

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

## 17 March 2019 - Second Sunday of Lent

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: 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)



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

Every Thursday Prayer Group prior to mass 8:40am

March

Sunday 17 March Junior Choir 9am-11am

Friday 22 March The Light Is On 7-8pm—Parish Church

Sunday 24 March Parish Choir 9am-11am



While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah . (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

Today's Gospel is theologically rich in its links to people and events of the Old Testament. Jesus' divine Sonship is revealed with reference to Moses and the Exodus, to Elijah as precursor to the messiah, and to King David as the Lord's 'chosen'. Certain details catch our attention. For instance, three disciples witness a manifestation of God's glory, staying awake despite being 'heavy with sleep'. *Really?* Can you imagine sleeping through such an event?!

Perhaps 'sleep' suggests something else: grief, fear, doubt? Moses and Elijah are speaking to Jesus about his 'passing' (his impending death). Peter's misstep is understandable: what can one 'say' amidst an experience both wondrous and terrifying? In the end, the dramatic declaration of Jesus as 'the Chosen One' renders the disciples silent. Perhaps, like Mary, they were learning to 'ponder these things' in their hearts.

What is brewing in my own heart as I ponder this intriguing story? May God bless you.

Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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# The Light is ON for vou!

God created us for relationship with God and one another. Lent invites us to renew our relationship with God, in particular through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. You are invited to take part in The Light is ON Lenten initiative where our church will be open every Friday evening during Lent, from 7-8pm for quiet time, prayer and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Make a space to let God's light and peace into your life in a new way. Invitation cards can be found at the back of the Church.

For further details, Lenten resources, and participating Churches across the Diocese, please visit www.thelightisonforyou.org.au.

#### ACOLOYTE NEEDED FOR SUNDAY 6PM MASS

We currently have three acolytes serving at our 6pm Sunday mass and would appreciate a fourth. If you are interested in finding out more, please see Father after mass or contact the Parish office during the week by email: office@corpuschristi.com.au

### **Our Deepest Sympathy**

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayful sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Mary Hickey whose funeral was held at Corpus Christi on Friday 15 March. May Mary experience the fullness of Christ's peace.



This year Corpus Christi school plans to gather more regularly as a community. Family Masses will be held twice a term and we will be joining the 'Rock' Masses led by Toby Carroll.

We hope all our families join us to celebrate the Eucharist.

This first Mass will be led by the children in Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) and Kindergarten. When: Sunday 24th March

Time: 6pm

Ku-ring-gai Interchurch Committee





PRAYER BREAKFAST



Guest Speaker: Mrs Megan Krimmer, Headmistress of Abbotsleigh

Saturday 30 March, 7.30am The PACE Centre, 4a Merrivale Road, Pymble Opposite St Swithun's Pymble

# **Prayer Zone**



**Recently Deceased:** Mary Hickey

Please pray for the ill:

Rebecca Anderson; Elizabeth Buay; Maria and Jack Garcia; Roseanne Kapel; Tony Lee; Jose Mestres; Marie Martin; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Maurice Martin; Lewis Crinitti; 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, 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.

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.

#### Ku-Ring-Gai Interchurch Group

We will be praying for St Swithun's Anglican Church and for Reverend Dr Roger Chilton.

Feast Days — March

Monday 18th, St Patrick, bishop Tuesday 19th, St Joseph, Husband of Mary

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** PALM SUNDAY READERS (14 APRIL) HOLY THURSDAY WASHING OF THE FEET (18 APRIL)

**GOOD FRIDAY READERS (19 APRIL)** If you can lend us your time we would appreciate if you could sign up to assist on the sheet in the church foyer.





#### **Prayer for a New Bishop**

Heavenly Father and Eternal Shepherd, you watch over and govern your flock with vigilance and con-

In your immense love, grant to your Church a pastor who will please you by his holiness and aid us with his unfailing care. In your time, grant us the joy of welcoming a shepherd formed after your own heart.

May he be an example of virtue to your people and, imbued with the power of the Holy spirit, fill their minds with the truth and beauty of the Gospel.

Grant wisdom, O Lord, to those now discerning your holy will in the selection of our new bishop.

We ask this is in the name of Jesus our Lord and through the intercession of our mother,

Mary Star of the Sea.

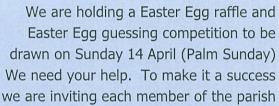
Amen.

#### **ALPHA HOSPITALITY TEAM NEED**

This year we are organising Alpha in this Parish and need people to help in looking after hospitality which includes the preparation of simple meals. We would like to organise a team to look after this area. Any expenses incurred would be covered by the church. If you would like to commit or explore this possibility please call the office on 9144 6998 and ask to speak to Jen Perrott or email catechists@corpuschristi.com.au

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that explores faith.

### **Chocolate Easter Egg Raffle**



to donate one Easter egg of any size to the cause. Eggs can be placed in the baskets at the church entrances. If anyone would like to assist by selling tickets, please contact the office. Tickets will go on sale this weekend. Thank you for you help and good luck!!

#### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH



#### **Christian Communities**

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.



#### **SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:**

#### **Upcoming Event:**

21 March. Sydney Ideas: On Hate and Race Politics: Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019.

How is hate shaping society? And what must we do about it? In his new book, On Hate, Tim Soutphommasane analyses the troubling rise of nationalist populism and the return of race politics. Tim was Australia's Race Discrimination Commissioner from 2013 to 2018 and is Professor of Practice (Sociology and Political Theory) at the University of Sydney. Cost: Free. Time: 6.30 to 8.00 pm. Venue: The University of Sydney, Charles Perkins Centre Auditorium, John Hopkins Drive (off Missenden Road), Camperdown. Registration is essential. To register go to: https://sydney.edu.au/news-opinion/sydneyideas/2019/on-hate-and-race-politics-timsoutphommasane.html

#### **EASTER CHOIR PRACTICES:**

The Parish Choir will be practicing for the Easter masses and would like to invite anyone with a love of singing to join them. The practices will be held in the Church at 7:30pm on:

Wednesday 27 March; Wednesday 3 April; Wednesday 10 April; and Wednesday 17 April

Please come along and join the Parish Choir.

#### SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE

A culture of Safeguarding values Servant Leadership... "Like good stewards of the manifold of grace of god, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received."- 1 Peter 4:10

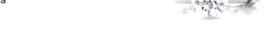
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