

Diocese of Broken Bay

28 June 2026, Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Mass Times:
Monday to Friday: 9am
Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil)
Sunday: 8am, 10am, 5pm
Public Holidays: 9am
Family (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: every 2nd Thursday of the month at 9am or by request
Eucharistic Adoration: Saturdays 9:30 & every 1st Friday of the month at 7pm
Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am

Eucharistic Adoration
 Saturdays at 9:30 am &
 Every first Friday of the month
 at 7pm followed by mass
 July 3

Anointing of the Sick
 Every Second Thursday of the
 month (next July 9)

Divine Will Prayer Group
 Mondays 10-11:30 am
 & Tuesdays 7-8.30 pm

Lectio Divina
 Every Friday at 10 am

Carmelite Conversations
 Fortnightly on Thursdays
 July 9 at 10 am

Parish Social Craft Group
 Every fortnight on Thursdays
 July 2 at 10 am

Young Adults @ St Ives
 Every Second Monday
 June 29

Every Sunday at 10am Mass
 Children's Liturgy
 Morning tea after Mass

Parish Morning Tea
 Morning tea after 8am mass
 July 12

**Corpus Christi Parish Coffee
 Morning**
 The Living Room St Ives Village
 at 10:30
 July 8



Dear Parishioners,

This past week Fr Tan and I attended a school assembly and welcome to us at Corpus Christi Primary School, our Parish School. We had the opportunity to hear the students share something of their experience attending the school, and what they loved most about belonging to this wonderful community.

The school in 1954 with the Brigidine Sisters; lessons first took place in what is now our church hall. The school motto is

“Strength and Gentleness” - strength that we may stand up for what is right, gentleness to remind us to treat all with kindness and respect.

I took the opportunity to remind the students that along with all the many things they enjoy (friendship, learning, sports, musicals etc) one special feature their parents want them to have at school is that it is a place where we learn and express our Catholic faith in God, give thanks for our many blessings and pray for one another, and for special intentions in our church and in our world. I'll meet the REC this week to plan regular priests' visits to the classes and opportunities for prayer and Masses in the coming terms.

With the term two SRE (special religious education) newsletter this week, I took the opportunity to write to the parents of our Catholic students in the local state schools, introducing myself and Fr Tan and assuring them of our prayerful support and assuring them they are always welcome as members of our community.

I am very conscious of our Catholic students who attend the local State schools. I thank the 27 catechists who volunteer to teach our approx. 200 Catholic students in Special Religious Education (SRE) in four local primary schools and one high school. Four new catechists have joined in recent weeks.

Brigidine College has a long history connected to our parish and I have assured the new Principal, Ms Kate Quinane of our prayerful and active support and friendship with the College community.

I am also mindful of the secondary students from our parish families who attend a number of private and state high schools and colleges. Let us pray for all the families in our parish with school-age children, that they'll have success and fulfilment, and that their faith in Jesus Christ and belonging to the Church will enrich their lives.

I wish all the school students in our parish I good holiday in the coming weeks, and we are especially mindful of our students who will soon sit the HSC.

Kind regards to all, Fr Paul

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Quote by Pope Leo XIV:

The Eucharist is a “powerful antidote” to division in the world, Pope Leo XIV said this week, calling on Catholics to “draw with faith from this source of divine life” and to allow themselves “to be transformed by the mystery we celebrate”.



Prayer Zone

Recently Deceased: John Gordon

Anniversary: Keith Wilde

Please pray for the ill:

Carmel Hadley; Patricia Chaves; Marina Albuquerque; Fr Sergio Chauira; Jessie Chang; Amy O’Connell; James Frederick Riley; Tom Brewer; Sylvia Fishburn; Nicolette Harris; Marshall O’Brien; Helen McCarthy; Rob Sanders; Anne Jardane; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Thi Nguyen; Fergus O’Brien; Michelle Soumier; Gracie Spencer; Brendan Stone.



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

03 JULY 2026

Eucharist Adoration & Reconciliation @7:00pm

Holy Mass @7:30pm

FEAST DAYS - JUNE/ JULY

MON 29TH— STS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES, SOLEMNITY

FRI 3RD—ST THOMAS, APOSTLE, FEAST

SAT 11TH—ST BENEDICT, ABBOT, MEMORIAL

WED 15TH—ST BONAVENTURE, BISHOP, DOCTOR, MEMORIAL

WED 22ND—ST MARY MAGDALENE, FEATS

SAT 25TH—ST JAMES, APOSTLE, FEAST

WED 29TH—STS MARTHA, MARY &

LAZARUS, MEMORIAL

FRI 31ST ST IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA, PRIEST, MEMORIAL

WHY WE DO THE THINGS WE DO

Go!

'Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord' says the celebrant at the end of the Mass.

This concluding rite is best understood as a commissioning. Renewed in our relationship as brothers and sister in the body of Christ, we are sent forth to share Christ’s love with others. In fact, the word *Mass* is derived from the Latin word *missa* which in turn is derived from *mittere*: to send. As you leave the church today, think of how you can reach out to one specific person. Find a practical way of sharing with that person the strength you have drawn from this eucharistic celebration.

