

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

22 October 2023, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 - Hall

Second Wednesday of Every Month

Parish Catch Up Coffee Morning
Archies, St Ives Village 10:30am

**Every Friday
(during term time)**

Lectio Divina; Hall & Zoom 10am

Second Thursday of Every Month

Anointing of the Sick – 9am

First Friday of Every Month

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

Sunday 22 October

70th Anniversary Party - 11am
following the 10am mass

Sunday 29 October

Vine & Branches following 5pm
mass

Wednesday 1 November

All Saints. Mass at 9am and
7:30pm
7pm MenAlive Meeting in Office

Thursday 2 November

All Soul's Day. Mass at 9am &
7:30pm



***“Repay to Caesar
what belongs to Caesar
and to God
what belongs to God.”
(Gospel)***

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

In the ancient world, it was not uncommon for rulers to describe themselves as gods, claiming to have certain divine powers and qualities. The people of Israel would never allow their rulers to be called gods. There is only one God, the Lord. Their faith is expressed in today's psalm: 'The Lord is great and worthy of praise, to be feared above all gods (pagan rulers). The gods of the heathens are nought. It was the Lord who made the heavens.'

The people of Israel were, however, tolerant of pagan rulers calling themselves gods. They saw these rulers as having a subordinate role in God's governance of the world. Through them God's will could be accomplished among the peoples. A good example was Cyrus, the Persian king mentioned in today's first reading whom the Jews saw as God's chosen instrument to liberate them from their exile in Babylon.

In our own day the leaders of nations have the power to effect good and promote the values of the kingdom of God. Not all leaders do this, but there are many whose strive to exercise, wise and just leadership. There need not be an unbridgeable gulf between civil governance and the governance of God. In fulfilling our obligations towards the State, we can in fact be promoting the values of the kingdom of God. Respecting legitimate temporal authority is one means of paying homage to God, the only One to whom all praise and honour are due.

May God bless you.
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Corpus Christi Blessing of the Parish Hall this Sunday Celebrating 70 years

The Parish started in 1953 with the current Parish Hall as its Church so it is 70 years since its inception. We will have a special blessing of the hall which will take approximately 10 minutes.

This will be followed by a cuppa and some fellowship after the 10am Eucharist this Sunday. A lovely liturgy hand out for the blessing is available so please take a copy and join us for this special blessing.

The presbytery was completed in 1961 and this now serves as our Parish Office. The new Church was completed in 1974, so 2024 will mark its 50th anniversary. We will plan a more elaborate celebration for this milestone, with a special committee planning this event.

The Church became the Cathedral in 1986 and remained the Cathedral for Broken Bay until 2006. The Parish came under the pastoral care of the Carmelites in 2008.

We look forward to celebrating the 70th anniversary of the Hall with you this Sunday. Fr Greg.



Hearts on Fire
FEET ON THE MOVE



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This week Catholic Mission will offer the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to address gaps in medical care, and provide families with essential health care and knowledge, equipping them with the confidence to act and autonomy over their health and well-being.

The Maria Auxiliadora Clinic is a vital project for the Salesian Sisters and the Church in Venilale. Since its establishment, the clinic has provided life-saving treatment for families in need, like Petrolina's, whose daughter Vitoria was found to have tuberculosis. But, with an increase in the demand for treatment, the Sisters resources can only carry them so far.

Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/timor, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.



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 26 October 2023 @ 10.30am** in the Parish Hall.
Enq.: Angela 0405 507 982



Social Justice Corner

Anti- Poverty Week 2023

In Australia, there are more than 3.32 million people or 13.4% of the population living below the poverty line. That includes 761,000 children or 1 in 6. This year's Anti-Poverty Week is shining a light on the children of families who receive inadequate social security payments and depend on emergency support from charities.

"Those particularly vulnerable are single parents, First Nations people, long-term unemployed and those living with disability or ill-health. But the impact on children is especially concerning, as the formative years are so important," said St Vincent de Paul Society national president Mark Gaetani.

"If you don't have a good start in life, a failure to thrive is embedded, impacting kids on many levels, from their physical and emotional health through to their educational and longer life prospects."

"For some time, we have been stressing how a proper increase to working age payments and other entitlements would help people to better afford the essentials of life. Any increase in these payments will stimulate the economy, as people spend immediately, and locally, on essentials," Mr Gaetani said.

"We urge the Government and all MPs to urgently commit to bringing about a better life for those experiencing poverty, especially children, and to take resolute action to make this happen."

For more information on Poverty in Australia. go to www.antipovertyweek.org.au.



Prayer Zone



Recently Deceased: Christina Gomez

Please pray for the ill:

Michelle Fisher; Fr Sergio Chauira; Jessie Chang; Brendan Seeto; 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; Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Thi Nguyen; 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 you please let Michelle or Christina know.



SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

Father Roger Delmonte, Assistant Priest at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral Parish Waitara will be celebrating Mass for Serra at Sacred Heart Church Pymble

on Thursday 26th October 2023.

The evening commences with Mass at **6.00 PM** followed by a light meal and a short meeting.

Following the meeting Father Roger will be speaking to us about his recent Marian Pilgrimage and his attendance at World Youth Day in Lisbon.

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.

FEAST DAYS OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

Sat 28th, Sts Simon and Jude, apostles

Wed 1st, All Saints

Thurs 2nd, All Souls

Sat 4th St Charles Borromeo, bishop

Thurs 9th, The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

\$10 ENTRY



CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

5 NOV 2023
2-4 PM

\$10 RAFFLE



Praise & Worship

FUNDRAISER

for priest's presbytery and office build

& CELEBRATING

70 years as a parish

- Singing together in Praise
- Community building
- Snacks and drinks
- Incredible raffle

We are nearly 1/3 of our way to our raffle target of \$10000.

Thank you for your support. Please keep buying tickets, - this is a fundraiser and the bonus is you could win a great prize - 10 prizes!!

Come join this community building, fundraising event and win a weekend away in a 14 sleeper AirBnB at Avoca Beach with your raffle ticket.

Click on the QR Code to listen to the programme of our beautiful traditional and modern Worship Music for the event: Listen in your car, while walking, anywhere, anytime. Enjoy.



Whether you want to just enjoy **listening** as people sing or you want to **sing your heart out**, whether you are there just for the **raffle draw** and **spot prizes** or for the **tea/wine** and **chat** - please come and support our parish fundraiser. Entry is \$10 towards the fundraising: <https://www.trybooking.com/CLWBQ>

If you can't attend, please buy raffle tickets: <https://www.raffletix.com.au/?ref=y95k5>

There are 10 fantastic Raffle prizes.

- 1st Prize - AirBnB non-peak weekend away in Avoca Beach (1h10 from St Ives). 5 bedroom, 3 bathroom, 14 sleeper, amazing sea views - worth \$2875
- 2nd Prize - Oroton Bag - worth \$129
- 3rd Prize - The Living Room Cafe voucher - \$100
- 4th Prize - Clarins Products hamper - worth \$100 (donated by St Ives Professional Skin Care)
- 5th Prize - St Ives Mobile voucher - worth \$100
- 6th Prize - Blooms The Chemist hamper - worth \$100
- 7th Prize - The Deli Hub hamper - worth \$75
- 8th Prize - AM Mart hamper - worth \$60
- 9th Prize - Stanley Street Butchery voucher - worth \$50
- 10th Prize - Knife Sharpener voucher - worth \$50

Thank you for your support.
Fr Greg Chee OCD

Please support our raffle donors when you are in St Ives Shopping Centre and please tell them when you buy from them that you're from Corpus Christi Parish that they donated to.



Candles for the month of November

For a gold coin donation, candles will be available to light in the memory of your departed beloved.



Join our Facebook group

Come and join our Parish Facebook Group to share in the news and photos of all the wonderful things that are happening within our parish! Scan the QR code or join by going to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CorpusChristiStives>



POSITIONS NOW OPEN OUR LADY OF DOLOURS, CHATSWOOD

FOR A SENIOR ORGAN SCHOLAR AND CHORAL SCHOLAR

Our Lady of Dolours, Catholic Parish of Chatswood, is pleased to open applications for a Choral Scholar, and a Senior Organ Scholar. Both are remunerated positions focused on professional development, public performance and working with choirs under the Director of Music, Titus Grenyer.

Titus is a conductor and organist, who currently serves as the City Organist at the Sydney Town Hall, and was formerly Assistant Organist to St Mary's Cathedral Sydney.

Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal

An estimated 1 million people have been displaced in Gaza with immediate food, shelter, health, and psychosocial needs.

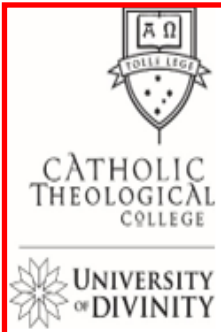
'This is a period of incredible turmoil and sadness. The escalation of violence has only exacerbated needs for the people in Gaza and West Bank, who already live in dire conditions. We are working with our partners on the ground to provide comprehensive and critical support to over 17,000 families affected by this devastating conflict.'

Sally Thomas, Humanitarian Lead, Caritas Australia

With your support, we will be able to help our partners on the ground to assist people displaced and affected by the current conflict.

Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal.

You can donate online www.caritas.org.au/gaza or phone 1800 024 413 or the QR code



Catholic Theological College Online Information Session for 2024

Monday 30 October at 7.30pm (AEDT)

Register via our website: ctc.edu.au/information-session

For more information contact: Dr Maureen Saclot ctc.edu.au/contact/contact-the-registrar/

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH, KILLARA

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday 26 November 2023

JOIN US

killara church 60th ANNIVERSARY

For a Mass celebrated by **Bishop Anthony Randazzo** at 10.15am in Killara Church (No Mass at Lindfield)

Followed by festivities for the whole family

For inquiries or to send in photos for the album please email us on parishoffice@lindfieldkillara.org.au



GAZA CRISIS APPEAL

Help provide urgent humanitarian assistance to the people affected by the conflict.



DONATE NOW
www.caritas.org.au/gaza
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NEXT MEETING 29TH OCTOBER



VINE & BRANCHES

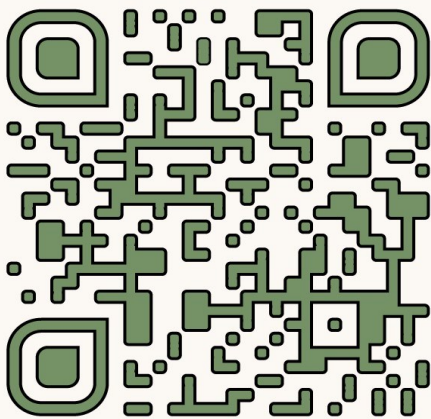


A community gathering after mass for wine, cheese and a chat

6pm

Each fourth Sunday of the month

— We can't wait to meet you! —



**SCAN TO DONATE WINE OR SNACKS
IT CAN'T HAPPEN WITHOUT YOU!**



Pray and Play is for babies, toddlers, and primary school children together with their families.

It is an opportunity for the families to spend time together after Sunday 10am Mass for some running around and a simple lunch. The next dates are 5 Nov and 3 Dec. We will meet on the grassed area next to the school oval, or in the Church Hall if it is wet. Hope you can make it!



ATTENTION ALL LECTORS:

The 2024 Break Open The Word book is ready to be collected from the foyer. The books are in alphabetical order. Please collect your copy when you are next attending mass.



A big thank you to the parishioner who kindly donated purifiers for the alter and table linens for parish morning teas.

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.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The new planned giving envelopes are in the foyer ready to be collected. If you use the envelopes, please collect the new box when you next attend mass.



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

For the Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit toward the peripheries of the world.

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The Word

Sunday 22 October 2023, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collect

Almighty ever-living God,
Grant that we may always conform our will to
yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of
heart.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son,
who lives and reigns with you I
n the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

First Reading

A reading from prophet Isaiah Is 45:1.4-6

*I have taken the hand of Cyrus to subdue
nations before his countenance.*

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue
nations before him and strip the loins of kings,
to force gateways before him that their gates be
closed no more: It is for the sake of my servant
Jacob,
of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you
by your name, conferring a title though you do
not know me.

I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God
besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm
you
that men may know from the rising to the setting
of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 95:1. 3-5. 7-10. R. v.7
(R.) *Give the Lord glory and honour.*

1. Sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord
all the earth. Tell among the nations his
glory and his wonders among all the
peoples. (R.)
2. The Lord is great and worthy of praise, to be
feared above all gods; the gods of the
heathens are naught. It was the Lord who
made the heavens. (R.)
3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give
the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the
glory of his name. Bring an offering and
enter his courts. (R.)
4. Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth,
tremble before him. Proclaim to the nations:
'God is king.' He will judge the peoples in
fairness. (R.)

Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul the Thessalonians 1 Thes
1:1-5

We are mindful of your faith, hope, and love.

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in
Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the
Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace
from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
We always mention you in our prayers and thank
God for you all, and constantly remember before
God our Father how you have shown your faith in
action, worked for love and persevered through
hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you
have been chosen, because when we brought the
Good News to you, it came to you not only as words,
but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter
conviction.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt
22:15-21

*Give to Caesar the things that belong to Caesar and
to God the things that are God's.*

The Pharisees went away to work out between them
how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent
their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to
say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man
and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that
you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank
means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is
it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But
Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You
hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me
see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed
him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this?
Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said
to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what
belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to
God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.