

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

12th October 2025, 28th 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 10am in the Parish Hall

Every Thursday

Bible Study with Fr. Sunny-7:30pm in Church

Every Second Thursday of the Month

Anointing of the Sick - 9am



Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

(Gospel)

Dear parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

We are usually pretty good at creating an 'us' against a 'them' mentality. Think of sports teams, different areas of your town/city, genders, ethnic origins, political parties, religions... the list goes on.

It can be a wakeup call to recognize when we use 'we' or 'us' in a sentence.

The readings today make a big call for widening that sense of 'we', or recognizing the value in the 'other'.

Perhaps we can be proud of our own faith, culture, etc., but also open to learn and appreciate whatever lies outside of them.

For Elisha, it was Naaman the commander of the Syrian army.

For Paul, a devout Jew, he enlarged the place of his tent by reaching out to the gentiles.

And for Jesus and his disciples, it was the Samaritan leper.

The best examples of faith are in those we least expect. And, like Paul, we can even suffer for those who are not like us. In reaching across the invisible boundaries between us, we might discover something wonderful. The 'other' may bless our lives in unlikely ways, and we may bless them. Our differences are not so great after all. What a reason to celebrate! That is surely a reason to return and give thanks to God.

May God bless you, Fr Greg

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



PIETY STALL

We are still looking for volunteers to help at the Piety Stall. If you can stay behind after Mass for just ten minutes, please contact Karin on 0412 373 668.

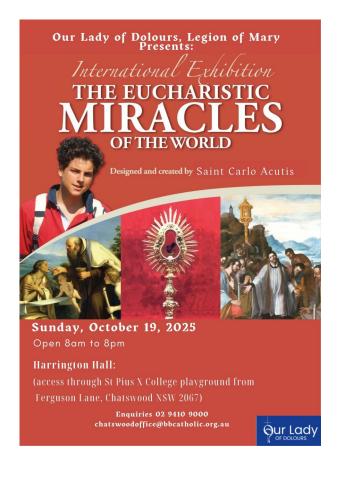
Your help is a meaningful way to support the parish and is greatly appreciated.

Our Piety Stall has been restocked with many lovely new items! Keep an eye out in November for Christmas gifts and decorations.

The stall will be open after all Masses — a wonderful opportunity to find something special for your family or as a thoughtful gift.

If you'd like to order something specific, please get in touch with Karin. She can arrange Christmas candles and other items and any other special orders for you.





Discover Palms Volunteering

Develop community self-reliance and create lasting change!

A number of overseas communities in Asia and the Pacific are seeking Australian Catholics for Global Mission. For those of the faithful who hear the call we are offering an opportunity to live and use their professional expertise to mentor others in an overseas community.

Palms is holding a webinar on **Thursday 30 October** 7pm – 8.30pm **AEDT** for all those interested to know more of the mission life.

Discover Palms International Volunteering <u>online</u> in this special session where you'll chat with past Palms volunteers and hear how skill-exchange makes a lasting impact in communities. Explore our <u>unique opportunities</u> and match your life experience to the experience of a lifetime!

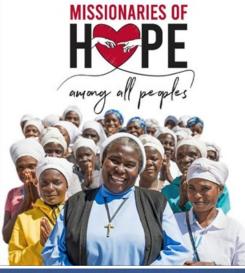
Venue: Online- Scan the QR or register at <u>palms.org.au/events</u>

Date: Thursday 30 October 2025

Time: 7 pm - 8.30 pm AEDT (NSW/VIC/ACT/TAS)

PH: 02 9560 5333 <u>palms@palms.org.au</u>





This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Zambia to help women overcome poverty and mothers give birth safely.

The Women's Cooperative, led by Sr Jane will provide women with the training and support required to break the cycle of scarcity, and the Chilonga Mission Hospital is determined to ensure every woman and baby receives a safe and dignified start to life.

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to be 'Missionaries of hope among all peoples', and we invite you to extend Christ's love to those in need in Zambia. You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/mission, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.



Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/mission









Borrowing Tomorrow: A Cry From The Earth

(Cottage Weekend Retreat) 24 - 26 Oct 2025 By Sr Antonia Curtis and Dr John Lee

In this retreat, we will look honestly at the reality of the world we live in with its struggle to keep the beauty and richness of God's creation alive.

Retreat Cost: \$150 + accommodation cost.

Upcoming Retreat at Jamberoo Abbey For more information contact

onlineretreat@ jamberooabbey.org.au

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER



FOR COLLABORATION
BETWEEN DIFFERENT
RELIGIOUS TRADITIONS

LET US PRAY THAT BELIEVERS IN DIFFERENT RELIGIOUS TRADITIONS MIGHT WORK TOGETHER TO DEFEND AND PROMOTE PEACE, JUSTICE AND HUMAN FRATERNITY.

WHY WE DO The Things We Do

The Cross

Is the cross you wear around your neck just an attractive piece of jewelry to you? Have you ever pondered the startling paradox of this symbol? After all, in Jesus' day the cross was an instrument of execution. The repugnance of such an idea highlights the radical edge of the Gospel. Jesus' life led to suffering, loss, failure and even death. Yet it was precisely through self-sacrifice that the resurrection was possible. As Christian we are called to life by walking the way of the cross. Not a religion for the faint-hearted! The key is the response of Jesus, no greater love than one person lays down his life for another.



