

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

24 April 2022 - Divine Mercy Sunday

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 on Zoom

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

FEAST DAYS— APRIL

Tuesday 26th, St Mark, evangelist Thursday 28th, St Peter Chanel, priest, martyr Friday 29th, St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor

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.



He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners,

Today as we listen to the end of John's Gospel, may we recognise ourselves in the person of Thomas, wanting reassurance that the risen Jesus is really with us. Jesus says, 'happy are those who have not seen and yet believe'. It is all a matter of seeing with the eyes of faith, they eyes of our heart, noticing that 'Jesus, the Christ, the Son of God' is very much with us wherever we are. This presence brings peace, fills us with joy and sends us on our mission. Sounds easy! But just as our significant relationships take time to grow and deepen, so does our faith relationship with God. Thomas needed to see Jesus, to experience his presence, before he could believe. What do I need to do to nurture my faith? Perhaps I need to look no further than to the actions, beliefs, and presence of other believers. Perhaps, like Thomas, I need to take the opportunity to 'see' Jesus for myself. If so, then there's no better day than today to start 'seeing'.

May God bless you. Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Do You have Skills in Marketing & Visual Communications?

Communications and Marketing skills can make a significant difference in helping our parish realise our vision.

"To be an invitational Church that leads people to an experience of God's love continually growing in relationship with Jesus as Missionary Disciples to connect and serve, pray, worship and actively share our gifts."

Why?

It is significant because only 10% of Catholics attend Church each week. As Missionary Disciples and in keeping with Jesus' Great Commission, we want to reach out to and embrace the other 90%.

It is important that communication creatively promotes the vision of the parish and its identity.

Skills needed:

- Skills such as graphic design, further development of existing website, development of parish app, videography/video production
- Communications across different platforms; both in print and digital formats
- Communications and marketing planning

If you would like to volunteer <u>ANY</u> of your skills in these areas, we want to hear from you. Be a part of this exciting initiative in the parish, as we seek to better connect with each other and the wider community.

Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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COLLECTIONS AT MASS IN THE FUTURE

This weekend we will collect in the usual manner. We have been made aware that some Parishes in the Diocese of Broken Bay are now collecting by passing the plate in some way. We are checking with the Public Health Department and will follow their advice in the near future.



Thank you for your ongoing support of Pastoral Works Broken Bay, helping to renew and rebuild families and parish communities!

The next Pastoral Works appeal will be on Sunday 1 May 2022.

Thank You!

Fr Greg, Fr Sunny, Fr Gerard and the Corpus Liturgy Team would like to say a big thank you to everyone for the donation of their time and effort to make our Easter services such a beautiful celebration.

This includes our singers and musicians who played at every Easter mass; our readers for sharing the word of God; our volunteers who had their feet washed in humility; our Acolytes who ensured the smooth running of each mass; the volunteers who dressed the altar; our families who presented the Offertory; the Flower Ministry for the beautiful flowers; and everyone behind the scenes who worked tirelessly. May God bless you.

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 28 April 2022** @ 10.30am in the Parish Hall. Enq.: Angela 0405 507



Please pray for the ill:

Helen McCarthy; Quentin Stewart; Rob Sanders; Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Denise Carmody; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Crinitti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, 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.





POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

Health Care Workers

We pray for the health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.



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The Word

Sunday 24 April 2022 Divine Mercy Sunday

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 5:12-16

The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117:2-4. 22-27. R. v.1

(R.) Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

- 1. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' (R.)
- 2. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. (R.)
- 3. Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord grant success. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; the true God is our light. (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse Rv 1:9-13, 17-19

I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever. My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle. When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come."

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John Jn 20:19-31

After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them. In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'
There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book.
These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you

The Gospel of the Lord.

may have life through his name.