



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

19 May 2019 - 5th Sunday of Easter

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)



Jesus is a most attractive proposition and so like Paul and Barnabas, let us invite others to Christ. One way to do this is by inviting them to Alpha. (Acts 14:21-27)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

A distinguishing mark of Jesus' disciples is their

practice of love (Greek *agape*). Jesus gave this as a new commandment and badge at the Last Supper: 'I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another' (Jn 13:34-35).

Many things mark us as Christians and as Catholics: the sign of the cross, the Mass and other sacraments, our prayers and songs, our liturgical celebrations, our churches and places of worship – all inspired by Scripture and tradition. But at the heart of all this and what holds all things together is the commandment of love: love of God and love of neighbour; love as Jesus loved us. Without love, all things fall apart.

The apostle Paul is emphatic: 'If I speak in human and angelic tongues but do not have love, I am a resounding gong or a clashing cymbal....If I have all faith so as to move mountains but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away everything I own, and if I hand my body over so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing' (1 Cor 13:1-1).

Early Christians were slandered as haters of men, scum of the earth. The emperor Nero burned Rome and placed the blame on Christians, dressed them with animal skins, and fed them to the wild beasts in the arena. He burned them to light his imperial garden at night. Yet, pagans who came to know Christians were struck by them: 'See how they love on another!' When calamities and plagues struck a city, the pagans would flee for dear life, abandoning the sick and the dead. Christians, on the other hand, would remain and attend to the sick, and so saved those who would have easily died. They were not afraid to face death because of their belief in the risen Lord and their hope for the reward hereafter. Consequently, they not only survived but also converted many pagans to the faith. More than anything else, the practice of love led to the rapid spread of Christianity.

May God bless you. Fr Greg Chee, OCD.

Every Friday (during term time)

Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Greg
10-11am, Hall Boardroom

First Friday of the Every Month

Exposition / Adoration at 7pm
Holy Mass at 7:30-8pm

Every Thursday

Prayer Group prior to mass
8:40am

May

Sunday 19 May

Junior Choir
9am-11am

Sunday 26 May

Senior Choir
9am-11am

June

Sunday 2 June

Junior Choir
9am-11am

Sunday 9 June

Senior Choir
9am-11am

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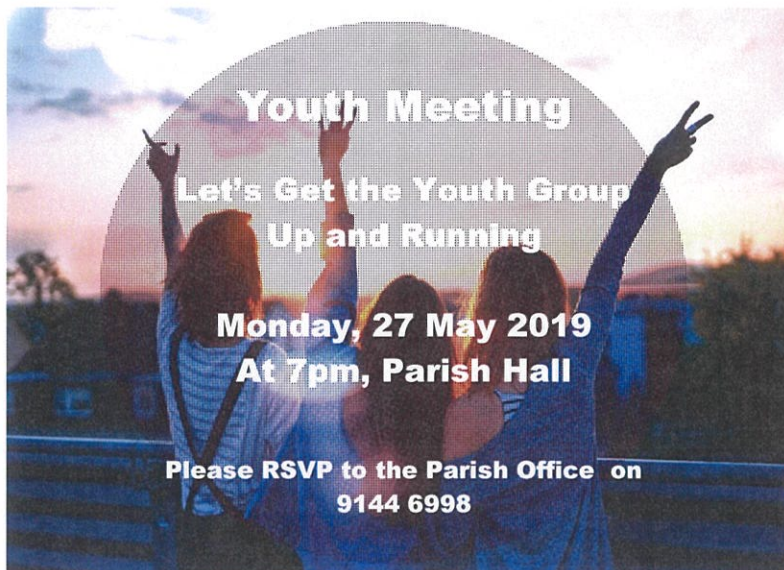
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HALL BOOKINGS

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0412 882 263



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 23 May 2019 @ 10.30am** in the Parish Hall. Enq.: Angela 9144 6553.



SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND INFORMATION EVENING

Father Stephen Wayoyi, Assistant Parish Priest of St Agatha's Parish Pennant Hills will be celebrating Mass for Serra at Sacred Heart Church, 2 Richard Porter Way Pymble on Thursday 30th May 2019. The evening will commence with Mass at 6.30PM followed by dinner consisting of sandwiches, sausage rolls and fruit. We expect that the evening will be concluded by 9.00 pm.

Following dinner Father Stephen will be our guest speaker. He will be discussing the vocations activities of the Diocese and will provide an update about our 9 Seminarians now studying at the Good Shepherd Seminary. Our Diocesan Vocations Officer, Michelle Chahine, will also be attending.

