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**23 September 2018 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B**

**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 (1<sup>st</sup> 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)*



*Anyone who welcomes a little child such as this in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me, welcomes not me but the one who sent me.*

**Every Friday (during term time)**  
Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Greg  
10-11am, Hall Boardroom

**Every Thursday**  
Prayer Group prior to mass  
8:40am

**September 2018**

**Sunday 23 September**  
Stage 2 Rock Mass 10-11am

**October 2018**

**Monday 1st October**  
Public Holiday: **Mass at 9:00am**

**Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th**  
Parish office opened from 9am-12nn  
School holiday office hours

**Thursday 4th October**  
Parish Social Craft Group  
10:30am—Hall Boardroom

**Monday 8th October**  
Parish Office Closed  
School holiday hours

**Tuesday 9th to Friday 12th**  
Parish office opened from 9am-12nn

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

The First Reading spells out how the attitude of a righteous person, like Jesus, is not at all easy to accept. There are two responses to such a person. The first is to ignore him and all that he stands for. The second is to test him with opposition, insult, and torture, in the hope that he will give up his position of righteousness and buckle under the pressure. The disciples in the today's Gospel choose the first response. They pretend not to understand because what Jesus preaches is too difficult to translate into action. They prefer to walk the easy road, trod by most others; the road of power, prestige, and honour. The adversaries of Jesus, however, choose the second response. They will do away with Jesus. His presence, and all he stands for, is a threat to them. It is against everything that they want to be.

Greatness in the kingdom overturns the usual perceptions we have of greatness and honour. It is almost normal to consider the first as first and the last as last. The challenge is to learn to think as God thinks which runs counter to well-established behaviour patterns.

May God bless you. Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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**PARISH OFFICE TEAM**

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Fr Johny Arattukulam, OCD, Assistant Priest  
Fr Sunny Abraham, OCD  
Belinda Camilleri, Office Manager  
Michelle Miles, Office Secretary  
Ed Wales, Parish Finance  
Jennifer Perrott, Faith Facilitator  
Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator

**HALL BOOKINGS**

Please contact the office



## What's on...

**Every First Friday**, 7-8pm, Holy Hour for Vocations. Adoration, reflection, evening prayer of the Church. St Agatha's Parish, Pennant Hills. Email: vocations.ministry@dbb.org.au

**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



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## Our Deepest Sympathy

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayful sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Mary Margaret Ellis whose funeral was held at Corpus Christi on Tuesday 18 September 2018. May Mary experience the fullness of Christ's peace.



## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September

### The Mission for Religious

That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalised, and those who have

## Prayer Zone



### Anniversary:

David Lim and Irene Boey

### Please pray for the ill:

Tony Lee; Jose Mestres; Marie Martin; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Maurice Martin; Lewis Criniti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Clara Di Mauro; Tom Brewer; Anne Baillie, Francesco Macolino, 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.*

## Feast Days — September

**Thursday 27th**, St Vincent de Paul, priest

**Saturday 29th**, Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, archangels

## Ku-Ring-Gai Interchurch Group

We will be praying for St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, St Ives and Pymble and Reverend Steve North.

## 2018 Diocesan Children's Choir Games

The Children's Choir Games will be held on Sunday 21 October, at St Philip Neri Church, Northbridge.

Open to any young singer from Year 2 to Year 12. Registration opens at 12.30pm, followed by workshops and rehearsals plus a break for socialising. Families and friends are invited to join the action at 3pm and watch the choirs compete. Afternoon tea for all will be provided after the Games.

Registration \$5.00 per singer. Places are limited - please RSVP to [music@lms.org.au](mailto:music@lms.org.au) or 9958 8846.

## LECTORS NEEDED AT 8AM MASS.



Do you love reading? Would you like to become involved and join our Parish community, reading at mass once every 8 weeks?

Please contact the office to volunteer as a Lector for our 8am masses.





## What Sort of Church Do You Want in the Future? Have your Say, Speak Boldly and with Passion! Plenary Council 2020

### What is a Plenary Council?

A Plenary Council is the highest form of communion between the various local or particular Churches of a nation. Its purpose is to shape the future of the Catholic Church in Australia. It's an incredibly exciting time to be a part of this change in Church history. The Pope has given his formal approval to the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC) - the first since 1937. The Plenary Council is different to a Synod or Assembly because it has legislative and governing authority and the decisions made become binding for the Catholic Church in Australia.

### Why Should I be Involved?

With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we are all invited to participate in a process of listening, dialogue, and discernment as we pray about our faith experience, our life experience, and our experience of the Catholic Church in Australia. By Listening to God we are listening to one another and walking as Disciples of Christ. Pope Francis is asking us to speak boldly and with passion. The question we are being asked is:

**“What is God asking of us in Australia at this time?”**

The Plenary Council is being shared in Catholic workplaces such as schools, hospitals, Centacare, parishes and as many groups as you can think, even those that have distanced themselves from Church. We need to hear their voices too. The ACBC voted in 2017 to hold two sessions in 2020. The first one in Central Australia and the second one, most likely in Sydney in 2021 to discern and determine the future of the Catholic Church in Australia. Listening and Dialogues sessions will be complete in Easter 2019 and the next phase of the Plenary will unfold.

NOW IS THE TIME TO HAVE YOUR SAY AND BE A PART OF THE CHANGE OF THE FUTURE OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

**Listening and dialogue sessions** will be held on the following dates. Please use the sign-on sheets in the Church entrance, or email Jen, [catechists@corpuschristi.com.au](mailto:catechists@corpuschristi.com.au)  
Sessions will be held in the hall. Coffee, tea and light refreshments served

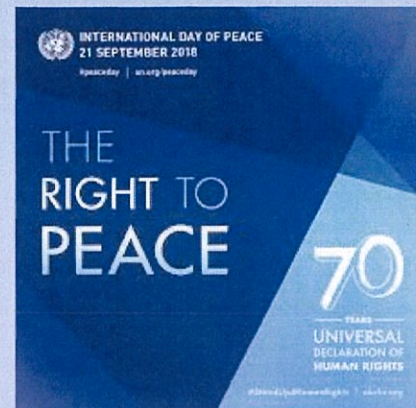
**Tuesday 23, Oct 10am-12 midday**  
**Wednesday, 24 Oct 7-9pm**  
**Saturday, 27 Oct 3:30-5:30pm**

### Plenary Council Prayer

*Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost  
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.  
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia  
and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.  
Give us the grace to see your face in one another  
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.  
Give us the courage to tell our stories  
and to speak boldly of your truth.  
Give us ears to listen humbly to each other  
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.  
Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,  
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
bread for the journey from age to age.  
Amen.  
Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.  
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.*



### SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:



### The Right to Peace

Each year the International Day of Peace is observed around the world on 21 September. The United Nations General Assembly has declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, both within and among all nations and peoples. The theme for the International Day of Peace in 2018 is **“The Right to Peace - The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at 70”**.

The theme celebrates the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The Declaration is a milestone document in the history of human rights. Drafted by representatives with different legal and cultural backgrounds from all regions of the world, the Declaration was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in Paris on 10 December 1948 as a common standard of achievement for all peoples and all nations. The Universal Declaration – the most translated document in the world, available in more than 500 languages - is as relevant today as it was on the day that it was adopted. The Universal Declaration states in Article 3. “Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of person.” These elements build the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world.

We all have a part to play in promoting peace and resolving conflict. Injustices in the workplace, our schools, our families and in the community can be prevented by adopting a non-violent approach to problem solving and reporting potential crimes. We can speak up when others are at risk and stand with others' human rights. **Human rights are everyone's rights.**

### 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.





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