

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

**27 February 2022 – Eighth Sunday of 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:** 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 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 March**  
Mass at 7pm followed by  
Stations of the Cross

**Every Friday during Lent**  
Exposition at 7pm followed by  
Stations of the Cross

**Every Thursday during term  
time**  
Fr Sunny's Luke Bible Study  
group in the Church at 7:30-9pm

Just a reminder that we follow  
NSW Health advice to reduce  
the spread of Covid.

- sanitise your hands;
- wear your mask; and
- socially distance



**“Can a blind person guide  
a blind person? Will not  
both fall into a pit?  
(Gospel)**

Dear Parishioners,

Imagine if we always followed Jesus' advice to take a look at our own failings before criticising others. We would never criticise anyone, and how much happier our lives and relationships would be. Jesus reminds us that our inner spiritual health can be gauged by how we live our life, by our actions, by the fruit we bear. If we regularly display virtues such as patience, honesty and courage, there is a fair chance that this good is coming from the store of goodness in our heart. If we are prone to bad temper, impatience, dishonesty and any number of other 'rotten fruits', then, as the Scripture passage says, it is likely we are drawing from a well of badness. How do we create a store of goodness in our heart then? Through staying close of Jesus in prayer, Word and sacrament and filling ourselves with his goodness. I love to listen to Christian music in the car and around the house, because it's one small way of regularly filling myself up with Scripture based goodness. We're still going to sin and make mistakes, but when we're drawing from the well of goodness in our heart, we're more likely to be able to share good fruits.

May God bless you.  
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Ed Wales, Parish Finance  
Michelle Miles, Office Manager  
Jennifer Perrott, Faith Facilitator  
Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator  
Natalie Yeung, Youth Minister

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Please leave a message if no answer

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**Principal: Mrs Jayne Wheen**  
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## First Friday of Every Month

Friday 4 March 2022

Mass at 7:00pm

Followed by Stations of the Cross



### WEDNESDAY 2 MARCH MASS TIMES:

**9:00am Mass which will include some of the school children.**

#### 7:30pm Evening Mass

Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ. Let us enter into the spirit of Lent in a way that gives life to self and others.



### Project Compassion Sunday 26 & 27 February



Please take home a Project Compassion box and a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations**.

With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction. Project Compassion 2022 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come to build better future for all.

As St Pope John Paul II said,  
"The future starts today, not tomorrow."



Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413.

### NURSING APPOINTMENT

Arrupe House Pymble is a small community of retired Jesuits, priests and brothers. An experienced registered nurse is required to work with a small team of nurses. This position is on a permanent part-time or casual basis with AM duties.

Please email your CV to Drupathi :

Email: [arrupehouse@sjasl.org.au](mailto:arrupehouse@sjasl.org.au)

### 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.

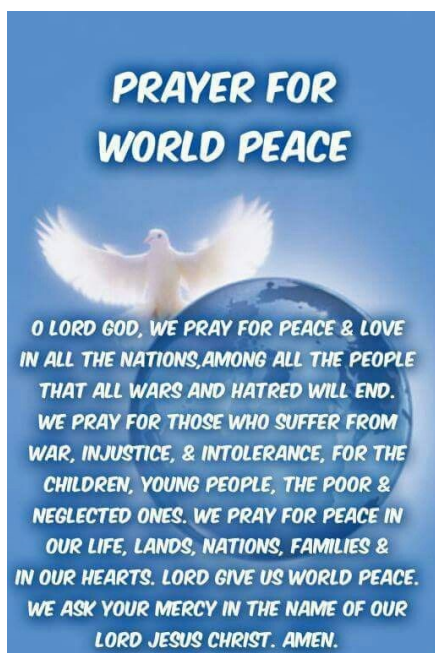


## Social Justice Corner

### International Day of Fasting and Prayer for World Peace

Pope Francis has made a heartfelt appeal for peace in Ukraine during the General Audience on Wednesday, stating that the possibility of violence had given him "much pain" in his heart. *"Despite the diplomatic efforts of the last few week increasingly alarming scenarios are opening up,"* Pope Francis urged that, *"all the parties involved refrain from any action that would cause even more suffering to the people, destabilizing coexistence between nations and bringing international law into disrepute."*

Pope Francis has invited us to participate in an international day of fasting and prayer for world peace on Wednesday, March 2. *"I invite everyone to make this coming 2<sup>nd</sup> March, Ash Wednesday, a Day of Fasting for Peace: let believers dedicate themselves intensively to prayer and fasting. May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war."*



### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER— REPRESENTATIVE NEEDED

The churches in the Ku-ring-gai area are looking forward to celebrating the World Day of Prayer together for 2022 on Friday, 4th of March at 10am. St Ives Baptist will be hosting the service this year. We are after a representative from our church to attend. Please contact the office on 9144 6998.



