

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

20 April 2025, Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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

Easter Sunday 20 April

8am Mass

10am Mass (+ Easter Egg hunt)

No evening mass

**Friday 25 April—Public
Holiday**

Anzac Day 9am mass

School Holidays

The office will be **CLOSED**

Monday 21st and Friday 25th

April (public holidays).

Office hours Tuesday 22nd to

Thursday 24th April will be

9am—1pm.



*"If, then, we have died with
Christ, we believe that we
shall also live with him."
(Epistle for Easter Vigil)*

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

The Easter story is now ready to be lived afresh in the lives of each one of us. Christ is our life and now it is our task in the Easter days ahead to commit ourselves once again to be his witnesses in our world. It is good to remember that while Lent prepared us for Holy Week and the Easter celebrations, we now have the beautiful season of Easter itself to truly live out all that we have learned as we prepare for Pentecost.

May God bless you and Happy Easter,
Fr Greg Chee, OCD



**Wishing you and your
families a very
happy and blessed Easter.
May your hearts be lifted
and your
homes be blessed.**

**From Frs Greg, Sunny and Gerard;
Michelle, Jen, Gerri and Christina**

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Fr Greg Chee, OCD, Parish Priest

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Michelle Miles, Office Manager

Jennifer Perrott, Faith Facilitator

Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator

Christina Surjan, Administrative Assistant

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Instagram www.instagram.com/CorpusChristiStIves**

The Franciscans of the Custody of the Holy Land have the unique responsibility of caring for the Holy Places as well as caring for the Christians living in the Holy Land – the ‘ancient stones’ of our Christian heritage and the ‘living stones’ of our present and future Christians. The friars minister across several nations in conjunction with the Latin Patriarchate and other jurisdictions including the Greco-Melkite, Coptic, Maronite, Syrian, Chaldean and Armenian churches. It is vital that we all care for the Christians living in the Holy Land in order to maintain a Christian presence in a land that is filled with a majority Islamic and Jewish population.



The annual Pontifical Good Friday Collection is applied to these projects, programmes and more –

Faith, Memory and Culture – The Holy Places

Holy Land Franciscans and staff maintain the Holy Places and shrines. This enables those who live in the Holy Land and those who visit to deepen their faith and their spiritual and cultural connection to Salvation history. Due to the pandemic in 2019-2021 and now the war, there has been a dramatic loss of income due to the closure of the shrines and the lack of pilgrims. However, the maintenance and care of the shrines has had to continue as well as supporting the local people whom they employ.

Social and Charitable Activities

In order to assist Christians to remain in the Holy Land, including the poor and young couples, the Custody builds hundreds of residential units. Additionally, they build senior care facilities. Medical assistance is provided for the needy. Now more than ever there has been a significantly greater demand for assistance while at the same time, a dramatic loss of income.

Educational and Scientific Activities

The Franciscans operate and support schools open to all, regardless of religion or nationality. They provide scholarships for students to prepare them to get jobs and remain in the Holy Land to be part of living Catholic communities. Funds are distributed to young people studying to become priests or religious. Finally, Franciscan archaeologists pursue ongoing research at the Holy Places discovering historical artifacts.

Pastoral Activities

The Franciscans provide pastoral care in 29 parishes in the Holy Land offering worship, Christian formation, youth and family programs, as well as guided tours for pilgrims attending the shrines and holy places. With the closure of churches and shrines and the loss of pilgrims, pastoral care is still needed but with fewer resources.

Liturgical, Ecumenical and Communications Programs

The Franciscan Media Center tells the story of the Holy Land through multimedia distributed throughout the world in more than seven languages. The friars organize Liturgical Celebrations for the local Christians and pilgrims and share with other Christian communities in the Holy Land in ongoing Ecumenical co-operation.

**The Pontifical Good Friday Collection 2025 will continue to support the works of the Holy Land Custody through the generosity of the Australian Church.
Thank you.**

Social Justice Corner



The Social Justice Group wishes parishioners and their loved ones a very blessed and happy Easter.

