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2 April 2023, Palm Sunday

Parish Mass Times:
Monday to Friday: 9am
Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil)
Sunday: 8am, 10am, 6pm
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 Friday
(during term time)
Lectio Divina

Second Thursday
of Every Month
Anointing of the Sick —9am

Thursday evenings
Fr Sunny's Gospel of John
Prayer Group
7:30-9pm in the Church

Monday 3rd April
Parish Pastoral Council meeting
7pm

Thursday 7th April
No morning mass
7pm Solemn Mass of the Lord's
Supper followed by prayer and
adoration

Friday 8th April
10am Stations of the Cross
3pm Solemn commemoration of
the Lord's Passion.

Saturday 8th April
9am morning prayer
7pm Solemn Vigil of Easter

Sunday 9th April
8 & 10am mass. Easter Egg hunt
after 10am mass. *No 6pm mass*



**Many people spread their
cloaks on the road, and others
spread leafy branches
(Procession of the Palms)**

Dear Parishioners

The Passion narrative unfolds the drama with a cast of characters: there are the main protagonists, the bad guys and the good guys, the by-standers and extras. They represent the different types of persons in real life.

The extras and onlookers form the vast majority who welcome Jesus in their lives, but whose faith is unstable. They can change their allegiance on personages or political parties that sometimes run contrary to the voice of their own conscience.

The Sanhedrin, the scribes, and Pharisees represent the self-righteous who are ready to condemn anybody based simply on their own judgment, which at times depends on their whims and caprices. They mark or brand people as 'addicts' or 'thieves' or beyond redemption.

Pilate stands for the powerful on earth, ready to execute anyone who is a threat to the throne or the political interest of the empire. They are deaf to the voice of their conscience and are ready to wash away their guilt. They are indifferent to the cause of the poor and the innocent.

The apostles represent those who wholeheartedly follow Jesus in good times but abandon him when things 'go wrong' because they have not understood that discipleship entails carrying one's cross. But Jesus prays for them so that once they have recovered at Easter, they will strengthen their brethren and become the pillars of the community of believers.

We unite with the cross of Christ by praying the price of love in our concrete circumstances drawing many graces for ourselves and through us to others.

May God bless you, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Youth at Corpus Christi



Our annual Easter egg hunt is on again! Please join us after the 10am Easter Sunday Mass (9 April). No need to RSVP, just come and join in the fun!

Morning tea will also be provided, please come and celebrate Easter with us.

Please contact Michelle (office@corpuschristi.com.au) if you're able to help with hiding the eggs.

Pray and Play is for families with children under 12 years old.

Plans are underway for our next gathering, please keep checking the bulletin. If you'd like to receive updates, please contact Edith (corpus.families@gmail.com) or Michelle (office@corpuschristi.com.au).



Youth Group

Our high school youth group met for dinner last Sunday. We are planning to meet on the 4th Sunday each month, after the Sunday night Youth Mass.



Here are the details for our next gathering, we'd love to see you there!



Date: Sunday 23rd April

Time: 4:00 – 5:30pm

Activity: Baking!

Cost: Free, donations welcome

If you would like to participate or help out in future gatherings, please contact Edith (corpus.families@gmail.com) or Michelle at the Office.

We Still Need You?

Please Consider Joining Us - This weekend!

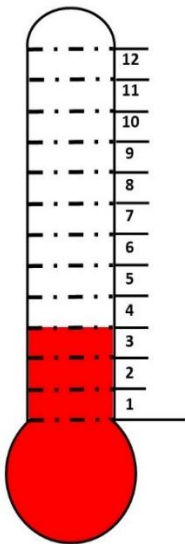
URGENT:

If you put your name down on the catechist list and have not heard from me, it is possible you did not write your contact details beside your name. We have had a number of people/families put their name down but did not leave contact details and am therefore not able to contact you. Please would you include your contact details when leaving the church this week so I can contact you?

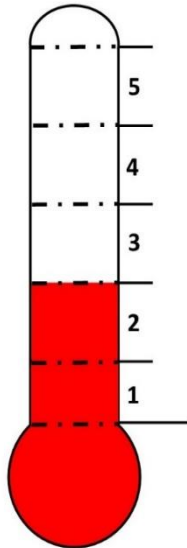


PLEASE UPDATE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

Helpers Needed



Catechists Needed



Will YOU be the one to share your faith with the children and help raise our Thermometer Goal?

