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18 May 2025, Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

Every Sunday at 10am Mass
Children's Liturgy

**Every Friday
(during term time)**
Lectio Divina; Zoom 10am

**Second Thursday
of Every Month**
Anointing of the Sick - 9am

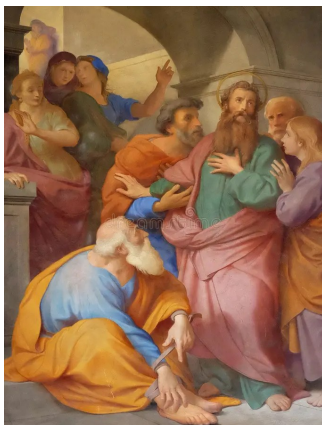
Wednesday 21 May
Wild Goose - Parish Hall

Thursday 22 May
Confirmation Meeting for
Parents—Hall 7.30pm

Sunday 25 May
Family Rock Mass—5pm

**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.



**Paul is Warned about the
Jerusalem Mob.
(First Reading)**

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

Today's three scripture readings show us different faces of Christian faith. The Acts of the Apostles tells of Paul and Barnabas returning home to Antioch after completing their first missionary journey around south east Asia Minor (present-day Turkey). The Christians in Antioch rejoice, hearing about all the wonderful things God has done through this missionary work.

In the Book of Apocalypse we see a symbolic vision of what Christian life hopes for: union with God, in peace, where there will be no more tears and pain, and death will have vanished.

The Gospel reading shows us a crucial moment when this vision of salvation was being worked out in the life of Jesus. The passage opens with the words, "When he had gone out." Who is this 'he'? It is Judas Iscariot. Just before this, the Gospel has shown us that Jesus knows Judas is going out to betray him and that it is night, the time when darkness triumphs. Against this wretchedness, Jesus speaks in an extraordinary way. First, he declares that in this very betrayal, God is glorifying him. Second, he chooses this moment to command his disciples to love one another in the way Jesus has loved them.

God Bless, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Parish Office Administrator – Permanent Part-Time Position (Job Share)

We are seeking a friendly, organized, and reliable Office Administrator to join our welcoming Parish Office team on a permanent part-time basis.

About the Role:

You will provide support for administrative and financial record keeping ensuring the smooth operation of our parish office. Your duties will include general office administration, communication with parishioners, maintaining records, and assisting with financial processes.

Key Responsibilities:

- General reception and administrative duties
- Preparation of correspondence, newsletters, and reports
- Data entry and record keeping
- Basic bookkeeping using MYOB (including payroll)
- Banking and payments
- Supporting parish activities and events as needed

Skills and Experience:

- Proficiency in Microsoft Word and Excel
- Experience with MYOB preferred
- Strong organizational and communication skills
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Friendly, professional manner and commitment to confidentiality

Position Details:

- Permanent part-time role
- Working with Children Check required (WWCC)
- Office hours— 9am to 4pm

If you are passionate about contributing to the life of the parish and have the skills we are looking for, we would love to hear from you!

How to Apply:

Please submit your resume and a cover letter to Michelle Miles at michelle@corpuschristi.com.au by 24 May 2025.

Dear Parishioners,

This year, our parish is embarking on a journey towards **sustainability**, and we are inviting all **parishioners** to support this initiative.



Early in his papacy, Pope Francis released an encyclical called "**Laudato Si'**" (which translates as "Praise Be to You") with a subtitle of "**On Care for our Common Home**". In it he lamented about the environmental degradation and global warming and called all people of the world to take "*swift and unified global action*". That encyclical was dated 24th of May 2015.

You might have noticed that in the recent years, the parish has been taking steps to reduce the use of plastic utensils, plates and cups. To take us further in our sustainability efforts, we would like to, first of all, spread awareness on this topic to get everyone on board. In addition, we will soft launch an initiative this weekend to be mindful of the rubbish we produce and **adopt recycling habits**.

We will be introducing a **new bin system** to help us responsibly sort and recycle our rubbish. The effects of this will be most noticeable during morning teas and special events where there will be separate bins for different items.

The 3 bins, apart from the general waste bins;

Paper - designated for uncontaminated paper and cardboard

Soft plastic - food wrappers, soft plastic packaging, etc

Refund recycling - this will include glass and plastic bottles suitable for 'Return and Earn', the money collected from these will go towards the Parish.

Call to action:

If you are passionate about this topic and would like to get more involved, please let the parish office know.

Alternatively, join the "Care for Earth Forum" at St Joseph's Parish Hall, Narrabeen.



Watch this space for more information!

Social Justice Corner



Laudato Si' Week

Today, we are celebrating the beginning of *Laudato Si'* Week in Australia. The celebration unites Catholics globally as we reflect on progress made in bringing *Laudato Si'* to life and the further action needed. It is also a special opportunity to acknowledge with gratitude Pope Francis's inspiration in caring for our common home. Pope Francis calls us to love all creation and listen to "the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor."