The resurrection of Christ gives us hope and courage that with the power of the Holy Spirit, no injustice is too large to overcome. It is a powerful reminder we can all have a part in bringing new life to the marginalised in our community.



*"Do not abandon yourselves to despair.
We are Easter people and hallelujah is our song."*

Pope John Paul II

Prayer Zone



Anniversary: James Bian Tee Lim

Please pray for the ill:

Marina Alburquerque; 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

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.



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION

FOR APRIL

For the use of the new technologies

Let us pray that the use of new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

FEAST DAYS - APRIL

Fri 25th, St Mark, evangelist
Mon 28th, St Peter Chanel, priest, martyr
Tues 29th, St Catherine of Sienna, virgin, doctor

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE EASTER

The Parish office will be closed for the public holidays Monday 21st and Friday 25th April.
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For more information on the Carmelite Retreat Program, please visit www.mtcarmel.com.au/carmelite-retreat-program

When May 3, 10am - 4pm
Hope: Present and Eternal
Presenter: Mr Matthew Delasey, OCDS

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

Our Lady OF DOLOURS

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

FRIDAY, 2ND MAY, 2025
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THE EUCHARIST IS MY HIGHWAY TO HEAVEN!

HEAVEN ONLY

JOHN 6:51-58

REGISTER



You're Invited!

EASTER EGG HUNT 2025

EGG HUNT

HOW MANY EASTER EGGS CAN YOU FIND?

**SUNDAY
20 APRIL 2025**

**EASTER DAY CELEBRATION
AFTER THE 10AM MASS**

CORPUS CHRISITI ST IVES,
263 MONA VALE ROAD, ST IVES

Corpus Christi Parish
St Ives

LITURGICAL FORMATION SERIES

Facilitated by Chris Ohlsen

Back to Basics: Serving at Mass is the second Formation event in an exciting series of upcoming Liturgical Formation Days in 2025. Facilitated by Chris Ohlsen, Executive to the Vicar General and hosted by Mission Broken Bay.

We warmly invite all **Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Readers, Musicians, Servers** to join with us. **Back to Basics: Serving at Mass** is an opportunity to refresh skills and knowledge for assisting and serving at Mass. We warmly invite your questions to be submitted to our facilitator via the registration form for Chris to answer on the day.

9.30am-3pm Saturday, 10 May in the Caroline Chisholm Centre, Pennant Hills. **Registrations close Friday 9 May.** All enquiries: mission@bbccatholic.org.au

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.



IMPORTANT EASTER EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT

On Easter Sunday, after the 10am Mass, there will be an Easter Egg hunt for the children. To allow people who need to leave quickly, there will be a 10 minute window immediately after Mass to leave. After this time, the carpark will be closed for the safety of the children. We anticipate this will take about 30 minutes and the car park will reopen again after this time. Please enjoy a cuppa and cake in the meantime if you stay.

Corpus Christi Parish
St Ives



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

Easter Sunday

20th of April 2025

Happy Easter from all of us here at Caritas Australia!

As we celebrate this season of hope and renewal, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your support through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion this Lent.

As we reflect on the Easter message of love, compassion, and new beginnings, we are reminded of the incredible impact your contributions make. Together, we are building a world where no one is left behind.

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty* through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2025 Lenten appeal.



**UNITE
AGAINST
POVERTY**
this Lent

Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above. **Or online at:** caritas.org.au/project-compassion
Or by calling: 1800 024 413

WHY WE DO The Things We Do Easter Symbols

The Easter vigil reeks of powerful symbolism. We begin with fire—for Christ the light of the world has shattered the darkness of sin. The Easter candle is lit and in turn sets alight the small candles held by the congregation until the whole church is ablaze. We sing 'alleluia' to uplifting music to express our joy. We use water, a symbol of life and cleansing, to baptize newcomers into our Church and to remind us of our own baptismal vows. The newly baptized are adorned with white robes representing their release from sin. They are anointed with oil (chrism) symbolizing the indelible mark of the Holy Spirit. Finally, they partake in the Eucharist as a sign of their union with the Christian community.



**CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH
ST IVES**

Dear Parishioners,

The parish pastoral council (PPC) invites our parishioners to embark on a journey with us. Over the next few weeks and guided by the Holy Spirit, we will begin to discover what it means to be a Catholic Parish in St Ives in 2025. To start with, we would love to hear your dreams for our church, community and precinct.

Feedback will begin from Easter Sunday at the 8am and 10am masses. Please share your dreams with us in any of the following ways.

Online QR code or https://dzz8.short.gy/CorpusChristi_e4w (QR code below)

Email: CorpusChristi.StIves@gmail.com

Writing - please fill in the questions in the booklets in the church and return it to the Box of Dreams at the back of the church.

Please come and chat to us if you have any questions or comments.

Your Parish Pastoral Council
Fr Greg, Jen Perrott, O'Kelly
Tam, Phil Liang, John Goh,
Sherwell Fernando, Edith Chan



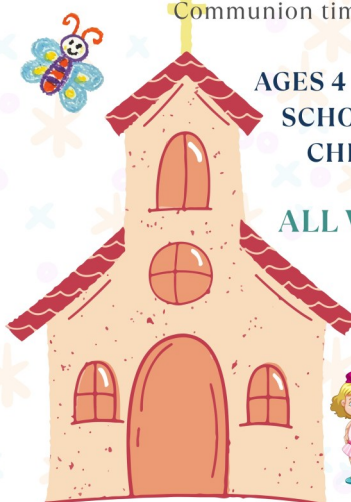
CHILDREN'S LITURGY

**Every Sunday
at the 10am Mass**

Come and bring your children to Children's Liturgy of the Word so they can find out more about Jesus in a fun and engaging way. Includes the Sunday scriptures, prayer and a fun activity. Children return to the church at Communion time.

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CHILDREN**

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If this interests you, please contact Jen Perrott at ignite@corpuschristi.com.au for more information about our parish sponsoring your tickets. There is an urgency in responding NOW for this event to obtain tickets at 50% off before this allocation is exhausted. Only 100 discounted tickets are being offered.
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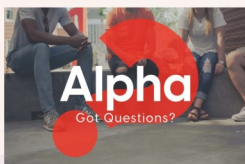
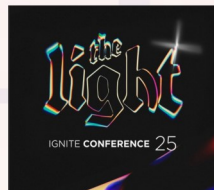


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Upcoming EVENTS

At Corpus Christi Parish, St Ives

Ignite 2025 - The Light 10-13 July 2025. A fabulous conference for the youth to experience the love of God and make new friends. See bulletin to find out more and register for a discount code to attend the event.



Alpha 2025 - Begins 6 August 2025. Got questions? Come and join us on a life changing journey. See bulletin for more information and to register.

Movie Night - Sister Act. Sunday, 20 July 2025 - after the 5pm Mass.

Choir fundraiser inviting everyone for a fun evening to watch Sister Act, sing a long and dinner. Look out for more information to come.



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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**



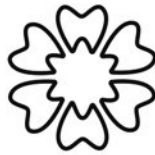
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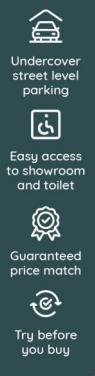
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The Word

Sunday 20 April 2025: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Collect

O God, who on this day,
through your Only Begotten Son,
have conquered death
and unlocked for us the path to eternity,
grant, we pray, that we who keep
the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection
may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit,
rise up in the light of life.
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 Acts of the Apostles Acts 10:34. 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24

(R.) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' (R.)
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. (R.)
3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. (R.)

Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Colossians Col 3:1-4

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.
Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John Jn 20:1-9

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.