

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

**29 October 2023, 30th 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: 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 Monday  
(during term time)**

Divine Will Prayer Group  
10-11:30am - Hall

**Second Wednesday of Every Month**

Parish Catch Up Coffee Morning  
Archies, St Ives Village 10:30am

**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

**Sunday 29 October**

Vine & Branches following 5pm  
mass

**Wednesday 1 November**

**All Saints.** Mass at 9am  
Years 1-4 will be in attendance  
7pm MenAlive Meeting in Office

**Thursday 2 November**

**All Soul's Day.** Mass at 9am &  
7:30pm

**Sunday 5 November**

2-4pm Praise & Glory event



***"You shall love the Lord,  
your God, with all your heart,  
with all your soul, and with all  
your mind. ... You shall love your  
neighbour as yourself". (Gospel)***

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

The Scriptures offer a profound and multi-faceted revelation of God. In different situations God is revealed as a judge, as saviour, as servant, as creator as father, as mother, as lover, etc. One of the most powerful and perhaps shocking images we find, especially in the book of Exodus, is of God as a warrior who frees the Israelites from slavery by slaying the enemies.

Clearly God, the warrior, is not one to ignore. The Israelites would not have treated lightly the Lord's threat to kill them with the sword if they molested, or oppressed the stranger in the mist or treated widows and orphans harshly.

This warrior God is praised in today's responsorial psalm. The Scriptures put this psalm on the lips of David after the Lord had rescued him from the clutches of his enemies. Using military images, David praises the Lord for being his fortress, his shield, his stronghold, and his mighty strength against his foes.

The image of God as a warrior can be very disturbing. We need to say that what motivates the Lord to be a warrior is a deep love for those who are oppressed. We can think of the fierce love of parents who will do anything to protect their vulnerable children.

We cannot love this God without also loving God's people. Not to love our neighbour is to put ourselves at enmity with God. Today's first reading urges us to adopt a wide definition of neighbour. The stranger in our mist will always be the object of the special love of our warrior God.

May God bless you.  
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator  
Christina Surjan, Administrative Assistant

**HALL BOOKINGS**

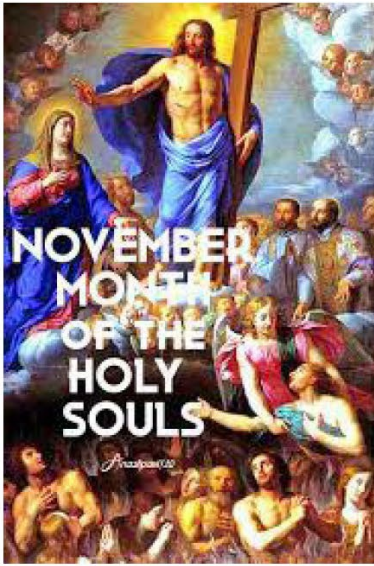
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**NOVEMBER**  
**MONTH OF THE HOLY**  
**SOULS**  
**JOIN US TO CELEBRATE**

**ALL SAINTS DAY:** 1<sup>st</sup> November

MASS TIMES: 9.00am (no evening mass)

***Years 1-4 will be in attendance***

**ALL SOULS DAY:** 2<sup>nd</sup> November

MASS TIMES: 9.00am and 7.30pm

**FIRST FRIDAY:** 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Mass 9.00am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 7.00pm

Mass: 7.30pm

**FIRST SATURDAY:** 9.00am



## **NOVEMBER IS A SPECIAL MONTH WHEN WE REMEMBER OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES**

On All Souls Day we often hear the expression: *“It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead that they may be loosed of their sins.”* What is the biblical basis of this? What implications does it have for you and me?

In 2 Maccabees 12:42-46 Judas Maccabeus was the leader of the Jewish people one hundred and fifty years before the birth of Jesus. He led an army against the Greek invaders who had taken over his country. Several of his men were killed in battle. It turned out that all of them had been wearing superstitious amulets or charms around their necks, a practice that was totally opposed to their Jewish faith. When Judas Maccabeus discovered this, he took up a collection among all the people and sent two thousand drachmas to the Temple in Jerusalem to have sacrifices offered for those who had died.

