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## 10 May 2020 –Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Following direction from the Government, all public masses are suspended until further notice.  
The Bishop of Broken Bay, Bishop Anthony Randazzo has dispensed  
with the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays.  
We invite you to join in Masses that are available online, as listed below,  
and to continue to pray from home.**

### **Mass Online:**

#### **Corpus Christi Mass Online.**

**Sunday** mass will be available on Saturday afternoon.

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channel/UCB1Oa3Tx-  
92DbCAZfy7NqwQ**

Links to this YouTube channel will be available on our website and on our FaceBook Account.

### **Mass on television:**

*Mass for You at Home:*

6am Channel 10 every Sunday morning.



*And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. (Gospel)*

Dear Parishioners,

Struggles and tensions within the Christian community are nothing new. They have been there from the very beginning, as evidenced by today's first reading where we hear about a conflict that had arisen between the Christians of Jewish background and the Christians of Greek background. There were theological differences between the two groups and also cultural differences and the issue that brought things to a head concerned food, which is always cultural—what we eat and how we prepare food always reflects our cultural backgrounds.

We can learn much from the way the apostles handled this conflict. Their approach is one of inclusiveness. They don't take sides but seek to address the matter in a way that keeps the community together. Because the Greeks are in a more vulnerable position the apostles encourage the Greeks to select a number of men of good reputation who can take care of their needs. This inclusiveness is also found in today's Gospel where Jesus tells his disciples that 'there are many rooms in my Father's house.' The Gospel also gives wise advice: 'Trust in God still and trust in me.' Let us always remember that Jesus is the head and cornerstone of the Church, as St Peter reminds us in today's second reading, and we should set ourselves close to him. The Church will always be fragile because it is made up of humans beings, but it will also be strong and life-giving as long as its cornerstone is faith in Jesus Christ.

Happy Mother's Day from Frs Greg, Bernard, Jay Jay, Sunny and Belinda, Michelle, Jen, Gerri and Ed.

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## ONLINE RESOURCES DURING COVID-19

### BISHOP ANTHONY'S HOMILIES

Watch on the YouTube channel of Hornsby Cathedral Parish. Bishop Anthony is now loading his homilies onto our Diocesan website (<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au>) for the community to read.

### LITURGY BRISBANE

Sunday Readings and Family Prayer Week by Week. The resources can also be found on the Liturgy Brisbane website at <https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/prepare/Sunday-readings-and-family-prayer> and will be updated each week.

### LITURGY HELP

Liturgy Help is offering free individual and family prayer resources for Catholics in social isolation. Resources can be found at <https://www.liturgyhelp.com>

## FEAST DAYS— MARCH

Thursday 14 May, St Matthias, apostle.

### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY



For Deacons

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.



Wishing all Mothers a very happy Mother's Day for this Sunday.

### Our Deepest Sympathy

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayerful sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of John Barrie whose funeral will be held on Thursday 14 May, 2020. May John experience the fullness of Christ's peace.

### 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.

## Prayer Zone



**Recently Deceased:** John Barrie

### Please pray for the ill:

Grace Cheah; Jan Davies; Elizabeth Walsh; Rebecca Anderson; Maria and Jack Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Criniti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, Gina Jaksetic, Jeannie, 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 the office know.***

### WALK WITH ME – LOUNGEROOM SESSIONS WITH GARY PINTO



On Saturday May 9th, Australian singer, songwriter and musician, Gary Pinto will lead a free online concert for Project Compassion.

Gary wrote a song for Project Compassion titled **Walk With Me** this year and wanted to do more to help so he is bringing Australian and international musicians together in support of Caritas Australia. Through this free concert, he is urging thousands of school children, teachers, churches and families across Australia during this challenging time, to stand in solidarity with those most vulnerable to COVID-19.

You can find more details on the concert and view the great artist line-up at <https://covid19-crisis-appeal.raisely.com/loungeroomsessions>

To view the concert, supporters will need to register by visiting:

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## SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

### World Fair Trade Saturday – 9th May 2020

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### Interfaith Day of Prayer for an End to the Pandemic – 14th May 2020

Pope Francis has joined Muslim leaders in calling for an interreligious day of prayer on May 14th to help end the pandemic. Pope Francis has endorsed the call to “the believers of all the religions to unite together spiritually on May 14 in a day of prayer and fasting, to implore God to help humanity overcome the coronavirus pandemic.”

Pope Francis has also encouraged international cooperation to respond to the crisis. He has emphasized the importance that scientific efforts to find a vaccine are “transparent” and “the essential technologies be made universally available” so that every person receives the medical care they need.

### Happy Mother’s Day

The Social Justice Group wishes all mothers and grandmothers in our Parish a very happy Mother’s Day. We hope you enjoy your special day!

The sweetest sounds to mortals given  
Are heard in Mother, Home and Heaven”  
William Goldsmith Brown



The CatholicCare Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioner Program is one of the five charities

supported by the Diocese of Broken Bay CWF. In the midst of the Covid-19 Pandemic, our Pastoral Care Practitioners continue to provide invaluable faith based support to patients, their families and staff at our hospitals, however are not currently physically present in the wards.

### Peter Brown, Pastoral Care Team Leader with support from the Pastoral Care Practitioners based across the seven hospitals in our Diocese provided the following reflections

*(As at 30 April, 2020) only our Priests have been allowed to attend the hospitals to administer the Sacraments to Catholic patients in emergencies/end of life situations. We sincerely thank those Priests who have answered the call. They have demonstrated that pastoral care is considered an “essential service” as part of a holistic approach to supporting patients who are critically ill. We know that our role as lay Pastoral Care Practitioners is complementary to our Priests’ Sacramental role, which is why we have encouraged hospital patients to connect with us by mobile phone and internet, and provided links to online resources for their spiritual nourishment, especially during Holy Week and over the Easter long weekend. Through the use of technology we have had increased contact with each other as a team and drawn great support from our shared experiences and learnings.*

*As a result of our reduced face to face time with patients, we have had greater opportunity to connect, via telephone, with many of our hospital colleagues who have courageously remained on the frontline, including clinical staff on the wards, social workers, reception staff and the Coordinators of our Chaplaincy Departments.*

We offer our prayers to all those who are sick or caring for the sick and to our dedicated Priests and Pastoral Care Practitioners.

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# The Word

**Sunday 10 May 2020: Fifth Sunday of Easter**

## First Reading

From the Acts of the Apostles Acts 6:1-7

*They elected seven men filled with the Spirit and wisdom.*

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

The Word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 32:1-2. 4-5. 18-19. R. v.22

*(R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.*

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. *(R.)*
2. For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. *(R.)*
3. 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.)*

## Second Reading

From the letter of St Peter 1 Pt 2:4-9

*You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood.*

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed.

That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

The Word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

## Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John Jn 14:1-12

*I am the way, the truth, and the life.*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Trust in God still, and trust in me.

There are many rooms in my Father's house;

if there were not, I should have told you.

I am now going to prepare a place for you,

and after I have gone and prepared you a place,

I shall return to take you with me;

so that where I am

you may be too.

You know the way to the place where I am going.'

The Gospel of the Lord.