



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

13 May 2018 - The Ascension of the Lord - Year B

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)



May 2018

Every Friday (during term time)
Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Greg
10-11am, Hall Boardroom

Every Thursday
Prayer Group prior to mass
8:40am

Sunday 13 May
10am Mass— Parish Choir
Mother's Day

Thursday 17 May
Parish Social Craft Group
10:30am—Hall Boardroom

Sunday 20 May
10am Mass— Junior Choir
Morning Tea after Mass for Fr Justin

Sunday 27 May
10am Mass— Parish Choir



So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven. (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

The Ascension is not only about Jesus being taken up into heaven but also about our assuming Jesus' mission of saving humanity by preaching the gospel, thereby, perpetuating his memory and continuing his legacy. The Ascension is not just a vertical parting, but it has a horizontal dimension as well: 'Go, therefore!' Life is not a race to the top; it is

relational in orientation. Hope is not only about looking up but also about holding on to one another. Our own ascension into heaven should not be our major preoccupation now. One who has called us to be his disciples will take care of it. Now, we should be more concerned about others' chances of experiencing Jesus as the Saviour.

Jesus has ascended to the Father in our humanity. This means that our humanity in Jesus has reached its highest glory. Where Jesus is, we will follow as we live his Gospel.

Today is also a very special day being Mother's Day. So on behalf of the Carmelite community and staff we wish you a very happy Mother's Day.

May God bless you, Fr Greg Chee OCD

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PARISH OFFICE TEAM

Fr Greg Chee, OCD, Parish Priest
Fr Sunny Abraham, OCD, Assistant Priest
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Belinda Camilleri, Office Manager
Michelle Miles, Office Secretary
Ed Wales, Parish Finance
Jennifer Perrott, Catechist Co-Ordinator
Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator

HALL BOOKINGS

John Huggett (Co-ordinator)
0412 882 263

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



"How marvellous would it 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

We will be holding another collection today for CWF. Your donations will When you provide to the Charitable Works Fund today, your donations support your family and neighbours in our Diocese. Your donations provide financial support to the CatholicCare Hospital Chaplains and Pastoral Care Practitioners who minister across seven hospitals in our Diocese. The Hospital Chaplains and Pastoral Care practitioners care for our families, friends and neighbours during times of sickness and hospitalisation. Your generous donations provide for someone to bring God's love and comfort to new mothers and babies. Your donations also provide someone to bring sacraments and compassion to someone at the end of their life.

Your donations to the Charitable Works Funds provide support to five charities including **Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, St Lucy's School, St Edmund's College and Ephpheta Centre** that support the people of the Diocese of Broken Bay and today we say thank you.

Over the last Financial year, your donations have raised \$ 32,632 for our Parish. Every Parish in the Diocese is set a quota in order to meet our commitments to the charities receiving the funds. In order to meet our quota we still need to raise \$ 18,500 to meet ours. Please fill in one of the CWF envelopes that we have in the pews for you today and place it in the collection plate.

Thank you.

Ku-Ring-Gai Interchurch Group

We will be praying for St Ives Uniting Church and for Reverend Dr Geoff Dornan.

Prayer Zone



Anniversary: Arthur Stautner; Clelia Silvio
Recently Deceased: Nathan Conaghan,
Christian zan Horan

Please pray for the ill:

Estelle Sok; Maurice Martin; Lewis Criniti; Phillip Johnson; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Clara Di Mauro; Tom Brewer; Anne Baillie, Francesco Macolino, Jan Davies, Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, John Edwards, Carol-Anne Campbell, Jennifer Nancarro, Gina Jaksetic, Jeannie, Gracie Spencer, Brendan Stone, John Michael Walsh

CARMELITE RETREAT PROGRAM:

Weekend Retreat. St Teresa of Avila speaks to us today.

May 18-20. Presenter: Fr Aloysius Rego, OCD.
Cost: \$250 per person (concessions apply)

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

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 13-20 MAY

The week of 13-20 May 2018, between Ascension and Pentecost, is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This year's theme is "Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power", from the triumphant song of Moses and Miriam in Exodus 15:1-21. The theme also reflects the saving action of God through Christ.

Feast Days — May

Sunday 13 May, The Ascension of the Lord

Monday 14 May, St Matthias, apostle



PARISH SOCIAL CRAFT GROUP:

A happy group for a relaxing morning every fortnight - bring your own craft or handiwork if you wish. If you would like to learn to knit or crochet, lessons available. Next get together **Thursday 17 May 2018 @ 10.30am** in the Parish Hall.

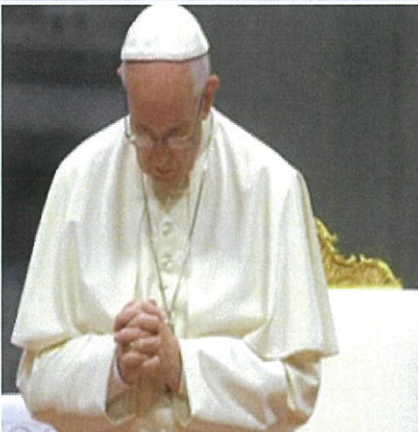
Enq.: Angela 9144 6553 or Merna 9449 2883.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL READERS

As we do each year we are looking for readers at our Pentecost Sunday Masses to read the prayers of the faithful in *your native language*. You will see the rosters in the foyer of the church if you would like to participate in helping with the prayers of intercession.

Our Deepest Sympathy

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayerful sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Nathan Conaghan and Christian van Horan, whose funerals were held at Corpus Christi on Thursday 10 May and Friday 11 May respectively. May Nathan and Christian experience the fullness of Christ's peace.



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May

The Mission of the Laity
That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today

WALKING THE WAY—PARENT RETREAT

"A Spa day for the Soul!"

Catholic Schools Office Broken Bay is offering a Parent Retreat this month for the parents, grandparents and carers of students living in Broken Bay Diocese. An opportunity to slow down, catch our breath, and enjoy some stillness, sacred storytelling and gentle prayerful reflection. Come for an evening and/or a day. Held in the lovely grounds of Canisius Spirituality Centre, 102 Mona Vale Road, Pymble. Friday 18 May 6:30pm—:30pm; Saturday 19 May 9am—4pm. Cost: Just \$30, payable on the Saturday. (Option to stay overnight at participants cost.). Bookings: Sallyanne.butel@dbb.catholic.edu.au Enquiries welcome: Jo Spek 0413 171 110 jo.spek@dbb.catholic.edu.au

HAPPY
MOTHER'S
Day!



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WORLD FAIR TRADE DAY 2018

World Fair Trade Day is an initiative of the World Trade Fair Organisation (WFTO) that takes place on the second Saturday of May each year. It is an inclusive worldwide festival of events celebrating Fair Trade as a tangible contribution to sustainable development, especially the economic empowerment of small producers, gender equality in the workplace and responsible production practices. WFTO and its members believe that trade must benefit the most vulnerable and deliver sustainable livelihoods by developing opportunities for small and disadvantaged producers.

We can all support Fair Trade one product at a time. From breakfast time to dinner time, there are many ways you can include Fair Trade products in your daily consumption. For information on Fair Trade products go to www.fairtrade.com.au.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who kindly donated nappies for the Tibetan refugee family. The parents were delighted to receive the nappies and have asked the Social Justice Group to pass on their sincere thanks.

If you would like to donate nappies (for children 6-11kg and 12-17 kg) please leave the nappies in the church foyer. For further information contact Cathy Butler on 0401 393 051 (after 6pm).



FAREWELL TO FR JUSTIN

Most of you may be aware that Fr Justin will be returning to Korea towards the end of May. Fr Justin has become an integral part of

our Parish community and we will all miss him. We are organising a farewell morning tea after 10 am mass on Sunday the 20th May. It would be appreciated if you could contribute by bringing a plate to share; helping with set up or clean up. Let us also know if you wish to be involved in planning or helping out.

Your suggestions are most welcome.



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