At the conclusion of Father Stephen's presentation, Terry Scanlan will be speaking about the history, activities/future activities and the objectives of Serra in Broken Bay. If you would like to know more about vocations activities in the Diocese and how you may be able to play a part in supporting our existing vocations and encouraging new vocations please join us on the 30th May.

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.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY—2-9 JUNE 2019

Tuesday 4 June at 7pm. Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble. Please see notice board in the foyer.

SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE

A culture of Safeguarding values DIGNITY... "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love." - John 15:9

Prayer Zone



Anniversary:
John Shoppee

Please pray for the ill:

Rebecca Anderson; Maria and Jack Garcia; Tony Lee; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; 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 Pymble Chapel Uniting and for Rev Steve Aynsley and their leaders and preachers.

Feast Days — May

Fri 24 May, Our Lady, Help of Christians

CARMELITE RETREAT PROGRAM *:

Week Retreat: A week with the Carmelite Saints
May 27 - June 2

Presenter: Fr Aloysius Rego, OCD
Cost: \$800 (concessions apply)

How can the Carmelite Saints guide us in our journey to intimacy with God?

Directed Retreat:

May 27- June 2

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The retreats are held at the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville NSW 2566. For information of any of the retreats, please call 8795 3400 or email: retreats@carmelite.com.
www.carmeliteretreats.com.au

** Please note, that at the end of 2019 the Carmelite Retreat programmes will no longer continue due to the high cost involved.*



THANK YOU FOR HELPING YOUR LOCAL FAITH COMMUNITY

We are so grateful for your kindness and generosity in helping our Parish reach our target of \$13,000. The money raised helps provide faith-based services to those in our local community.

Donations \$2 and over are tax-deductible. There is still time to donate before the end of the financial year. Thank you for your kindness, your thoughtfulness and your generosity.

CatholicCare Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioner Program – where five Pastoral Care Practitioners reach over 3,000 patients, 700 families and over 180 hospital staff each year across seven hospitals in our Diocese.

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine – creating and updating teaching materials and training catechists who minister to public school students across the Diocese.

St Lucy's School – for primary school students with disabilities.

St Edmund's College – for secondary school students with disabilities.

Ephpheta Centre – serving the Catholic deaf community.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY



Church in Africa

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for the continent.

Alpha - September 2019



Alpha launched this week and it was wonderful seeing the community engaging in such a vibrant way. We are really looking forward to the journey with everyone. We are fully booked for Alpha this time and I know people are wanting to

register for the upcoming Alpha series commencing

Tuesday, 3 September 2019. A new registration form is on-line and we are taking registrations again now for Alpha in September. Get your registration in early to avoid disappointment. We filled up quickly this time. You can register at www.bbcatholic.org.au/stives-alpha

Here are some photo's from our launch of Alpha this week. We look forward to seeing you at Alpha in September.



SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

Can you help?

Since 1 July, 2018, the Social Justice Group has helped 80 new Tibetan refugees who arrived in our diocese and settled on the Northern Beaches. Funds have been provided to a pharmacy to pay for essential medication, and to health services to cover the gap for medical tests. Families have received vouchers to purchase nappies, groceries and other essential items.

Recently, we received referrals to assist a mother diagnosed with cancer; a young man who had a leg amputated as a result of an accident; a middle-aged man experiencing financial hardship as a result of a kidney transplant, and three families with children with a disability.

As we have very little resources to assist these refugees, and our annual refugee raffle is not until August, we are urgently seeking funds. Donations of any amount would be greatly appreciated; \$6.50 covers the cost of prescription medication which many refugees cannot afford when they first arrive.



Donations can be transferred to the Northern Beaches Tibetan Health Fund. BSB: 06

2287 Acct: 1043 9094. To obtain a receipt please email tibetanhealthfund@gmail.com. Further information can be obtained by calling Cathy Butler on 0401 393 051.

The Staging Post: A film by Jolyon Hall

Jesuit Refugee Service and Jesuit Mission invite you to a screening of The Staging Post, a beautiful documentary that follows two Afghan Hazara refugees stranded in Indonesia as a result of Australian policies on turning back boats. Facing many years in limbo, the two refugees built a community and started a school that inspired a refugee education revolution. The film is suitable for all ages. At the conclusion of the film everyone is welcome to stay for a Q&A with an expert panel. The screening will be on Wednesday, 22nd May, at 7pm at the Ron Dyer Centre, 42 Ridge St, North Sydney. Tickets are \$10 and can be booked at <https://www.trybooking.com/BCABF>

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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