#### World Day of Prayer 2022

England, Wales and Northern Ireland

Date and time:	4 March 2022 11am
Location:	St Ives Baptist Church 28 Memorial Ave, St Ives
Contact:	St Ives Baptist Church 8593 4776 enquiries@sibc.org.au

## Prayer Zone



Please pray for the ill:

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; Lewis Crinitti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, 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

Wednesday 2nd, Ash Wednesday

### CALLING PARISHIONERS WHO LOVE TO SING.

Come and join our dedicated group of Parish Choir volunteers who gather to sing and serve our church by leading our worship on the 2nd Sunday of each month. Rehearsals are held from 9am before the 10am mass. Please see Patricia Kiely after the 10am mass on Sunday 27 February for more information, or contact the Parish office on 9144 6998.



### 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 3 March 2022 @ 10.30am** in the Parish Hall. Enq.: Angela 0405 507 982

### Reminder:



Please bring in your blessed palms from last year so they can be burnt for Ash Wednesday. Baskets will be placed at the entrances of the church so you can leave your palms.

If you have any palm trees, we are looking for small and large palm to decorate the church. Please contact the Parish Office on 9144 6998.

Sunday nights 7-8:30pm

# YOUTH GROUP

For Corpus Christi students in Year 6-12  
Come along for some food, snacks and  
games!

Parents message Natalie at 0499 636 266 to RSVP



# explore

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**!!! There is still time to register for Alpha !!!**



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Manual registration can also be done at the back of the church

Alpha





## Can you help?:

We need 9 people willing to share their faith with our young people. Classes are done and on USB or you can create your own.

**You do not need to be a teacher or have any experience at all.** All lessons can be provided on a Powerpoint, resources and training provided. You will need approx. an hour and a bit per week (that includes class time and lesson prep). It is very simple and easy.

**You will receive more than you put in. The reason a catechist starts on this journey is never the same reason they stay.**

If you would like to serve God and in a way that will bring joy to your heart and those of our young people, please contact Jen Perrott URGENTLY in the parish office on (02) 9144 6998 or by email [catechists@corpuschristi.com.au](mailto:catechists@corpuschristi.com.au) Below are the classes with vacant timeslots.

St Ives Public Schools Students 2022				
Classes That Need to Be Filled				
Year	SINPS Tuesday's	SIPS Wednesday's	TNPS Wednesday's	SIPPS Wednesday's
Kindy	1:50-2:20pm	9:10-9:45am	Robina Hockey 10:15-10:55 am	Ruth Cassidy 11:30-12:10pm
1	Celine Kok 1:50-2:20pm	9:10-9:45am	Betty Ang 10:15-10:55 am	Cypriana Liem 11:30-12:10pm
2	1:50-2:20pm			
3	Bryan Freer 2:20-2:50pm	Sue-Anne Sherwood 9:45-10:20 am	Dora Chan 10:15-10:55 am	Petty Bahramali 11:30-12:10pm
4	2:20-2:50pm			
5	1pm - 1.30pm	Teresa Leong 9:45-10:20 am This class will be empty for 4-5 months after 15 March	10:15 -10:55 am	Teresa Leong 11:30-12:10pm This class will be empty for 4-5 months after 15 March
6	Cel Tria 1pm - 1.30pm			



## NATIONAL CHURCH LIFE SURVEY– 5 & 6 MARCH

Our parish has been selected to participate in the National Church Life Survey on behalf of our Diocese which gives useful information for planning in the context of the whole of Australia. It is also an opportunity to hear what people are really thinking whether they come to Church or not. We would be then in a better position to serve and care for them. We will receive our own parish report with survey results which we could share with you. The results would give us a basis for planning a positive future for those we serve. Please see below for some other reasons to participate.

