

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

23 October 2022, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

First Friday of Every Month - Friday 4 November Exposition/Adoration at 7pm followed by Mass at 7:30pm

Thursday 27 October

How Do We Pray, a short course led by Fr Gerard Moran Parish Hall - 7:15pm

Carmelite Conversations

Please contact Maggie Rodely for information - 0408 944 050

Sunday 23 October Corpus Market Day

Sunday 30 October Pray and Play - Young Family Group

Catholic Mission collection

The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom.

(Second Reading)

Dear Parishioners

Today's first reading is a perfect companion piece to the Gospel parable. In one striking image, the writer says that 'the prayer of the humble person pierces the clouds'. Such a prayer is heard

because it comes from the heart. Both the Pharisee and the tax collector believed in the same God, belonged to the same religion and worshipped in the same temple, yet only one went home at peace with God. Why? The tax collector was conscious that he needs God to move forward; the Pharisee, however, seemed so self-sufficient as to merely desire God's approval. Such a belief in God saves nobody. What really matters is how our faith in God affects our view of ourselves and of othes. We behave like the God we believe in. The Pharisee believed in a discriminating God who loves good people and hates the bad. The tax collector trusted not in himself or in anything he had done, but only in God's mercy. In or daily prayer, do we try to impress God with our achievements, or do we humbly acknowledge God's blessings? Lord, be merciful to me, a sinner!

May God bless you, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Helping Meet The Needs of Holy Family Parish, Mt Druitt Our 2022 Corpus Christi Parish Christmas Hamper Appeal

We recently spoke with Malia Lolesio, the Parish Secretary of Holy Family and the co-ordinator of this year's Christmas Hamper Appeal. Malia works with a small group of parishioners who plan, transport, organise and distribute the Hampers that are prepared by the parishioners of Corpus Christi parish. We were keen to understand their needs for this year's Appeal.

Who receives the Hamper?

Those in genuine need. These include First Australians, New Australians, those who are unemployed or partially employed and many individuals and families including sole parent families. In many instances Holy Family Parish sees the impact of Food Insecurity, Employment Insecurity and Housing Insecurity being played out - and sometimes where all three apply.

The need for food has really intensified in 2022. The Holy Family team works with the Parish, the local St Vincent de Paul team and the local Parish Primary School to identify families and individuals in need. In many instances Holy Family parishioners quietly let Malia know who is in need so that she can discretely work with them to provide a Christmas Hamper. In other situations' members of the Parish Office are approached directly by families in genuine need. At all times the Parish always ensure that everybody is treated with the greatest of dignity and respect.

After the Hampers are collected from Corpus Christi what happens next?

Tony, one of Holy Family Parish's parishioners, and his sons drive their trucks to Corpus Christi. After the Corpus Christi 10.00am Mass they, with the help of our Corpus Christi parishioners, load the trucks. The Hampers are driven to the Holy Family Parish School Hall where they are numbered and matched to the names on the Holy Family Parish hamper list.

When do people receive their 2022 Christmas Hampers?

On the Wednesday (21st) and Thursday (22nd) December. Families and individuals come to the School Hall to receive their Hamper.

Do we have the right goods in each Hamper? Is being placed in a plastic laundry basket OK?

A current list of items required will be provided shortly. The laundry baskets are to be sturdy and with the handles make it is easy to carry for the organisers and the people who need them.

For busy people can we encourage them to make cash contributions or retail gift cards?

Yes, as long as the contributions are received directly to Corpus Christi Parish to be on-forwarded to the Holy Family Hamper organising team.

The 2022 Corpus Christi Christmas Hamper Appeal runs from the 6pm Mass on Saturday 3rd December and ends at the special Christmas Hamper Mass on Sunday 18th December.



Social Justice Corner

Solidarity Seminar

Dr Michael Walker from the Justice and Peace Office and James Atanasious from Parramatta Diocese will speak about Catholic Social Teaching, particularly with respect to Care of Creation and creating a culture of welcome for people seeking asylum. The event will be held on Wednesday, 26 October at 38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt, 10am-11.30am. Email <u>dimitra.kamionka@gmail.com</u> for more information or to RSVP.

Volunteers Needed for the Sydney Street Feast

Sydney's Archbishop Anthony Fisher will be hosting a luncheon for the homeless in the forecourt of the St Mary's Cathedral on Friday, 18th November 2022 from 12-2pm. Volunteers are needed to serve food and provide conversation for guests. If you can assist please register your interest: Street Feast 2022 Volunteer: Expression of Interest (google.com)

We Stand with Ukraine, Dignity and Freedom Day

On Ukrainian Dignity and Freedom Day, North Sydney Council is holding a panel discussion with guests from the Ukrainian Council of NSW and Settlement Services International. Video presentations and Ukrainian musical performances. The event is being held on Monday, 21st November at 2pm at The Isabel Menton Theatre, Mary MacKillop Place, 11 Mount Street, North Sydney. The doors open at 1.30pm for a 2pm start. Afternoon tea will be provided at the conclusion of the event. Tickets are free but booking is essential. We Stand with Ukraine - Dignity and Freedom Day, North Sydney, Mon 21st Nov 2022, 2:00 pm -4:00 pm AEDT | Humanitix



YOUNG FAMILY GROUP

We are hoping to build up community between the families of

young children in our parish. We'd love for you to join us for an early lunch together, while the children play and adults chat. Our upcoming gatherings are:

Dates: Sunday 30 October and Sunday 27 November Time: Approx 11am, straight after 10am Mass Location: Corpus Christi school oval (weather permitting) or Corpus Christi church hall if wet If you'd like to find out more, please contact Edith Chan (corpus.families@gmail.com) or Charmaine Lubbe (charmaine.lubbe1@gmail.com) for more details.

Prayer Zone



Anniversary: Joseph Teow Quee

Please pray for the ill:

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, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, 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.

FEAST DAYS— OCTOBER

Friday 28th, Sts Simon and Jude, apostles

MARKET DAY - SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER

Just a reminder that the market day is this Sunday the 23rd of October. Come along and enjoy the great food, good shopping and fun activities for the kids.

CATHOLIC MISSION

This Sunday is Catholic Mission Sunday. Corpus Christi will be collecting for Catholic Mission Sunday on Sunday 30 October 2022.

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.



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

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For further information phone President - Malcolm McEwen 0409 329 707 Secretary - David Conoulty 0412 267 538

The Word

Sunday 23 October 2022, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading

From the book of Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19

The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man; he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf. The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 32:2-3. 17-19. 23. R. v.7

(R.) The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

- 1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. (R.)
- 2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. (R.)
- 3. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. (*R*.)

Second Reading

From the second letter of St Paul to Timothy 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18

All that remains is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen. The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke Lk 18:9-14

The publican returned to his home justified; the pharisee did not.

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else, 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord.