



CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH  
ST IVES

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

### 13 September 2020 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Parish Mass Times:**

Monday to Friday: 9am

Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil)

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 6pm

Public Holidays: 9am

Rock Mass: Once a term

Baptism: Fourth 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: 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Friday  
(during term time)**

Lectio Divina facilitated  
by Fr Greg

10:30am on Zoom until further  
notice

**First Friday  
of Every Month**

Exposition / Adoration at 7pm  
followed by Mass at 7:30pm

**Second Thursday  
of Every Month**

Anointing of the Sick — 9am

### September

**Sunday 13 September**

Parish Choir

9:00am—11:00am

**Sunday 20 September**

Children's Choir

9:00am—11:00am



*He found one of his fellow  
servants who owed him a much  
smaller amount. He seized him  
and started to choke him,  
demanding, "Pay back what you  
owe." (Gospel)*

Dear Parishioners

Today's first reading and Gospel contain  
wise and important teachings on the

need to forgive others. Resentment and anger not dealt with are foul  
things. We know this but at times we still find it hard, even  
impossible, to forgive.

Perhaps the best way to begin to address forgiveness is to follow to the  
lead of today's responsorial psalm and focus on the forgiveness and  
compassion of God. In this much loved hymn, the psalmist marvels  
that God's mercy is in no way proportionate to the offence: 'God does  
not treat us according to our faults'. Nor is God's forgiveness partial.  
No, 'God forgives all our guilt and heals all our wounds'.

Perhaps one reason why God is all forgiving is because God is all  
knowing. God, who created us, knows our human frailty. In a  
beautiful verse from this psalm, not included in today's liturgy, we  
read: 'God knows how we are formed, remembers that we are dust'.  
We, for our part, can forget human frailty and demand from one  
another and from ourselves a perfection of which only God is capable.  
If we remember the abiding mercy of God towards us, and if we can be  
forgiving of our own failings, we will be more able to forgive  
wholeheartedly the brother or sister, husband or wife, parent or child,  
friend or enemy who wrongs us.

May God bless you.

Fr Greg Chee

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## CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF THE SCHOENSTATT PILGRIM MOTHER APOSTOLATE - ST IVES PARISH

The Pilgrim Mother Apostolate involves groups of people who are willing to commit themselves to welcoming Our Lady into their home. Mary comes with her Son from the Schoenstatt Shrines, into the homes. The members of the group give the picture a place of honour in their homes or work places, as the picture travels or pilgrims from member to member during the course of the month. They honour Mary by praying daily during the time of her visit. It is from this that the apostolate derives its name of the **Pilgrim Mother Apostolate**.

You are cordially invited to attend Holy Mass to be concelebrated by our Bishop, Most Rev Anthony Randazzo, and Fr Greg Chee

**When: Saturday 19 September 2020**

**Where: Corpus Christi , 263 Mona Vale Road, St Ives**

**Time: 2.00pm**

**RSVP: 13 September 2020 to Crystal**

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**PLEASE NOTE:** Plans may change due to COVID-19. You will be informed accordingly.



### SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

Dementia Awareness Week - Small Actions: Big Difference  
Professor Susan Kurrle MD PhD, an eminent voice on dementia, will be participating in a free lunchtime webinar during Dementia Awareness Week (21-27 September) to discuss dementia, and how small actions can create a big difference to the lives of people living with dementia.

This free webinar is being organised by councils in the Northern Sydney region. The webinar will be held on Wednesday, 23 September 2020 - 12:00pm to 1:00pm. To register go to: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/prof-susan-kurrle-dementia-webinar-small-actions-big-differences-tickets-117482726999>

To Live Life to the Full: Mental Health in Australia Today  
The new Social Justice Statement entitled "To Live Life to the Full: Mental Health in Australia Today" was recently launched on Social Justice Sunday. Mental health has been a growing concern in Australia for a number of years and it has only been exacerbated by the coronavirus pandemic. The Justice and Peace Office, Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney will be holding a Social Justice Gathering on the statement on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September from 6:30-7:30pm via zoom. The evening will consist of a number of short presentations by Dr. Robbie Lloyd who has extensive experience in mental health care. The Justice and Peace Office will also be formulating a set of supportive fact sheets, to add to those available through other sources, focused on how local parishes and schools can get involved in improving support for those living with mental health challenges and their carers.

