

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

12 May 2019 - 4th Sunday of Easter

Parish Mass Times: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 6:30am Thursday: 9:15am Saturday: 9:00am, 6:00pm (vigil) Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 6:00pm Public Holiday: 9:00am Youth Mass: 6:00pm (1st Sunday of month) Baptism: Fourth Sunday of each month by appointment
Wedding: Contact Parish Office at least 6 months prior notice
Morning Prayer: Monday - Wednesday & Friday: 6:10am Thursday: 8:40am
Anointing of Sick: 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:15am 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 Friday (during term time) Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Greg 10-11am, Hall Boardroom

Every Thursday Prayer Group prior to mass 8:40am

May

Sunday 12 May Mothers' Day Senior Choir 9am-11am

Sunday 19 May Junior Choir 9am-11am

Sunday 26 May Senior Choir



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, May is the month of Mary who is the Mother of God, our spiritual Mother on this Mothers' Day. What is the connection between Mary, ourselves and the Holy Spirit? To give some insight into the above question, I would like to introduce you briefly to Maximilian Kolbe. I would simply like

to relate one incident in his life and his answer to the above question, which has been ratified by the Church because he is a canonised saint.

The One Incident: Kolbe was a prisoner in Auschwitz concentration camp. A prisoner escaped and the authorities lined up the prisoners and randomly chose ten men to be executed as a payback. One prisoner when he was selected for execution exclaimed: 'O my wife, my children.' Maximilian said, "I will take his place." That prisoner was freed and Maximilian died in his place. This prisoner was later reunited with his family and he was present at the canonisation of Maximilian. With what appreciation and heartfelt gratitude would the freed prisoner have for Maximilian!

That is exactly what Jesus has done for you, me, members of your family. The difference is that Jesus died to save us some 2000 years ago and we have no imminent threat to our lives. But if we were in that freed prisoners shoes we would feel deep gratitude and appreciation!

No greater love has one than a person who lays down his life for another.

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What's on...

Every First Friday, 7-8pm, Holy Hour for Vocations. Adoration, reflection, evening prayer of the Church. St Agatha's Parish, Pennant Hills. Email: vocations.ministry@dbb.org.au

Every Last Wednesday, 7-9pm, A Discernment Evening for young adults (18-35) who meet together once a month in order to pray, ask questions and discover their individual vocations or lifetime call from God. St Agatha's Parish, Pennant Hills. Email: vocations.ministry@dbb.org.au

CESSATION OF ACCOMMODATED RETREATS AT THE CARMELITE RETREAT CENTRE

It is with regret that, due to financial considerations, the Discalced Carmelite friars have decided to cease their accommodated (live-in) retreats programme with effect from the end of 2019.

The friars are aware that the ending of accommodated retreats, for both group and private retreatants, will be a loss to both themselves, the long term faithful retreat clientele and the Church at large.

Although the accommodated retreats are being ended, the friars will not be ceasing work at the centre. The friars are still eager to share and promote Carmelite spirituality and will continue to offer day retreats.

To take advantage of one of the retreats being offered in 2019 see the calendar at http://carmeliteretreats.com.au/calendar/

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL UPDATE:

Confirmation for Year 2 Our Year 2 children are going to be preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation these coming weeks. Please keep those children in your prayers as they prepare for their special day on Friday 21st June at 7pm.

Youth Rock/Family Mass We look forward to seeing many of our families at our next whole school Mass for the year on *Sunday 26th May*. As you know this is part of the parish Youth Rock Mass which is the 4th Sunday of the month at *6PM*. All family Masses this year will be whole school Masses, this upcoming Mass will be led by the children of Stage 2. We hope to see as many of you as possible for our celebration of the Eucharist. Please keep these dates for our family Masses free in your diary:

Sunday 26 May

Sunday 23 May

Sunday 28 July

Sunday 22 September

Sunday 27 October

Sunday 24 November

Prayer Zone



Recently Deceased:

Carmen Vella (the Camilleri's grandmother)

Please pray for the ill:

Rebecca Anderson; Maria and Jack Garcia; Tony
Lee; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis
Crinitti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley;
Clara Di Mauro; Tom Brewer; Anne Baillie,
Francesco Macolino, Carmel Hurrell, Mary
Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier,
Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, Carol-Anne
Campbell, Jennifer Nancarro, Gina Jaksetic,
Jeannie, Gracie Spencer, Brendan Stone,
John Michael Walsh

Please let the office know of any changes to the ill.

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.

Ku-Ring-Gai Interchurch Group

We will be praying for St Swithun's Anglican Church at Pymble and for Reverend Dr Roger Chilton.

CARMELITE RETREAT PROGRAM *:

Weekend Retreat: Mary MacKillop, Woman of Faith and Vision May 17—19 Presenter: Sr Ann Morrison, RSJ Cost: \$300 (concessions apply) "Believe the whisperings of God to your own heart"

Week Retreat: A week with the Carmelite Saints May 27 - June 2 Presenter: Fr Aloysius Rego, OCD Cost: \$800 (concessions apply) How can the Carmelite Saints guide us in our journey to intimacy with God?

