



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

25 April 2021 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

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
10am Parish Hall

Second Thursday of Every Month

Anointing of the Sick – 9am

Sunday 25 April

Parish Choir – 9am-11am
ANZAC Day

Sunday 2 May

Youth Choir – 9am-11am

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.



Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. (Gospel)"

Dear Parishioners,

In the Church calendar, the fourth Sunday of Easter is known as 'Good Shepherd Sunday'. Today also marks ANZAC Day. There is a particular synergy between the readings for Good Shepherd Sunday and our commemoration of ANZAC day.

Jesus is the Good Shepherd and says that he will lay down his life for his sheep. In a similar way, we remember all people who sacrificed themselves so that we could be free. While their deaths might be seen as tragic, Jesus' death is not. It is the incarnation of God's mercy and love for us. God does not love us because we are good. There is nothing we can do to earn God's love and mercy, because God loves us first! Our response is to listen for God's voice, to follow where God leads, to be one flock under one Shepherd.

The use of the word 'sheep' in this text is not in any way demeaning or dehumanising. Rather it goes to the essence of our very human need to be loved, and to feel secure in that love. No less than God in the person of Jesus Christ is waiting for us, keeping us in view, watching over us, protecting us from the bad wolves of the world. Our relationship with the Good Shepherd is not based on money; Jesus has not been paid to look out for us. It is a gift, waiting to be unwrapped, waiting for us to answer his call, waiting to bring us to God. The love that God gives is the self-sacrificing love of the cross, seen from the perspective of resurrection faith. How do we experience God's love? As a gift? Or as something to be earned?

May God bless you. Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator

HALL BOOKINGS

Parish Office

9144 6998



You Are Invited

“Come and Have Your Say”

Corpus Christi, St Ives
Second Parish Forum

Sunday, 2 May 2021
At 11:00am
(after 10am Mass)

What's It all About?

The PPC are working on developing a strategy to make our dreams and vision come true but we need your help.

There are 4 main focus areas such as Organisation; Youth (0-18 & including young adults); Families; the Liturgy (including music and discipleship).

We would love to share with you these exciting mini visions for the next three years.

We expect it will take no longer than an hour and we would love your feedback to help us realize these mini-visions.

Please RSVP your intention to the office.

Come along and have your say!
Fr Greg

Catechist Corner

SRE Return

Just a reminder that scripture returned last week on Tuesday and Wednesday (20/21 April). I



f anyone needs help downloading any of the lessons from the website, please contact me.

Catechists Still Needed

We are still in need of a few people willing to share their faith with our young people. If you were considering helping before and never got around to making contact or you would just like to be involved, we need YOU! There are a few places yet to be filled mostly at St Ives North Public School (SINPS) on a Tuesday ranging from 1:00-2:50pm.

We need someone to either cover or help cover in the following classes:

Year 3:	2:20-2:50pm
Year 4:	2:20-2:50pm
Year 5:	1:00-1:30pm

All training and resources are provided. Lessons have also been compiled on PowerPoint to make it even easier. All you need to do is run it.



If you feel our Lord tapping you on the shoulder to come and share your faith with our young people, in order to serve Him more, please contact me on 0415 242 898

or email me on catechists@corpuschristi.com.au This is very **urgent – school goes back this week.** I look forward to hearing from you.

Jen Perrott



SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody

Last week marked the 30th anniversary of the findings of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

The Royal Commission examined the cases of 88 men and 11 women who died in custody between January 1980 and May 1989. The youngest was aged 14. The report found that while Aboriginal people were not more likely than others to die in custody, they were "*grossly over-represented in custody*". A significant factor contributing to this over-representation was found to be social, economic and cultural inequality.

The report made 339 recommendations for state and federal authorities. Thirty years later, there are still many recommendations that have not been implemented. A Deloitte review in 2018 found that 64 per cent of the recommendations have been implemented in full, while 36 per cent have been implemented partially or not at all. In an article published in the Sydney Morning Herald last week, Anthony Dillon, a postdoctoral fellow at the Australian Catholic University who identifies as a part-Aboriginal Australian, reminded us of the importance of an "*upstream approach that prevents Aboriginal people from coming into contact with the criminal system is the best solution and is a win for all*."

To ensure Aboriginal people are less likely to come into contact with the criminal justice system, and hence less likely to die in custody, requires an approach that ensures Aboriginal Australians have access to the same sorts of opportunities and care that most Australians take for granted. This can largely be achieved by ensuring that adults have meaningful employment and that the children receive a quality education that prepares them for real citizenship. This also promotes physical and mental health."

BOOK CLUB

We have recently recommenced our book club after the big shut down and find some of our members have moved on—— so we have a few VACANCIES —— So if you are interested email me colleenmcmillan11 @gmail.com for details.

PARISH CHOIR

The parish choir is very excited that COVID restrictions have been lifted so we would like to rebuild the choir. We are, therefore, inviting you to join us for practice at 9 am for the 10 am Sunday mass every second and fourth week of the month. We are especially looking for additional males. It is not a huge commitment and you do not have to be an amazing singer, just keen to enjoy sharing with the congregation. Thank you.



Prayer Zone

Recently Deceased: Joe Chow

Anniversary: Robert Phillips

Please pray for the ill:

Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton;

Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Denise Carmody; Steve Swain; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Criniti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, Gina Jaksetic, 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— APRIL

Monday 26th—St Mark, evangelist

Wed 28th - St Peter Chanel, priest, martyr

Thurs 29th—St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor



Prayer for a Youth Minister at Corpus Christi Parish

Novena to Our Lady of Knots

Our PPC see the need for a Youth Minister in our

parish, among other things. Imagine if our parish was bursting with young people making their own unique contribution to this parish and even wider, we would be greatly blessed.

What a pity if this does not happen!

To answer this need we need God's direction and blessing. In order to fulfil this need we need God's help, so we are organising a Novena prayer to our Lady, the Undoer of Knots, beginning on Sunday 25 April.

To register for the daily Novena to be emailed to you daily, please email office@corpuschristi.com.au or click the link in this weekend's e-News.



MOTHER'S DAY CAKE AND RAFFLE TICKET SALE

Hello Everyone

Time to show off your baking skills!! It's Mother's Day soon and we have Cakes and Raffle Tickets for sale after mass on the 8th & 9th of May 2021.

Bake a cake for the cake sale

- Collect a cake box with labels from the church foyer from 1st May
- Return baked item in the box on 8th or 9th May. Please label the box with the name of your baked item & its ingredients – then it's ready for sale!

Raffle tickets are \$5 for 2 – will be drawn at 12pm on 9th May

Raffle tickets will be available for sale after mass on 8th & 9th May.

The delicious prizes:

- \$100 voucher Sous Le Soleil, Roseville
- \$50 voucher The Living Room Cafe, St Ives
- \$40 voucher The Twenty 74 Cafe, North Turrumurra
- 2 x \$10 voucher Taste Baguette, Glenrose

Future fundraising events

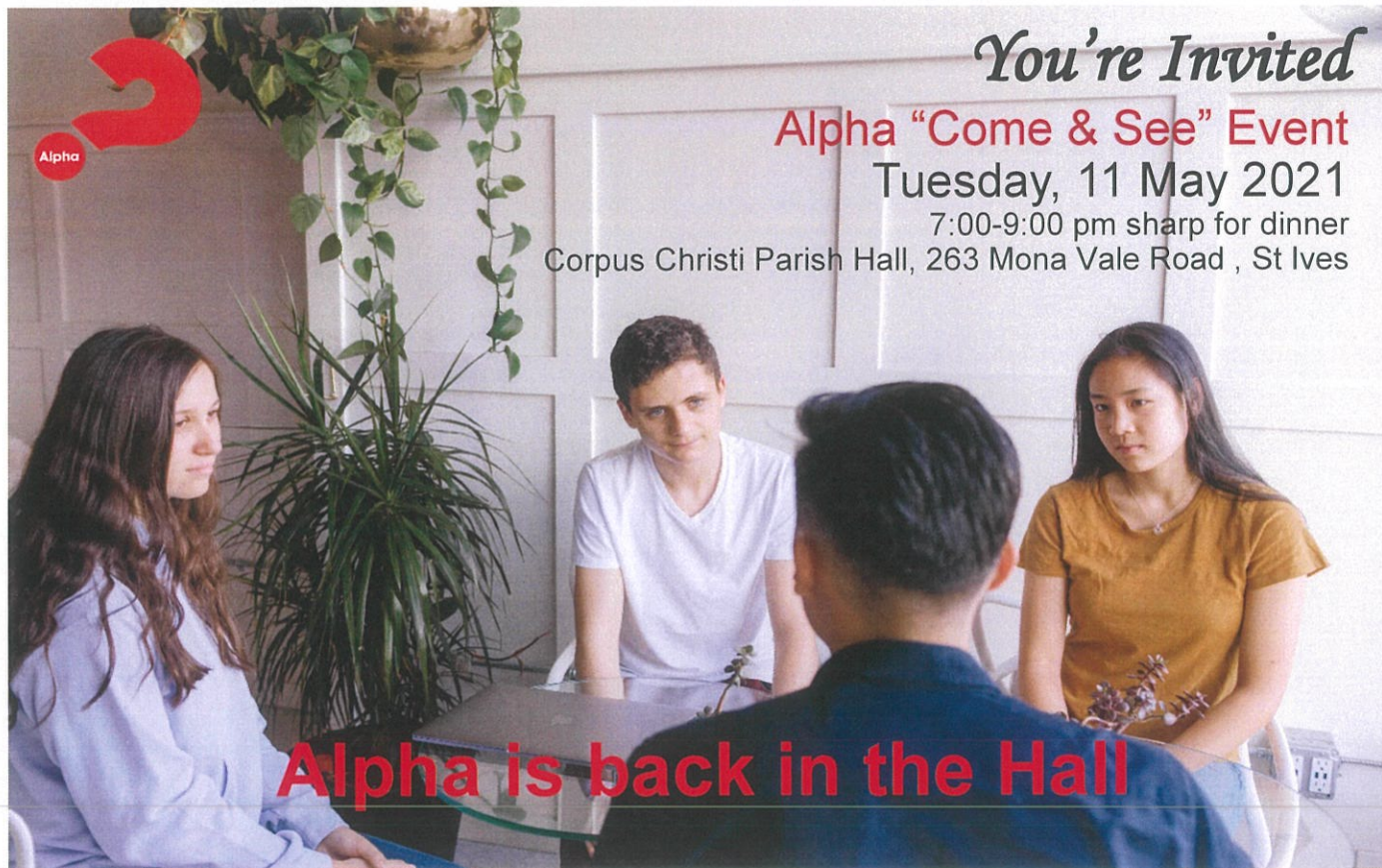
Money from the Mother's Day sale will be used for the upgrade of the hall and kitchen, which will generate more income from hall hiring.