*“If he had not expected the fallen to rise again it would have been superfluous and foolish to pray for the dead, whereas if he had in view the splendid recompense for those who make a pious end, the thought was holy and devout. That is why he had this atonement sacrifice offered for the dead, so that they might be released from their sin”, (2 Maccabees 12: 44-45).*

*“It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead that they may be loosed of their sins.”* Praying for your departed beloved ones is an exercise of charity which brings graces not only for those who are held in our prayers but for ourselves as well. St John of the Cross tells us that in the eventide of life we will be examined in love. Praying for the dead is such an act.

Those in purgatory are certain of the experience of heaven. We speed them to experience the fullness of glory with the help of our prayers. Hence when St Monica knew she was dying she said: *“I only ask that you remember me in your prayer”*. St Maria Faustina, through her conversations with Our Lord and Our Lady as recorded in her diary, including her own beautiful prayers and, of course, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, show this important work of mercy—praying for the dying souls and those in purgatory.

St Faustina was told by the souls in purgatory that the main way to avoid purgatory is to do the will of God in all things. She wrote: *“How very easy it is to become holy; all that is needed is a bit of good will. If Jesus sees this little bit of good will in the soul, He hurries to give Himself to that soul, and nothing can stop Him, neither shortcomings nor falls—absolutely nothing (291). May you be blessed, O God, for everything You send me. Nothing under the sun happens without Your will (1208)*

Hence I encourage you to pray for your departed beloved ones by making a small donation and putting it in an envelope found in the foyer. You can put this in a collection bowl or hand it in at the sacristy.

God bless, Fr Greg.

**\$10 ENTRY**



**CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH**

**5 NOV 2023**  
2-4 PM

**\$10 RAFFLE**



**We 1/2 our way to our raffle target of \$10000.**

# Praise & Worship

**FUNDRAISER**

for priest's presbytery and office build

**& CELEBRATING**

70 years as a parish

- Singing together in Praise
- Community building
- Snacks and drinks
- Incredible raffle

Thank you for your support. Please keep buying tickets, - this is a fundraiser and the bonus is you could win a great prize - 10 prizes!!

Come join this community building, fundraising event and win a weekend away in a 14 sleeper AirBnB at Avoca Beach with your raffle ticket.

Click on the QR Code to listen to the programme of our beautiful traditional and modern Worship Music for the event: Listen in your car, while walking, anywhere, anytime. Enjoy.



Whether you want to just enjoy **listening** as people sing or you want to **sing your heart out**, whether you are there just for the **raffle draw** and **spot prizes** or for the **tea/wine** and **chat** - please come and support our parish fundraiser. Entry is \$10 towards the fundraising: <https://www.trybooking.com/CLWBQ>

**If you can't attend, please buy raffle tickets:** <https://www.raffletix.com.au/?ref=y95k5>

There are 10 fantastic Raffle prizes.

- 1st Prize - AirBnB non-peak weekend away in Avoca Beach (1h10 from St Ives). 5 bedroom, 3 bathroom, 14 sleeper, amazing sea views - worth \$2875
- 2nd Prize - Oroton Bag - worth \$129
- 3rd Prize - The Living Room Cafe voucher - \$100
- 4th Prize - Clarins Products hamper - worth \$100 (donated by St Ives Professional Skin Care)
- 5th Prize - St Ives Mobile voucher - worth \$100
- 6th Prize - Blooms The Chemist hamper - worth \$100
- 7th Prize - The Deli Hub hamper - worth \$75
- 8th Prize - AM Mart hamper - worth \$60
- 9th Prize - Stanley Street Butchery voucher - worth \$50
- 10th Prize - Knife Sharpener voucher - worth \$50

Thank you for your support.  
Fr Greg Chee OCD

**Please support our raffle donors when you are in St Ives Shopping Centre and please tell them when you buy from them that you're from Corpus Christi Parish that they donated to.**

FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH

FRIDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2023

EXPOSITION / ADORATION AT 7PM

FOLLOWED BY MASS

AT 7:30PM



**Candles for the month of November**

For a gold coin donation, candles will be available to light in the memory of your departed beloved.