PIETY STALL

Our piety stall is now fully restocked. we’ve got a full cabinet ready for you. Please stop in on your way out and have a look, especially if you’re looking for

the Sacrament of Eucharist

Celebration

Sunday, 20 September 2026 at 12:00pm

Parent Information Evening

Thursday 13th August 2026 at 6:00pm

(Only one parent need attend). Attendance is compulsory

Presentation Mass

15/16 August 2026

Any mass over that weekend. Sessions begin this week

4 Session dates

Thurs: 20, 27 Aug & 3, 10 Sept
or
Sun: 16, 23, 30 Aug & 13 Sept

Practice Date

Thurs, 17 Sept 2026 at 6:00pm

Corpus Christi School Staff—Term 3

We would like to wish Mrs Jayne When, Principal of Corpus Christi Primary School, all the very best as she begins her six weeks of leave during Term 3. We hope this time provides an opportunity to rest, relax, and enjoy a well-deserved break.

We also extend our very best wish to Mrs Liz Williams, who will be stepping into the role of Principal, Mrs Penny Delmage as Acting Assistant Principal, and Mr Daniel Horton as Acting Religious Education Coordinator (REC) during term 3.

We thank them for taking on these important leadership roles and wish them every blessing and success during this time. We keep them all in our prayers and look forward to welcoming Mrs Jayne When back soon.



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.



Corpus Christi Parish

Coffee Morning

8 July, 2026
at 10:30 am
On the verandah
at The Living Room
St Ives Shopping Centre

Everyone welcome

*Come and catch up with old friends,
meet new friends.*



Please join us for Morning tea

After 8:00am Mass
Sunday 12 July, 2026

Catch up with old friends. Meet some new ones.



Please bring a small plate to share if you can



Walking Together in Christ:

40 Years On!

'The Time for Rebirth is Now' created by Youth Delegates
at the 2003 NATSICC Assembly - Adelaide. Drawn from
St Pope John Paul II's address to Aboriginal and Torres
Strait Islander Peoples in Alice Springs (1986).

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

5th July 2026

We gather as one in Christ — celebrating the deep faith, culture,
and gifts of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics.
Find resources for your Parish at www.natsicc.org.au.



COMMUNION TO THE SICK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We warmly invite parishioners to consider joining our Extraordinary Communion Ministry. This is a beautiful opportunity to serve by help distribute the Eucharist during weekend masses. If you feel called to take part, we would love to hear from you. Please contact our Parish Office or leave your detail on the sign-up sheet in the Church foyer. No prior experience is needed, and formation and training will be provided. Phone: 02 9144 6998, email: office@corpuschristi.com.au. Your willingness to give your time and heart will be a blessing to many. Thank you for prayerfully considering this invitation to be the hands and feet of Christ. Your willingness to partake in this ministry will be a blessing to many.

On Sunday 05/07 we join parishes across the world in taking up the Vatican's annual **Peter's Pence Collection**.

The Peter's Pence Collection provides for the charitable works of mercy identified by His Holiness, Pope Leo XIV, including emergency assistance to those in need due to natural disaster, war, oppression and disease.

Your generosity allows the Holy Father to respond to those suffering with love and compassion. You can make a gift using the Peter's Pence collection envelope available in the pews.

May God bless your generosity.



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The Word

Sunday 28th June 2026 (Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Times)

Collect

O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. 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 second book of the Kings 2 4:8-11. 14-16

That is the holy man of God, let him remain there.

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 88:2-3. 16-19. R. v.2

(R.) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth. Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever, that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. *(R.)*

Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face, who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss. *(R.)*

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength; it is by your favour that our might is exalted: for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord; our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. *(R.)*

Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Romans 6:3-4. 8-11

Having been buried with him through baptism, we shall walk in a new life.

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him anymore. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people.

Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light.

Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew 10:37-42

Anyone who does not accept his cross is not worthy of me. Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me.

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Scripture Reflection prepared by Fr Paul - Sunday Year A Week 13

First Reading (2 Kings 4:8-11,13-16). This passage tells about a beautiful act of hospitality, and how God rewarded it. The episode is designed to enhance the reputation of Elijah, and to encourage the virtue of hospitality, especially towards a 'man of God'. A 'man of God' in this context means a bearer of God's word. This prepares us for what the Gospel says about the importance of showing hospitality to the **envoys** of Christ.

Second Reading (Romans 6:3-4, 8-11). Baptism is a communion with the passion, death and resurrection of Christ. To be baptised means to die to what is sinful in order to live the Christian life that comes to us from the risen Saviour. Just as Jesus emerged from the tomb a totally new being, so we are totally changed by baptism. The challenge then is to live up to who we are in Christ.

Gospel (Matthew 10:37-42). This is the conclusion of the Mission Sermon (10:1-42) given by Jesus to the apostles before he sends them out.

Here he instructs the apostles on the sacrifices involved, and the priorities they must embrace, in being his **envoys** to the world. Following him will require difficult choices in relation both to family ties and valuing my own life.

They must be ready, if needs be, to sacrifice the dearest things in life. In certain (rare) circumstances they might have to choose between him and their own relatives. Generosity will bring generous rewards.

Jesus also issues a challenge to those who hear the message of the envoys to receive them properly. The smallest act of hospitality to his envoys will not be unrewarded.

To receive a person's envoy is to receive the person himself. Welcome given to an envoy is a sign of openness to his mission and word. Receiving the missionaries is receiving Jesus, and receiving him is receiving the God who sent him.

