



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

28 October 2018 - 30th 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)



The blind man replied “Master, I want to see.” Jesus told him, “Go your way; your faith has saved you” (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,
The blind Bartimaeus is the symbol of our journey to God. Like Bartimaeus, often we too are blind: We do not see the evil that we commit; we do not perceive the need of others; at times we close our eyes to the injustices and oppressions that

surround us; at other times, we do not recognise Jesus who passes by us. The physical blindness arrests free movement of a person. The spiritual blindness blocks our relationship with God and with one another. Today, Jesus invites us to overcome our spiritual blindness following certain steps as suggested in the Gospel. First of all, we must recognise our inability to overcome our blindness on our own. Secondly, we must rely upon the power of God who can only change us and lead us to salvation. Thirdly, we must overcome the obstacles on our way to encounter Jesus as Bartimaeus did. Finally, we give expression to our intense desire and hope in prayer and cry out with Bartimaeus: ‘Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me’ (Mk 10:47).

In terms of seeing the needs of others and the plight of the poor we have an outworking of the above in St Vincent de Paul. This Sunday at the 10am Eucharist we celebrate a festival mass for that society in the installation of two presidents. We give praise and thanks to God for their service in seeing and contributing to those in real need by being good news to the poor.

May God bless you.

Fr Greg Chee, OCD

Every Friday (during term time)
Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Greg
10-11am, Hall Boardroom

Every Thursday
Prayer Group prior to mass
8:40am

October 2018

Sunday 28 October
Parish Choir
9am-11am

November 2018

Thursday 1 November
All Saints Day
6:30am & 9:15am

Friday 2 November
All Souls Day
Holy Day of Obligation
6:30am; 9:15am & 7:30pm

Sunday 4 November
Kindy / Stage 3 Rock Mass 10am

Saturday 10 November
Memorial Mass for parents who have experienced pregnancy, infancy and child loss—9:00am followed by hospitality—9:45am

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PARISH OFFICE TEAM

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Fr John Arattukulam, OCD, Assistant Priest
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Michelle Miles, Office Secretary
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Jennifer Perrott, Faith Facilitator
Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator

HALL BOOKINGS

John Huggett (Coordinator)
0412 882 263

What's on...

Every First Friday, 7-8pm, Holy Hour for Vocations. Adoration, reflection, evening prayer of the Church. St Agatha's Parish, Pennant Hills. Email: vocations.ministry@dbb.org.au

Every Last Wednesday, 7-9pm, A Discernment Evening for young adults (18-35) who meet together once a month in order to pray, ask questions and discover their individual vocations or lifetime call from God. St Agatha's Parish, Pennant Hills. Email: vocations.ministry@dbb.org.au

Our Parish Catechists and the CWF

The training of catechists and curriculum resources are provided by the **Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)** which is funded by the **Charitable Works Fund (CWF)**. We are grateful for the 35 catechists who play an important role in the faith formation of 450 children in our Parish. Perhaps you or someone you know has benefited from a Catholic Religious Education class in a NSW Public School, made possible through donations of the faithful?

Donations to the Charitable Works Fund help our community through five charities and agencies that serve the people in our Diocese. These are the **Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)**, **Catholic Care Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioners**, **St Lucy's School**, **St Edmund's College** and the **Ephpheta Centre**. For more information on the beneficiaries please visit the Diocese of Broken Bay website <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/give/charitable-works-fund>

Give and it shall be given to you. Luke 6:38

MINISTRY FAIR AND PLENARY CONCIL

Thanks to all who participated in the Ministry Fair and Plenary Council consultations. They generated much interest.

In terms of the Plenary Council consultations the Church needs to change according to the mind of the Spirit. The bishops and hierarchy need to hear from the grass roots up. So thanks for your input. It is still possible to have your say as a family; group or individual. The office and Plenary Council website (www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au) can help in this regard.



PRAYING FOR THOSE IN OUR FAMILY TREE AND FRIENDS WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US IN NOVEMBER

Scripture says it is a holy and wholesome through to pray for the dead in order that they may be freed to experience the fullness of life in God. They cannot pray for themselves but we may pray for them. They however will be praying for you.

The Eucharist is one of the most powerful ways to pray for our family and friends who have gone before us. So when we pray for them and they are praying for us we are exercising mutual charity. So it is a wonderful gesture to have masses said for them. Envelopes are available and can be placed in the collection bowl. It is traditional to especially think of our ancestors in November.

STAGE 3 AND KINDY ROCK MASS, SUNDAY 4 NOVEMBER AT 10AM

We invite you to join the Corpus Christi Stage 3 and Kindy children at the Rock Mass next weekend. The last school rock mass was enjoyed by all who attended. We hope you will be able to join us on the 4th!