The thermometer is filling. We are not quite there yet but "getting warmer"!!!

Thank you to those who have already stepped forward to become part of the catechist ministry.

All resources and training are provided free. You do not need to be a teacher to share your faith. If you would like to become part of our team or would like more information, please contact Jen Perrott in the office on (02) 9144 6998 / 0415 242 898 or email catechists@corpuschristi.com.au. I would love to chat with you.

St Ives North Public School - Tuesdays

	Catechist	Helper	Time
Kindergarten	Filled	Filled	1:50-2.20pm
Year 1	Filled	Filled	1:50-2.20pm
Year 2	Filled	Filled	1:50-2.20pm
Year 3	Filled	Filled	2.20-2.50pm
Year 4	Filled	Needed	2.20-2.50pm
Year 5	Filled	Needed	1.00-1.30pm
Year 6	Filled	Needed	1.00-1.30pm

St Ives Public School - Wednesdays

Kindergarten	Filled	Filled	9:10-9:45am
Year 1/2	Needed	Needed	9:10-9:45am
Year 3/4	Filled	Needed	9:45-10:25am
Year 5/6	Filled	Needed	9:45-10:25am

Turrumurra North Public School – Wednesdays

Kindergarten	Needed	Filled	10:20-10:55am
Year 1/2	Filled	Needed	10:20-10:55am
Year 3/4	Filled	Filled	10:20-10:55am
Year 5/6	Needed	Needed	10:20-10:55am

St Ives Park Public School - Wednesdays

Kindergarten	Filled	Filled	11:40-12:10pm
Year 1/2	Filled	Filled	11:40-12:10pm
Year 3/4	Filled	Filled	11:40-12:10pm
Year 5/6	Filled	Needed	11:40-12:10pm



Our Parish Website needs YOU

- Do you have IT skills, particularly with Websites?
- Are you creative?
- Do you have the time to volunteer about 2 hours/week
- Do you want to help our Parish realise the Vision of a welcoming, invitational Parish where we encounter Jesus?
- If the answers are **YES** please contact the Office 9144 6998
- Training and support will be available

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

YOU CAN BE A PART OF MAKING THE VISION COME ALIVE

Please pray to the Holy Spirit to guide someone to accept the role of our Website Manager and other upcoming communication and design roles.

Holy Spirit, you know we are working to create a welcoming and invitational Parish where all can encounter Jesus. Match our Parish needs with the gifts of our parishioners, in particular in the areas of communications and design, so that together we can bring our vision alive, both within our Parish and reaching out to everyone in the wider community. Amen



Social Justice Corner First Nations Voice to Parliament Presentations

The Northern Sydney Alliance for Uluru Statement (NSAUS) is organising a free information session for anyone interested in learning more about the Uluru Statement and what Australians will be asked to vote on.

The guest speaker is Eddie Synot, a Wamba Wamba First Nations lawyer and researcher. Eddie is a lecturer at Griffith Law School, Griffith University and a Research Fellow at the Indigenous Law Centre UNSW. Eddie has worked with the Uluru Dialogue and the ILC UNSW since 2018. Eddie's research focuses on Indigenous peoples and the law, especially public and constitutional law.

There will be time for Q&A after Eddie's presentation.

Date: Tuesday 4 April 2023

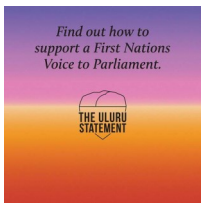
Time: 12pm – 1.30pm

Venue: North Sydney Community Centre. The Centre is located inside Civic Park, 220 Miller St, North Sydney (behind Stanton Library, between McLaren and Ridge Streets, North Sydney)

Parking: Ridge Street car park and on street parking is available.

Public Transport: Nearest bus stops: Corner of Miller and Ridge Streets or Pacific Highway, opposite West Street. Nearest train station North Sydney Station, exit via Miller St

Bookings: Call 9922 2299 or go to [North Sydney Community Centre \(northsydneycentre.com.au\)](http://NorthSydneyCommunityCentre.com.au).



Presentation by Fr Brennan SJ AO
Sunday, April 2nd, at 1.30pm, in The Crypt of St Patrick's Church in The Rocks. Enter the Crypt via a gate east of the Church entrance (a few metres down the hill in Grosvenor St). Admission is free

CHRISM MASS 2023



The priests of our Diocese gather for this celebration with Most Rev Bishop Anthony Randazzo to renew their priestly commitment. During Mass, the oils of Catechumens and the Sick are blessed, and the Chrism is consecrated and then taken back to each parish for use in various Sacramental liturgies throughout the year. Please join us for this significant liturgical occasion.

Magi Pilgrimage

Trace the journey of Jesus from the land of his birth to the way he carried his cross and gave the eternal sacrifice in this 14-day Holy Land pilgrimage to Jordan & Israel led by Fr Salas Muttathukattil MSFS. This pilgrimage features places from the Old & New Testament and includes Petra, Mt Nebo, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Sea of Galilee, Mt Sinai and Jerusalem for an all-inclusive offer of \$6,940 AUD. Airfare + Local Transfers in Deluxe Coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners + English speaking professional guides. Departure from Sydney and Melbourne on 21st May 2023. For inquiries & bookings call 1300 721 561 or email us info@magiholidays.com.au



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Prayer Zone

Anniversary: Joseph and Barbara Dagher

Please pray for the ill:

Noel Carmody; 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

FEAST DAYS MARCH/APRIL

Sunday April 2nd, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

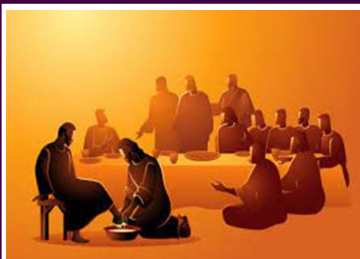
Sunday April 9th, Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

EASTER CHOIR REHEARSALS

The final rehearsal are to be held:

- Wednesday 5th April from 7-8:30pm
- Thursday 6th April at 6pm
- Good Friday 7th April at 2pm
- Easter Vigil 8th April at 5:30pm

Everyone is welcome to join so please come along .



WASHING OF THE FEET

Jesus said, “If I, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another’s feet...

so that as I have done for you, you should also do.”

On **Holy Thursday** we will do exactly what Jesus called us to do, to wash one another’s feet.

If you would like to participate in this most moving and rewarding experience by being one who has their feet washed, please register your name on the sign up sheet in the foyer. We already have 8 volunteers and would like another 4 volunteers.

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

FINANCE UPDATE – SIX MONTHS TO 31 DECEMBER 2022

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

Dear Parishioners

This last six months has seen your finance committee busy with planning for the new presbytery and making sure the assets of the Parish remain in good working order.

A number of discussions were held with Diocesan representatives regarding the plans for the new presbytery as well as possible means of funding the project. The Diocese has given in principle agreement for the project, subject to the formal application being made to the Diocese and subject to a DA being approved by Ku-Ring-Gai Council. A briefing was given to parishioners in August last year and we thank those parishioners who attended and gave some valuable feedback. The draft plans are available at the back of the Church. A further briefing on the progress made so far will be given in the near future.

The biggest task facing us now is raising the funds necessary for the project. We have around \$350,000 available and have been given the go ahead to approach the Catholic Development Fund (CDF) for a loan of approximately \$500,000 to \$600,000. The Diocese is prepared to give us \$1 for every \$2 raised by us up to a maximum of \$250,000. The estimated cost of the project is \$1.9 million. Assuming we receive the Diocesan contribution the funds we will have \$1.2 million so our task is to raise approximately \$700,000 to be able to properly fund the project. We have a very good sub-committee looking at ways that we can raise these funds. We are asking parishioners to let us know if they have any contacts in the building and construction industries who may be able to provide labour and/or materials at reduced rates to assist us in making the presbytery one to be proud of. We will also be asking parishioners if any are able to assist by way of bequests or donations. So far we have had specific donations in excess of \$120,000 (included in the \$350,000 available funds mentioned above) towards the project and we are very grateful to those parishioners. Our market day in October last year raised just over \$11,000 and we thank all those who made this such a success.

In terms of looking after our assets we have fixed the leaks in the hall roof and installed ventilation in the hall roof to assist with clearing the mould on the ceiling.

