

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

11 May 2025, Fourth Sunday of Easter

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 14 May Wild Goose - Parish Hall

Wednesday 14 May Parish Coffee Catch Up Archies

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.



Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

We continue listening to the Gospel of John but now from Jesus' parable of himself as the Good Shepherd. Today we hear Jesus summing up the meaning of his story of which we will hear more in coming days. We hear of Jesus' connections with his sheep and with the Father. With his sheep, the connection is individual, personal: shepherd and sheep know and trust each other's voice.

In the ancient world, flocks of sheep and goats were small; each animal had a name. Every morning, the shepherd would call his flock to go out to pasture, calling each animal by its name. Jesus knows me and call me by my name; I can trust him. The sheep are utterly safe with the Shepherd: nothing can snatch them away from him. Just so, Jesus and the Father are so close that nothing can snatch Jesus out of the Father's hand. So close are Jesus and the Father that they are one, one in mind and heart. The reading from Acts begins to tell the stories of this good news of God's love for us being taken beyond Judaism to the Gentile world, a very challenging mission.

On this special day, we wish all mothers, grandmothers, aunts and mother figures a very happy Mother's Day.

We also congratulate the newly elected Pope Leo XIV who wants the peace of Christ to enter our hearts and our families like the Good Shepherd Jesus.

God Bless, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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You can now find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/CorpusChristiChurchStIves and Instagram www.instagram.com/CorpusChristiStIves



Parish Office Administrator – Permanent Part-Time Position (Job Share)

We are seeking a friendly, organized, and reliable Office Administrator to join our welcoming Parish Office team on a permanent part-time basis.

About the Role:

You will provide support for administrative and financial record keeping ensuring the smooth operation of our parish office. Your duties will include general office administration, communication with parishioners, maintaining records, and assisting with financial processes.

Key Responsibilities:

- General reception and administrative duties
- Preparation of correspondence, newsletters, and reports
- Data entry and record keeping
- Basic bookkeeping using MYOB (including payroll)
- Banking and payments
- Supporting parish activities and events as needed

Skills and Experience:

- Proficiency in Microsoft Word and Excel
- Experience with MYOB preferred
- Strong organizational and communication skills
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Friendly, professional manner and commitment to confidentiality

Position Details:

- Permanent part-time role
- Working with Children Check required (WWCC)
- Office hours— 9am to 4pm

If you are passionate about contributing to the life of the parish and have the skills we are looking for, we would love to hear from you!

How to Apply:

Please submit your resume and a cover letter to Michelle Miles at michelle@corpuschristi.com.au by 24 May 2025.





Social Justice Corner



Voices of Resilience: Human Library Event

The Northern Beaches Multicultural Network have extended an invitation to our parish to celebrate Refugee Week at a free Human Library event.

Voices of Resilience is a Human Library event where participants can "check out" human books who are refugees sharing personal stories of resilience, courage, and hope. This event aims to foster empathy, challenge stereotypes, and promote inclusion by encouraging dialogue between refugees and the wider community.

Local author Melinda Ham will be the event MC and guest speaker. Melinda is the author of *The Lucky Ones: Stories of Australian Refugee Journeys* published in 2024. Catering will be provided, and the event will also feature musical performances.

Date: Saturday, 21 June 2025

Time: 9.45am – 12pm (midday)

Venue: Westfield Community Room, (near

Hoyts), Warringah Mall, Enter via Old

Pittwater Rd, Brookvale

Cost: Free

Registration is essential for catering purposes. To register go to: <u>Human Library: Voices of Resilience</u>

Happy Mother's Day

The Social Justice Group wish all mothers and everyone within the parish who has a "mothering" role a very happy Mother's Day. Enjoy your special day!



Corpus Christi School Open Day Wednesday, 14 May

The school will be holding an Open Day on Wednesday 14 May. While the school has asked parents not to utilise the church carpark, please note that parking may be limited on the day, so those attending the 9:00am Mass are advised to allow extra time for arrival.

Prayer Zone



Anniversary: John Shoppee

Please pray for the ill:

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; Naomi Upton; Vanessa Park;
Rebecca Davies; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh;
Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle
Sok; Thi Nguyen; Carmel Hadley; 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 - MAY

Wed 14th, St Matthias, apostle Sat 24th, Our Lady, Help of Christians Mon 26th, St Philip Neri, priest Sat 31st, The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary





POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION

FOR MAY

For working conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanised.



The Diocese of Broken Bay has launched the Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) May Appeal. The Appeal

supports various charities in our diocesan community, particularly the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) and the Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Program. PWBB also supports St Lucy's School and St Edmund's College for students with disabilities, and the Ephpheta Centre supports the deaf community.

This financial year, Corpus Christi has been asked to contribute to the charity works of our diocese with \$29, 864. These ministries need our community's generosity as they get little or no Government funding. Please consider helping us reach this year's goal. You can donate any time, not only during May or November. *All donations over \$2 are tax deductible if you donate via the envelopes or Good Giving App!*

On the 18th and 25th of May we will be taking a third collection to raise funds for PWBB.



