

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

14 November 2021 – 33rd 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: 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)



Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near. (Gospel)

Every Friday

(during term time)

Lectio Divina facilitated
by Fr Greg
By Zoom until further notice

**Second Thursday
of Every Month**

Anointing of the Sick – 9am

First Friday of Every Month

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

**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.

Dear Parishioners,

Hope is a powerful motivating force for life, and both the first reading and the Gospel offer hope. In Daniel's day, the people were being persecuted and put to death for their beliefs. In Mark's time, those who chose Jesus were also being driven from the temple, persecuted and killed. Both readings offer hope to the people—and to all who presently choose to follow God. Persecution of Christians continues, and we know that life can be tough: illness, violence, loneliness, etc. Wherein lives hope for us? Well, from Daniel, 'your own people (those whose names are recorded in the Book) will be spared', and from Mark: 'my words will not pass away', and that he, the Son of Man 'will send his angels to gather his chosen'. And even though there are frequent prophecies about the ending of all we know, Jesus says that 'nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; only the Father'. Hope reminds us that by being attentive to the signs of the times, we will recognise that 'he is near' - in the changing seasons, in the presence of those we love and in the wonder of all creation.

May God bless you.
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay



November 2021 Appeal

St Edmund's College is one of the five beneficiaries of Pastoral Works Broken Bay.

The College supports 120 students with disabilities such as intellectual, sensory impairment or autism, providing skills and experience for them to fully engage in life.

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Watch the attached short film to see the amazing impact your donations support <https://youtu.be/3r5BE26o2H4>.

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#RedWednesday

Red Wednesday is an annual event to remember and pray for all who are persecuted and oppressed for their Christian faith. Churches and public buildings around the world will light up in red to show solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Red Wednesday is an initiative of Aid to the Church in Need.

The Diocese of Broken Bay will mark this occasion with a Red Wednesday Mass. Details are as follows:

Date: **Wednesday 24 November 2021**

Time: 7:30pm Mass

Venue: Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church, 94 Archer St Chatswood

Celebrant: Fr David Ranson VG

Registration for the Mass is essential. Please register at www.bbcatholic.org.au/redwednesday



Social Justice Corner

This Sunday the Catholic Church is celebrating the Fifth World Day of the Poor. The theme for 2021 is "The poor you will always have with you" (Mark 14:7). In his message for World Day of the Poor, Pope Francis calls on all societies to adopt a new approach to poverty. Building bonds of mutual sharing will break down barriers of exclusion, restore dignity, and strengthen the solidarity of communities. Genuine involvement in the lives of our sisters and brothers will make us ever more attentive to emerging forms of poverty as well as new possibilities for Christian love and charity. To read Pope Francis' message go to: <https://catholicoutlook.org/pope-francis-message-for-the-fifth-world-day-of-the-poor/>

World Day of the Poor Prayer

God of the Poor, you hear and stand with all who suffer.

Be with us as we seek justice and mercy for the poor in our world today.

Move us to see, hear, and respond to the suffering poor in our midst.

Disturb and challenge us to take prophetic action with and for all who are afflicted.

Mould us to move closer and listen deeply to those who need our help and protection.

Empower us to speak out with courage against harm and degradation.

Guide us to build just communities of inclusion and acceptance.

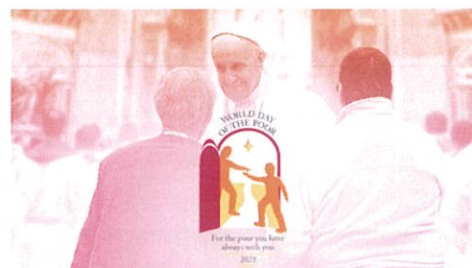
Teach us to walk in your ways so that all can share in your abundance.

Open us to welcome your grace in the faces of people living at the margins.

Send us where we need to go to meet you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, the Lord and Giver of Life, Amen.

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NOVEMBER MASSES



St John Paul II was ordained on November 1 1946 All Saints Day, but his first full day as a priest was on November 2 He offered his first mass on that day for his dead mother, father and brother. He knew it was the greatest gift he could give them.

He later wrote about the custom of praying for the dead

... In entrusting them to the Lord we recognize our solidarity with them and share in their salvation in this wondrous mystery of the communion of saints. The Church believes that the souls detained in purgatory "are helped by the prayers of the faithful and most of all by the acceptable sacrifice of the altar," as well as by "alms and other works of piety." "In fact, that same holiness, which is derived simply from their participation in the Church's holiness, represents their first and fundamental contribution to the holiness of the Church herself, which is the 'communion of saints.'" I encourage Catholics to pray fervently for the dead, for their family members and for all our brothers and sisters who have died, that they may obtain the remission of the punishments due to their sins and may hear the Lord's call: "Come, O my dear soul to eternal repose in the arms of my goodness, which has prepared eternal delights for you."

November is the month when we especially remember our departed beloved ones. You can have a special mass said for you departed beloved ones by using the envelopes in the foyer of the church with a small donation and by writing just the family name and / or you may respond by writing their names in the book at the entry of the church. We will remember them in a general way during the month of November.

Prayer Zone

Anniversary: Helen Ferguson; Kath Fletcher

Please pray for the ill:

Sue Ruberu; Rob Sanders; Colleen Bosci; Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Denise Carmody; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Criniti; 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— NOVEMBER

Wednesday 17th, St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious

Sunday 21st, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Monday 22nd, St Cecilia, virgin, martyr

Wednesday 24th, Sts Andrew Dung-Lac, priest, and companions, martyrs

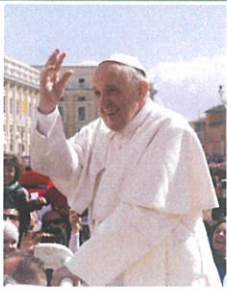
Tuesday 30th, St Andrew, apostle

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Planned giving envelopes are ready for collection from the foyer.

A PRAYER FOR OUR HSC STUDENTS

Heavenly Father, we bring before you our HSC students. Give them the gifts of wisdom, right judgement, knowledge and courage. Bless them with calm hearts and clarity of mind as they sit for their exams. May they be affirmed in their efforts and may they know that you are there with them. We pray that they will stay calm under pressure and work to the best of their ability. May they feel your loving presence in their lives, now and always, and may they be strengthened by the prayerful support of us, their parish community. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen



**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER
INTENTION
FOR NOVEMBER**

People who suffer from depression

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

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The Word

Sunday 14 November 2021: 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Daniel Dn 12:1-13

When that time comes your own people will be spared.

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1

(R.) Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope.

Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. *(R.)*

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. *(R.)*

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness forever. *(R.)*

Second Reading

From the letter to the Hebrews Heb 10:11-14, 18

By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful, and pray constantly,
that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Mark Mk 13:24-32

He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'
The Gospel of the Lord.