For more information on the Carmelite Retreat Program, please visit

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

When: October 17th to 19th 6pm-12:30

Finding Inner Peace in a Chaotic World: The Timeless Wisdom of St. Teresa of Avila

Presenter: Ransom Rapirap, OCD

When: November 1st 10am-4pm

The Beatitudes

Presenter: George Morkel, OCD

When: December 6th 10am-4pm

Darkness & Light: Embracing the mystery of Advent in the teaching of St. John of the Cross

Presenter: Fr. Ransom Rapirap

Prayer Zone



Please pray for the ill:

Margot Hallaran; Carmel Hadley; Luigia Bressi; Patricia Chaves; 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; 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.

FEAST DAYS OCTOBER

Wed 15th, St Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor Fri 17th, St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr Sat 18th, St Luke, evangelist Tue 28th, Sts Simon and Jude, apostles

PARISH BULLETIN NOTICES

If you would like something included in the weekly parish bulletin, please contact the parish office by phone or email.

The deadline for submissions is **Wednesday at midday** for the coming weekend.

Thank you,

office@corpuschristi.com.au ph: 91446998

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.



Rose Petal afternoon prayer

with St Therese

Through prayer and Adoration, enter into the Little Way of trust and love of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, and ask for Saint Thérèse's intercession by individually addressing and writing letters of intercession to her.

TALK BY FR ALOYSIUS REGO, OCD
THEN MASS AT 5PM
FOLLOWED BY A LIGHT SUPPER

AN AFTERNOON OF
PRAISE & WORSHIP | REFLECTION
OPENING LAST YEAR'S LETTERS | ADORATION
WRITING NEW PRAYER LETTER | NOVENA

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH
263 MONA VALE RD, ST IVES

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19TH 2:30-4:45 PM

FOR MORE INFO: 0414 317 431 ATAT 0494 176 992 O'KELLY



Transport help needed

A former parishioner who is back in the area is asking for transportation help to go to Church for Sunday morning Mass. She lives in North Turramurra. Please call or email the office if you can help and would like to be added to a roster. Thank you

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Footprints Mass

Pregnancy & Infant Loss

Remembrance Mass

Wednesday 15.10.2025 6:30pm

Whether the death of a child happened recently or many years ago, parents, grandparents, family and friends are invited to participate in a special Mass of Remembrance, to honour the brief life of the children who died too soon through miscarriage, stillbirth and infant death.

Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood Parish 94 Archer Street Chatswood 2067



Our Lady

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PARISH SOCIAL CRAFT GROUP

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

Thursday 16th October 2025

10am in the Parish Hall. Eng.: Angela 0405 507 982

MEN'S RETREAT:

Learning Abandonment to Friendship with Jesus

November 7-9, 2025

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STUDENT PRAYER

Lord, we ask for your blessing on our students undertaking HSC examinations over the coming weeks. Grant them the confidence they deserve from their years of diligent study. Grant them the ability to comprehend questions and effectively plan and articulate their responses. May they be enriched by the gifts of the Holy Spirit with Wisdom, Understanding, Fortitude and Knowledge. May their faith and piety give them the strength to face these examinations and the satisfaction of achieving their best. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen.



Social Justice Corner



Raising Hope for Climate Justice

Marking the tenth anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si', Pope Leo XIV recently addressed participants in the Raising Hope Conference. In his address, the Pope expressed gratitude for the encyclical's legacy, noting how its message has inspired schools, dioceses, academic programmes, and international dialogue.

While recalling the achievements of the past decade, Pope Leo emphasised that the challenges identified in Laudato Si' are "even more relevant today than they were ten years ago." He noted these challenges are not only political and social, but also spiritual, calling for what Pope Francis described as a "conversion of heart."

Quoting Pope Francis' description of Saint
Francis of Assisi, the Holy Father reminded
participants that ecological concern, justice for
the poor, social commitment, and inner peace are
inseparable. Looking ahead to upcoming global
summits, including COP30 and the UN's 2026
Water Conference, the Pope urged leaders to heed
the cries of "the Earth and the poor, families,
indigenous peoples, involuntary migrants and
believers throughout the world."

Concluding his address, Pope Leo asked the question: "God will ask us if we have cultivated and cared for the world that He created, and if we have taken care of our brothers and sisters. What will be our answer?"

Source: Vatican News





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The Word

Sunday 12th of October 2025: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collect

May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works.

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

A reading from the second book of the Kings 2 Kgs 5:14-17

Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child. Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said, 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2

(R) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

- 1. Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. (R.)
- 2. The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. (R.)
- 3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. (R.)

Second Reading

From the second letter of St Paul to Timothy 2 Tm 2:8-13

If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.

Remember the Good News that I carry. 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on:

If we have died with him, then we shall live with him. If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him. If we disown him, then he will disown us.

We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful, for he cannot disown his own self.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
For all things give thanks to God,
because this is what he expects of you in Christ
Jesus.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke Lk 17:11-19

It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

The Gospel of the Lord.