

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

28 January 2024, Fourth 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: 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 Monday
(during term time)
Divine Will Prayer Group
10-11:30am - Hall

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

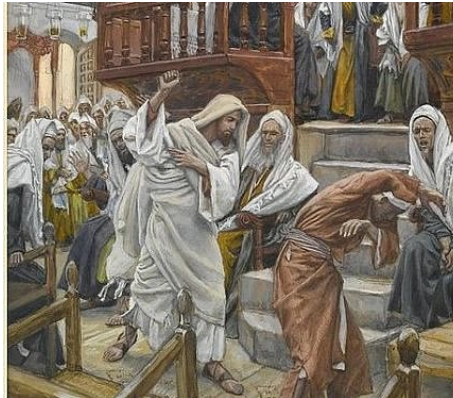
Friday 26 January 2024
Australia Day Mass—9am

Thursday 1 February 2024
Parish Craft Group — 10.30am in the Hall

Monday 5 February 2024
Parish Craft Group — 10am in the Hall Boardroom

Wednesday 7 February 2024
Men Alive Meeting — 7pm in the Parish Office

Thursday 15 February 2024
Reconciliation Compulsory
Parent Information Night — 7.30pm in the Hall



**Jesus rebuked him
and said, “Quiet!
Come out of him!”
(Gospel)**

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

Our readings today are all about listening. Moses tells the people that God will raise up a prophet from among them, who will speak in God’s name and with authority, and that it’s to him that they’ll need to listen. Our responsorial psalm urges us to open our hearts to God’s voice. Paul encourages the people of Corinth to free themselves from worry and to listen to God – there is value in every vocation but each has its own challenges. Holiness is possible in every vocation. And our Gospel reading describes an encounter in the synagogue in Capernaum, where we find Jesus teaching with authority and driving out unclean spirits.

While the onlookers aren’t sure what it all means, they recognise Jesus brings authority and a teaching they have never heard before. Today, let’s reflect: what do I hear God saying to me today? How well do I listen? Studying the Gospels prayerfully and aiming to imitate Jesus in our life is one way to listen.

May God bless you,
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator
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FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH

FRIDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2024

EXPOSITION / ADORATION AT 7PM

FOLLOWED BY MASS

AT 7:30PM



MORNING TEA MINISTRY

You are invited to join our Morning Tea Ministry, **after Sunday 10am Mass**. It is an opportunity to serve fellow parishioners and socialise over cups of coffee/tea and bites to eat.

You will be rostered once every 8 weeks. The tasks involved are to bring finger food/snacks/biscuits, set up and clean up afterwards.

The new roster for 2024 is to start effective 25th February.

If you are called to join, please contact Michelle/Christina at the office, 9144 6998.

DIVINE WILL PRAYER GROUP



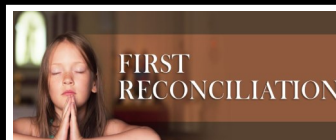
The Divine Will Prayer Group will recommence on Monday 5th of February in the Hall Boardroom at 10am. The group will meet every Monday during term time. The prayer group reflects on the Hours of the Passion from the writings of Luisa Piccarreta. We look forward to welcoming you!



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 1 February 2024 @ 10.30am** in the Parish Hall.
Enq.: Angela 0405 507 982



Sacrament of Reconciliation: 23rd March at 9.30am or 3.30pm in the Church

In order to participate in the Reconciliation Programme your child must be Baptised and Confirmed.

Compulsory Parent information night: 15 February at 7.30pm in the Hall

Presentation Mass: Any mass over the weekend 26th/27th February

Preparation Classes: Over 4 weeks prior to the ceremony in your nominated groups. These are held in the Parish Hall

If you would like your child to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation please register by the following link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1145113>

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.

PRESBYTERY BUILDING PROJECT FUNDRAISING

Thank you for your generosity! To date parishioner donations total just over \$243,000, so we are nearly half way to our target of \$500,000.

For every \$100 donated the Diocese will give us another \$50.

You can donate directly to our bank account as below:

Please reference: **New Presbytery Build** in your payment message. This will ensure that the entire amount will be used for the presbytery and the Parish won't be subject to Diocesan tax on these donations.

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Please note, any donations made are **NOT** tax deductible.

Regards the Parish Finance Committee

Prayer Zone

Please pray for the ill:

Michelle Fisher; Fr Sergio Chauira; Jessie Chang; 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.



Pray and Play is for families with children aged 0-12years. It is an opportunity for the families to spend time together after Sunday 10am Mass for some running around and a simple lunch. We

are yet to finalise the dates for January. Please keep an eye out on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/Groups/CorpusChristiStIves>) and the Parish Newsletter for an update. We will meet on the grassed area next to priests' garage, or in the Church Hall if it is wet. Happy New Year!

FEAST DAYS JANUARY/FEBRUARY

Wed 31st, St John Bosco, priest
Fri 2nd, The Presentation of the Lord
Mon 5th, St Agatha, virgin, martyr
Tues 6th, St Paul Miki and companions, martyrs
Sat 10th, St Scholastica, virgin
Wed 14th, Ash Wednesday
Thurs 22nd, The Chair of St Peter, apostle

BRING YOUR PALMS TO SUNDAY MASS



Now is the time to bring last year's dried palms back to church so that they may be burned in preparation for Ash Wednesday. Traditionally, it is the ashes of these burnt palms that are used on that day as a sign of our commitment to follow Jesus in His journey to the events that has become for us the Paschal Mystery. Please return your palms by Sunday 11 February.



PIANISTS NEEDED

We are looking for two pianists and would love you to help us worship God as a community at the 10am & 5pm Eucharist starting February 2024 by using your special talent. You were deliberately planned, specifically gifted and lovingly positioned on the Earth by the Master Craftsman. Please take this prayer and respond to the office - office@corpuschristi.com.au, or chat with the choir leaders at either of these masses. Thank you. Fr Greg.



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

For the Gift of Diversity in the Church

Let us pray that the Spirit helps us recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

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The Word

Sunday 28 January 2024: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collect

Grant us, Lord our God, that we may honour you with all your mind, and love everyone in truth of heart. 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 book of Deuteronomy Dt 18:15-20

I will put my words into the prophet's mouth, and he will tell them all I command.

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die."' The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.9
(R.) *If today, you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.*

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
2. Come in, let us kneel and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
3. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

Second Reading

From the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 7:32-35

The unmarried woman dedicates herself to the things of the Lord, that she might be holy.

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

A people in darkness have seen a great light:
a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Mark Mk 1:21-28

This is a new kind of teaching that speaks with authority.

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the Sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority. In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

The Gospel of the Lord.