

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

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## 21 July 2019 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 (4th 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: 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

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

July

Sunday 21 July Children's Choir 9am-11am

Sunday 28 July Parish Choir 9am-11am



"Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me."

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

It is not difficult to find a Martha in a typical family celebration where food is always aplenty. Behind the delectable dishes there is always an excellent and hardworking cook, perhaps a parent or grandparent who calls the shots in the kitchen where younger relatives or neighbours willingly lend helping hands.

In the Gospel, Jesus did not plan to go to a big gathering. He simply wants to enjoy the company of his friends Martha and Mary. Jesus is on his way to Jerusalem where he must encounter the religious and political leaders; he has disturbing premonitions, yet knows that his direction is towards the holy city. Feeling the inner turmoil, the company of familiar faces and kindred spirits are a solace indeed.

The Gospel paints Mary in a discomfiting, even scandalous, posture. She is seated at the feet of Jesus! To the Jews, no self-respecting woman would sit at a man's feet, and Jesus is not even a blood relative! He is treating her as a disciple, equal in status to any of the male disciples that follow him.

In contrast to the listening Mary, Martha is of a different mould, very practical and result-oriented. Martha represents the typical overworked person who has little time left over for introspection or personal leisure. Jesus invites Martha to let go of her anxiety and, like her sister, listen to him speak. After all, he did not come for a grand meal; he simply came to be among dear friends. Maybe Jesus wants to enjoy their company one last time.

Jesus' loving 'reprimand' of Martha can enlighten us every time we lose focus in the pursuit of our daily tasks and duties. We must learn to sit at feet of the Divine Master. And we must return to this posture especially when we are in the thick of our mission. It sounds simple, essential, yet something that we can easily ignore. We all need a spiritual compass, otherwise we will keep running around doing work for God but neglecting the God of work.

May God bless you. Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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#### What's on...

Every First Friday, , 7-8pm, Exposition and Adoration at 7pm. Holy Mass at 7:30pm. Corpus Christi Church, St Ives Parish

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

#### Jesus Christ

I your father, I your spouse, I your home, I your nurse, I your root, I your foundation. Whatever you want, I will be You will lack nothing. I will work for you. For I came to serve and not to be served. I will be your friend and your host, Your head and your brother, Your sister and your mother. I will be everything. Only be intimate with Me! I will poor for you, errant for you, On the Cross for you, In the Tomb for you. Above I plead the Father for you sake. On earth I became intercessor to the Father for your sake You are everything for Me,

St John Chrusostom

#### TAX RECEIPTS

What more do you want?

Brother, co-heir, friend and member.

If you would like a receipt for your donations please contact the Parish Office on 9144 6998 or by email at office@corpuschristi.com.au. Please note that only the CWF donations are tax deductible.

#### **Our Deepest Sympathy**

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayful sympathy to the families relatives and friends of Jozefa Cernanec and Andre Hendriks. Jozefa's funeral will be held at Corpus Christi on Monday 22nd July @ 10.30am. Andre's funeral will be held at Holy Name Parish Wahroonga 26/07/19 @ 11am-TBC. May Jozefa and Andre's experience the fullness of Christ's peace.

# Prayer Zone



Please pray for the ill:

Andre Hendriks, Francis Follett; Rebecca Anderson; Maria and Jack Garcia; Tony Lee; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Crinitti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Tom Brewer; Anne Baillie, 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.

#### Recently Deceased:

Jozefa Cernanec & Andre Hendriks

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 the Pymble Uniting Church and Reverend Steve Aynsley.

#### Feast Days — July

Mon 22nd, St Mary Magdalene Thurs 25th, St James, apostle Fri 26th, Sts Joachim and Anne, parents of Blessed Virgin Mary

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: National Theme for Discernment #6 - How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Open to conversion, Renewal and Reform? This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a desire to do things differently in response to Christ and the experience of our people, accepting that faithfulness to tradition requires change that is both personal and communal. Find out more: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au



# **Catechists**

I hope you have all had a nice break away and are ready for Term 3. We return to SRE in all schools this Wednesday, 24 July 2019 except St Ives North Public School (SINPS) who will return for SRE on Tuesday, 30 July 2019. Newsletters are being done and will need to be collected for distribution for return to school this week. I will send an email notification for collection, most likely Monday.

If any one is interested in helping/teaching in the classroom, we have some vacancies and would love some help. Please see Jen Perrott in the office, call 9144 6998 or email at catechists@corpuschristi.com.au Serving the Lord in this way is a fulfilment of our Baptismal promises. All training and resources are provided. Your help would be most welcome and appreciated.

#### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY



**Justice** 

That those who administer justice may work with integrity and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

#### Jesus tells us how He would like us to pray

By Vassula Ryden: Greek Orthodox Mystic

Jesus said: "I will ask you all to learn how to pray when you pray, pray from your heart, I need prayers that come from your heart and not from your lips; do not pray quickly, recollect yourselves and pray slower, looking at Me, I am Present, let your prayers reach Me; learn to be in constant prayer, by this I do not mean to have you on your knees endless hours, no, but just remembering My Presence, you will be in constant prayer; your minds will be lifted towards me; all that you say, or do, or think will be for Me; I need devotion and fidelity, love Me without measure and desire Me;

I am your Saviour and Consoler, so come to Me without hesitating, I will console you all, I will give you hope, so do not diminish your prayers and sacrifices, invrease them by being in constant prayer...." (Dec 16, 1988)

#### SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE

A culture of Safeguarding values WISDOM... "Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom."- James 3:13



# Alpha Returns This Week

This week we **return to Alpha on Tuesday night, 23 July 2019** at 7pm for Week 9. Only 3 more weeks to go!!!

#### **ALSO**

We are launching Alpha again on Tuesday,

20 August at 7pm (Alpha will continue week to
week from Tuesday, 10 September). This will be
the celebration party for the end of our first Alpha
as well as the launch of our second Alpha for this
year. If you have heard people talking about it and
are curious, please come along and have a look AT

7PM Tuesday 20 August where we will be showing the first talk – titled "Is There More To Life Than This?". Alternatively, would you please register for the event for catering purposes at:



# bbcatholic.org.au/stivesalpha

Please contact me on 9144 6998 or by email at jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au if you have any questions. We look forward to welcoming you on the Alpha journey!

### Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

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