

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

28 January 2018— Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time —Year B

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 (1st 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: 2nd 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)



In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?” (Gospel)

January

Every Thursday

Prayer Group prior to mass
8:40am

Monday 29 January—Friday 2 February

Carmelite Regional Assembly

Monday 29 January

6:30am Mass

Tuesday 30 January to Wednesday 31 January

6:30am Communion Prayer

February

Thursday 1 February

9:15am Communion Prayer

Friday 2 February

6:30am Mass

Sunday 4 February

Junior Choir—9am—11am

Sunday 11 February

Parish Choir—9am—11am

Dear parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

Today’s Gospel (Mark 1: 21-28) describes the first public act of Jesus in Mark’s Gospel: his teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum, in the course of which he dramatically frees a man possessed by an evil spirit. We note how, at both the beginning and the end of this episode, the people in the synagogue are struck by his authority with which Jesus teaches—in contrast to that of the other religious authorities (the Scribes). Indeed, what is really surprising is that they seem just as impressed by the authority with which he teaches as by the authority with which he drives out demons, an example of which has just taken place before their eyes.

For me the above raises the question of “who is this person Jesus?” That is an important question, because the answer will determine how we relate to Him. The answer will come as Mark’s Gospel unfolds but it is good for us to ask the question and have our own answer. We will later be able to compare our answer with how Mark presents who Jesus is. For me if Jesus has so much authority in his teaching and freeing in a way that gives life suggests that is appropriate to have confidence in Him to the point of audacity in whatever situation we find ourselves.

May God Bless You,

Fr Greg

CONTACT DETAILS

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PARISH OFFICE TEAM

Fr Greg Chee, OCD, Parish Priest

Fr Sunny Abraham, OCD, Assistant Priest

Fr Johny Arattukulam, OCD, Assistant Priest

Belinda Camilleri, Office Manager

Michelle Miles, Office Secretary

Ed Wales, Parish Finance

Jennifer Perrott, Catechist Co-Ordinator

Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator

HALL BOOKINGS

John Huggett (Co-ordinator)

0412 882 263

Lectio Divina

You are most welcome to come and listen to scripture reading and meditation every Friday starting 2 February 2018, in the Hall boardroom for 1 hour between 10am—11am.

Facilitator: Fr Greg Chee

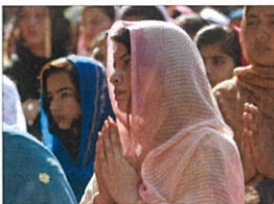
Enquiries at the office on 9144 6998 or by email at office@corpuschristi.com.au

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

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Bookings online at www.wwme.org.au or Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or Adrian.janet1@bigpond.com



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for January

Religious Minorities in Asia. That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom

MEMOIR WRITING

If there are enough people interested a new MEMOIR WRITING class will start at my place on Friday 16th February. Time 10 am—12nn.

ALSO, how about all those of you with unfinished books coming back for a "pep-talk"?

NEW YEARS RESOLUTION & all that!

Ring or email me 94493971, colleenmcmillan11@gmail.com
Colleen

New Acolytes Needed

We will need two new acolytes to be trained and then serve God and the people of Corpus Christi. It is a great way to get to know what the mass is about and a way to serve the people of God. If you see your way, please contact the office on 9144 6998 to volunteer.

Prayer Zone

Please pray for the ill:

Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Clara Di Mauro; Tom Brewer; Anne Baillie, Francesco Macolino, Jan Davies, Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, John Edwards, Carol-Anne Campbell, Jennifer Nancarro, Gina Jaksetic, Jeannie, Gracie Spencer, Brendan Stone, John Michael Walsh

Feast Days — January / February

Wednesday 31 Jan, St John Bosco, priest

Friday 2 Feb, The Presentation of the Lord



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Thursdays February 8th – April 12th 2018

(Excludes March 29th—EASTER)

10.45-11.45 am

St Ives Uniting Church, cnr Douglas St & Mona Vale Road,
St Ives.

For further enquiries or to make a booking please call Kerry Silver on 0448 733 267 or email ksilver@chcs.com.au. Alternatively contact Colleen McMillan on 9449 3971 if you would like to know more.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) 2018

The sacrament of Reconciliation will be held in Term 1 of 2018 at Corpus Christi Parish on **24th March**. In order to join this sacrament program children must be in Year 3 or older and be both **Baptised** and have completed the sacrament of **Confirmation**.

Parents wishing to enrol their child for the Sacrament of reconciliation should do so filling in the form attached and returning it to the Parish Office by **Monday 12th February 2018** with a payment of \$25. You may have already enrolled your child if you paid for all three sacraments in 2017. In this instance an email will be sent to you.

There will be one **Parent Information Evening** held in the Church at **7:30pm** on **Thursday 15th February**.

Reconciliation will be held on Saturday 24th March 2018 at either 9:30am or 3:30pm.

Attendance by at least one parent at the information evening is a requirement of the course. All queries can be directed to Gerri Hadwen via

sacraments@corpuschristi.com.au

Diocesan Pastoral Care Course

Volunteer Catholic Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion visit hospitals throughout the Diocese of Broken Bay providing comfort and care to Catholic patients. NSW Health requires that 40 hours of training is completed to perform this important role. The *Diocesan Pastoral Care Course* is open to those who already volunteer in a hospital context, or in local health and aged care facilities, and also to those who might be deciding if they are suited to this ministry.

This **FREE** course, created particularly for a Catholic pastoral community and endorsed by the Civil Chaplaincies Advisory Committee NSW, will provide you with the minimum training required by NSW Health.

The course will be offered on the five consecutive Wednesdays in March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 4, between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm. It will be held at St. John the Baptist Church, Woy Woy (54 Victoria Road, Woy Woy).

Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

Please speak to Peter Brown, Coordinator Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care, CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay on 0418 616 602.

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.

ASH WEDNESDAY—14 FEBRUARY

Mass Times for Ash Wednesday:

6:30am

9:30am

7:30pm

Volunteers Needed

Our parish depends on the generosity of its members. We are grateful for your support to undertake the range of activities that make our parish a welcoming and developing community.

We need a volunteer with appropriate skills to take on the following roles on an ongoing basis:

Advertising Co-ordinator – we need someone with marketing/sales/advertising skills to develop and manage the advertising in the bulletin. This has a two fold objective: Supports our parish and community and generates a small income for our parish.

Please contact Belinda Camilleri to express interest and discuss further: Parish Office: 9144 6998

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Do you love to sing? Well then come and join the Children's Choir at Corpus Christi. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month for the 10:00am mass. Rehearsal start at 9:00am followed by mass. So if you love to sing, you are all welcome to come and join in the fun. For further information please call Josephine on 9449-1229 or 0435 146 815. Would love for you to come and join us.



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