

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

1st February 2026, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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: 2nd 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)



When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them.

(Gospel)

Every Second Thursday of the month

Anointing of the Sick 9 am

Every Monday (during term time)

Divine Will Prayer Group
10-11:30am

Every Sunday at 10am Mass

Children's Liturgy

Every Second Sunday of the Month

Morning tea after 8am mass

Every first Friday of the month

Exposition/ Adoration

Fri 6th Feb 7pm followed by mass

Dear parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

We seek God through seeking justice and peace with integrity and humility. It doesn't matter if we seem foolish and weak by human standards—God gives us the wisdom, virtue, holiness and freedom necessary for the task. Jesus sees the crowd and goes up a hill where he is joined by his disciples, the ones he has deliberately chosen for God's work. I imagine he speaks to them first, telling them that it will only be through a personal relationship with God that they will come to understand his words. Then he gives them nine rather surprising invitations to bring about change in the lives of people they encounter. The consequences may lead to strong opposition and persecution but those called to be disciples of Jesus are promised joy and gladness and an eternal reward for their efforts. Today I reflect on how I seek God in my everyday life. I ask myself if I truly believe that I have been chosen by God to make a difference in the life of another.

May God bless you,

Fr Greg

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Is there more to life than this?



Alpha is a safe space to explore life, purpose and the Christian faith, ask questions, and share your point of view. Alpha is free and everyone is welcome.

Starts: Wed, 11 February 2026
Where: Corpus Christi Parish Hall
 263 Mona Vale Road
 St Ives 2075
Time: 7:00–9:15pm

Scan here for more information



Scan here to register for Alpha



For more information contact Jen Perrott @ jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au



Sapientia

Single adults, 18–35 years of age, are invited to join the Dominican Friars and Sisters for this weekend retreat of prayer, formation, and fellowship.

13–15 February 2026
 St Mary's Towers Retreat Centre
 Douglas Park

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Weekend retreat to prepare for Lent:
Now is the favourable time; this is the day
of salvation
(2Cor 6,2)

PRESENTER: **Fr. Gerard Moran, OCD**

The grace of Lent-Easter can change us. Let the liturgy of Lent and the wisdom of St John of the Cross and St Teresa of Jesus enable us to take hold of the opportunity.

WHEN: February 13-15, 2026 • 6pm (Fri) – 12:30 pm (Sunday)

WHERE: Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville, NSW

COST: \$340/person (Price is inclusive of all meals and accommodation)

For information on the Carmelite Retreat Program, please

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



**POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER
INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY**

**For children with
incurable diseases**

**Let us pray that children suffering from incurable
diseases and their families receive the necessary
medical care and support, never losing strength
and hope.**

FEAST DAYS FEBRUARY

MON 2ND FEB. FEAST THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
THU 5TH FEB. MEMORIAL ST. AGATHA, VIRGIN,
MARTYR
FRI 6TH FEB. ST. PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS,
MARTYRS
TUE 10TH FEB. MEMORIAL ST. SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN
SAT 14TH FEB. MEMORIAL STS. CYRIL, MONK AND
METHODIUS, BISHOP
WED 18TH FEB. ASH WEDNESDAY (FAST AND ABSTINENCE)

Prayer Zone



Please pray for the ill:

Leonhard John; Margot Hallaran; Carmel Hadley; Patricia Chaves; Marina Alburquerque; Fr Sergio Chauira; Jessie Chang; Amy O'Connell; James Frederick Riley; Tom Brewer; Sylvia Fishburn; Nicolette Harris; Marshall O'Brien; Helen McCarthy; 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.

Preparing for Lent

As we draw closer to the holy season of Lent and the celebration of Ash Wednesday, we kindly invite all parishioners to return any blessed palms from previous years.

These palms will be reverently used in the preparation of ashes for Ash Wednesday.

Thank you for your care and cooperation as we prepare together for this sacred season of prayer and renewal.



Alpha Hospitality Team

Could This Be You?

Alpha is a place where people explore faith and feel truly welcomed—and hospitality makes that possible.

We're looking to grow our Alpha Hospitality Team and would love your help in one (or more) of these ways:

- ☒ **Serve** – welcome guests and serve food on Wednesday nights
- ☒ **Cook** – prepare a simple meal (may be reimbursed)
- ☒ **Cook & Serve** – for those who want to be a part of it all.

You don't need to enjoy cooking—many helpers simply serve. We have two servers each Wednesday, and as the team grows, the commitment becomes lighter.

If you've done Alpha before or have helped in the past and are looking for a meaningful way to serve, this could be for you.

When: Wednesdays (5:30-8:30pm) from 11 February to 6 May 2026

Commitment: As little as 1-2 nights for the whole term

By serving in hospitality, you are serving the Lord and supporting people on their faith journey—which has an eternal impact.

If you're interested or would like to know more, please get in touch with Jen in the office or register your interest in the foyer of the church. We'd love to have you be part of this beautiful ministry, serving the Lord.