**FEAST DAYS NOVEMBER**

- Wed 1st, All Saints
- Thurs 2nd, All Souls
- Sat 4th St Charles Borromeo, bishop
- Thurs 9th, The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
- Fri 10th, St Leo the Great, pope, doctor
- Sat 11th, St Martin of Tours, bishop
- Fri 17th St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious
- Tues 21st, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Wed 22, St Cecilia, virgin, martyr
- Fri 24th, Sts Andrew Dung-Lac, priest, and companions, martyrs
- Sun 26th, Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE
- Thurs 30th, St Andrew, apostle

**DATE CLAIMER**

Our annual Hamper Mass will be held on Sunday 17 December 2023



**Prayer Zone** 

**Please pray for the ill:**  
 Michelle Fisher; Fr Sergio Chauira; Jessie Chang; Brendan Seeto; 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.***

# 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the laying of the Foundation Stone of the original Corpus Christi Church





What a great morning we had celebrating the 79<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the building of the original Corpus Christi Church.

A huge thank you to all the volunteers - Welcomers, Musicians and Choir, Acolyte, Readers, those who helped to set things up and clear away at the end. To Genevieve Hadwen who made the Celebration cake, the Office staff and Fr Greg. Finally to all who came and joined in the celebration. We couldn't have done without you.



Join our Facebook group

Come and join our Parish Facebook Group to share in the news and photos of all the wonderful things that are happening within our parish! Scan the QR code or join by going to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CorpusChristiStIves>



Join us for a Brigidine College Community Event

**Christmas on the Green**

Christmas Markets  
4pm - 7pm

Carols at Twilight  
7pm - 9pm

**Friday 24 November 2023**

Carols at Twilight & Christmas Markets

Brigidine College St Ives, 325 Mona Vale Road, St Ives NSW 2075



## Brigidine Carols on the Green

**Friday 24 November 2023**

**325 Mona Vale Rd, St Ives**

We invite your music vocalists to participate in a vocal workshop together with students from Brigidine and other local schools. This will culminate in a concert performance at 7.30pm. The workshop will be run and coordinated by Brigidine's Director Cocurricular Music, Charlie Lovelock. There are opportunities for school choirs to also sing their own songs as part of the afternoon concert.

**Workshop:** 10am – 12.00pm

**Brigidine Christmas Markets:** 4pm – 7pm

**Afternoon concert:** 4pm – 7pm

**Brigidine Carols on the Green:** 7.30pm – 9pm


The markets are a great opportunity for your families and staff to start their Christmas shopping and includes food stalls to purchase dinner.

If your parents would be interested in booking a stall at the markets please contact Pip: [pinman@brigidine.nsw.edu.au](mailto:pinman@brigidine.nsw.edu.au)

For more information and to confirm your students' attendance at the Music workshop and performance please contact: Michelle: [mcasiglia@brigidine.nsw.edu.au](mailto:mcasiglia@brigidine.nsw.edu.au)

For more information about your school performing in the afternoon concert please contact Charlie: [clovelock@brigidine.nsw.edu.au](mailto:clovelock@brigidine.nsw.edu.au)

We look forward to spreading some Christmas cheer with you!



