

### WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

### 10 September 2023, 23rd 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: 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 - Hall

## **Second Wednesday of Every Month**

Parish Catch Up Coffee Morning Archies, St Ives Village 10:30am

Every Friday (during term time) Lectio Divina; Hall & Zoom 10am

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

**First Friday of Every Month** Exposition/Adoration at 7pm followed by Mass at 7:30pm

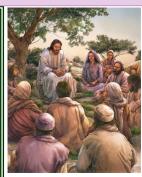
**Tuesday 12 September** 7:15pm Metanoia Series

**Wednesday 13 September** 10:30am Parish Coffee Catch-Up Archies coffee shop, St Ives

**Thursday 14 September** Parish Social Craft Group - Hall

Weekend of 16/17 Sept First Eucharist Ceremony Vigil & 10am Masses

Weekend of 23/24 Sept SJG Tibetan Fundraising w/end



For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.
(Gospel)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

The theme for this Sunday's liturgy is that of personal and communal growth. Being a human community, the Church always needs to find ways of relating with those who do not adhere to the values and standards which define it. In the first reading from Ezekiel, we learn that the prophet is authorised by the Lord to warn and correct those behaving in a malicious way. In fact, if one is not proactive in this regard, he or she is accountable. In the Gospel, St Matthew gives the New Testament context for altering any behaviour that could be identified as unchristian. This process of correction, with the steps detailed by Matthew, is always to be done in a relational way and grounded in prayer. Such behavioural issues have always been part of the Church, a community of people on the way who seek forgiveness rather than perfection. Today this Gospel calls each of us to live authentically as we witness to what it means to be people who forgive and are forgiven.

May God bless you, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

I will be away from the 15th—23rd of September leading a retreat for the Carmelite nuns based outside of Lismore.

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### Social Justice Corner

### **Annual Fundraiser for the Tibetan Community:** September 2023 POSTPONED TO 24/25 SEPTEMBER

Corpus Christi Parish has been supporting the Tibetan refugees living in the Northern Beaches for many years. Next weekend we will be holding our annual fundraising appeal after each Mass.

Donations received will be used to purchase prescription medication, fund the gap for hearing aids and provide other assistance to vulnerable Tibetan families when they first arrive in Australia. If you are unable to attend Mass that weekend, a donation can be transferred to the following account:

Northern Beaches Tibetan Health Fund

BSB: 06 2287

Account No: 1043 9094

Please note: donations are not tax deductible.

For further information, please email Cathy Butler: tibetanhealthfund@gmail.com or call 0401 393 051.

### PROPOSAL TO KEEP SUNDAY **5PM MASS TIME**

Dear Parishioners,

As you may be aware, our parish has been trialling 5pm Sunday Mass in the past few months. We have received very positive feedback about this new time, with many parishioners appreciating the activities that have begun to occur after Mass. These include Vine and Branches (wine, cheese and nibbles) and the High School Youth Group.

We hope these and other activities will continue, and propose to continue 5pm Sunday Mass beyond the trial end date of Sunday 24 August.

We invite you to provide your feedback using the form below. Please provide your feedback no later than Sunday 10 September, 2023.

Please contact the office (office@corpuschristi.com.au) or speak to one of us if you'd like more

information. Thank you for your

feedback.

Your Parish Council (Fr Greg Chee, Sherwell Fernando, Jen Perrott, Atat Li-Kim-Mui, John Goh, Cel Tria, Phil Liang, Edith Chan)



Please SCAN this QR code if you would like to complete an electronic form.



### Rite of Christian **Initiation of Adults** 2023/24

Everyone is invited to this year's RCIA, to explore what Catholics believe. The course is aimed at non-Catholics who may be interested in joining the Church, but is open to all Catholics

Sessions run for 1-1.5 hours each week. There is a video presentation followed by discussion and tea/coffee. We will start in mid September.

There are approximately 25 sessions, culminating in baptism at Easter. We take breaks during the school holidays. If you are interested, please contact Michelle or Christina at the Parish office on 9144 6998 or by email: office@corpuschristi.com.au

There are no costs involved.

### **CAN YOU HELP??**

One of our long time parishioners no longer drives and needs a lift to mass.

She is happy to attend either the Sunday 10am or 5pm mass. She lives close by in Alvona Avenue, St Ives. Could you please contact Michelle or Christina in the office on 9144 6998 or via email: office@corpuschristi.com.au if you are able to provide any assistance.



**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.



### **PARISH SOCIAL CRAFT GROUP**

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

Next get together **Thursday 14 September 2023** @ 10.30am in the Parish Hall.

Eng.: Angela 0405 507 982



# Morning Chat with a cuppa

Come and join us for refreshments after the 8:00 am Mass on Sunday, 10 September.

Catch up with old friends,

Make new friends.

We are looking forward to seeing you!

# **Prayer Zone**



### Please pray for the ill:

Fr Sergio Chauira; Jessie Chang; Brendan Seeto; 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; Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Thi Nguyen; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, 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 Michelle or Christina know.

### FEAST DAYS SEPTEMBER

Wed 13th, St John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor Thurs 14th, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Fri 15th, Our Lady of Sorrows Sat 16th, Sts Cornelius, pope, martyr and Cyprian, bishop, martyr Wed 20th, Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, priest, martyr, Paul Chong Ha-sang & companions,

martyrs
Thurs 21st St Matthew, apostle, evangelist

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The Corpus Christi Parish and the Diocese of Broken Bay are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community.

Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, may we work to build and support safe communities for all people.

You can find out mor about the Church's work in this area at:

www.catholic.au/s/article/safeguardingsunday2023



# POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

### For People Living on the Margins

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of less importance.

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### The Catenians

### Strengthening family life through friendship and faith

Catenians meet every month to pray together, to enjoy each others' company and to support their Clergy and Parishes.

For further information phone President - John White 0439 851 910 Secretary - David Conoulty 0412 267 538

### The Word

### Sunday 10 September 2023, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Collect

O'God by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. 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 Ezekiel Ez 33:7-9

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.' The Word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm** 94:1-2.6-9. R. v.8 (R.) O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

- 1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
- 2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
- 3. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

### **Second Reading**

From the letter of St Paul to the Romans 13:8-10 Love is the fulfilment of the Law.

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments. The Word of the Lord.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 18:15-20

If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector. 'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven. 'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.' The Gospel of the Lord.