Directed Retreat:

May 27– June 2 Cost: \$800 A time of reflection and prayer on your own spiritual journey with the help of a director.

The retreats are held at the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville NSW 2566. For information of any of the retreats, please call 8795 3400 or email: retreats@carmelite.com. www.carmeliteretreats.com.au

* Please note, that at the end of 2019 the Carmelite Retreat programmes will no longer continue due to the high cost involved.



Supporting the CWF puts your gift to work in your local faith community.

"How marvellous it would be, if at the end of the day, each of us could say: today I have performed an act of charity towards others" - Pope Francis

The Charitable Works Fund is working every day to support faith-based services for the people of the Diocese of Broken Bay.

Supporting the CWF puts your gift to work in our local faith community.

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CatholicCare Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioner Program – where five Pastoral Care Practitioners reach over 3,000 patients, 700 families and over 180 hospital staff each year across seven hospitals in our Diocese.

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine – creating and updating teaching materials and training catechists who minister to public school students across the Diocese.

St Lucy's School – for primary school students with disabilities.

St Edmund's College – for secondary school students with disabilities.

Ephpheta Centre - serving the Catholic deaf community.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY



Church in Africa

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for the continent.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY-2-9 JUNE 2019

Tuesday 4 June at 7pm. Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble. Please see notice board in the foyer.

CAR PARKING FOR MASSES ON THE WEEKEND

We are free to use the parking at the front and rear of the Church and the school grounds as always.

But the St Ives Occasional Care is private property. They are happy for us to use their carpark on weekends provided we do not use the **NO PARKING** spot closest to the driveway off Mona Vale Road.

They also would want us to respect the gardener who uses the **NO PARKING** spot for his tools and machines.

On the weekends we may use the reserved spots. Thank you for your consideration.



SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

BISHOPS STATEMENT: POLITICS IN SERVICE OF PEACE

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference statement for the 2019 Federal Election draws attention to the needs of those who are poor or vulnerable, including the homeless, survivors of child sexual abuse, people with disability, asylum seekers and refugees, and those requiring aged or palliative care. It calls for a renewed commitment to closing the gap between Indigenous Australians and the rest of the population, and for "an integrated approach to combatting poverty, restoring dignity to the excluded and at the same time protecting nature". For a copy of the statement go to:

https://www.catholic.org.au/acbc-media/media-centre/media-releases-new/2186-election-statement-politics-in-service-of-peace/file

SINGING UP COUNTRY: SPIRIT AND LAND 2019 You are invited to "Singing Up Country: Spirit and Land 2019", an official Gaimaragal Festival Event to be held on Sunday, 2nd June 2019 at St Anthony in the Fields, 46 Myoora Rd, Terrey Hills. The event will start at 4.30pm with a smoking ceremony and includes culture, music, dance and story. Tim Gray will be present, as well as special guests Michael Birk and statesman of jazz, Johnny Nicol.

The event is being hosted by the Frenchs Forest Catholic Parish Social Justice Group in partnership with the Northern Beaches Aboriginal Community. It is part of the ongoing "Sharing the Story, Sharing the Land" initiative. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please bring your friends along. It will be a wonderful event. Tickets: \$30 includes soup and a sausage sizzle. \$20 Concession. Children under 13 Free. To book go to:www.trybooking.com/BBQZB

SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE

A culture of Safeguarding values DIGNITY...
"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love." - John 15:9

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.



Starts this coming week!!! Tuesday 14 May 2019 7pm sharp! Limited Places Left

Once quota is filled, new registrations will be placed on the list for the next Alpha beginning on Tuesday 27 August 2019. The participant will be notified they have been put on the August list - same time - same place

Enquries to Jen Perrott at jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au or on line Register at: www.bbcatholic.org.au/stives-alpha

Alpha

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring some of life's big questions. There's no pressure, no follow-up and no charge.

alpha.org.au

What is the connection between Mary, Ourselves and the Holy Spirit? (Cont.. from page 1)

.....Maximilian's answer to the connection between Mary, ourselves and the Holy Spirit: At Lourdes, St Bernadette had a vision of a beautiful lady and she asked "Who are you?" Mary answered: "I am the Immaculate Conception." She didn't say "I am immaculately conceived."

This puzzled Maximilian until he realised that the Holy Spirit is the uncreated Immaculate Conception because He proceeds from the Father, and the Son as we pray in the Creed. He is equal in majesty and glory to the Father and the Son. He is God Holy Spirit wise.

Mary is the created Immaculate Conception. She is perfectly united to the Holy Spirit, because she is conceived without sin, never sinned and always does the will of God perfectly. She allows the Holy Spirit to overshadow her, take possession of her soul and bear fruit through her.

The Holy Spirit delights in always working in and through Mary to save us who are made in God's image, first by bringing about the



Incarnation in her womb (the greatest miracle ever) and then by making use of her to form the image of her Son in all the baptised and confirmed.

Kolbe invites us to ponder even more deeply the

relationship between Mary and the Holy Spirit, a relationship that goes even deeper than that of marriage. Hence she is described as the daughter of the Father, the Mother of the Son and the Spouse of the Spirit.

If you want the Holy Spirit to act powerfully in your life and the lives of members of your family then ask Mary to pray three Hail Mary's slowly or a decade of the rosary daily for you and your family to allow the gifts and



the fruits of the Spirit to be released in your life and theirs. Her prayers are very powerful and she is our spiritual mother and we know how mothers are for their

children.

Alpha and the Holy Spirit: We are baptised and confirmed Christians. Gifts such as wisdom, understanding, fortitude etc are given in confirmation. Why after confirmation do we not see these manifested in the lives of the newly confirmed?

The gifts are given, wrapped up in gift packages. They need to be unwrapped before they are seen to manifest in our lives. This happens as we make a sincere effort to respond totally to Jesus by giving our heart to Him. Alpha facilitates this response. This gift of self is greatly aided if we ask Mary to help us so act. After all she is our Mother!

Happy Mothers' Day! From Frs Greg, Johny and Parish Office staff.

REMINDER - Alpha starts this coming week!!!
Tuesday 14 May 2019 - 7pm sharp!

Limited Places Left

Enquiries: Jen Perrott at jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au or (02) 9144 6998

Register at: www.bbcatholic.org.au/stives-alpha

Ministry Rosters

(Week 5) 11/12 May	Vigil 6.00pm	8.00a.m.	10.00a.m.	6.00p.m.
LECTORS	Minda Licuanan	Marie Lo	Drew Bowie Christian Hoogewerf	Daniel Anania
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION	Karen McEwen Minda Licuanan Andrew Sim	James Cheah Kathy Lee Greg & Tania Murray Raymond Tsui	Denise Carmody Marina Albuquerque Gerry & Cheryl Hoy John & Betty Goh Bev Howie	O'KellyTam
WELCOMING MINISTRY	Ruby Camilleri Charlie Camilleri	Jan Martin Margaret Summersgill Fran Lerner	Jean Lee John O'Connell	Beverley Hannan Sara Figueroa
WARDENS		Frank Bosci	Charles Thomson	Sid Veyret
PIETY STALL	Cheryl Doyle			Ira Rozali
MUSICIAN	Josephine Edwards Belinda Camilleri Liz Sim	Tamaryn Harris Miho Hachigo	Parish Choir	Jacinta Ching Marianne Ching Jason Licuanan
CHILDREN'S LIT.			Bev Howie	
COUNTERS	Pat Dayton	Chris Dayton	Aub Crawley	Peter Jackson
ALTAR LINEN	Anne White			
ALTAR SOCIETY			MORNING TEA	Wehrhahn Family
FLORAL ARRANGER	Margareth Sidhu Judy Henville			

Turramurra Hs	Private Homes C	Private Homes D	Kari Court
Geoffrey Gibbons	Jacqui Gooley	Jacqui Gooley	Jacqui Gooley

(Week 6) 18/19 May	Vigil 6.00pm	8.00a.m.	10.00a.m.	6.00p.m.
LECTORS	Claude Jugmans	Julia Gibson	Linda Taneja	Diann Hynes
	Ray Armstrong		Julie Tregale	Chris Hannan
EXTRAORDINARY	Phil Davies	Marie Lo	Crystal D'Souza	Virginia Anania
MINISTER OF HOLY	Jan Davies	Carmel McIntosh	Majella Egan	Daniel Anania
COMMUNION	Ed Wales	Zelia Caldeira	Sue Ruberu	Diann & John Hynes
	Catherine Wales	Rosa Price	Francisca Silvianty	
			Jean Lee	
WELCOMING	Colleen McMillan	Laura Su	Monica Moldrich	Rachel Blake
MINISTRY	Jill Royle	Jenny Lloyd	Eva Stautner	Elaine Dignan
	Janet Lee	Carmel McIntosh	Indira Gomez	
	Shirley Lockett			
WARDENS		Hector Fernandes	John O'Connell	Matthew Dmello
PIETY STALL	Minda Licuanan			Virginia Anania
MUSICIAN	Martin Stebbings	Trevor Housley	Junior Choir	Miki Hachigo
	Miho Hachigo			Daniel Full
CHILDREN'S LIT.			Bev Howie	
COUNTERS	Patty Bowie	Elly Wignell	Jenny Lloyd	A 100
ALTAR LINEN	Clara Myoung			
ALTAR SOCIETY	Kathy Lee		MORNING TEA	Joan and Tom Beram
FLORAL ARRANGER	Tammy Malouf			
	Helen Russett			

Turramurra Hs	Private Homes C	Private Homes D	Kari Court
Carmel McIntosh	Raymond Tsui	Raymond Tsui	Gerry Hoy

The Word

Sunday 12 May 2019: Fourth Sunday of Easter - Year C

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.

The Word of the Lord.

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

(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.)
- 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 plaque 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 eves.' 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.



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