

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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26 March 2023, 5th Sunday of Lent

Parish Mass Times: Monday to Friday: 9am Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil) Sunday: 8am, 10am, 6pm Public Holidays: 9am Rock Mass: Once a term Baptism: Third 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

Second Thursday of Every Month Anointing of the Sick —9am

First Friday of Every Month - 7 April 2023 Exposition/Adoration at 7pm followed by Mass at 7:30pm

Thursday evenings Fr Sunny's Gospel of John Prayer Group 7:30-9pm in the Church

Saturday 25th March Annunciation of the Lord

Tuesday 28th March Parish Reconciliation in preparation for Easter

Wednesday 29th March Easter Choir rehearsal 7-8:30pm

Thursday 30th March Parish Social Craft 10am Hall

Monday 3rd AprilParish Pastoral Council meeting 7pm

Easter Mass times inside bulletin



He cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out.
(Gospel)

Dear Parishioners

Following today's Gospel the Pharisees plan the demise of Jesus, but they are

only one example of a response to the miraculous raising of Lazarus. There are at least five responses in the Gospel, starting with Jesus for whom this is an experience of relationship with the Father who glorifies the Son and leads others to belief. For Martha and Mary it is an experience of the love of Jesus in their love for Lazarus who is restored to life. For the onlookers it is an event which leads them to believe in Jesus. For the Pharisees blinded by the selfconcern which we saw last Sunday, this miracle challenges their identity, and they now plot the death of Jesus. The unstated but perhaps more important response belongs to Lazarus. What is his experience? It is much more than simply coming back to life. Before being raised, Lazarus had experience life in the way as we have experienced life. He took life for granted, it was a given. After experiencing death, his experience of life is different. Being alive is now a conscious reality through which Lazarus knows love. Life is a gift which unites us to God and each other through love.

May God bless you, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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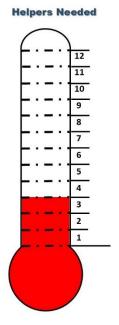
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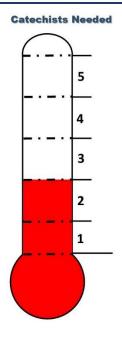
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Still thinking of joining our Team?

Now is the time to act!
We still need you
This weekend!

Will YOU be the one to share your faith with the children and help raise our Thermometer Goal?







We had a wonderful response last week to the video of Sue-Anne which was fantastic, but many of the names put down on the list in the foyer had a name only and no phone or email details for me to contact you. We have put the forms back in the foyer of the church for you to complete. Could you please put your contact details down on your way out of the church so we can contact you?

The thermometer is filling. We are not quite there yet but "getting warmer"!!! Thank you to those who have already stepped forward to become part of the catechist ministry.

All resources and training are provided free. You do not need to be a teacher to share your faith. If you would like to become part of our team or would like more information, please contact Jen Perrott in the office on (02) 9144 6998 / 0415 242 898 or email catechists@corpuschristi.com.au. I would love to chat with you.

St Ives North Public School - Tuesdays						
	Catechist	Helper	Time			
Kindergarten	Filled	Filled	1:50-2.20pm			
Year 1	Filled	Filled	1:50-2.20pm			
Year 2	Filled	Filled	1:50-2.20pm			
Year 3	Filled	Filled	2.20-2.50pm			
Year 4	Filled	Needed	2.20-2.50pm			
Year 5	Filled	Needed	1.00-1.30pm 1.00-1.30pm			
Year 6	Filled	Needed				
St Ives Public School - Wednesdays						
Kindergarten	Filled	Filled	9:10-9:45am			
Year 1/2	Needed	Needed	9:10-9:45am			
Year 3/4	Filled	Needed	9:45-10:25am			
Year 5/6	Filled	Needed	9:45-10:25am			

Turramurra North Public School – Wednesdays						
Kindergarten	Needed	Filled	10:20-10:55am			
Year 1/2	Filled	Needed	10:20-10:55am			
Year 3/4	Filled	Filled	10:20-10:55am			
Year 5/6	Needed	Needed	10:20-10:55am			
St Ives Park Public School - Wednesdays						
Kindergarten	Filled	Filled	11:40-12:10pm			
Year 1/2	Filled	Filled	11:40-12:10pm			
Year 3/4	Filled	Filled	11:40-12:10pm			
Year 5/6	Filled	Needed	11:40-12:10pm			



Our Parish Website needs YOU

Do you have IT skills, particularly with Websites?