WHY WE DO The Things We Do

PENANCE

'Penance' is not a terribly popular word these days. Yet the 'offering up' or denying ourselves a simple desire (e.g. a favourite TV programme, an extra dinner serving) is still a rich and fruitful practice embedded in our Catholic tradition.

Far from being a negative thing, regular acts of penance strengthen our will-power, develop perseverance and free us from self-centeredness.

Just as an athlete prepares for a race with months of regular training, so does the practice of penance prepare a Christian for the 'though' side of Gospel living; those days that require you to 'give your all' when you thought you had already.



We love hearing the sounds of children at Mass

"The sound of children is the sound of life in our church."

If you're looking for a parish that truly welcomes young families and encourages parents to bring their little ones to be part of our Sunday celebration, we would be delighted to have you join us.

Come visit us at **Corpus Christi** on Sundays at **10 am Family Mass**. You are always welcome.

REGULAR COMMUNITY GATHERING/PRAYER

2nd Sun of month
Sundays

2nd Wed of month
Sundays

Select Sundays

Select Sundays

Mon-Fri

Mon-Fri

Saturdays

Sundays

Saturdays

Every 2nd Thurs

Rotating

Mondays

Thursdays

Fridays

Fortnightly- Tues

1st Wed of month

2nd Mon of month

3rd Mon of month

2nd Thurs of month

- Morning tea after 8am Mass

- Morning tea after 10am Mass

- Parish coffee catchup 10.30am at The Living Room

- Children's Liturgy of the Word 10am Mass

- Pray and Play 11am (children and families)

- Kingdom Kids 11.30am (family base catechesis and lunch)

- Morning prayer 8.30am before 9am Mass

- Rosary after 9am Mass

- Rosary 8.35am before 9am Mass

- Indonesian Community Rosary on Zoom 8.30pm

- Eucharistic Adoration 9.30-10am followed by Benediction

- Carmelite Conversions Contemplative Dialogue (during school term)

- Schoenstatt Pilgrim Mother Apostolate (take home)

- Divine Will Prayer Group 10am (during school term)

- Fr Sunny's Bible Study 7.30pm

- Lectio Divina Bible Study 10am (during school term)

- Parish Craft Group 10am

- menALIVE 7.30pm

- Catenians at Turrumurra Bowling Club

- Interchurches Ecumenical Group 2.30pm (Feb-Nov)

- Anointing of the Sick 9am

Contact the office for more information

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS



EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNION MINISTRY

We are urgently looking for volunteers to join the Extraordinary Communion Ministry for Sunday mass at **10am and 5 pm.**

If you would like to be included in a roster to give the Eucharist under both kinds on weekend masses, please let the office know or kindly leave your details on the sheets in the church foyer. Formation will be provided.

Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather and show our respect to the Elders past and present.

We also wish to pay our respects to all Aboriginal people.

FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH

FRIDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2026

EXPOSITION / ADORATION AT

7PM

FOLLOWED BY MASS

AT 7:30PM



Ever thought about connecting your faith with your inner child?

We're calling all parents, grandparents, teachers, and anyone with a heart for children to join our wonderful Children's Liturgy Ministry!

COME AND JOIN OUR CHILDREN'S LITURGY TEAM!

Why We Need You!

Our Children's Liturgy has been running for over a couple of years now and continues to grow – which is such a blessing!

As our group expands, we need more volunteers so we can create two liturgy groups and continue offering a welcoming space for our parish children to learn about God's love.

Why You'll Love It!

By volunteering, you'll:

- Nurture the faith of our parish children
- Deepen your own relationship with God
- Have fun and connect with other families
- Discover your inner child again!
- No experience is needed – all resources, support, and training are provided.
- Each member needs a WWCC - we can help with this
- Only once a month is required, if that is all you can do.



Interested?

We'd love to chat with you!

Please contact: **Brigitte Karle** on 0452 531 710 or **Jennifer Poon** on 0403 162 598

Come grow with us in faith, joy, and community. **Your Children's Liturgy Team**



Serra Weekly Vocations Prayer Calendar. Please pray for those in formation or already serving the Church

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|------|---|
| 30/1 | Fr Brendan Lee & Fr Anoop Devasia |
| 31/1 | Deacon Peter McCulloch |
| 1/2 | Fr Roger Delmonte |
| 2/2 | Fr Vitalis Oguh |
| 3/2 | Fr Hien Vu |
| 4/2 | Fr Lucious Choi |
| 5/2 | Fr Peter DeSouza |
| 6/2 | Fr Peter Dowd & Fr Stephen Hume |
| 7/2 | Fr Biju Matthew Koikatil OSH & Fr Boby Cherivil OSH |
| 8/2 | Fr Jose Philip OSH |

Daily Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, we praise You for Your goodness and thank You for Your gifts. Help us respond to and live out our mission in the Church. Assist all Your people to know their vocation in life and help them to prepare for it. Call many to be priests, deacons and consecrated men and women for Your greater glory, and for the service of Your people. Give those whom You call the grace to respond generously and to persevere faithfully. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen

The Divine Will Group Corpus Christi St Ives

What does it mean for God's will to be done on earth as it is in Heaven?

