

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

22 November 2020 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Parish Mass Times:

Monday to Friday: 9am

Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil)

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 6pm

Public Holidays: 9am

Rock Mass: Once a term

Baptism: Fourth 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 facilitated
by Fr Greg
10am Parish Hall

**First Friday
of Every Month**

Exposition / Adoration at 7pm
followed by Mass at 7:30pm

**Second Thursday
of Every Month**

Anointing of the Sick — 9am

November

Sunday 22 November

Parish Choir
9:00am—11:00am

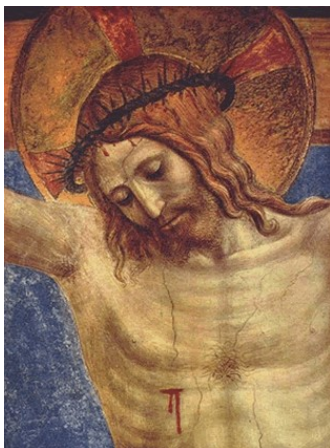
December

Sunday 6 December

Children's Choir
9:00am—11:00am

Sunday 13 December

Parish Choir
9:00am—11:00am



When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne. (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners,

When Jesus commends or criticises people in this Sunday's Gospel parable, it is on the basis of actions of mercy done or not done in the simplest of circumstances. Both groups of people

didn't recognise Jesus in the needy people but one group acted compassionately towards them. The other group just ignored them.

We could be tempted to think that the first group were naturally kind as they didn't realise what they were doing. Not so, life isn't that easy and God's salvation isn't that unfair. No, those actions seemingly done almost spontaneously, without thought or salvation, only come after some time practising virtue. We discipline ourselves to follow Christ, taking up our cross, consciously being kind, sacrificing our preferences for the sake of others so that, in the end, loving kindness comes so naturally that we don't even realise what we are doing. Having consciously practised the steps of kindness and thoughtfulness, we can then spontaneously dance the mystery of love.

May God bless you.
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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PARISH OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY 23 NOVEMBER

We are getting new carpet in the Parish office this coming week, so the office staff will be working from home on Monday and will return to the office on Tuesday 24 November.

FAREWELL AND THANK YOU—MARIANNE CHING

Some of you may be aware that Marianne Ching recently moved to Canberra. We appreciate everything that Marianne has done for us over the many years she has been a member of our Parish. Marianne will be playing music at mass this Sunday at 6pm and would like to take the opportunity to say thank you to all who have supported her. We will still see Marianne from time to time when she is back in Sydney for the weekend. *Thank you Marianne!*



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Prayer Zone



Anniversary: Robert Meek, Jose Garces, Michel Stephan

Please pray for the ill:

Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Peter Shih; Denise Carmody; Steve Swain; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Rebecca Anderson; Maria and Jack Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Criniti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, Gina Jaksetic, 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 the office know.



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FEAST DAYS— NOVEMBER

Sunday 22nd, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

Tuesday 24th, Sts Andrew Dung-Lac and companions, martyrs

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Monica Fletcher

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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.

Advent & Christmas

Ignite Your Parish Program

As you will no doubt have noticed, we have been promoting the upcoming Advent Program by Ignite Your Parish and music by the Vigil Project that will begin this Advent on 28/29 November 2020 (Sunday week). What a crazy year we have endured and this is the perfect antidote.

We are very excited to be running this in our parish this year. I have already watched some of the material and it is relevant, engaging and exciting. It is a 5 week program, including Christmas week. This is about taking our faith deeper - it doesn't matter where you are in your faith journey. This is for everyone!

The purpose is to explain the program a little more and gather a team of people to help with the distribution of this program on 28/29 November 2020. You will need to be there 20-30 mins before Mass and something similar after. So basically, if you attend a particular Mass on the Weekend, could you help at that Mass? Please contact Jen in the office on 9144 6998 or jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au if you can help. A meeting next Wednesday 25 November on Zoom will explain what is involved.



The program is centred around the Gospel readings for each week of Advent and Christmas and can be done individually, with a few others in your own homes, or in small groups either in the parish hall or on Zoom. **NB: *There is an added advantage of doing this in a small group, that you will not get individually, because are extra added group questions for discussions. We highly recommend attending a small group. Research shows, that when people share, it can result in a deeper experience for themselves as well as others in the group.***

If you would like to host a small group in your own home, please let me know so I know who is partaking in the journey and so I can direct a few people to you if you would be happy to have others join you. Please make contact with me as you will need to be part of the training next Wednesday, 25 November 2020 to understand how it will work in a group setting. Alternatively, if you would prefer to join a home group rather than in the parish or on Zoom, please let me know so I can link you.

Current available Small Group Discussions starting the week of 30 November:

Monday Nights: 7:00-8:00pm on Zoom

with Amy O'Connell and Anne O'Gorman

Tuesday Mornings: 9:45-10:45 am in the Parish Hall

with Jen Perrott

Wednesday Nights: 6-7pm on Zoom

with Melissa Pemberton and Charmaine Lubbe

Fridays: 10-11am

Lectio Group in the Hall

Zoom links will be advised next week

We look forward to partnering with you this Advent and Christmas and hope you enjoy the series.

God bless
Jen Perrott



November CWF Appeal - Thank YOU!

We are deeply grateful to our Parish community for supporting the Charitable Words Fund. The donations you give are a real demonstration of the works of justice and mercy that Christ calls us to.

Your generosity is enabling our wonderful catechists to reach out to the many thousands of Catholic students who attend State Schools across Broken Bay, nourishing their faith and equipping them for the future. You are also providing life-changing help and assistance to families across our community through the Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care program, St Lucy's School, St Edmund's College and The Ephpheta Centre.

For more information on CWF please visit www.bbcatholic.org.au/give/charitable-works-fund,

Please remember to return your envelope / make a donation this weekend if you haven't done so already. All donations over \$2 are tax-deductible and contribute to our parish quota.

Thank you and God Bless.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

Artificial Intelligence



We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.



NOVEMBER AND PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Scripture says it is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead so that they may be loosed from their sins and experience the fullness of what God has for them. Let us remember our loved ones especially during November. We will be praying for them in a general way all through the month but it's possible to have a personal mass said if you so desire. Envelopes are available at the entrances of the Church and can be placed in the collection bowl or given to the Office with a small donation.



SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

RED WEDNESDAY 2020

Red Wednesday is a day to gather and draw attention to the plight of those who are persecuted and oppressed for their religious beliefs. Cathedrals, churches and public buildings around the world will light up in red to show solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Red Wednesday is an initiative of Aid to the Church in Need (ACN), a Catholic charity dedicated to the support of suffering and persecuted Christians. In Australia, Red Wednesday will take place on the 25th November.

It is clear that the persecution of Christians is worse today than at any time in history. In terms of the number of people involved, the gravity of the acts committed, and their impact. The purpose of Red Wednesday is to join together and raise a strong voice in support of the persecuted who are unable to speak freely, and who look to us - their brothers and sisters in Christ - to speak on their behalf.

You can get involved by attending one of the events, dressing in red (and taking a photo of yourself and posting it on social media with the #RedWednesday), raising awareness, praying for those persecuted for their religious beliefs and fundraising. To find out more about this initiative and ways to get involved go to: https://aidtochurch.org/Red-Wednesday?mc_cid=6e8e847289&mc_eid=1f9d0659c0



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The Word

Sunday 22 November 2020: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

First Reading

A reading from prophet Ezekiel Ez 34:11-12. 15-17

You, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep. The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 22:1-3. 5-6. R. v.1

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. *(R.)*
2. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. *(R.)*
3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. *(R.)*
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. *(R.)*

Second Reading

A reading from first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 15:20-26. 28

He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 25:31-46

He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.