Are you creative?

Do you have the time to volunteer about 2 hours/week

Do you want to help our Parish realise the Vision of a welcoming, invitational Parish where we encounter Jesus?

If the answers are YES please contact the Office 9144 6998

Training and support will be available

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

YOU CAN BE A PART OF MAKING THE VISION COME ALIVE

Please pray to the Holy Spirit to guide someone to accept the role of our Website Manager and other upcoming communication and design roles.

Holy Spirit, you know we are working to create a welcoming and invitational Parish where all can encounter Jesus. Match our Parish needs with the gifts of our parishioners, in particular in the areas of communications and design, so that together we can bring our vision alive, both within our Parish and reaching out to everyone in the wider community. Amen



EASTER FLOWER ARRANGING

With Easter just around the corner, we are looking for a flower arranger to help us with the decoration of our church for the occasion. The Easter celebration is a

special occasion for our community, and we want to create an uplifting and welcoming atmosphere for all those attending.

Please contact Michelle or Christina in the office on 9144 6998 or by email office@corpuschristi.com.au if you can assist our talented flower arranger team.



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 30 March 2023** @ 10.30am in the Parish Hall. Enq.: Angela 0405 507 982



Social Justice Corner

First Nations Voice to Parliament Presentations

Find out how to upport a First Nations Voice to Parliament.

> THE ULURU STATEMENT

The Northern Sydney Alliance for Uluru Statement (NSAUS) is organising a free information session for anyone interested in learning more about the Uluru Statement and what Australians will be asked to vote on.

The guest speaker is Eddie Synot, a Wamba Wamba First Nations lawyer and researcher. Eddie is a lecturer at Griffith Law School, Griffith University and a Research Fellow at the Indigenous Law Centre UNSW. Eddie has worked with the Uluru Dialogue and the ILC UNSW since 2018. Eddie's research focuses on Indigenous peoples and the law, especially public and constitutional law. There will be time for Q&A after

Eddie's presentation.

Date: Tuesday 4 April 2023

Time: 12pm – 1.30pm

Venue: North Sydney Community

Centre. The Centre is located

inside Civic Park, 220 Miller St, North Sydney (behind Stanton Library, between McLaren and Ridge Streets, North Sydney)

Parking: Ridge Street car park and on street parking is

Public Transport: Nearest bus stops: Corner of Miller and Ridge Streets or Pacific Highway, opposite West Street. Nearest train station North Sydney Station, exit via Miller St

Bookings: Call 9922 2299 or go to North Sydney Community Centre (northsydneycentre.com.au).

Presentation by Fr Brennan SJ AO

Sunday, April 2nd, at 1.30pm, in The Crypt of St Patrick's Church in The Rocks. Enter the Crypt via a gate east of the Church entrance (a few metres down the hill in Grosvenor St).

Admission is free



<u>Marian</u> Pilgrimage

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Reaffirm and celebrate your faith journey on this Pilgrimage in Portugal, Spain, France, Poland, Czech Republic and Italy Full details can be found in E-News or pick up a flyer in the foyer



EASTER CHOIR

Easter is fast approaching and we are locking in choir rehearsals for the Easter Triduum. Dates are:

Holy Thursday 6th April Good Friday 7th April **Easter Vigil 8th April**

Next week's rehearsal will be on Wednesday the 29th of March from 7-8.30pm. A tentative additional rehearsal may also be held on the 5th of April after the 10am mass. This will be confirmed closer to the date. There will also be a rehearsal one hour prior to the Triduum masses. Please come along and join in to make this Easter a truly memorable one.

