

### WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

### 15 July 2018 - Our Lady of Mount Carmel - Year B

Parish Mass Times:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 6:30am
Thursday: 9:15am
Saturday: 9:00am, 6:00pm (vigil)
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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: 2<sup>nd</sup> 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)



#### July 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

School Holidays Mon 9 July—Fri 20 July Office closed Mondays (9 & 16 July) 1/2 days Tues-Fri (9am – 12nn)

Thursday 26 July Parish Social Craft Group 10:30am—Hall Boardroom



Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lady of Mt Carmel. The mountain is in Israel in the district of Haifa boarding the Mediterranean Sea. It is 24 miles in length, 5 miles in width and its highest point is 1,724 ft. Mt Carmel is commemorated in scripture for its beauty. It was there that the prophet Elijah defended the purity of Israel's faith in the living God in whose presence he stood.

Towards the end of the 12th Century AD, near the spring called after Elijah, a group of hermits established themselves on Mount Carmel. The built an oratory in honour of Our Lady. She was their patroness. They understood the Blessed Virgin Mary as their spiritual Mother. They also saw her as a model of leading a deeply prayerful life and later as a model in sharing the fruits of their contemplation with others.

For many centuries the Carmelite liturgy has shown a special affection for the Gospel scene at the foot of the cross (today's Gospel) where Mary "became the Mother of all people when Jesus Himself gave Her to the beloved disciple" (John Paul II).

We know of the unconditional love a Mother has for her child. Seeing Mary as Mother encourages us to reflect on our relationship with her. She cares for us as Mother; we love and respect her as sons and daughters. In viewing Mary as our Mother leads us to think of her divine Son in whose allegiance we live. Her necessary reference point is always Jesus. She under and with Jesus serves the mystery of salvation.

How appropriate to have great confidence in Mary our Mother. The Father entrusted his most precious treasure to her namely his only begotten Son, Jesus. So the Father, who is absolute truth and goodness, had great confidence in her. Should we not do likewise? We know the beautiful unconditional love mothers have for their sons and daughters.

May God bless you. Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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#### **SCAPULAR**

For many centuries our devotion and love for Mary has been centred in the Brown Scapular. It fits with us as Carmelites as it is an important aspect of our devotion. The Scapular devotion is seen as a deep and abiding relationship with Mary. A proper consideration of the Scapular demands that one considers the wider context of Carmel's relationship with Mary. What is important is a personal and growing intimacy with the Mother of God and a commitment to take her as a model of Christian discipleship in a way that as one's love for Mary increases one's love for Jesus also grows.

#### **ORIGINS OF THE SCAPULAR**

The beginnings of the Brown Scapular have a long history. We know that Elijah lived on Mount Camel and then later hermits lived there. These hermits built a church dedicated to Our Lady. The Saracen invasion forced them to leave the Mountain and so they went to the west.

St Simon Stock became the new superior general of the Carmelite Order in 1246 at Aylesford, England. His Order was having so many problems that he feared it would end. Our Blessed Lady appeared to St Simon Stock giving him the Scapular of the Order. She said, "This shall be a sign to you and to all Carmelites; whoever dies wearing this shall not suffer eternal fire."

The devotion to Our Lady of Mt Carmel and her brown Scapular spread throughout the entire world and won the approval of the Church in time.

Historical scholarship on every aspect of the Scapular will continue. Regardless of any future findings, we have evidence of a veritable tradition here that is precious because it may help us to be devoted and may well foster our faith greatly. Some will feel convinced about the historicity of the visions and others will not find the historical evidence compelling. The meaning central to the vision is the lived experience of Carmel: Mary, its Patroness has protected it and ensured its persevering continuity. Mary's intercession is powerful in securing eternal life. This is part of our faith and also independently of private revelation.

Anyone who practises a true devotion to Mary will not be lost. True devotion to both Mary and Jesus implies great confidence in Mary and Jesus, a great love for them, a turning always from all that is not God out of love for Jesus and Mary, a sense of Gospel priorities and a constancy in one's approach to Mary and Jesus, rather than hot one day and cold another.

Anyone who wears the Scapular with consistency in the above outlined manner will not be lost and may expect to be brought to heaven soon after death.

St Teresa says, "All of us who wear the holy habit of Carmel are called to prayer, contemplation, charity and humility." She also says that it is Mary's custom to favour those who want to be protected by her.

### **Prayer Zone**



Recently Deceased: Sheila Simpson; Anthony Doggett

Anniversary: Maglo Netto

Please pray for the ill:

Marie Martin; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Maurice Martin; Lewis Crinitti; Phillip Johnson; 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, John Edwards, 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.