The Our Father, the most perfect prayer of Christianity, taught by Jesus to his apostles. The profound teachings of Jesus to the Servant of God Luisa Piccarreta regarding "Living in the Divine Will" are encompassed in this prayer.

Our group prays, has discussion and learns together about the key concepts and foundational truths related to living in, and possessing the Divine Will of God.



We meet weekly during school term

There are two groups in our parish to accommodate those who work:

Monday 10-11:30am in the Church Hall Meeting Room

Tuesday 7-8:30pm in the Church Hall Meeting Room.

First meetings 2026: Monday 2nd Feb 2026 and Tuesday 3rd Feb 2026.

Everyone is most welcome.

Please contact Kathy Lee for further information kathy@familylee.info

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CELEBRATIONS

Save the Dates!

THANKSGIVING MASS

WED 11 FEBRUARY
10.30AM

'BACK TO LEO'S DAY'

SUN 11 OCTOBER
11.00AM

1956 - 2026

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All welcome

More information soon

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH ST IVES

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Every Sunday at the 10am Mass

Come and bring your children to Children's Liturgy of the Word so they can find out more about Jesus in a fun and engaging way. Includes the Sunday scriptures, prayer and a fun activity. Children return to the church at Communion time.

AGES 4 - PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

ALL WELCOME

Love God and Love People

Position Vacant - Pymble Parish Catechist Coordinator Casual Position

Our Parish is looking for a new Catechist Coordinator. The primary purpose of the Catechist Coordinator (CC) is to lead and support the catechists of the Pymble Parish (Parish) who provide Special Religious Education (SRE) to the Catholic Students in State Schools within the Parish.

To achieve this, the CC works under the direction of the Parish Priest and with the Parish team to lead the Catechist program and provide coordinated support services to enhance the SRE ministry within the Parish. If you are interested in supporting the faith development of children in the public schools in our Parish, please contact the Parish Office for a copy of the Position Description. The appointment is subject to a satisfactory Working with Children Check and National Police Check.

To apply, please email your current CV and cover letter to claudia@pymblecatholicparish.org.au by 6 February 2026. Applications will be reviewed as they are received, and the closing date may be adjusted if a suitable candidate is identified.

Parish Office

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FAREWELL LUNCH
CORPUS CHRISTI ST. IVES PARISH
to farewell
Fr. Greg, Fr. Sunny, Fr. Gerard
&
to welcome
The New Priests

Sunday, 19th April @ 11.45am, for 12.00 - 16.00

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**If you have dietary requirements, please advise when
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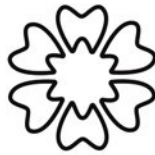
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The Word

Sunday 1st February 2026: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collect

Grant us, Lord our God, that we may honour you with all our mind, and love everyone in truth of heart. 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 prophet Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

In your midst I will leave a humble and a lowly people.

Seek the Lord all you, the humble of the earth, who obey his commands. Seek integrity, seek humility: you may perhaps find shelter on the day of the anger of the Lord. In your midst I will leave a humble and lowly people, and those who are left in Israel will seek refuge in the name of the Lord. They will do no wrong, will tell no lies; and the perjured tongue will no longer be found in their mouths. But they will be able to graze and rest with no one to disturb them.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 145:7-10. R. Mt 5:3

(R.) Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith forever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. (R.)
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down,
the Lord, who protects the stranger
and upholds the widow and orphan. (R.)
3. It is the Lord who loves the just
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading

From the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians
1:26-31

God has chosen what is weak by human reckoning.

Take yourselves, brothers, at the time when you were called: how many of you were wise in the ordinary sense of the word, how many were influential people, or came from noble families? No, it was to shame the wise that God chose what is foolish by human reckoning, and to shame what is strong that he chose what is weak by human reckoning; those whom the world thinks common and contemptible are the ones that God has chosen – those who are nothing at all to show up those who are everything. The human race has nothing to boast about to God, but you, God has made members of Christ Jesus and by God's doing he has become our wisdom, and our virtue, and our holiness, and our freedom. As scripture says: if anyone wants to boast, let him boast about the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Rejoice and be glad;
Your reward will be great in heaven.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew 5:1-12

Happy are the poor in spirit.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit:
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Happy the gentle:
they shall have the earth for their heritage.
Happy those who mourn:
they shall be comforted.
Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:
they shall be satisfied.
Happy the merciful:
they shall have mercy shown them.
Happy the pure in heart:
they shall see God.
Happy the peacemakers:
they shall be called sons of God.
Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
'Happy are you when people abuse you and
persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against
you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your
reward will be great in heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.