CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

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24 July 2022 - 17th 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: 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

Thursday 4 August Parish Social Craft Group 10:30am in the Parish Hall

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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"Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples." (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners

Today's readings highlight for us that however we define prayer, it is ultimately about relationship. They

show us an uncompromising level of intimacy with God. Abraham dares to bargain with God, and God in return does not hesitate to keep forgiving the people of Sodom for the sake of the just. Jesus too uses examples of great human intimacy, asking help from a friend in the middle of the night, and a little boys asking his Dad for food. The psalmist sums it up so well in saying: You stretch out your hand and save me.... Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me. We might ask ourselves: how intimate am I in my relationship with God? Do I willingly spend time in prayer? Do I honestly present my needs before God in prayer? Am I humble enough to call for help in my prayer? The great saint, Teresa of Avila, reminds us that 'prayer is.... Nothing else than an intimate sharing between friends, frequently spending time alone with the one whose love for us is beyond doubt (*Life*, 8).' May our prayer this week be grounded in this love beyond doubt.

Today is World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly and we wish those members in our community a very blessed day! Please refer to the eNews for a special message from Pope Francis.

May God bless you, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Each Sunday, a number of our parishioners, take communion to the sick and the housebound. This ministry helps keep our Parishioners who can no longer attend Mass connected with our Parish.

Receiving a visit from our ministers every Sunday means a huge amount to these Parishioners – many who are lonely, struggling with deteriorating health and suffering in a variety of ways.

We are receiving more requests and this trend will continue given the demographics of our Parish.

If you are able to join our Ministry in taking communion to the sick and housebound on a 4 – 8 week rostered basis or want to find out more – please contact Michelle at our Parish Office or Anne Freer – T: 0400 407 252 or Joy Pitts - T: 0419 273 480.

We currently take communion to:

- Bupa Aged care (across the road) from our Parish
- Turramurra House (34 Curagul Rd, Turramurra)
- Kari Court (251 Mona Vale Road, St Ives)
- Private Homes various

A number of our ministers have been involved in this ministry for many years and all say they find it humbling, deeply enriching and rewarding.

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

First Collection EFT DetailsAccount Name: Discalced CarmelitesBSB: 012 403Account Number: 300503777Reference: Your Name

Second Collection EFT Details

Account Name: St Ives Catholic Parish BSB: 062 784 Account Number: 100001798 Reference: SC + Your Name

If you would like to swap to monthly Credit Card giving , please collect a form in the foyer of the church.



Social Justice Corner

Urgent Need for COVID-19 Vaccine Equity

COVID-19 vaccine programmes are expected to cost poorer countries an additional 56.6% on health budgets, compared with just 0.8% on wealthy countries' health expenditure, according to new data from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the University of Oxford.

According to the research, vaccine inequity will have a 'lasting and profound impact' on socio-economic recovery in low and lower-middle income countries unless there is urgent action to make vaccines affordable and accessible to everyone.

Vaccine equity is not only critical to saving lives but also to driving a fairer and faster recovery from the pandemic. With the current cost of vaccines calculated at an average US\$15.80, and without immediate global financial support, low-income countries are forecast to see health costs soar by more than half, to vaccinate fully a target of 70% of their populations. But high-income countries would have to increase spending by just 0.8 percent to achieve the same results. This would account for half of low-income countries' projected GDP growth in 2021, against 0.2% for high-income countries.

In some low- and middle-income countries, less than 1% of the population is currently vaccinated and Delta and Omicron are driving some countries to reinstate strict public health social measures. This is further worsening the social, economic and health impact, especially for the most vulnerable and marginalised people.

"Vaccine inequity is the world's biggest obstacle to ending this pandemic and recovering from COVID-19,' said Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General. "Economically, epidemiologically and morally, it is in all countries' best interest to use the latest available data to make lifesaving vaccines available to all."



PETERS PENCE COLLECTION The Peter's Pence Collection provides for the charitable works and

structures of mercy identified by His Holiness, Pope Francis.

Funds assist projects including emergency help to those in need due to natural disasters, communities impacted by COVID, war, oppression and disease. Our generosity allows the Holy Father to respond to those suffering with love and compassion. Last year, the Peter's Pence appeal in Australia was largely cancelled due to COVID-19 and your support this year is gratefully received by the Holy See. Please give generously to the Peter's Pence collection occurring at Masses this weekend



Anniversary: William & Doreen Noonen

Please pray for the ill:

Marshall O'Brien; 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; 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— JULY

Monday 25th, St James, apostle Tuesday 26th, Sts Joachim and Anne, parents of Blessed Virgin Mary Friday 29th, Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus



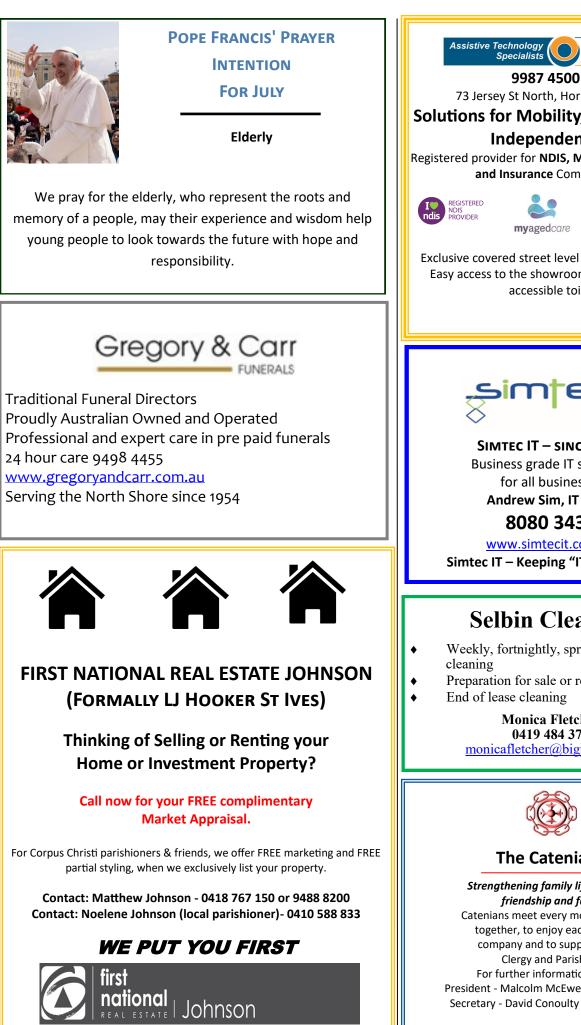
GRANDPARENTS DAY

On Tuesday the 26th of July the Corpus Christi School children will attend the 9am mass with their parents and grandparents to celebrate Grandparent's Day.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023

Thinking about World Youth Day 2023? Bishop Anthony Randazzo is inviting young people of the Diocese to join him on an experience of a lifetime.

Go on pilgrimage to Italy to see the homes and sites of the saints, and on to Lisbon, Portugal to join youth from around the world for WYD23. Check out the CYBB WYD website for further information and subscribe to join the mailing list to start your journey.





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The Catenians

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The Word Sunday 24 July 2022, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading

From the book of Genesis Gen 18:20-32

Lord, do not be angry if I speak.

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.' Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.' Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.' The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 137:1-3. 6-8. R. v.3

(*R*.) Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

- 1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. (*R*.)
- 2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. (*R.*)
- 3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. (*R.*)
- 4. You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. (*R.*)

Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Colossians Col 2:12-14

He has made you alive with Christ for he has forgiven all our sins.

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins. He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross. The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father. Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke Lk 11:1-13

Ask, and it will be given to you.

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants. 'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

The Gospel of the Lord.