CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH ST IVES

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

13 July 2025, 15th 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; Zoom 10am

Second Thursday

of Every Month Anointing of the Sick - 9am

Sunday 13th July 8am Morning Tea following mass

Friday 25th July Grandparent's Day School attending 9 am Mass

Sunday 3rd August Movie Night

Sunday 30th August Praise & Worship Afternoon

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A Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

God's mandate seems straightforward: 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength and all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.'

But what does this mean practically, in our everyday lives? Jesus provides the example of the Good Samaritan to demonstrate what loving our neighbour looks like. In our own lives, on any given day, we could be walking down the street and come across a person on the sidewalk, lying on a piece of cardboard, with a notice in front requesting money or assistance.

What do we do? What can we do? What would Jesus do? In that moment, we can stop and bend down and ask the person 'how can I help?' We can concretely demonstrate that 'we see you' and know you are worthy of care and attention. Such acts demonstrate concretely, God's love and concern toward others. We see you. We love you. We're here for you. Just as God is always here for us.

God Bless, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

PARISH OFFICE TEAM

Ed Wales, Parish Finance



Invitation to a special afternoon gathering on **Saturday**, **July 19th** with **Bruce Downes**.

We'll gather from 12:30 pm to 5:00 pm at Mary MacKillop Place, 80 William Street, North Sydney, for a time of worship, prayer, and teaching.

Please RSVP by email Info@BruceDownes.org

Once you do, we'll send you something to help prepare your heart.

And if someone comes to mind, a friend or loved one, bring them with you. Just send us their name and email.

For more information see brucedownes.org



Celebrating Michelle's Farewell

After over 10 years of dedicated service as our beloved parish secretary, Michelle is embarking on a new journey. Her warmth, kindness, and unwavering support have touched us all, and she will be deeply missed.

> Date: Time: Venue:

Tuesday, 15 July 2025 After the 9:00am Mass Parish Hall

Come and join us in gratitude to celebrate her, show our appreciation, and send her off with love and heartfelt best wishes.

Please feel free to bring a plate.

Social Justice Corner

Malala Day

Malala Day is observed every year on 12 July

to emphasise the vital importance of education for all, especially for girls and marginalised children. It honours the remarkable efforts of Malala Yousafzai, the youngest-ever Nobel Peace Prize laureate, who survived a Taliban assassination attempt at age 15 after publicly advocating for girls' education in Pakistan. Her resilience and dedication inspired a global movement and led to the creation of the Malala Fund, which fights for education equality worldwide.

Malala Day serves as a reminder of how education can transform lives and highlights the millions of girls who are still denied that fundamental right worldwide. Education is not only a human right – it is one of the most powerful tools for breaking cycles of poverty, promoting gender equality, and building peaceful, prosperous societies. Yet more than 120 million girls globally remain out of school due to barriers such as poverty, conflict, forced marriage, child labour, and systemic discrimination.

Malala Day is celebrated every year on July 12th, Malala Yousafzai's birthday. The date gained global recognition after Malala gave a historic speech at the United Nations on her 16th birthday in 2013, just months after surviving an attack that nearly ended her life. In that powerful speech, she declared: "One child, one teacher, one book, one pen can change the world."

Malala Day urges the world to face the realities that prevent millions of children, especially girls, from accessing even basic education. It challenges governments, institutions, and individuals to do more. It also honours the resilience of students and activists fighting for change despite enormous challenges.

Prayer Zone



Please pray for the ill:

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; 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 Daniela or

FEAST DAYS - JULY

Tues 15th, St Bonaventure, bishop, doctor Tues 22nd, St Mary Magdalene Fri 25th, St James, apostle Sat 26th, Sts Joachim and Anne, parents of Blessed Virgin Mary

Thank You for Supporting Pastoral Works Broken Bay

Over the past two months, we have witnessed the generosity and faith-filled spirit of our parishes across the Diocese as they rallied in support of **Pastoral Works Broken Bay**. We offer our heartfelt thanks to every parish, community group, and individual who contributed to this essential mission.

Your support directly sustains five key ministries that bring hope, compassion, and the love of Christ to those who need it most:

Hospital Chaplaincy & Pastoral Care Practitioners – providing spiritual and emotional care to over 3,000 patients each year in local hospitals.

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)– enabling over 700 volunteer catechists to teach the faith to more than 12,000 Catholic students in public schools. St Lucy's School and St Edmund's College– offering specialised education for children with disabilities. Ephpheta Centre – serving the Catholic deaf community through sacraments, pastoral care, and connection. Your kindness makes all this possible. Through your prayers and financial support, you are truly supporting the mission of Broken Bay.





EXPLORE LIFE BAITH MEANING

EVER WANTED TO BRING YOUR LOVED ONES TO KNOW GOD'S LOVE?

An Alpha Invitation To You, Your Family and Friends

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions where you can explore life's big questions in a relaxed, open environment. Each session includes a meal, a short talk, and a discussion where you can share your thoughts and questions. Whether you have a deep faith, exploring faith, new to church, or just curious, Alpha is for everyone.

This Alpha experience is a pilot, similar to our 2019 launch. If you've done Alpha before and want to join again or bring a friend, please contact Jen Perrott at jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au at your earliest.

Why Attend?