There is also uncertainty as to the future accommodation of our Carmelite priests. The Diocese is in the process of selling Murphy House. Negotiations are ongoing and as a community, we need to start preparing for the unpredictable future.

One way you could assist is by asking your favourite dining places if they would be interested in donating a voucher for future fundraising activities. Your generosity in shaping the future of our church and clergymen is very much appreciated.

Fundraiser – Kit Ling Ching, mobile 0426 833 087





Alpha "Celebration & Come & See" Event – 11 May 2021



We are coming to the end of our current Alpha series and as usual we celebrate the end and also welcome others who would like to see what Alpha is all about and what it can offer them.

Our "Celebration & Come and See" event is on Tuesday night at 7:00pm sharp in the Parish Hall. Please use this QR Code to register. We look forward to seeing 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 29 April 2021 @ 10.30am** in the Parish Hall. Enq.: Angela 9144 6553.

Our Deepest Sympathy - Joe Chow

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayerful sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Joe. Joe's funeral will be held at Corpus Christi on Wednesday 28 April 2021 at 10:30am. May Joe experience the fullness of Christ's peace.

When was the last time you felt **really alive?**



God is glorified
when men are
fully alive
St Irenaeus

MEN'S WEEKEND

The **menALIVE Men's Weekend** is an opportunity for men to explore what makes them feel fully alive. The experience of the weekend is powerful and dynamic and many men are inspired and encouraged with a new sense of purpose and mission. The weekend is organised by men in your local community and conducted by an experienced team of menALIVE leaders. It is suitable for all men from 18 years of age.

01 - 02 May 2021

Sacred Heart Pymble Parish School Hall
2 Richard Porter Way Pymble NSW

For more information, contact:

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Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/menalive-pymble-tickets-91898289257>

\$50 per person

Saturday 1st May - 8.30am to 9.00pm

Sunday 2nd May - 8.30am to 1.30pm

Lunch & Dinner included on Saturday

Morning & Afternoon tea provided



The purpose of menALIVE is to bring men together, to renew their faith in God, and to encourage them to become an active force within the Church.

www.menalive.org.au



Aladdin Movie Night

SATURDAY 1ST MAY

GATES OPEN 5PM. MOVIE ~ 6PM

Corpus Christi Primary School

17 Link Road, St Ives (cnr Mona Vale & Link Rds)

TICKET PRICES

Adults-\$15, School Children-\$10, Pre-schoolers- \$5

Children 2 & under - free

BBQ, Drinks, Popcorn, Ice Cream and Lollies available for purchase.

All Welcome

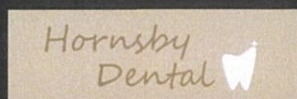
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MT CARMEL RETREAT PROGRAM:

Day Retreat—Cost: \$30 per person (BYO Lunch)
Are You the One Who is to Come?

May 1 Presenter: Dr. Robert Gascoigne
The challenge and the blessing of responding to Jesus as the Messiah.

Weekend Retreat—Cost: \$300 per person
Praying with Saint Teresa of Jesus

April 16-18. Presenter: Fr. Ferdinand de la Cruz, OCD
St Teresa guides us towards a state of sublime surrender to God, where in silence we will be taught in an interior way.

The retreats are held at the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville NSW 2566. For information of any of the retreats, please call 8795 3400 or email: bookings@mtcarmel.com.au
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