Feast Days — July

16 July, Our Lady of Mt Carmel

#### Ku-Ring-Gai Interchurch Group

We will be praying for St John the Evangelist, Anglican church in Gordon and for Fr Keith Dalby.

# St Teresa of Avila: The Journey to God

St Teresa's 'Way of Perfection' is full of a rich and timeless wisdom that is still very relevant today as a guide in the spiritual life. Most Rev David L. Walker will lead us over two sessions in exploring the spirituality of this great Spanish 16th century Saint and Doctor of the Church.

Presenter: Most Rev David L. Walker, Bishop

Emeritus, Diocese of Broken Bay Date: Tuesdays 7 and 14 August 2018

Time: 7.00pm - 9.00pm

Venue: Caroline Chisholm Centre, Building 2, 423

Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills RSVP: By Friday 3 August

faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au

#### 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

# Celebrating Disciples of All Nations Celebrating Disciples of All Nations – 18 August 2018

To mark the 104th World Day of Refugees and Migrants, a Diocesan event "Celebrating Disciples of All Nations" will be held at the Cathedral / The Light of Christ Centre, 23 Yardley Ave Waitara, on Saturday 18 August 2018. We welcome Most Rev Vincent Long, Bishop of Parramatta, who will be joining us for the afternoon as we celebrate our multicultural Christian community.

#### The afternoon includes:

- 1:00pm 3:00pm A showcase of international food and live entertainment at the Light of Christ Centre (gold coin donation on arrival to be donated to charity)
- 3:00pm 4.30pm An expert Panel Discussion on the theme "Welcoming, Protecting, Promoting, and Integrating Migrants and Refugees". Includes a personal address by Most Rev Vincent Long.
- 5:00pm 6:00pm Mass at the Cathedral, celebrating the richness of gifts that each in our faith community brings

Be part of this inaugural diocesan multicultural event. To register, or for more information please email <a href="mailto:faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au">faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au</a> or contact Cristina Gomez on 8379 1628.

#### MOST REV PETER A COMENSOLI'S FAREWELL MASS

With the appointment of Most Rev Peter A Comensoli as the ninth Archbishop of Melbourne, the Apostolic Administrator-Delegate, Rev Dr David Ranson, warmly invites the people of Broken Bay to celebrate a Thanksgiving and Farewell for Most Rev Peter A Comensoli.

Date: Sunday 22 July 2018

Time: 2.00pm

Venue: Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara

Followed by Thanksgiving Gathering, the Light of Christ Centre (Light Refreshments). RSVP Hazel Lim by Monday 16 July on 8379 1621 or events@bbcatholic.org.au

This will be the last public event that Archbishop Peter will be present at in Broken Bay before his move to Melbourne. The installation of Archbishop Peter will take place at St Patrick's Cathedral in Melbourne on Wednesday 1 August 2018.

As parking is limited, please allow extra time, car pool, or use public transport. Waitara station is approximately a 4 minute walk.



### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for July

Evangelisation—Priests and their Pastoral Ministry

That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.



#### SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

Jesuit Social Services has recently reminded us that a tenfold over-representation of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the criminal justice system shows Australia is failing vulnerable children.

The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare's Youth Justice in Australia 2016-17 report, illustrates that "many young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people face challenges early in life that can lead to a lifetime of cycling in and out of the justice system. We need to intervene early to address the factors behind anti-social behaviour and break the cycle of offending", explained Jesuit Social Services chief Julie Edwards.

Jesuit Social Services has recommended raising the age of criminal responsibility from 10 (the current age) to 14. Ms Edwards also recommended "a greater range of culturally-specific programs that work with young ATSI people and help connect them to culture, education and family. An example of this is the Barreng Moorop program in Victoria which provides intensive support to ATSI children between 10 and 14 who have had contact with police.

New approaches and solutions that support, not punish, children is the best way we can address the shocking over-representation of young ATSI people in the justice system. If we keep failing vulnerable children and their families, we ultimately continue to fail all Australians."

#### July Safeguarding Message

"Recruitment and selection procedures for new employees and volunteers should clearly signal the organisations commitment to children safety." (Final Report, Royal Commission).

## 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.

#### SUNDAY 15 JULY 2018: LITURGY FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

#### **Entrance Antiphon:**

The glory of Lebanon is given to her, the beauty of Carmel and Sharon; they shall see the glory of the Lord, and the splendour of our God.

(Isaiah 33:2)

#### **Opening Prayer**

Let us pray, (that Our Lady of Mount Carmel may intercede for us, her children)

#### Father,

May the prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother and Queen of Carmel, protect us and bring us to your holy Mountain, Chris our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### First Reading

From the first book of Kings 1 Kings 18:42b-25a

Elijah climbed to the top of Carmel and bowed down to the earth, putting his face between his knees.

'Now go up', he told his servant 'and look out to seas, He went up and looked. 'There is nothing at all,' he said. 'Go back seven times,' Elijah said. The seventh time the servant said, 'Now there is a cloud, small as a man's hand, rising from the sea.' Elijah said, 'Go and say to Ahab, "Harness the chariot and go down before the rain stops you." And with that the sky grew dark with cloud and storm, and rain fell in torrents.

The Word of the Lord.

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 14:1, 2-3, 4

(R.) Draw us after you, Virgin Mary; we shall follow in your footsteps.

- 1. Lord, who shall be admitted to your tent and dwell on your holy mountain? (R.)
- 2. He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart. (R.)
- 3. He who does not slander with his tongue; he who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur against his neighbour. (R.)
- 4. He who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. (R.)

#### Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Galatians Gal4:4-7

When the appointed time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born a subject of the Law to redeem the subjects of the Law and to enable us to be adopted as sons.

The proof that you are sons of God is that God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts: the Spirit that cries, 'Abba, Father,' and it is this that makes you a son, you are not a slave anymore; and if God has made you son, then he has made you heir.

The Word of the Lord.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia.

Bless are those who hear the word of God and keep it.
Alleluia.

#### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John Jn19:25-27

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala.

Seeing his mother and the disciple he loved standing near her, Jesus said to his mother, 'Woman, this is your son.' Then to the disciple he said, 'This is your mother.' And from that moment the disciple made a place for her in his home.

The Gospel of the Lord.

#### Prayer over the Gifts:

Lord, we reverently offer you these gifts as we recall the patronage of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In your service may our love become like hers and so unite us more closely with the work of redemption. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

# Preface of Our Lady of Mount Carmel I The Spiritual Motherhood of Mary

Father, all powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks as we honour the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Carmel.

Your Word filled her heart and inspired all her actions, making her constant in prayer with the Apostles, and, through her share in our salvation, constituting her the spiritual mother of all mankind. She watches unceasingly with a mother's loving care over the brethren of her Son, and lights us along our pilgrim way to the Mount of your Glory, our beacon of comfort, and the embodiment of all our hopes as members of the Church.

Now with all the saints and angels, we praise you for ever.

Holy, holy, holy...

#### **Communion Antiphon**

Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart.

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray, Lord God, we have been nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son. May the wonders of your love strengthen us and help us to follow more faithfully the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary to whose service we are dedicated. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

#### Solemn Blessing over the People

The Father chose Mary to be the Mother of his Son. May he make you also her faithful children.

R/ Amen

God the Son was born of Mary and was obedient to her. May he grant you to love her as he did.

R/ Amen

The Holy Spirit overshadowed her and made her fruitful with the Word. May he fill you also with the Divine Presence.

R/ Amen

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come upon you and remain with you forever.

R/ Amen

(Week 2)14/15 July	Vigil 6.00pm	8.00a.m.	10.00a.m.	6.00p.m.
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(Week 3)21/22 July	Vigil 6:00pm	8.00a.m.	10.00a.m.	6:00pm
LECTORS	Andrena Brewer	Mike Ledbury	Maggie Rodely	O'Kelly Tam
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### BECOMING AWARE OF GOD IN MY LIFE

Both the contemplative and the active aspects of finding God in all things can be fostered by a simple, short, daily practice of review of life, it can take about ten minutes or less.

- I begin by placing myself in God's presence and asking for the Holy Spirit's help.
- I thank God for gifts received: I dwell on those especially enriching or important.
- This is followed by a reflection on the day or the period of time since I made this review. I ask myself such questions as these: where and how have I found God, been aware of God, been drawn towards God, in that period of time? Where has God been touching me, speaking to me? (*The* answer may be, for example, in the Mass, in Scripture, in prayer, in relationships or meetings with people, in my family, at work, in pain and suffering, in a book, in the mountains, in a film or TV programme....
- On the other hand, where and how during this same period of time have I been drawn away from God (in weakness, in blindness, in selfishness, in sin; the possible areas are the same as for the previous question).
- I end with a prayer of sorrow for times when I moved away from God and with hope that in the future I will be ready to listen to God, to follow his lead and to find him in all things; even among the thorns.



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