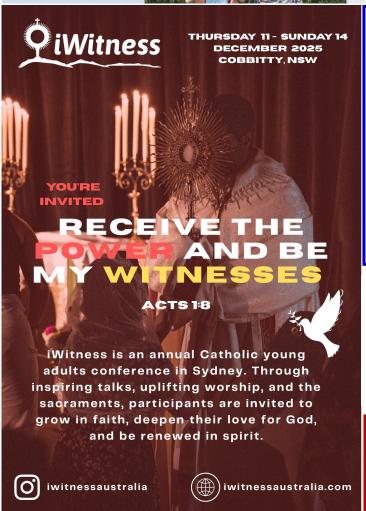
"How can we fail to remember all of those who are condemned to death and hardship in Ukraine, Gaza, Haiti, Afghanistan, Mali, the Central African Republic, Yemen, and South Sudan, to name just a few places on the planet where poverty has become the daily bread of so many of our brothers and sisters? The international community cannot look the other way. We must make their suffering our own.

We cannot aspire to a more just social life if we are not willing to rid ourselves of the apathy that justifies hunger as if it were background music we have grown accustomed to, an unsolvable problem, or simply someone else's responsibility. We cannot demand action from others if we ourselves fail to honour our own commitments. By our omission, we become complicit in the promotion of injustice.

We cannot hope for a better world, a bright and peaceful future, if we are not willing to share what we ourselves have received. Only then can we affirm — with truth and courage — that no one has been left behind."

Source: https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2025/10/16/251016f.html





#### PARISH SOCIAL CRAFT GROUP

A happy group for a relaxing morning every fortnight - bring your own craft or handiwork if you wish.

# Thursday 13th November 2025

10am in the Parish Hall



Angela 0405 507 982

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#### The Word

#### Sunday 9th of November 2025: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

#### Collect

O God, who from living and chosen stones prepare an eternal dwelling for your majesty, increase in your Church the spirit of grace you have bestowed, so that by new growth your faithful people may build up the heavenly Jerusalem. Amen. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

#### First Reading

From the book of Ezekiel 47:1-2. 8-9. 12

The angel brought me to the entrance of the Temple, where a stream came out from under the Temple threshold and flowed eastwards, since the Temple faced east. The water flowed from under the right side of the Temple, south of the altar. He took me out by the north gate and led me right round outside as far as the outer east gate where the water flowed out on the right-hand side. The man went to the east holding his measuring line and measured off a thousand cubits; he then made me wade across the stream; the water reached my ankles. He measured off another thousand and made me wade across the stream again; the water reached my knees. He measured off another thousand and made me wade across again; the water reached my waist. He measured off another thousand; it was now a river which I could not cross; the stream had swollen and was now deep water, a river impossible to cross. He then said, 'Do you see, son of man?' He took me further, then brought me back to the bank of the river. When I got back, there were many trees on each bank of the river. He said, 'This water flows east down to the Arabah and to the sea; and flowing into the sea it makes its waters wholesome. Wherever the river flows, all living creatures teeming in it will live. Fish will be very plentiful, for wherever the water goes it brings health, and life teems wherever the river flows. Along the river, on either bank, will grow every kind of fruit tree with leaves that never wither and fruit that never fails; they will bear new fruit every month, because this water comes from the sanctuary. And their fruit will be good to eat and the leaves medicinal.'

The Word of the Lord.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 45:2-3. 5-6. 8-9. R. v.5 (*R.*) The waters of the river gladden the city of God.

God is for us a refuge and strength, a helper close at hand, in time of distress: so we shall not fear though the earth should rock, though the mountains fall into the depths of the sea. (R.)

The waters of a river give joy to God's city, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within, it cannot be shaken; God will help it at the dawning of the day. (R.)

The Lord of hosts is with us:
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
Come, consider the works of the Lord,
the redoubtable deeds he has done on the earth.
(R.)

#### **Second Reading**

From the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17

You are God's building. By the grace God gave me, I succeeded as an architect and laid the foundations, on which someone else is doing the building. Everyone doing the building must work carefully. For the foundation, nobody can lay any other than the one which has already been laid, that is Jesus Christ.

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

The Word of the Lord.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

I have chosen and sanctified this house

I have chosen and sanctified this house, says the Lord, that my name may remain in it for all time.

Alleluia!

#### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John 2:13-22

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market'. Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up'. The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

The Gospel of the Lord.