**Churches of all sizes and traditions, in urban, rural and remote communities, complete a Church Life Survey, as a way to reflect on their church's health and vitality.**

'Life to the full' is the underlying philosophy as the survey aims to be a life-giving resource for churches, to nurture their vitality and inform their decision making, as they seek to be part of God's mission where they are.

**1. Hear all the voices - take time to listen** Hear the attitudes and beliefs of all people at church, including those who don't always get heard: ministers, lay leaders, adult attenders, youth and children, at one time, in a season of listening.

**2. Make better choices:** Use a credible evidence base to inform your discussions and decisions. Discern where best to place your energy and direction, based on your survey feedback.

**3. Find out things you need to know:** As mission researchers, the NCLS team know things about what you care about. Doing a nation-wide survey helps churches to learn from each other and allows leaders to identify key trends.

**4. Find out the giftings and hopes of attenders :** Receive a list of areas where your attenders are gifted and motivated to act. Harness their energy, motivation and hopes to move forward. Encourage all to contribute their gifts and skills.

**5. Take stock of your church's health :** Beyond counting heads, use the NCLS Research framework of church vitality to assess nine core qualities and three attendance measures, at regular times in your church's journey.

**6. Identify your strengths and use them to grow:** Survey results will show where your church's strengths lie. Identify your strengths and use them to inform areas of growth. Our planning resources are strengths-based, the best place to start when making any change.

## Parish Bookkeeper Lindfield Killara Catholic Parish Part-time, 1 day per week

The Parish is seeking a Bookkeeper for our busy office. The role includes maintenance of the parish financial records using MYOB, supplier payments, processing credit card receipts, payroll and quarterly BAS. You would also be required to prepare quarterly reports for the Parish Finance Committee and an annual report for the diocese. Other aspects of the role include processing and remittance of various special appeals, entering receipt data into parish administration database and cooperating with the diocese for any internal audits/reviews. Other finance related tasks as requested.

If you have previous bookkeeping or accounting experience and this role interests you, please email a cover letter and CV to [colin@lindfieldkillara.org.au](mailto:colin@lindfieldkillara.org.au).

Applications close **Friday, 4 March**

## MT CARMEL RETREAT PROGRAM:

**Day Retreats -Cost: \$30 per person (Please BYO lunch)**

### Practicing the Presence of God in a Confusing World

March 5 10am to 4pm. Presenter: Geoff Stumbles  
*A way of prayer that enables us to find the "still point" of God's presence in our ever changing world.*

### Jesus Encounters "The Adultress" John 8:1-11

April 2 10am to 4pm. Presenter: Lorraine Murphy, OCDS  
*We will explore relationships in the company of Jesus, the encourager.*

**Weekend Retreats—Cost: \$300 per person**

### The Gift of Joy! A retreat in the Spirit of Taize

March 11-13. Presenter: Br Matthew  
*Exploring pathways to joy in life with the help of the prayer and worship of Taize.*

### Embracing Multi-Dimension Thinking: The Length and the Breadth, the Height and the Depth

March 18-20. Presenter: John Charadia & Artist Tutor Team  
*How do we come to know and embrace the full capacity of God's presence in our Lives?*

For information of any of the retreats, please call 8795 3400 [www.mtcarmel.com.au](http://www.mtcarmel.com.au)



## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

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Clergy and Parishes.

For further information phone  
President—Stefan Wawrzyniak 0414 811 598  
Secretary—Antony Orton 0423 685 897

## The Word

Sunday 27 February 2022 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### First Reading

From the book of Ecclesiasticus Sir 27:4-7

*Do not praise someone before they have spoken.*

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,  
so too the defects of a man appear in his talk.

The kiln tests the work of the potter,  
the test of a man is in his conversation.

The orchard where the tree grows is judged on  
the quality of its fruit, similarly a man's words  
betray what he feels. Do not praise a man  
before he has spoken,  
since this is the test of men.

The Word of the Lord

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. See v.2

*(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.*

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. *(R.)*
2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. *(R.)*
3. Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. *(R.)*

### Second Reading

From the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians  
1 Cor 15:54-58

*Victory has been given to us through Jesus Christ.*

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

The Word of the Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars;  
you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke Lk 6:39-45

*A person speaks from what is in his heart.*

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord.