

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

10 August 2025, 19th 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)



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; Zoom 10am

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

Wednesday 13 August
Parish Coffee Morning
The Living Room 10:30am

Thursday 14th August
First Eucharist Parent
information night at 7.30pm in
the Hall

Friday 15 August
Solemnity of the Assumption
Holy Day of Obligation
Mass at 9am and 7:30pm
(Years 5-6 will attend the 9am
mass)

Sunday 30th August
Praise & Worship Afternoon



***By faith Abraham, when
put to the test, was ready
to offer his only son.***
(Second Reading)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

In the Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples to seek security not in the realities of this world but in the treasures of God's Kingdom, He exhorts them to be steadfast in their faith, staying ready and prepared even when the fulfilment of that faith is a long time coming, Jesus then gives an illustration of servants who are entrusted with the management of the household. No one knows exactly when the master will return. A wise servant, therefore, will always be vigilant since the master may return at any moment and will expect to find everything in order

This Gospel illustrates for us the importance of being ready and prepared for the many ways our God visits us in our lives. We are often beset with hardships and failures, pain and anguish, tragedy and disappointment; our dreams, hopes, and plans are frequently thwarted. How do we prepare for such circumstances? What are we to do in dark moments when God seems to be far away, and we grope for some evidence of God's presence?

Let us continue hoping in God's love even though we may not feel it, and keep on waiting in patient trust. Life on earth is a journey in faith and a pilgrimage of hope. For this journey we are given enough light to take the next step. As St John Henry Cardinal Newman prayed,

"Lead, kindly Light ... Lead thou me on! Keep thou my feet; I do not ask to see the distant scene - one step enough for me."

May God bless you, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Fr Greg Chee, OCD, Parish Priest
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Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator
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**You can now find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/CorpusChristiChurchStIves and
Instagram www.instagram.com/CorpusChristiStIves**



*You're invited to a
Parish Coffee Morning*
RSVP: Just turn up

**At: The Living Room Café Outside Verandah
(please note the new location)**

St Ives Shopping Village

On: Wednesday 13 August, 2025

At 10:30am

For more information:

Andrena Brewer: 0438 698 993

What gifts of the Holy Spirit have you been given?

What gifts of the Holy Spirit have you been given? Did you know that every baptised person has been given special gifts by the Holy Spirit? These gifts, "charisms", are given to us to share with others, and help them experience God. You are invited to a discernment process to help discover what charisms God has gifted you.

The discernment will begin with an online workshop on **Monday 8 Sep** 7-8pm, and the last workshop is on **Monday 24 Nov** 7-8:30pm. Cost \$95. For more information, please scan the QR code or visit:

<https://gomakedisciples.org.au/called-gifted-discernment-process/>

Corpus Christi parishioners O'Kelly Tam, Jen Perrott, Lawrence Chan, or Edith Chan have undergone this process, please do come and speak with us if you'd like to find out more!



Enrolment for the sacrament of **First Eucharist 2025** is now open. You can do this by using this link <https://www.trybooking.com/DDEUD> or via our website under Sacraments.



To be eligible to celebrate First Eucharist, a child must have celebrated baptism, Confirmation and Reconciliation and in Year 4 or older.

First Eucharist Program dates:

Parent Information Night Thurs 14th August

Presentation Mass 16th/17th August

First Eucharist Sacrament 17th or 18th Sept at
either Sat 6pm or Sun 10am Mass

Classes (4 weeks in duration) will commence beginning 16th August.

There will only be one parent evening on Thursday 14th August at 7:30pm in the Church hall. Please make sure one parent is in attendance.

For any inquiries email

sacraments@corpuschristi.com.au



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

SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

THURSDAY 28TH AUGUST 2025
AT SACRED HEART CHURCH PYMBLE
COMMENCING WITH MASS AT 6.30 PM

OUR MASS CELEBRANT AND GUEST SPEAKER AFTER DINNER WILL BE FATHER MICHAEL SULLIVAN OSA. HIS TOPIC WILL BE "SAINT AUGUSTINE'S CONFESSIONS".

EVERYONE IS WELCOME, SO PLEASE COME AND SEE.

Please remember to pray every day 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.

For catering purposes kindly telephone Anna Leung on **0478 083 116** or email annaytleung@yahoo.com.au or telephone Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com if you are planning to attend.



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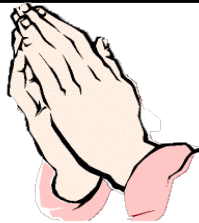
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Donor envelopes available during Mass
Saturday and Sunday 9 & 10 August

Prayer Zone

Please pray for the ill:

Carmel Hadley; Luigia Bressi; Patricia Chaves; Marina Albuquerque; 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; Naomi Upton; 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.

Curious About the Catholic Faith?

Have you been thinking about becoming Catholic—or simply want to learn more?

We're a friendly mother-daughter team who lead RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) in our home, and we'd love to walk the journey with you.

There's no pressure, and all questions are welcome. Just come as you are!

We can't wait to meet you in September!

Interested? Get in touch:
Halina & Natalia

✉ 24.thelittleflower@gmail.com



**Please join us for
Morning Tea
After the 8am Mass**

TODAY

**Catch up with old friends and meet new friends.
We look forward to seeing you!**

FEAST DAYS - AUGUST

Mon 11th, St Clare, virgin

Thu 15th, St Maximilian, priest, martyr

Fri 15th, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin

Mary

Wed 20th, St Bernard, abbot,
doctor

Thu 21st, St Pius X,
pope

Fri 22nd,
The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wed 27th, St Monica, saint

Thu 28th, St Augustine, bishop, doctor

Fri 29th, The Passion of St John the Baptist,



Help Us Reopen the Church Piety Store

Many parishioners have asked why the Church Piety Store isn't open on a regular basis. I've spoken with Father Greg and offered to assist with restocking the store and coordinating a volunteer roster to help keep it open more often.

If you attend Mass regularly and could spare a short time afterwards—perhaps just 10 to 15 minutes—we'd love your help. A sign-up form is available at the back of the church. Please take a moment to add your name and preferred Mass time, and I'll be in touch to put together a roster. The more volunteers we have, the lighter the load for everyone.

I attend most weekday Masses and the 5pm Sunday Mass, and I'll happily share these times with those who are available. If you have any questions or would like more information, feel free to contact me directly on **0412 373 668**. Thank you for considering this simple but valuable way to serve our parish.

Warm regards, **Karin Hull**



DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY PILGRIMAGE

SAT 29 NOV- WED 3 DEC

FLIGHTS + 4 NIGHTS ACCOMMODATION + REGO

\$1,645 PER PERSON, INCL GST

Limited opportunity for \$500 subsidy

Reducing cost to \$1,145

Day 1	Sat 29 Nov	Departure (Travel Day)
Day 2	Sun 30 Nov	ACYF
Day 3	Mon 1 Dec	ACYF
Day 4	Tue 2 Dec	ACYF
Day 5	Wed 3 Dec	Return (Travel Day)

TO REGISTER INTEREST TO
ATTEND ACYF - PLEASE SCAN



BROKEN BAY PILGRIMAGE ONLINE INFORMATION EVENING



7PM MON 11 AUGUST 2025
TO REGISTER VIA EMAIL -
PLEASE SCAN



INCLUSIONS

- Economy class return airfare from Sydney
- 4 nights' Accommodation Holiday Inn Express
- Breakfast daily
- Broken Bay Group dinner 29 November
- Return airport coach transfers
- ACYF Melbourne Registration fee
- Broken Bay Pilgrim T-Shirt

Not included:

- Travel insurance
- Lunches and dinners on festival days

Pilgrimage is open to young people in Year 9 at school,
through to the age of 25, and their leaders and clergy.



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Sunday, August 31st
Wentworth Common, Sydney Olympic Park



Free | All Welcome

12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Bring a plate, share a plate

More than a picnic, a stand for peace

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custodians of these lands on which we
gather.



ST LEO'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE, WAHROONGA

VOLUNTEER TUTORS NEEDED

Can you
help?

The **St Leo's Community Tutoring Program** assists our Year
7-8 students who need that 'bit of extra help' to achieve
their full potential through literacy or numeracy support.

We are looking for adults of any age or background with
as little as one or two hours per week on Thursdays to help
as volunteer tutors in basic literacy or numeracy.

No experience is necessary - training is provided and a
teacher is always available to assist during tutoring sessions.

Interested? Please contact us for a chat!



**ST LEO'S
COMMUNITY
TUTORING
PROGRAM**



FIND OUT MORE...

Scan the QR code or contact Sarah Szacsvey
on **sbutfield@hotmail.com** or **0421 082 909**

FREE WILLS SEMINAR MORNING TEA

Plan Well
Live Faithfully

This pastoral event is a meaningful opportunity to reflect on stewardship, legacy, and the faithful care of our families. Led by Cecilia Castle, Principal of Castle Lawyers, the seminar will cover essential topics including:

- 📝 Writing or updating a Will
- 📝 Understanding Power of Attorney
- 📝 Enduring Guardianship

📁 Attendees may be eligible for a complimentary will*

📍 Magnificat Room at Our Lady of Dolours
Parish, 94 Archer St, Chatswood NSW 2067

📅 12 August, 2025

🕒 10:30AM-12:30 PM

Scan to register or visit
www.trybooking.com/DAPZO

BOOK NOW



* Terms and conditions apply.



Come and Be Spiritually Renewed

Are you longing for more in your spiritual life?

Do you need space to breathe, reflect, and hear from God?

Join The Catholic Guy, Bruce Downes, for a powerful afternoon of encouragement, prayer, and personal spiritual renewal.

📍 Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney

📅 Saturday, 16 August

🕒 12.00 pm – 4.30 pm

👤 Led by The Catholic Guy, Bruce Downes

Register at: **BruceDownes.org/aevents**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

BUPA 10am Mass Pick up and Drop off
Matthew 25:36 I was sick and you visited me.



For three years we have been picking up a lovely couple who live at Bupa, across the road from Corpus Christi to 10am Mass on Sundays.

Bringing them to mass brings so much joy to their hearts. They are a lovely couple. We need some more people on the roster to ensure they can attend each week.

Often, there is just one gentleman who needs to be picked up in a car (with room for a foldable walker) at 9.30am and returned after mass, if possible shortly after morning tea.

The couple are delightful and really appreciate being able to attend Mass.

If you would be happy to assist, please contact the Parish Office.

FAMILY ROCK MASS



Please join us on Sunday 24th of August at the 5pm mass.

The family rock Mass will be led by the children from Years 1 and 2.

*The Assumption
Blessed Virgin Mary*



We are pleased to invite you to join us in celebrating the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 15th. This **holy day of obligation** commemorates the moment when the Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.

Mass Times : Friday 15 August at 9:00 am and 7:30 pm

(Children from Year 3 to 6 will be attending the 9am mass)

We encourage all parishioners to participate in this special celebration as we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and reflect on her important role in our faith. This day is not only a time for prayer and reflection but also an opportunity to come together as a community.



For more information on the Carmelite Retreat Program, please visit www.mtcarmel.com.au/carmelite-retreat-program

When: August 2 10am-4pm

The Beautiful Book

Presenter: Fr Bernard Hancock, OCD

When: August 22-24 6pm—12:30pm

Spirituality and the Life of Jesus

Presenter: Bishop Greg Homeming, OCD

When: September 6 10am—4pm

Called to Be

Presenter: Ms Lorraine Murphy, OCDS

What is The Culture Project?

The Culture Project is a movement of university students who volunteer their time to promote chastity and authentic love to high school and other university students.

You are invited to join us for a night of dinner, socializing, a keynote by renowned Catholic theologian, author and speaker Dr. Edward Sri, auction and raffle draw prizes.

It will be a night to dress up in cocktail attire to celebrate the past decade of The Culture Project in Australia and to look forward with hope at the doors the Lord is opening for us to build a movement of young Australians on fire with the message of love and life through the teachings of St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body.

Come and join us at the Epping Club on Thursday 28th August for a 3 course meal and unlimited beer, wine and soft drinks at \$99 per person or \$990 for a table of 10. Thousands of young hearts and lives are waiting for this message, and the families and parishes of the next generation depend upon them hearing it. Be part of the change and register now!

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1395700>



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

For Mutual Coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

WHY WE DO The Things We Do

Why the different colours?

You may notice over the Church year changes in the colours of the vestments of the priest and the altar. This has nothing to do with the whims of fashion! Different colours are used to symbolize the truths and sentiments expressed by the various liturgical celebrations. Purple (symbolizing penance) is used for Advent and Lent; red (warmth and blood) for Pentecost and for feasts commemorating the suffering of Christ and the martyrs; white (joy, purity, innocence, glory) for celebrations such as Christmas and Easter, weddings, baptisms and funerals; green (life) for Sundays in Ordinary Time.

CORPUS CHRISTI PRIMARY SCHOOL, ST IVES

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PLAYGROUPS**

ALL PRESCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN, PARENTS & CARERS WELCOME!

YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE ENROLLED AT CORPUS

**WED
6 AUG
2025**

**THU
21 AUG
2025**

**TUE
2 SEP
2025**

**FRI
19 SEP
2025**

- Storytelling
- Art and craft
- Fun games
- Lego and building

THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY AND LEARN WITH OUR CORPUS CHRISTI EARLY YEARS SPECIALISTS AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS!

SESSIONS FROM 9:15-10:45AM

HELD IN THE CORPUS CHRISTI A/P ROOM

REGISTER NOW

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IGNITE CONFERENCE 25

2025

Chilling out after exams ♥



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Talks, picnics, praise music & dancing~



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Making new friends 🐱

2025

Thank You

CORPUS CHRISTI !!

Lucas, year 1:

“

I liked doing arts and crafts and playing outside with my friends. We made crafts that showed Jesus loves us. I liked playing with new friends and praying together. I felt close to Jesus when I was in church. I liked IGNITE and I want to do it more often because it was super fun!

The Catholic Ignite Conference 2025 was a powerful experience for our group of 31 parishioners, who joined hundreds of others from across the country to grow in faith and be inspired for mission. Through engaging talks, vibrant worship, and practical workshops, we were renewed in our call to live the Gospel boldly and strengthen our parish community.

We were blessed to have 7 primary students, 11 high schoolers, and 13 adults attend—returning home energised and on fire for Jesus. Thanks to your generosity, 23 attendees received subsidies through the \$2,490 raised at our food stall fundraiser. We also thank our priests for their generous donation to support our youth.

We came back with fresh ideas and a strong desire to build community. If you'd like to start a group or ministry, please contact the parish office.

Ignite returns to Waitara next year in July 2026—we encourage you to be part of it!

EXPLORE LIFE FAITH MEANING

**Began this week!
You can still
register !!**

**EVER WANTED TO BRING YOUR LOVED
ONES TO KNOW GOD'S LOVE?**

An Alpha Invitation To You, Your Family and Friends

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions where you can explore life's big questions in a relaxed, open environment. Each session includes a meal, a short talk, and a discussion where you can share your thoughts and questions. Whether you have a deep faith, exploring faith, new to church, or just curious, Alpha is for everyone.

Why Attend?

Explore life's big questions.
Discover the basics of the Christian faith.
Engage in open and honest discussions.
Connect with a welcoming community.
No pressure, just curiosity

Alpha Schedule

When: Wednesday, 6 August 2025

Time: 7:00-9:15pm

Where: Corpus Christi Parish Hall
263 Mona Vale Road
St Ives 2075

Cost: FREE

Register: bit.ly/40JnIFP OR
In the foyer OR
Scan QR Code Scan me

RSVP: Wednesday, 30 July 2025



\$10 ENTRY



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the event

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CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

30 AUG 2025

2-4 PM

Praise & Worship

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thank you to Sue Anne and the Team

Thank You for a Wonderful Movie Night!

Thank you to everyone who participated in our community dinner and movie night. It was a special night building friendships and coming together over a meal and shared interests in the movie we chose.

Thank you to the many helpers who enabled this to happen from ticket sellers, organisers, set up, cooks, clean up, participants, donors and last but definitely not least, Sue Anne who drove this and spent endless nights coordinating people.

Congratulations and thank you! We raised approx. \$2,300 towards the sound system. But the community building, smiles, laughter and children were the real win that night.

We look forward to our next Movie night as Advent starts, showing 'Journey to Bethlehem.' Look out for the next date.



Praise and Worship Raffle Prizes – 1st prize

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of season

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5. Pamper Pack



6. Swarovski - Vase and red roses



7. Pamper Pack



8. Kitchenware including Royal Dalton cake stand



9. Jewellery box and pair of earrings





Blessed Peter To Rot CANONISATION

Sydney Mass

19 October 2025 from 2:30pm
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart
Parish Randwick



**ALL WELCOME
TO ATTEND THE MASS**

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Saint Peter To Rot

- a Saint for Papua New Guinea
- a Saint for the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart
- a Saint for the Pacific
- a Saint for Oceania

Our Saint

Peter To Rot (5 March 1912 – 7 July 1945) was a Papua New Guinea Catholic. He served as a catechist in his village and was entrusted with the leadership of the local parish during World War II when Imperial Japanese forces occupied the region and imprisoned Catholic missionaries. In response to Japanese oppression of his community, he publicly opposed their actions and continued to hold secret prayer services after the Japanese restricted him from active pastoral service. To Rot married in 1936, and he criticized Japanese attempts to encourage his people to return to the pre-Christian practice of taking multiple wives. He was executed by the Japanese in 1945. He was beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1995, approved for canonisation by Pope Francis earlier this year and will be canonised by Pope Leo XIV on 19 October 2025.



Social Justice Corner Hiroshima Day

Hiroshima Day, observed on August 6, commemorates one of the most devastating moments in human history - the atomic bombing of Hiroshima in 1945, during the final days of World War II. Nagasaki Day is marked on August 9 to remember the second atomic bombing. Both days serve as a stark reminder of the catastrophic impact of nuclear war and honour those who lost their lives. The atomic bombs killed more than 210,000 people, with hundreds of thousands of survivors—known as *hibakusha*—enduring long-term health effects and unimaginable psychological trauma. Today, Hiroshima and Nagasaki are global ambassadors of peace with thousands gathering on August 6 to release lanterns on rivers, offer prayers at peace parks, and advocate for disarmament.

This year marks the 80th anniversary of the atomic bombings. Although no major nuclear conflict has occurred since 1945, ongoing global tensions and arms races have reignited fears, making Hiroshima & Nagasaki Days more relevant than ever. The anniversaries are more than just dates to mourn- they are red flags in history, urging humanity to pause, re-evaluate its path and work towards the elimination of nuclear weapons.

A Prayer for Nuclear Disarmament

Lord of all creation, make us instruments of your peace. Let us learn the lessons of the past and put an end to nuclear weapons.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love.

May our love for each other and all your creation leave no place for making or owning weapons of mass destruction.

Where there is injury, let us be bearers of your healing and pardon.

May we create paths to dialogue, understanding and reconciliation.

Where there is doubt, let us foster faith in you.

May we let the weapons fall from our hands and know that you are God.

Where there is despair, let us hold up hope.

May our lives reflect your love in the face of violence, knowing that love is stronger than death.

Where there is darkness, let us be bearers of your light.

May our choices show that peace is possible.

Where there is sadness, let us bring the joy of the Gospel.

Amen.

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



CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH
ST IVES



FRIDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

SCHOOL FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Please note that the school will be hosting a Father's Day breakfast on Friday 5 September 2025. Parking for our 9am mass may be limited on this day.



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For further information phone
President - Harry Hull 0411 818 132
Secretary - David Conoulty 0412 267 538

The Word

Sunday 10th August 2025: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collect

Almighty ever- living God, whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, we dare to call our father, bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you have promised.

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 Wisdom Wis 18:6-9

Just as you struck our enemies, you made us glorious by calling us to you.

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage.

This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you.

The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the father.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:1. 12. 18-20. 22. R. v. 12

(R.) Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. (R.)
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R.)
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

Second Reading

From the letter to the Hebrews Heb 11:1-2, 8-19

We will look for the city designed and built by God.

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended. It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God. It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore. All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on

earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, since he has founded the city for them. It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead, and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: You know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke Lk 12:32-48

See that you are prepared.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom. 'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. 'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.' Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming", and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.

'The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.