Our income is slightly up on the same period last year due mainly to an increase in the loose collections and the market day. It is pleasing to note that since the Hall for Hire banner was put up our hall hire income has increased. Income from hall hire was \$2,195 for the six months to December 2020, \$1,550 for the same period in 2021 and \$5,127 for the current period. Expenses are under control and we continue to closely monitor them.

We encourage parishioners who haven't yet joined the planned giving to participate by way of a direct debit or credit card. If you haven't yet but would like to contribute by direct debit or credit card please call the Parish Office (9144 6998) or complete the form that can be found at the back of the Church and return it to the office or drop it in the second collection bag at the front of the church.

We thank all parishioners for their continued support as we all work together during these challenging times to enhance our Parish.

Fr Greg and the Parish Finance Committee

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH, ST IVES

Income & Expenditure Six months to 31 December 2022

	ACTUAL \$ 31-Dec-22	ACTUAL\$ 31-Dec-21	ACTUAL \$ 31-Dec-20
INCOME			
Planned Giving - Envelopes	9,109	15,710	45,155
Planned Giving - Credit Cards	31,598	35,374	37,059
Planned Giving - EFTs	17,465	22,050	-
Total Planned Giving	58,172	73,134	82,214
Loose Second Collection	19,437	4,341	10,184
Tap & Go - \$5	0	700	2,110
Tap & Go - \$10	6,920	1,820	6,750
Tap & Go -\$20	4,000	3,540	5,660
Tap & Go -\$50	2,550	490	-
Donations		3,250	3,568
Pastoral Activities, Piety store and other income	12,395	4,668	7,074
Bulletin Advertising	-	2,652	5,980
Alpha Program	3,558	-	1,254
Discipleship	-	-	2,860
Interest Received	2,229	338	836
Market Day	11,050		
Building Donations	0	100	100
Total Income	120,311	95,035	128,589
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Church Requisites	5,060	5,596	3,732
Employment Expenses including on-costs	56,642	61,639	46,210
Jobkeeper Expense	-	-	32,377
Insurance	25,359	22,323	20,357
Office Expenses	4,567	2,404	5,758
Pastoral programmes, Admin. & other expenses	10,502	9,456	12,307
Formation	1,303	1,600	-
Alpha Program	-	1,247	1,544
Discipleship	-	-	1,767
Repairs and maintenance	14,848	13,822	20,609
Clergy Car Expenses	3,181	5,193	4,488
Interest repayment on Roof Loan	-	133	816
Total Operating Expenses	121,462	123,413	149,965
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	(1,152)	(28,378)	(21,376)
NON- OPERATING INCOME			
Building donations - Presbetry	995	-	-
Job Keeper Subsidy	-	-	54,000
Cah Boost Stimulus -ATO	-	-	10,000
NSW Business Grant	-	7,500	-
NSW Jobsaver Grant	-	18,000	-
Total Non-Operating Income	995	25,500	64,000
NON -OPERATING EXPENSES			
Tap & Go units	-	-	(172)
New carpets in Presbytery	-	-	(6,818)
Short Fall Super Expenses prior years	-	-	(3,595)
Preliminary Expenses to Presbytery	-	(6,200)	-
Total Non-Operating Expenses	0	(6,200)	(10,585)
Roof Repayments to 31 Dec 2022	0	(13,321)	(16,700)
Surplus / (Deficit) after roof repayments	(157)	(22,399)	15,339



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

For Victims of Abuse

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

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The Word

Sunday 2 April 2023, Palm Sunday

Collect

Almighty ever living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow caused our Saviour to take flesh and submit to the Cross, graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Procession of Palms Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew 21: 1-11

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord"

When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, "The Lord has need of them," and he will send them immediately'. This took place to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

'Tell the daughter of Zion,
Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble and mounted on an ass,
and on a colt, the foal of an ass'.

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon. Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!' And when he entered Jerusalem all the city was stirred, saying, 'Who is this?' And the crowds said, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee."
The Gospel of the Lord.

First Reading

From the prophet Isaiah Is 50:4-7

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed. The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 21:8-9.17-20. 23-24.R. v.2
(R.) *My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?*

1. All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' (R.)
2. Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones. (R.)
3. They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! (R.)
4. I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons.' (R.)

Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Philippians Phil 2:6-11

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!