EASTER VOLUNTEERS



The Passion - Palm Sunday

Let's make our way to Jerusalem spreading our branches and garments on the road for the one who comes in the name of the Lord

We are looking for 1 more reader for the Vigil, 2 for Sunday 8am, 1 for 10am and 2 for the 6pm mass / Please sign up on the form in the foyer.



WASHING OF THE FEET

Jesus said, "If I, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet... so that as I have done for you, you

should also do." On Holy Thursday we will do exactly what Jesus called us to do, to wash one another's feet. If you would like to participate in this most moving and rewarding experience by being one who has their feet washed, please register your name on the sign up sheet in the foyer. We already have 3 volunteers and need 9 volunteers.

EASTER VIGIL

Our Easter liturgies are about our own spiritual renewal and the renewal of the Church. We recall the words and actions of Jesus that give life to the world.

We are looking for readers for the 7pm Easter Vigil mass. We only need 1 more volunteer. Please sign up on the form in the fover.

Prayer Zone



Anniversary: Ambrose McCarthy

Please pray for the ill:

Noel Carmody; Sylvia Fishburn; Nicolette Harris; Marshall O'Brien; Helen McCarthy; Quentin Stewart; Rob Sanders; Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadlev; Carmel Hurrell, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, 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 MARCH/APRIL

Saturday March 25th, The Annunciation of the Lord

Sunday April 2nd, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

EASTER MASS TIMES

Passion Sunday - normal Mass times Holy Thursday - Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm followed by prayer and adoration to 10pm

Good Friday - Stations of the Cross at 10am Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday - Solemn Vigil of Easter 7.00pm Holy Sunday –Easter Mass at 8am & 10am.

No evening Mass

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

FINANCE UPDATE - SIX MONTHS TO 31 DECEMBER 2022

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

Dear Parishioners

This last six months has seen your finance committee busy with planning for the new presbytery and making sure the assets of the Parish remain in good working order.

A number of discussions were held with Diocesan representatives regarding the plans for the new presbytery as well as possible means of funding the project. The Diocese has given in principle agreement for the project, subject to the formal application being made to the Diocese and subject to a DA being approved by Ku-Ring-Gai Council. A briefing was given to parishioners in August last year and we thank those parishioners who attended and gave some valuable feedback. The draft plans are available at the back of the Church. A further briefing on the progress made so far will be given in the near future.

The biggest task facing us now is raising the funds necessary for the project. We have around \$350,000 available and have been given the go ahead to approach the Catholic Development Fund (CDF) for a loan of approximately \$500,000 to \$600,000. The Diocese is prepared to give us \$1 for every \$2 raised by us up to a maximum of \$250,000. The estimated cost of the project is \$1.9 million. Assuming we receive the Diocesan contribution the funds we will have \$1.2 million so our task is to raise approximately \$700,000 to be able to properly fund the project. We have a very good sub-committee looking at ways that we can raise these funds. We are asking parishioners to let us know if they have any contacts in the building and construction industries who may be able to provide labour and/or materials at reduced rates to assist us in making the presbytery one to be proud of. We will also be asking parishioners if any are able to assist by way of bequests or donations. So far we have had specific donations in excess of \$120,000 (included in the \$350,000 available funds mentioned above) towards the project and we are very grateful to those parishioners. Our market day in October last year raised just over \$11,000 and we thank all those who made this such a success.

In terms of looking after our assets we have fixed the leaks in the hall roof and installed ventilation in the hall roof to assist with clearing the mould on the ceiling.

Our income is slightly up on the same period last year due mainly to an increase in the loose collections and the market day. It is pleasing to note that since the Hall for Hire banner was put up our hall hire income has increased. Income from hall hire was \$2,195 for the six months to December 2020, \$1,550 for the same period in 2021 and \$5,127 for the current period. Expenses are under control and we continue to closely monitor them.

We encourage parishioners who haven't yet joined the planned giving to participate by way of a direct debit or credit card. If you haven't yet but would like to contribute by direct debit or credit card please call the Parish Office (9144 6998) or complete the form that can be found at the back of the Church and return it to the office or drop it in the second collection bag at the front of the church.

We thank all parishioners for their continued support as we all work together during these challenging times to enhance our Parish.

Fr Greg and the Parish Finance Committee

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH, ST IVES

Income & Expenditure Six months to 31 December 2022

	ACTUAL \$ 31-Dec-22	ACTUAL\$ 31-Dec-21	ACTUAL \$
INCOME	31-Dec-22	31-Dec-21	31-Dec-20
Planned Giving - Envelopes	9,109	15,710	45,155
Planned Giving - Credit Cards	31,598	35,374	37,059
Planned Giving - EFTs	17,465	22,050	-
Total Planned Giving	58,172	73,134	82,214
Loose Second Collection	19,437	4,341	10,184
Tap & Go - \$5	0	700	2,110
Tap & Go - \$10	6,920	1,820	6,750
Tap & Go -\$20	4,000	3,540	5,660
Tap & Go -\$50	2,550	490	- 0,000
Donations	2,000	3,250	3,568
Pastoral Activities, Piety store and other income	12,395	4,668	7,074
Bulletin Advertising	12,000	2,652	5,980
Alpha Program	3,558	-	1,254
Discipleship		_	2,860
Interest Received	2,229	338	836
Market Day	11,050	000	000
Building Donations	0	100	100
Total Income	120,311	95,035	128,589
OPERATING EXPENSES	120,011	30,000	120,000
Church Requisites	5,060	5,596	3,732
Employment Expenses including on-costs	56,642	61,639	46,210
Jobkeeper Expenses	50,042	-	32,377
Insurance	25,359	22,323	20,357
Office Expenses	4,567	2,404	5,758
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Pastoral programmes, Admin. & other expenses	10,502	9,456	12,307
Formation	1,303	1,600	4 5 4 4
Alpha Program	-	1,247	1,544
Discipleship	-	-	1,767
Repairs and maintenance	14,848	13,822	20,609
Clergy Car Expenses	3,181	5,193	4,488
Interest repayment on Roof Loan	404.400	133	816
Total Operating Expenses	121,462	123,413	149,965
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	(1,152)	(28,378)	(21,376)
NON- OPERATING INCOME			I
Building donations - Presbetery	995	-	-
Job Keeper Subsidy	-	-	54,000
Cah Boost Stimulus -ATO	-	-	10,000
NSW Business Grant	-	7,500	-
NSW Jobsaver Grant	-	18,000	-
Total Non-Operating Income	995	25,500	64,000
NON -OPERATING EXPENSES			(,==)
Tap & Go units	-	-	(172)
New carpets in Presbytery	-	-	(6,818)
Short Fall Super Expenses prior years	-	-	(3,595)
Preliminary Expenses to Presbytery	-	(6,200)	-
Total Non-Operating Expenses	0	(6,200)	(10,585)
Roof Repayments to 31 Dec 2022	0	(13,321)	(16,700)
Surplus / (Deficit) after roof repayments	(157)	(22,399)	15,339



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

For Victims of Abuse

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.



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The Word

Sunday 26 March 2023, 5th Sunday in Lent

Collect

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

First Reading

From the prohet Ezekiel Ezek 37:12-14.

I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live.

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks. The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 129 R. v.7

(R.) With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

- Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice! O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading. (R.)
- 2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive? But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you. (R.)
- 3. My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word. My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak. (Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord.) (R.)
- 4. Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity. (R.)

Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Romans Rom 8:8-11

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he will give life to your own mortal bodies.

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you. The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will not die for ever. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20 -27, 33-45

I am the resurrection and the life.

The sisters Martha and Mary sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said:

'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.

Do you believe this?'

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said: 'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer.

I knew indeed that you always hear me, but I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.'
When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.' Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.