

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

18 November 2018 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

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: 2nd 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

November 2018

Sunday 18 November Junior Choir 9am-11am

Sunday 25 November Parish Choir 9am-11am

December 2018

Sunday 2 December Junior Choir 9am-11am

Sunday 9 December Parish Choir 9am—11am



When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near. In the same way, when you see these things happening, know that He is near, at the gates." (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners and Visitors to the Parish,

The readings from the Book of Daniel and the Gospel of Mark teach us of the second coming of Christ and the resurrection of the dead. According to Daniel, the wise and the righteous will shine like stars. Jesus reminds us that the Son of Man will come in the clouds and his angels will gather the elect. Will the second coming of the Lord be imminent? Jesus is quite clear on this: 'But of that day or that hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father' (Mk 13:32). The Church wants to remind us of the need to remain prepared, not in worry and fear, but in the love of God and in charity and compassion towards the needy. We need to read the signs of the times. The events of everyday life, like natural calamities, accidents, epidemics, wars, terrorist attacks, economic recession etc., should lead us to think of the shortness and vulnerability of our life on earth and of our true destiny which is heaven where we shall enjoy eternal happiness.

May God bless you.

Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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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



The training of catechists and curriculum resources are provided by the **Confraternity of Christian Doctrine** (CCD) which is funded by the **Charitable**

Works Fund (CWF). We are grateful for our 35 catechists who play an important role in the faith formation of 450 children in our Parish. Perhaps you or someone you know has benefited from a Catholic Religious Education class in a NSW Public School, made possible through donations of the faithful?

SAFEGUARDING

In terms of the abuse of children in Catholic institutions and the wider community I believe we as a Catholic organisation have to acknowledge in community the hurt, the shame, the fear that the Victims experienced. Also the real possibility that they would not be believed and perhaps even the false guilt experienced. It was simply wrong to take advantage of vulnerable young persons. I feel an associated pain and sham and I expects others both within the Christian community and beyond would experience something similar. The Catholic Church in the perpetrators have crucified Jesus on the Cross. I believe we may console Jesus for the ingratitude of the wicked through our prayers and sacrifices made in love to bring healing and reparation (St Therese). Also it is important not to put ourselves on a pedestal for meekness calls us to recognise that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God (ROM 3).

The Diocese and each parish in Broken Bay have made a commitment to safeguarding. Please see below. Fr Greg Chee, OCD

OUR DIOCESAN COMMITMENT TO SAFEGUARDING

We the people of the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay are committed to fostering communities of safety and care for all people, especially for children and others in the community who are vulnerable.

Our commitment is underscored by our faith in Jesus Christ who teaches the fundamental sanctly of each human person, and by our dedication to sustained education, practice, and conversation about our moral, legal, and spiritual obligation to safeguard all those within our community.

The protection of children and vulnerable adults within our Diocese will be achieved as every member of our community strives to be a person who:

- Wants our children to be safe, to grow and to flourish, and have zerotolerance to any attitude and activity that makes children less than safe;
- Acts with integrity, humility and sincerity, being truthful and open-hearted, and accountable and transparent, throughout our Diocesan community;
- Shows care for the rights of all people who are supported by Diocesan systems that are clear, accessible, and compliant;
- Leads by a constant commitment to raising awareness, education, professional development, and supervision;
- Listens to others with an open heart and mind, and responds well so that concerns and risks may be identified early and addressed;
- Reaches out with compassion to all who have experienced hurt in our community, restoring relationships and building hope through support, acknowledgement and just redress;
- Communicates openly and honestly so that there is a clear articulation and demonstration of expectations, standards, structures and processes for Safeguarding throughout our Diocesan community;
- Engages the knowledge and experience of the wider community so that through dialogue and collaboration we can contribute to growth in the safety and wellbeing of our communities.

Each of us can help to protect one another. We are called to Step Up and to Speak Out for the protection of all.



Prayer Zone



Anniversary: Kath Fletcher; Helen Ferguson

Please pray for the ill:

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 St Andrew's Presbyterian St Ives/Pymble and for Reverend Steve North.

Feast Days — November

Monday 12th, St Josaphat, bishop, martyr **Saturday 17th**, St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious



NOVEMBER AND PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Scripture says it is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead so that they may be loosed from their sins and experience the fullness of what

God has for them. Let us remember our loved ones especially during November. We will be praying for them in a general way all through the month but it's possible to have a personal mass said if you so desire. Envelopes are available at the entrances of the Church and can be placed in the collection bowl or given to the Office.

Planned Giving Envelopes

The planned giving envelopes are available for collection in the church foyer.

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.
Give us the grace to see your face in one another
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.
Give us the courage to tell our stories
and to speak boldly of your truth.
Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.
Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

Plenary Council 2020

The Diocese of Broken Bay will hold a Plenary Council Dialogue and Listening session at a Diocese on Saturday 24 November 2018. See the flyer in the foyer.

If you would like our Parish to hold another session, could you please express your interest in the forms at the entries to the Church.



Amen.

Catechist Corner

We are holding a Gingerbread event on Sunday, 2 December 2018 in the Church Hall at 11am after Mass.

LAST CHANCE!! Please collect an order form from the church or parish office or download from the website http://www.stives.dbb.org.au/ under news and events. Orders must be returned with payment no later than Monday 19 November 2018.

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Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November

In the service of peace
That the language of love and
dialogue may always prevail over
the language of conflict.



SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

Universal Children's Day

The United Nations Universal Children's Day will be celebrated on the 20th November. The day offers each of us an inspirational entry-point to advocate, promote and celebrate children's rights, translating into dialogues and actions that will build a better world for children.

In 2018 the United Nations and UNICEF is encouraging the world to go blue!
Get involved and #GoBlue
Celebrate by wearing blue clothing or accessories and share with the world on social media.

Transform your website and social media platforms by turning them blue for the day. Sign the petition to call on world leaders to commit to fulfilling the rights of every child and acknowledge that these rights are non-negotiable. Go to: www.unicef.org/world-childrens-day

Social Justice Dinner: Indigenous Conversations

Thank you to everyone who attended our annual dinner on Wednesday. The dinner was a great success and represented an important step in the journey of our parish to further our understanding of Aboriginal spirituality and meet our goals of awareness, education and recognition. A special 'thank you' to Mr Paul Wilson and Aunty Diat Callope, our inspiring guest speakers.

Safeguarding Message

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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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