



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

18 June 2023, 11th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Parish Mass Times:

Monday to Friday: 9am

Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil)

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 5pm

Public Holidays: 9am

Rock Mass: Once a term

Baptism: Third 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)



**Every Monday
(during term time)**

Divine Will Prayer Group
10-11:30am - Hall

**Every Friday
(during term time)**

Lectio Divina; Hall & Zoom 10am

**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

**July cancelled due to
Carmelite Provincial
Chapter Meeting**

Thursday 22nd June

Parish Social Craft Group
Parish Hall—10:30am

Friday 23rd June

Sacrament of Confirmation—
6pm

Sunday 25th June

Youth Group Parish Hall—6pm

Sunday 2nd July

National and Torres Strait
Islander Sunday—Special Mass
10am



***The harvest is rich but the
labourers are few, so ask the
Lord of the harvest to send
labourers to his harvest.
(Gospel)***

Dear Parishioners

We all have a mission in life. Sometimes, however, we can live without any real purpose or focus. Jesus reminds today that we have been called and chosen to participate with him in spreading the Good News. As Jesus went from town to town, he saw the needs of people. We are told 'he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd'. In our daily life, how sensitive are we to the needs of others? What are our feelings when we see someone who is sad and without hope? Do we make it a priority to share the Good News with them? In our prayer today, we might like to dialogue with Jesus about how we might live out our mission concretely in our daily lives. We all need to do our part because today, as in Jesus' time, 'the harvest is great, but the labourers are few'.

May God bless you, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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The popular international evangelist Bruce Downes, also known as the Catholic Guy, will be in town on July 1st 2023 (Saturday). He will be available at St Patrick Conference Centre, 300 The River Road, Revesby Heights, NSW, from 12.30pm – 5.00pm for An Afternoon with the Catholic Guy with focus on the Holy Spirit – the Presence of God, and from 5.30pm – 9.00pm for Faith Builder's Dinner. General Admission \$30 to cover cost. Faith Builder's cost covered.

RSVP: 25 June 2023 to RSVP@TheCatholicGuy.com



SERRA VOCATIONS **MASS AND DINNER** **MEETING**

Father Aldrin Valdehueza, our Chaplain and Assistant Parish Priest of the Catholic Parish of Epping & Carlingford, will be celebrating Mass for Serra at Sacred Heart Church Pymble on Thursday 22nd June 2023.

The evening commences with Mass at **6.00 PM** followed by a light meal and a short meeting.

Following the meeting Father Aldrin will be our guest speaker.

Everyone is welcome. Please "come and see".

*Please remember to pray every day for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians and novices and for the perseverance of existing vocations. Please telephone: Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com if you would like to attend.*

BUILDING COMMUNITY AT THE SUNDAY EVENING MASS

Thank you to Karen Hull and Annette Walker who provided a wonderful feast of cakes, wine, and cheese after the Sunday 5pm Mass last Sunday. It was so wonderful to see many parishioners stick around for a bit of a chat despite the cold weather! There was a lot of positive feedback and interest in making this a regular occurrence after Sunday night Mass. In order for this to happen, we need lots of volunteers!

Please contact Edith (corpus.families@gmail.com) if you have ideas, would like to help out, or find out more.



Social Justice Corner

Gai-mariagal Festival 2023: "Aunty Time"

High school students are warmly invited to have some fun and free pizza with Aunty Suzie and Aunty Caroline in a series of creative and well-being workshops at the St Ives Youth Hub. Young people will learn about our First Nations people and culture in a safe and supportive space and participate in arts and crafts, such as weaving and rock painting.

The event is free for young people aged 12-18 years.

Dates: Thursday, 22 June 2023 or Tuesday, 27 June 2023

Time: 4pm to 5.30pm

Venue: Youth Hub, St.Ives Community Centre, Memorial Ave, St.Ives

Enquiries: 0419 621 932

To register go to: [Aunty Time - 22 June 2023 \(gai-mariagal-festival.com.au\)](http://Aunty Time - 22 June 2023 (gai-mariagal-festival.com.au))

Refugee Week

Australia is celebrating Refugee Week from the 19th to the 25th June, coinciding with World Refugee Day (20th of June). Refugee Week is Australia's peak annual campaign to inform the diverse Australian community about refugees, and the many challenges they have endured and continue to face. It also provides an opportunity to celebrate the wonderful ways in which people from refugee and asylum-seeking backgrounds enrich their new communities. It provides a chance for all Australians to welcome, thank and celebrate their neighbours who have come seeking safety.

The theme for 2023 is 'Finding Freedom'. The theme highlights the dangerous journeys undertaken every day by millions of people to find safety and freedom. To learn more about the resilience and courage of refugees and the challenges they face when finding freedom go to:

[Home - Refugee Week](#)



Our Deepest Sympathy Margaret Mackay

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayerful sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Margaret. Margaret's funeral will be held at St Mary's Catholic Church, 264 Miller St North Sydney on Wednesday 21 June at 10am.

May Margaret experience the fullness of Christ's peace.

Our Deepest Sympathy Frank Donaghy

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayerful sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Frank. Frank's funeral will be held at Corpus Christi on Friday 23 June at 10:30am.

May Frank experience the fullness of Christ's peace.

Prayer Zone



Recently Deceased:

Margaret Mackay; Frank Donaghy

Anniversary: Josephine Chan

Please pray for the ill:

Tom Brewer; Sylvia Fishburn;
Nicolette Harris; Marshall O'Brien;
Helen McCarthy; Quentin Stewart;
Rob Sanders; Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies;
Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh;
Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley;
Carmel Hurrell, Fergus O'Brien,
Michelle Soumier, 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.



Youth News

We are back! Pray and Play is for babies, toddlers, and children under 12 years old together with their families.

We will meet in the Church Hall on Sunday 18 June after the 5pm Rock Mass for a simple dinner together and some activities.

High School Youth Group

We will be in the Church Hall on Sunday 25 June after the 5pm Youth Mass. We will have dinner together and spend some time together as the Term wraps up.



Youth activities are free to attend.

Contributions/donations are welcome to cover costs.

Youth Mass



We would love for more people to get involved in our monthly Youth Masses. Our next one will be on Sunday 25 June at the 5pm Mass. Please get in touch if you'd like to find out more!

For more info about the youth groups or youth mass, please contact Edith (corpus.families@gmail.com) or Michelle at the Office.

FEAST DAYS JUNE

Wednesday 21 June, St Aloysius Gonzaga

Thursday 22 June, St John Fisher and St Thomas More

Saturday 24 June, The Nativity of St John the Baptist

Wednesday 28 June, St Irenaeus

Thursday 29 June, Sts Peter and Paul



PARISH SOCIAL CRAFT GROUP

A happy group for a relaxing morning every fortnight - bring your own craft or handiwork if you wish.

Next get together **Thursday 22 June 2023** @ 10.30am in the Parish Hall.

Enq.: Angela 0405 507 982

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.



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE

For the Abolition of Torture

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

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The Word

Sunday 18 June 2023, Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collect

O God, strength of those who hope in you,
graciously hear our pleas,
and, since without you mortal frailty can do
nothing, grant us always the help of your grace,
that in following your commands
we may please you by our resolve and our
deeds. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your
Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

First Reading

From the book of Exodus Ex 19:2-6

You will be a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation.

From Rephidim the Israelites set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp. Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, "You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own, for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation."'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 99:2-3. 5. R. v.3

(R.) We are his people: the sheep of his flock.

1. Cry with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy. *(R.)*
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God.
He made us, we belong to him,
we are his people, the sheep of his flock *(R.)*
3. Indeed, how good is the Lord,
eternal, his merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age. *(R.)*

Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Romans Rom 5:6-11

We have been reconciled to God through the death of his Son; we are saved by his life.
We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy

to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near; repent and believe the Good News!

Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 9:36-10:8

He summoned his twelve disciples, and sent them out.

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.'

He summoned his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows:

'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'

The Gospel of the Lord.