Pope Francis' main inspiration in writing *Laudato Si'* was St Francis of Assisi, who embodied care for the vulnerable and lived out integral ecology with joy and authenticity. The year 2025 is significant as we are commemorating the 10th Anniversary of *Laudato Si'* in the Year of Jubilee and the 800th anniversary of the Canticum of the Creatures, where St. Francis writes, "Praised be You, my Lord, with all Your creatures."



The focus of *Laudato Si'* Week 2025 is on debt and its impact on earth and each other. Through the global campaign *Turn Debt into Hope*, we can act to build a more just world.

Loving God,

*You created all people to be equal.
Yet, throughout the world many are struggling
to find even the most basic things they need:
food, water, safety and education.*

*Many poor countries owe enormous debts to wealthy
countries and companies,
and millions of vulnerable people suffer as a result.*

*In this Year of Jubilee,
when we are called to be pilgrims of hope,
we pray for greater justice.
We pray that we might do our part to challenge unjust
situations that
cause harm to so many of your people around the world.*

*May we work to ensure that earth is truly a common
home for everyone,
shared by all and enjoyed in security.*

*May we be instruments of your peace
and builders of the kingdom of which Jesus spoke in
your name.*

Amen

Prayer Zone



Please pray for the ill:

Marina Albuquerque; Michelle Fisher;
Fr Sergio Chauira; Jessie Chang; Amy O'Connell;
James Frederick Riley; 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;
Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle
Sok; Thi Nguyen; Carmel Hadley; Fergus
O'Brien; Michelle Soumier; Gracie Spencer;
Brendan Stone; Patricia Chazes

***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 Michelle
or Christina know.***

FEAST DAYS - MAY/JUNE

Sat 24th, Our Lady, Help of Christians
Mon 26th, St Philip Neri, priest
Sat 31st, The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sun 1st, The Ascension of the Lord
Sun 8th, Pentecost Sunday
Mon 9th, The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the
Church

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

**Every Sunday
at the 10am Mass**



During Sunday 10am Mass, children are invited to go to the school to participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word. There, they read the Gospel for the week and do activities related to that Sunday's gospel.

FAMILY ROCK MASS

Please join us on Sunday 25th
May at the 5pm mass.
The family rock mass
will be led by the
children from
Years 3 and 4.



Corpus Christi
Family Rock Mass

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION

FOR MAY

For working conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanised.





The Diocese of Broken Bay has launched the Pastoral Works Broken Bay

(PWBB) May Appeal. The Appeal supports various charities in our diocesan community, particularly the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) and the Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Program. PWBB also supports St Lucy's School and St Edmund's College for students with disabilities, and the Ephpheta Centre supports the deaf community.

This financial year, Corpus Christi has been asked to contribute to the charity works of our diocese with \$29,864. These ministries need our community's generosity as they get little or no Government funding. Please consider helping us reach this year's goal. You can donate any time, not only during May or November.

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible if you donate via the envelopes or Good Giving App!

On the 18th and 25th of May we will be taking a third collection to raise funds for PWBB.

"Connecting to the Mission of Jesus Christ!"

MAY APPEAL

Sundays 18th and 25th

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)

Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care



Every gift makes a difference. THANK YOU!



**Please give generously to our
MAY 2025 APPEAL**



You Are Invited!

Please join the Ku-ring-gai Interchurch Group for a special **Prayer for Christian Unity** service.

Date: Thursday, 5 June

Time: 11:00 am (1 hour service)

Location: Gordon Pymble Uniting Church
1 Livingstone Avenue, Pymble

Come together in faith and fellowship as we pray for unity among Christians.

WHY WE DO

The Things We Do

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Having been nourished through the scripture readings at the Liturgy of the Word, we turn to the *Liturgy of the Eucharist*. At this part of the Mass, the gifts of bread and wine are brought to the altar and we begin the Eucharistic Prayer which is one of the most ancient prayers from our tradition. We ask the Holy Spirit to transform the bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ. We also ask that, in receiving Jesus, the entire assembly will be transformed as the body of Christ. By re-enacting the eucharistic words and actions of Jesus we remember and live anew the great events of his death and resurrection.



**IS GOD CALLING YOU TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE
IN VOCATIONS MINISTRY?**

**SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER
MEETING WEDNESDAY 21ST MAY 2025
AT OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CHURCH
94 ARCHER STREET CHATSWOOD
COMMENCING WITH MASS AT 6.30 PM**

**OUR MASS CELEBRANT AND AFTER DINNER
SPEAKER WILL BE FATHER DAVID RANSON
OUR VICAR GENERAL AND PARISH PRIEST OF
OUR LADY OF DOLOURS
CATHOLIC PARISH CHATSWOOD**

EVERYONE IS WELCOME, SO PLEASE COME AND SEE.

*Please remember to pray **every day** for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians, novices, and for the residence of Joseph House Discernment Centre. Please also pray for the perseverance of existing vocations.*

For catering purposes kindly telephone Henry or Anna Leung on **0478 083 116** or email **annaytyleung@yahoo.com.au**

FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL (7th-18th October 2025)

Fr. Joseph Panackal IVdei invites you to journey in the footsteps of St. Paul, reliving the Acts of the Apostles and exploring the letters of the New Testament. Explore Greece & Turkey in this 12-day pilgrimage for a price of \$8290 + tips (20+ pilgrims).

SHRINES OF OUR LADY (18th Aug- 3rd September 2025)

Fr Johnson Malayil, CRS, would like to invite you for a 16-day Jubilee pilgrimage, departing on the 18th of August 2025. This pilgrimage features Fatima, Avila, Loyola, Lourdes, Turin, Milan, Padua, Assisi, Rotondo, and Rome for an all-inclusive price of \$8890 + tips (30+ pilgrims). The fare includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in 4-star Premium Hotels, Catholic priest, Meals + English speaking professional guides + Entrances as per itinerary and more. or inquiries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or email us pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au



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Wednesday 4th June - Sunday 8th June.
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BROKEN BAY PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE

There is no more joyous time to be Catholic and what more sacred time to visit Rome with our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV than in this **Jubilee Year of Hope!**

We warmly invite you to journey with our very own Fr Hien Vu for an extraordinary, faith-filled ten day pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome. Breathe in the beauty of Assisi, walk in the footsteps of Saint Francis and Saint Clare, visit the tomb of Bl Carlos Acutis.

Whilst in Rome, participate in Mass with Bishop Anthony, pay a personal tribute at the resting place of Pope Francis, walk through the Holy Doors of the Papal Basilicas, and join in the Holy See celebrations for the Jubilee of Consecrated Life 8-9 October and Papal Mass with Pope Leo XIV.

Registrations for this once in a lifetime trip closing soon. To join our next online information gathering, please email mission@bbcatholic.org.au



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope

Every 25 years, the Church proclaims a Holy Year, a special gift of grace and mercy for all God's people. Not only is Italy a land of unforgettable charm and beauty, it is also a land made rich in grace by its colourful history of Holy men and women. In this dedicated Jubilee year, be inspired to encounter the pathways of some of the Church's greatest saints, from St Francis and Clare in Assisi to St Peter and Paul in Rome, the Eternal City, where we cross the threshold of the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica and receive the Jubilee blessing.

COMMENCES WEDNESDAY 01 OCTOBER 2025 • 10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS
Rome Airport vicinity (11) • Assisi (2 nights) • Orvieto • Rome • Jubilee (6 nights)

Accompanied by **Fr Hien Vu**

"The Jubilee Year 2025 calls us to rediscover the centrality of Jesus Christ in our lives and to deepen our relationship with Him, as the Door through which we enter into the fullness of life."
- Most Rev Anthony Randazzo DD, JCL, Bishop of Broken Bay

The dome of St Peter's over the River Tiber, Rome

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harvest journeys

The Gift

You are invited to an inspiring and practical series in six parts aimed at people of all ages to help them encounter the Holy Spirit and empower them to share their faith. Refreshments included.

The series:

1. The Father's Loving Plan
2. The Joy Of The Gospel
3. The Gift Of The Spirit
4. Unwrapping God's Gift
5. Encountering the Holy Spirit
6. Living In The Spirit

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For more information on the Carmelite Retreat Program, please visit www.mtcarmel.com.au/carmelite-retreat-program

When: June 7, 10am - 4pm

The Roses of St Therese

Presenter: Ms Jill Ditton, OCDS

When: June 12-13 or 13 June

The Artistic and Spiritual Dimensions of the Christmas Story

Presenter: Mr John Charadia & Artist Tutors

When: June 20-22 6pm (Fri) to 12:30pm (Sun)

Let yourself Be Loved

Presenter: Fr Gerard Moran, OCD

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10-13 JULY



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If this interests you, please contact the Ignite team at ignite@corpuschristi.com.au for more information.

THERE'S A SEAT FOR YOU



YOU'RE INVITED

At Alpha, you can ask anything! Alpha is a safe place where you can ask questions about life, faith and meaning.

And, the great news is, Alpha runs here! Right now, a seat at the table has been prepared for you. All you have to do is come.

**Begins Wednesday, 6 August 2025
at 7:00pm in the church hall**



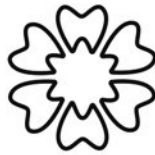
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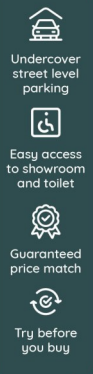
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The Word

Sunday 18 May 2025: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Collect

Almighty ever-living God,
lead us to a share in the joys of heaven,
so that the humble flock may reach
where the brave Shepherd has gone before.
Who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,
for ever and ever.

First Reading

From the Acts of the Apostles Acts 14:21-27

They assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them.
Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed. On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 144:8-13. R. cf. v.1

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)
2. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. (R.)
3. Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading

From the book of the Apocalypse Rv 21:1-5

He will wipe away all the tears from their eyes.
I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.' Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John Jn 13:31-35

I give you a new commandment: love one another.
When Judas had gone Jesus said:
'Now has the Son of Man been glorified,
and in him God has been glorified.
If God has been glorified in him,
God will in turn glorify him in himself,
and will glorify him very soon.
My little children, I shall not be with you much longer.

I give you a new commandment: love one another;
just as I have loved you,
you also must love one another.
By this love you have for one another,
everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

The Gospel of the Lord.