

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

**27 August 2023, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Parish Mass Times:**

**Monday to Friday: 9am**  
**Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil)**  
**Sunday: 8am, 10am, 5pm**  
**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: 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Monday  
(during term time)**

Divine Will Prayer Group  
10-11:30am - Hall

**Second Wednesday of Every Month**

Parish Catch Up Coffee Morning  
Archies, St Ives Village 10:30am

**Every Friday  
(during term time)**

Lectio Divina; Hall & Zoom 10am

**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

**Sunday 27 August**

5pm Corpus Christi School  
Family Rock Mass

6pm Vine and Branches  
gathering and Youth Group

**Tuesday 29 August**

Metanoia Series  
7:15-9pm Parish Hall

**Thursday 31 August**

Parish Social Craft Group  
10.30am Parish Hall



***“I will give you the keys to  
the kingdom of heaven.  
Whatever you bind on earth  
shall be bound in heaven.”  
(Gospel)***

Dear Parishioners,

The key to this Sunday’s scripture is found in Paul’s rhetorical question in the second reading: “Who could ever know the mind of the Lord?” Isaiah could have pose this question to Shebna and his replacement Eliakim, as one was supplanted by the other. In the Gospel, when Peter declares “You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God” we know that Peter has only an inkling of what his declaration actually means. He has responded correctly without fully comprehending what he is saying. Yet his words are sufficient to be given an extensive affirmation of authority by Jesus: the keys of the kingdom and power to bind and loose. When, much later, Peter came to exercise this authority, perhaps Isaiah’s oracle to Shebna, and Eliakim would remind him of its provisional nature. In our exercise of authority, large or small, may we remain conscious that is ultimately comes from God and is to be directed towards his kingdom.

May God bless you,  
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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**PARISH OFFICE TEAM**

Fr Greg Chee, OCD, Parish Priest  
Ed Wales, Parish Finance  
Michelle Miles, Office Manager  
Jennifer Perrott, Faith Facilitator  
Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator  
Christina Surjan, Administrative Assistant

**HALL BOOKINGS**

Michelle Miles / Christina Surjan  
9144 6998

Corpus Christi Parish School  
Phone: 7256 2114

**17 Link Road, St Ives NSW 2075**  
Web: www.ccsidbb.catholic.edu.au

**Principal: Mrs Jayne Wheen**  
Email: ccsi@dbb.catholic.edu.au



**Began this Week  
You may still register**

Guest Speaker  
**FR DAVE  
PIVONKA**



# METANOIA

**AUG | 22<sup>nd</sup> | 2023**

*Metanoia is a transformation of the heart, a spiritual conversion, which comes about through repentance. This conversion may be in how we see Jesus, the Father, our self, and others. Metanoia contains eleven, 1/2 hour episodes shot in locations all throughout the Holy Land and interviews with various people across the country. The audience will be able to encounter the Lord in the settings of some of the holiest sights in the world. Metanoia is a spiritual journey through the places where Jesus physically taught His Church the meaning and the way of metanoia.*



7:15-9:00pm in Parish Hall. Register in the foyer of the church or with this QR code

**For more information contact Jen Perrott on 9144 6998 or [jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au)**

Sign up now!



**BE SURE NOT TO MISS OUT ON ANY INFO!**

If you are not on our weekly eNews email list you are missing out on Fr Greg's weekly messages and other parish information that doesn't always make the bulletin. If you would like to receive this

weekly information, please scan this QR Code or contact the office so they can register you to keep up-to-date with current parish and diocesan information.



CATCH UP WITH  
CORPUS CHRISTI PATISHIONERS

## Coffee Morning

WEDNESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER  
ARCHIES, ST IVES SHOPPING CENTRE  
10:30 AM



RSVP to Andrena | 0438 698 993

## First Friday of Every Month

**Friday 1 September 2023**

Exposition / Adoration at 7pm followed by Mass at 7:30pm

### 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 (which is on a 4 – 6 week rostered basis) or want to find out more – please contact:*

- Julie Tregale – T: 0418 781 617 (BUPA)
- Anne Freer – T: 0400 407 252 (T. House)
- Maggie Rodely – T: 0408 944 050 (Kari Court)
- Michelle at our Parish Office – T: 9144 6998

We currently take communion to:

- Bupa Aged care (across the road) from our Parish
- Turrumurra House (34 Curagul Rd, Turrumurra)
- 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.

## Prayer Zone



**Please pray for the ill:**

Fr Sergio Chauira; Jessie Chang; Brendan Seeto; Amy O'Connell; James Frederick Riley; Tom Brewer; 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; Carmel Hadley; 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 Michelle or Christina know.***

### FEAST DAYS AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

Monday 28th, St Augustine, bishop  
 Tuesday 29th, The Passion of St John the Baptist, martyr  
 Friday 8th, The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
 Wednesday 13th, St John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor  
 Thursday 14th, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
 Friday 15th, Our Lady of Sorrows



### 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 31 August 2023 @ 10.30am** in the Parish Hall.  
 Enq.: Angela 0405 507 982

### FRIDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

#### SCHOOL FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST



Please note that the school will be hosting a Father's Day breakfast on Friday 1 September 2023. Parking will be limited on this day. We are working with the school to ensure that the carpark in front of the church is not used by parents.



**IN THE FOOTSTEPS  
OF MARY MACKILLOP**  
17 October – 28 October 2023  
**An Australian Pilgrimage led by a  
Sister of Saint Joseph & the inaugural  
Director of the Mary MacKillop  
Heritage Centre Melbourne**

## The Journey



- Starting in **Melbourne**, experience the early life of Mary and the MacKillop Family.
- Continue the story by coach to **Hamilton, Portland** and **Port McDonnell**.
- Spend two nights in **Penola** connecting with the Mary MacKillop and Fr Julian Tenison Woods' stories.
- Coach into South Australia and visit Our Lady Star of the Sea - a church built by Fr Julian Tenison Woods at **Robe**.
- Continue on to **Adelaide** where Mary professed her vows as a Sister of Saint Joseph and immerse ourselves in the unfolding story of the Congregation.
- Fly to **Sydney** and spend three nights at Mary MacKillop Place where Mary lived and died. Visit her burial site in the Memorial Chapel.
- Extra cost for those who wish to spend a couple of extra nights in Sydney before they return home.

For detailed information visit our website:  
[www.marymackillopplace.org.au](http://www.marymackillopplace.org.au)

## Booking & Enquiries

**For further information or to make  
an application, please contact the  
Australian Pilgrimage Co-Ordinator**

### Email

[national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au](mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au)

### Telephone

02 8912 4818



## POSITIONS VACANT

Three of our Diocesan parishes are seeking to recruit a permanent part-time Parish Secretary; The Lakes Parish, Lindfield/Killara and Epping & Carlingford.

The Parish Secretary role plays an important part in the Parish team, providing support for Parish communications, general & sacramental program administration, financial processes, Parish property, compliance and Diocesan support.

All three vacancies have flexibility within the working schedule for the right candidate, however the role does require a physical presence in the Parish office.

The ideal candidate will have a comprehensive knowledge and demonstrated experience with office administration as well as a sound understanding of Microsoft Office Suite of programs. As this role is often the first point of contact for the parish, well-developed communication and interpersonal skills are crucial, supported by a good understanding of, and commitment to Catholic values and teachings.

**The Lakes Parish** is looking for someone to work four days per week, approximately 26 hours per week, with a preference for the working schedule to be Monday to Thursday. Applications close **Wednesday, 30 August 2023**

**Lindfield-Killara Parish** is looking for someone to work three days per week, approximately 22.5 hours per week. Applications close **Wednesday, 30 August 2023**

**Epping & Carlingford Parish** is looking for someone to work 24 hours per week, with flexibility on days/hours. Applications close **Friday, 1 September 2023**. If any role interests you, please email a brief cover letter and CV to the relevant parish office:

The Lakes Parish:

[Lakesparishoffice@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:Lakesparishoffice@bbcatholic.org.au)

Lindfield-Killara Parish:

[parishoffice@lindfieldkillara.org.au](mailto:parishoffice@lindfieldkillara.org.au)

Epping & Carlingford Parish:

[jim.mckeon@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:jim.mckeon@bbcatholic.org.au)



## Social Justice Corner

### Social Justice Sunday

This weekend we are celebrating Social Justice Sunday. Since the 1940s, Australia's Catholic bishops have published annual statements that urge the Catholic community to reflect and act on social, economic and ecological issues. The statement for 2023-24 is *Listen, Learn, Love: A new engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples*.

Archbishop Timothy Costello SDB has said the heart of the statement was “a new engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples” after “much listening.”

Indigenous people needed to be “welcomed from the margins into the centre, so that they can lead the discussions about change and implementation about actions, to bring about healing and justice.... Change is necessary if the hopes and aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are to be realised. We can be at the forefront of a new era in Australia's public life,” he said.

The statement can be downloaded from the bishops [Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace website](#). You can also watch a 5-minute video introduction by the archbishop on the website.



### Annual Fundraiser for the Tibetan Community: 9 – 10 September 2023

The Corpus Christi Social Justice Group is committed to putting “social justice into action”. For many years we have been working with the Tibetan refugee community on the Northern Beaches to help Tibetan people who have just arrived in Australia obtain prescription medication, hearing aids and other essential goods. On the weekend of the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of September, we will be holding our annual fundraising appeal after each Mass.

Funds raised will assist Tibetans who will be arriving in 2023-24. All donations, big or small, will be greatly appreciated. Further information will be provided in next week's Social Justice Column.

#### **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.*

# Youth News

Pray and Play is for babies, toddlers, and primary school children together with their families. It is an opportunity for the families to spend time together after Sunday 10am Mass for some running around and a simple lunch. We will be meeting in the Parish Hall on the following dates:

3 September                      15 October  
5 November                      3 December

We hope you'll be able to join us!



## High School Youth Group



Next Youth Group will be this Sunday after 5pm Mass. We will have a simple dinner, some games, and discuss "If God has a plan, then how can we also have free will?"

## IGNITE CONFERENCE 23

Broken Bay is hosting Ignite Youth Conference this year! We are getting a group of Youth together to attend Ignite, 28 Sep – 1 Oct (first weekend of school holidays). <https://igniteconference.com.au/sydney> for more info. Please let Edith know ASAP ([corpus.families@gmail.com](mailto:corpus.families@gmail.com)) if you are interested, we are hoping to get half price registrations if we can be quick!

## Youth Mass

Do you love to sing, or play an instrument? We would love for you to join our monthly Youth Masses.

For more info about the youth groups or youth mass, please contact Edith ([corpus.families@gmail.com](mailto:corpus.families@gmail.com)) or Michelle at the Office.





## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

### For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their lives.

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Catenians meet every month to pray  
together, to enjoy each others'  
company and to support their  
Clergy and Parishes.

For further information phone  
President - John White 0439 851 910  
Secretary - David Conoulty 0412 267 538

## The Word

Sunday 27 August 2023, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Collect

O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. 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 prophet Isaiah Is 22:19-23

*I place the key of the House of David upon his shoulder.*

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office,  
I remove you from your post,  
and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah.

I invest him with your robe,  
gird him with your sash,  
entrust him with your authority;  
and he shall be a father  
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and to the House of Judah.

I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder;

should he open, no one shall close,  
should he close, no one shall open.

I drive him like a peg  
into a firm place;  
he will become a throne of glory  
for his father's house.

The Word of the Lord.

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

*(R.) Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.*

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. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. (R.)

### Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Romans Rom 11:33-36

*From him, through him, and in him are all things.*

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;  
the gates of hell will not hold out against it.  
Alleluia!

### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 16:13-20

*You are Peter, to you I will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven.*

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ. The Gospel of the Lord.