Prayer Zone



Recently Deceased:

James Bronson

Anniversary:

Jaroslav Cernanec; Ofelia Oviedo

Please pray for the ill:

Tony Lee; Jose Mestres; Marie Martin; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Maurice Martin; Lewis Criniti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Clara Di Mauro; Tom Brewer; Anne Baillie, Francesco Macolino, Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, Carol-Anne Campbell, Jennifer Nancarro, Gina Jaksetic, Jeannie, Gracie Spencer, Brendan Stone, John Michael Walsh

Please let the office know of any changes to the ill.

Ku-Ring-Gai Interchurch Group

We will be praying for the St Ives Uniting Church and for Reverend Dr Geoff Dornan

Feast Days — November

Thursday 1st, All Saints

Friday 2nd, All Souls

Ku-ring-gai Interchurch Committee

You are invited to our 2018 Annual Dinner on Friday 9 November at 6pm for 6:30pm.

Everyone is welcome. Our guest speaker is Melissa Lipsett the Group Chief Operating Officer, Bible Society of Australia. Brochures are available at the back of the church.

Planned Giving Envelopes

The planned giving envelopes are available for collection in the church foyer.



PARISH SOCIAL CRAFT GROUP:

A happy group for a relaxing morning every fortnight - bring your own craft or handiwork if you wish. If you would like to learn to knit or crochet, lessons available. Next get together **Thursday 1 November 2018 @ 10.30am** in the Parish Hall.

Enq.: Angela 9144 6553 or Merna 9449 2883.

Plenary Council Prayer

*Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.
Give us the grace to see your face in one another
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.
Give us the courage to tell our stories
and to speak boldly of your truth.
Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.
Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.
Amen.
Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.*



SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

Social Justice Dinner: Indigenous Conversations

The Social Justice Group warmly invites parishioners, families and friends to attend its annual dinner, to be held at 6:30pm on Wednesday, 14th November, 2018, in the church hall. Guest speakers will be discussing indigenous recognition and support in Sydney and the wider community.

Bookings and payment can be made online: <https://www.trybooking.com/YTRR>. Adults: \$20. Concession (pensioners and students): \$15. Payment can also be made at the door on the night of the dinner. However, please RSVP to John Lenehan before 12th November 2018 for catering purposes. Jlenehan60@gmail.com. **Enquiries:** John Lenehan: 0402 291 355. We look forward to seeing you at this special event!



Plenary Council 2020

This week we held 3 listening and dialogue sessions for the Plenary Council 2020 on Tues 23rd, Wed 24th and Sat 27th October. Thank you to everyone that has participated so far It's been incredible and wonderful to see people speaking their mind as well as it being a very positive event for us a "Church" and people are feeling like they are being heard. This experience has enabled people to see what is involved in a listening and dialogue session and how easy it is to hold one on your own or you may submit something yourself. This process of listening and dialoguing across Australia will continue until Ash Wednesday next year at which time, these listening and dialogue sessions will cease and the Plenary Council will move onto the next phase of discernment during 2019. If you have something you would like to say about our Catholic church and how things should change going into the future **this is your only opportunity – right now!!**. An opportunity like this is unlikely to come around again in our life time. If you missed the sessions this week and would like for us to run more, please register your interest on the forms at the entrances to the church – TODAY

MINISTRY FAIR

A very big thank you to everyone who came to the hall to have a look at the various groups that continue to keep our parish running and to those that put their names down to help. Without your help and support we would not have a parish. If you missed the weekend and would still like to help out with one of the groups, please call the office on 9144 6998 or email Jen at catechists@corpuschristi.com.au Congratulations to Tom Beram the lucky door prize winner!

Bev Howie runs the Children's liturgy each Sunday on her own and would love some people to help her. One of our main aims for our parish this year is to focus on youth. This is a theme that has also emerged from our Listening and Dialogue sessions. With the power of the Holy Spirit, we can build our parish community to be life giving and a place the youth love to come, but we have to do it together and as a result your own relationship with the Lord will flourish. If you can spare 20 minutes once a week, Bev would love to hear from you. Please contact us in the parish office on 9144 6998.

DO YOU HAVE A PROJECTOR SCREEN WE CAN USE?

We would like to use a Projector Screen at the Social Justice dinner. Do you have one that we could borrow for the evening of Wednesday 14 November? Please contact the office on 9144 6998.

Safeguarding Message

The protection of children and vulnerable adults within our Diocese will be achieved as every member of our community strives to be a person who **LEADS** by a constant commitment to raising awareness, education, professional development and supervision.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October

The Mission for Religious

That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalised, and those who have no voice.

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.



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