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## 24 November 2019 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

### 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 (4th 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)



### Every Friday (during term time)

Lectio Divina facilitated  
by Fr Greg  
10-11am, Hall Boardroom

### First Friday of Every Month

Exposition / Adoration at  
7pm  
Holy Mass at 7:30-8pm

### Every Thursday

Morning Prayer prior to mass  
8:40am

### November

#### Sunday 24 November

Senior Choir  
9:00am—11:00am  
Rock Mass—6pm

### December

#### Sunday 1 December

Children's Choir  
9:00am—11:00am



*The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself." (Gospel)*

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

For this year's celebration of Christ the King, we read the account of the crucifixion and death of Jesus from Luke, often called the Gospel of the poor, of women, of the Gentiles, and of mercy. Here Jesus is shown as Lord of mercy and compassion.

Jesus in his passion shows himself a 'wounded healer'. He does not draw attention to his suffering but to the suffering of others to whom he brings healing. He weeps not for himself but for the people of Jerusalem who do not know the day of their visitation or what makes for peace. In Gethsemane, he heals the severed ear of the high priest's servant. When Peter betrays him, he looks at the apostle and Peter weeps bitterly. He prays to the Father to forgive those who are responsible for his crucifixion, and he promises Paradise to the repentant thief. Indeed the face of the Crucified One is the face of Mercy.

Pope Francis has invited us to fix our eyes on the merciful gaze of Jesus. He has written that the mission Jesus received from the Father was that of revealing the mystery of divine love in its fullness. The signs Jesus worked, especially for sinners, the poor, the marginalised, the sick and the suffering were all meant to teach mercy. Everything in Jesus—Pope Francis reminded us—speaks of mercy. Nothing in him is devoid of compassion.

In response, mercy should be the foundation of the Church's life. It is Pope Francis' wish that all the Church's pastoral activity should be caught up in communicating God's tender mercy. The Church's very credibility rests on how well it reveals the merciful and compassionate face of God.

May God bless you. Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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## HAMPER MASS SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER - 10.00am:

Your support to keep the Corpus Christi tradition of providing Christmas Hampers for the needy families of Holy Family Parish, Mount Druitt will be much appreciated. Fr. Pat Mullins, parish priest of Holy Family Parish, will concelebrate the Mass.

### CHRISTMAS HAMPER SUGGESTIONS!

Canned Food      Canned Fruits  
Small Packet of Rice      Box of Cereal

Christmas Pudding      Christmas Cake  
Packet of Biscuits

Non-alcoholic Sparkling Wine  
Cordial or Soft Drink

Packet of Dried Fruit and Nuts  
Bag of Mixed Lollies      Packet of Jelly/Custard

Packet Tea Bags      Instant Coffee  
Packet of sugar      Long Life Milk

*And any other non-perishable goods you might like to provide!*

Please place in a strong box or clothes-basket wrapped in cellophane or Christmas paper!

If you would prefer, you can also provide a small gift such as a box of chocolates.

Deliver to Corpus Christi Church *before* the 10am on Sunday 15 December.



### CHRISTMAS FAMILY MASS

The Children's Choir are preparing for the Family Mass on Tuesday 24 December 2019. Please come along

to our practices if you would like to join in. No experience required—just a love of singing. All are very welcome.

Rehearsals will be held after the 10am on:

Sunday 1 December;

Sunday 15 December; and

Tuesday 24 December at 4pm prior to the Family Mass.

### ***Ku-Ring-Gai Interchurch Group***

We will be praying for St Ives Uniting Church and for Reverend Dr Geoff Dornan.

### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER



#### Communication & Reconciliation

That the spirit of dialogue, encounter and reconciliation emerges in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

## Prayer Zone



**Anniversary:** Rueben Gabila; Joe Garces

### **Please pray for the ill:**

Grace Cheah; Jan Davies; Elizabeth Walsh; Joan and Tom Beram; Rebecca Anderson; Maria and Jack Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Crinitti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Anne Baillie, 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

***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 — November***

**Sun 24<sup>th</sup>**, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

**Sat 30<sup>th</sup>**, St Andrew, apostle

### CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL UPDATE:

**Catholic Mission:** Thank you to all our families who supported Dorothy Makasa and the great work of Catholic Mission for Sr Stan in Ghana to ensure that many resources can be purchased for The Nazareth Home of God's children in Ghana, Africa. We raised \$1,020 for this fantastic cause, thank you!

**SvDP:** In Week 8 we will collect much needed items for the homeless in our local area leading up to Christmas. Look out for further details I will send next week. Each class will have a particular item to bring in to assist with this important Christmas Hamper drive to ensure that those people without homes and families are supported at this special time.

**Help!** Do you have a daughter at Brigidine College that needs to do some community service? I some help to make some Religious Education kits together for our teachers to use in our classrooms next year. If you are interested in keeping your high school daughter busy for a day and assisting me. Please email me directly

[sharon.kelly@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:sharon.kelly@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

**When:** Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December (pizza will be provided for lunch as a thank you).

**Time:** 9:30-2:30

**Where:** Room 6 next to room 5 (Year 4 classroom).



## End of Alpha

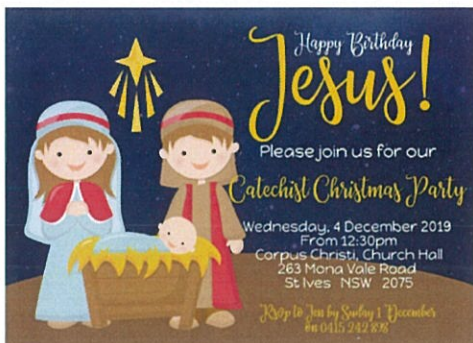
# "Come and See" Event 3 December 2019



Our last week of Alpha is this week and ends on **Tuesday, 26 November 2019** for all our current Alpha participants. I can't believe we have come to the end of another Alpha!! We will be having a celebration event with this group on **Tuesday 3 December 2019 at 7:00pm in the**

**church hall** to mark the end of this Alpha which includes a "Come and See" event for the next Alpha. We extend a very warm invitation to everyone who would like to come along to see what Alpha is about. It's a great way to see if you might be interested. Please register your interest to attend at the side entrances and the foyer of the church for catering purposes. We provide a meal for you. We hope to see you at our "Come and See" event. Please feel free to bring a friend. Contact Jen Perrott in the office on [jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au) for more information.

## Catechist Christmas Party



If you have not collected your invitation from the church foyer, please do. Could you please also RSVP on the list in the foyer of the Church and what you could bring on the day.

## RELICS OF ST THERESE OF LISIEUX TOUR

For the first time in 18 years, the relics of St Thérèse of Lisieux, one of the most popular saints of modern times, will visit Australia in 2020 on a four-month pilgrimage with her parents, saints Louis and Zélie Martin.

The relics will visit the following parishes in the Diocese of Broken Bay:

- 5 March: St Ives Parish
- 6 March: The Lakes Parish
- 7 March: Hornsby Cathedral
- 8 March: Gosford Parish
- 9 March: The Entrance Parish

Find out more about this significant event as Australia prepares for the Plenary Council by visiting: [catholicmission.org.au/relics-of-saint-thérèse-of-lisieux](http://catholicmission.org.au/relics-of-saint-thérèse-of-lisieux)



## SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

### International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women.

Women's rights activists have observed 25 November as a day against gender-based violence since 1981. This date was selected to honour the Mirabal sisters, three political activists from the Dominican Republic who were brutally murdered in 1960 by order of the country's ruler, Rafael Trujillo.

Violence against women and girls (VAWG) is one of the most widespread, persistent and devastating human rights violations in our world today. It remains largely unreported due to the impunity, silence, stigma and shame surrounding it. The adverse psychological, sexual and reproductive health consequences of VAWG affect women at all stages of their life.

In general terms, VAWG manifests itself in physical, sexual and psychological forms, encompassing:

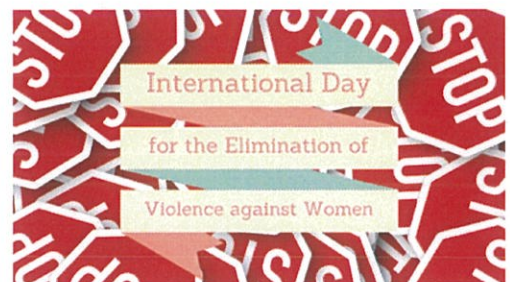
- intimate partner violence
- sexual violence and harassment
- human trafficking
- female genital mutilation; and
- child marriage.

A shared sense of purpose, mutual support and collaboration are important factors in making progress towards the elimination of violence against women.

*"Let each and every one of us recommit to action and activism in whatever ways we can - and wherever we live, learn, work or play - so that our homes and workplaces, our schools and colleges, become places of dignity and security where people know they are safe regardless of gender or any other identity."*

Hon Patricia

Scotland QC, Commonwealth Secretary-General



### 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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