To register for the session, go to <https://form.jotform.com/202521057173850>

## Selbin Cleaning

- ◆ Weekly, fortnightly, spring or occasional cleaning
- ◆ Preparation for sale or rent
- ◆ End of lease cleaning

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## Prayer Zone



**Recently Deceased:** John Delaney

**Anniversary:** Maria Lombardo; Dominic Izzo; Barbara Oldridge; Bonnita Alphonso

**Please pray for the ill:**

Rebecca Davies; Peter Shih; Denise Carmody; Steve Swain; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Rebecca Anderson; Maria and Jack Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Crinitti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, Gina Jaksetic, 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 the office know.*

## FEAST DAYS— SEPTEMBER

Monday 14th , The Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Tuesday 15th, Our Lady of Sorrows

Wednesday 16th, Sts Cornelius, pope, martyr and Cyprian, bishop, martyr



### The Catenians

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# Alpha on Zoom



## "Come and See"

Online Tuesday, 22 September 2020 (con't 13/10/2020)  
7:30-9:00pm

**Register at: [www.bbcatholic.org.au/stives](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/stives)**

**Contact: [jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au) or the  
office (02) 9144 6998**

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](http://alpha.org.au)**

**Alpha**





## Families across Broken Bay need your help September 2020 CWF Appeal

This weekend is the start of our September CWF Appeal.

Charitable works are at the heart of our Catholic life, showing God's heart for the poor, the vulnerable, our young people and those in need. It's an incredible witness to the compassion and generosity that we need to rise-up during these difficult days.

Your generous donation will support five Catholic agencies and ministries helping families and neighbours in our Broken Bay Diocese. The Charitable Works Fund Appeal is 100% tax deductible. Donate online at:

[www.bbcatholic.org.au/give/charitable-works-fund](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/give/charitable-works-fund) **Please ensure you nominate your Parish as St Ives Corpus Christi**

### 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.



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## Alpha Testimonial

*I have always had a loving relationship with Jesus but I had unanswered questions about the Holy Spirit. Throughout my Alpha journey, the guided small-group conversations about our faith led to asking myself even more questions than receiving answers. But it was through sharing and listening to other people's perspectives that I was able to develop my own faith in a way that I wasn't even aware was possible. I found the Alpha retreat to be the most valuable part of my Alpha journey. I had been experiencing some difficulties in my personal life. I felt trapped and unable to move forward with my struggles, simply surviving as best as I could. During the evening of the Alpha retreat, I recall listening to our host share her experience of being called by the Holy Spirit to help others who were on their Alpha journey. Thankfully, I was sitting in the back row of the room at the time as this enabled me to attempt to disguise the uncontrollable tears that were rolling down my face. I had felt personally touched by the message delivered by our host. It felt as though she was speaking me. One person in a crowd of many. We were then led into prayer ministry.*

*After some quiet reflection time, I approached two warm and welcoming parishioners to ask if they would pray for me. At this time, I was still unable to control my streaming tears but as the ladies gently placed their hands on me and begun to pray, I felt still. An immense sense of peace came upon me. It was at that moment that I felt the Holy Spirit was with me and that I had the strength to move forward and conquer my troubles.*

*Months have now passed and I regularly reflect on that time as it was a turning point for me in my life. The Alpha course has touched my life in the most inspiring way. My relationship with Jesus has been strengthened through a feeling which is difficult to express in words. For me, I had to feel it to be able to recognise it.*

**Melissa Pemberton**