You Are Invited!

Please join the Ku-ring-gai Interchurch Group for a special *Prayer for Christian Unity* service.

Date: Thursday, 5 June **Time:** 11:00 am (1 hour service)

Location: Gordon Pymble Uniting Church

1 Livingstone Avenue, Pymble

Come together in faith and fellowship as we pray for unity among Christians.

WHY WE DO The Things We Do

Why do we have a Prayer of the Faithful?

In these prayers (also called Intercessions) the congregation intercedes for all humanity. We pray that the Church will be a life-giving sign of salvation to the world. We pray for Church leaders and public authorities, for those oppressed by various needs, and for all people. In making these petitions we are conscious that the Church exists for others rather than simply for its own sake.

United at the eucharistic table as the body of Christ, we are powerfully equipped to reach out as a loving and liberating force in the world.



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

SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING WEDNESDAY 21ST MAY 2025 AT OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CHURCH 94 ARCHER STREET CHATSWOOD COMMENCING WITH MASS AT 6.30 PM

OUR MASS CELEBRANT AND AFTER DINNER
SPEAKER WILL BE FATHER DAVID RANSON
OUR VICAR GENERAL AND PARISH PRIEST OF
OUR LADY OF DOLOURS
CATHOLIC PARISH CHATSWOOD
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 Henry or Anna Leung on **0478 083 116** or email **annayytleung@yahoo.com.au**

Alternatively telephone Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email **terry_scanlan@bigpond.com**

Please join us for Morning Tea
After the 8am Mass
Sunday, 11th May
Please bring a small plate to share if you
can.

Catch up with old friends and meet new friends.

We look forward to see you then.



FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL (7th-18th October 2025)

Fr. Joseph Panackal IVdei invites you to journey in the footsteps of St. Paul, reliving the Acts of the Apostles and exploring the letters of the New Testament. Explore Greece & Turkey in this 12-day pilgrimage for a price of \$8290 + tips (20+ pilgrims).

SHRINES OF OUR LADY (18th Aug- 3rd September 2025)

Fr Johnson Malayil, CRS, would like to invite you for a 16-day Jubilee pilgrimage, departing on the 18th of August 2025. This pilgrimage features Fatima, Avila, Loyola, Lourdes, Turin, Milan, Padua, Assisi, Rotondo, and Rome for an all-inclusive price of \$8890 + tips (30+ pilgrims). The fare includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in 4-star Premium Hotels, Catholic priest, Meals + English speaking professional guides + Entrances as per itinerary and more. or inquiries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or email us pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au



Strength and Gentleness

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Wednesday 14th May 2025 8:45am to 10:30am and 6pm to 7pm

To register: www.bit.ly/corpusopenday Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School, St Ives (02) 7256 2114 | www.ccsidbb.catholic.edu.au





You Are Invited to a Special Celebration

Join us for a joyful
Mass to mark the
100th Anniversary of
the Canonization of
St Thérèse of
Lisieux—a beloved
saint known for her

"little way" of love and trust in God.

The celebration will take place at **St Mary's Cathedral** on **Saturday**, **17th May at 12 noon**, with **Fr Gerard Moran OCD** as the celebrant.

Come and share in this beautiful occasion of faith and thanksgiving.

All are very welcome!



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

When May 3, 10am - 4pm Hope: Present and Eternal

Presenter: Mr Matthew Delasey, OCDS

When: June 7, 10am - 4pm The Roses of St Therese

Presenter: Ms Jill Ditton, OCDS

When: June 12-13 or 13 June

The Artistic and Spiritual Dimensions of the Christmas

Story

Presenter: Mr John Charadia & Artist Tutors

When: June 20-22 6pm (Fri) to 12:30pm (Sun)

Let yourself Be Loved

Presenter: Fr Gerard Moran, OCD



IGNITE CONFERENCE 2025 APPLICATION FOR DIOCESAN 50% DISCOUNT DEADLINE 12 MAY 2025 No payment required, this is simply to go in the running for the code to get a half price ticket.

Please register via: bit.ly/43W5iEf or via the QR code above.

Only those that register for the code will be able to apply for the parish subsidy.



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The Word

Sunday 11 May 2025: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, lead us to a share in the joys of heaven, so that the humble flock may reach where the brave Shepherd has gone before. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

First Reading

From the Acts of the Apostles Acts 13:14, 43-52

We are now turning to the gentiles. Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats. When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them. The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said: I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.' It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside. But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 99:1-3. 5. R. v.3

The Word of the Lord.

(R.) We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

- 1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy. (*R*.)
- 2. Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock. (R.)
- 3. Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading

From the book of the Apocalypse Rv 7:9, 14-17

The Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water. I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.' The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John Jn 10:27-30

I give my sheep eternal life.

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life; they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me.

The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.'

The Gospel of the Lord.