Explore life's big questions. Discover the basics of the Christian faith. Engage in open and honest discussions. Connect with a welcoming community. No pressure, just curiosity

Alpha Schedule

When:	Wednesday, 6 August 2025
Time:	7:00-9:00pm
Where:	Corpus Christi Parish Hall 263 Mona Vale Road St Ives 2075
Cost:	FREE
Register:	In the foyer OR
	Scan QR Code Scan me
RSVP:	Wednesday, 30 July 2025

NAGASAKI PEACE DAY in Sydney Prayer and Mass for Peace



平和を実現する人々は幸いである、その人たちは神の子と呼ばれる (マタイ 5・9) Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God (Mt. 5・9)

The Japanese Catholic Community of Sydney

invites you to join us in commemorating the 80th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Nagasaki and praying for world peace through the celebration of Mass.

- 💷 Date: Saturday, 9th August 2025
- 🕐 Time: 11:00 am 2:00 pm

 Venue: Holy Name of Mary Parish Hall Corner of Mary St & Gladesville Rd, Hunters Hill, NSW 2110
Mass Celebrant – Fr Brian Vale SSC



Registration is required for event preparation and catering purposes

Please RSVP by 2nd August 2025

Contact: Michi Email: jpcathsyd@outlook.com

Support Nagasaki Bell Project: https://stkateriinstitute.org/nagasaki-bell-project/



Caritas Australia appeals for support for vulnerable communities across Africa

Across Africa, millions of people are trapped in a desperate struggle for survival. Conflict, violence, hunger, and displacement are tearing communities apart. In places like the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sudan and across the Horn of Africa, the situation is critical.

In response, Caritas Australia is supporting partners across the region to provide vital aid including emergency shelter, food and nutrition support, and access to clean water. Your support is urgently needed.

Please donate to Caritas Australia's Africa Crisis Appeal.





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

When: August 2 10am-4pm *The Beautiful Book* Presenter: Fr Bernard Hancock, OCD

When: August 22-24 6pm—12:30pm *Spirituality and the Life of Jesus* Presenter: Bishop Greg Homeming, OCD

When: September 6 10am—4pm *Called to Be* Presenter: Ms Lorraine Murphy, OCDS

What is The Culture Project?

The Culture Project is a movement of university students who volunteer their time to promote chastity and authentic love to high school and other university students.

You are invited to join us for a night of dinner, socialising, a keynote by renowned Catholic theologian, author and speaker Dr. Edward Sri, auction and raffle draw prizes.

It will be a night to dress up in cocktail attire to celebrate the past decade of The Culture Project in Australia and to look forward with hope at the doors the Lord is opening for us to build a movement of young Australians on fire with the message of love and life through the teachings of St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body.

Come and join us at the Epping Club on Thursday 28th August for a 3 course meal and unlimited beer, wine and soft drinks at \$99 per person or \$990 for a table of 10. Thousands of young hearts and lives are waiting for this message, and the families and parishes of the next generation depend upon them hearing it. Be part of the change and register now!

https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1395700



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY

For Formation in Discernment

Let us pray that we might again

learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the gospel.

WHY WE DO The Things We Do

Why do we take two collections each Sunday?

The simplest answer is that, as with any organization, it costs money to run the Church: schools, hospitals, maintenance, wages, projects for the spread of the Gospel and caring for those in need, crisis appeals in the wider community... But the Church is more than an organization. It is a community with a familial character and operates as such. There are no membership fees. No one is excluded from the church services because they cannot pay. Rather, Catholics are asked to 'pitch in' according to their means. Normally the first Sunday collection is devoted to the living costs of the priest and the presbytery. The second goes to the various Church ministries and building projects. A third collection is sometimes included for a special appeal.





We will once again have Great Music, Sacraments and inspiring talks, we are still finalising our speakers and some other details so stay tuned for more exciting announcements!

Programme:

6.30pm Registrations and Reconciliation open

6.45pm Doors Open

7pm Praise and Worship with Reconciliation and Adoration

9.30pm (Approx) Compline (18+ Only)

Location:

Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood

94 Archer Street, Chatswood NSW 2067

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.



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

SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

THURSDAY 24 JULY 2025

AT SACRED HEART CHURCH PYMBLE COMMENCING WITH MASS AT 6.30 PM

OUR MASS CELEBRANT WILL BE FATHER BILL STEVENS WHO WILL BE ASSISTED BY DEACON PAUL SIMMONS. FATHER BILL WILL BE OUR GUEST SPEAKER AND HIS TOPIC WILL BE "THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY".

EVERYONE IS WELCOME, SO PLEASE COME AND SEE.

Please remember to pray <u>every day</u> 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 <u>annayytleung@yahoo.com.au</u> or telephone Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com if you are planning to attend.



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The Word

Sunday 13 July 2025: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collect

O God, who show the light of your truth to those who go astray,

so that they may return to the right path, give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ and strive after all that does it honour.

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 book of Deuteronomy Dt 30:10-14

Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you. Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul. 'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.' The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Ps Ps 68:14. 17. 30-31. 33-34. 36-37. R. see v.33

(R.) Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

- 1. This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour. In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails: Lord, answer, for your love is kind; in your compassion, turn towards me. (*R*.)
- 2. As for me in my poverty and pain let your help, O God, lift me up. I will praise God's name with a song; I will glorify him with thanksgiving. (*R.*)
- 3. The poor when they see it will be glad and Godseeking hearts will revive; for the Lord listens to the needy and does not spurn his servants in their chains. (*R.*)
- 4. For God will bring help to Zion and rebuild the cities of Judah. The sons of his servants shall inherit it; those who love his name shall dwell there. (*R*.)

Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Colossians Col 1:15-20

All things were created through him and for him. Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace

by his death on the cross. The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke Lk 10:25-37

Who Is my neighbour?

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.' But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same vourself.'

Gospel of the Lord.