Catholic Theological College


**Online Information Session for 2024**

Monday 30 October  
at 7.30pm (AEDT)

Register via our website:  
[ctc.edu.au/information-session](http://ctc.edu.au/information-session)

For more information contact:  
Dr Maureen Saclot

[ctc.edu.au/contact/contact-the-registrar/](http://ctc.edu.au/contact/contact-the-registrar/)



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH, KILLARA



SAVE THE DATE

**Sunday  
26 November  
2023**

JOIN US

**killara church 60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

For a Mass celebrated by **Bishop Anthony Randazzo** at 10.15am in Killara Church (No Mass at Lindfield)  
*Followed by festivities for the whole family*



For inquiries or to send in photos for the album please email us on [parishoffice@lindfieldkillara.org.au](mailto:parishoffice@lindfieldkillara.org.au)



**NEXT MEETING 29<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**



# VINE & BRANCHES

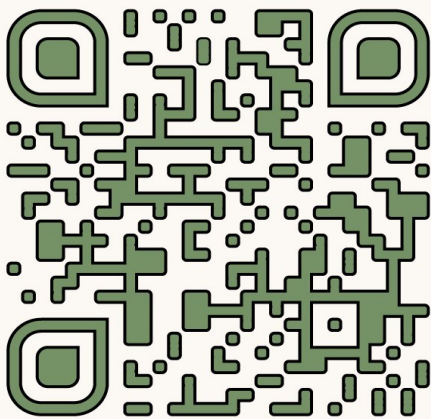


A community gathering after mass for wine, cheese and a chat

**6pm**

Each fourth Sunday of the month

*— We can't wait to meet you! —*



**SCAN TO DONATE WINE OR SNACKS  
IT CAN'T HAPPEN WITHOUT YOU!**



Pray and Play is for babies, toddlers, and primary school children together with their families.

It is an opportunity for the families to spend time together after Sunday 10am Mass for some running around and a simple lunch. The next dates are 5 Nov and 3 Dec. We will meet on the grassed area next to the school oval, or in the Church Hall if it is wet. Hope you can make it!



### **ATTENTION ALL LECTORS:**

The 2024 Break Open The Word book is ready to be collected from the foyer. The books are in alphabetical order. Please collect your copy when you are next attending mass.



A big thank you to the parishioner who kindly donated purifiers for the altar and table linens for parish morning teas.

### **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.

### **PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES**

The new planned giving envelopes are in the foyer ready to be collected. If you use the envelopes, please collect the new box when you next attend mass.

Normanhurst Uniting Church Musical Society presents



**3 - 18  
NOVEMBER, 2023**

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Uniting Church  
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Normanhurst

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Friday 3rd November, 2023  
at 8:00pm

Saturday 4th November, 2023  
at 2:00pm & 8:00pm

Saturday 11th November, 2023  
at 2:00pm & 8:00pm

Friday 17th November, 2023  
at 8:00pm

Saturday 18th November, 2023  
at 2:00pm & 8:00pm

**Adults  
\$40.00**

**Concession  
\$30.00**

**Children  
(16 and under)  
\$20.00**



## Safeguarding Training Coordinator

The Chancery is seeking someone with a passion and drive in child protection, justice, compliance and community engagement to join a welcoming and supportive team as member of the **Safeguarding Office (Chancery & Parishes)** in the role of **Safeguarding Training Coordinator**. While this is noted as a full-time position, there is flexibility with the working schedule for the right candidate.

### How to apply

To obtain a copy of the position description or for further details, please contact [recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au). If you are interested in applying for this position, please apply submit your CV and a brief cover letter addressing the skillsets required via email to [recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au). Applications close **Friday, 17 November 2023**

## CAPSTONE: YOUNG ADULTS

Attention all young adults! Are you looking for a fun and meaningful way to spend your Sunday night? Join us for a movie night at Harrington Hall in OLOD Parish, Chatswood on October 29. Not just any movie night, but a night dedicated to one of the best Christian movies of all time!

Come and enjoy a night filled with entertainment, inspiration, and delicious pizza.

A perfect opportunity to gather with like-minded individuals and be a part of a community that supports and uplifts one another. So, grab your friends, bring your favourite blanket, and get ready for a cozy and uplifting movie experience. Mark your calendars for October 29th and join us at 7 PM for an unforgettable movie night.

BASED ON THE WORLDWIDE BESTSELLER


**CAPSTONE  
CHATSWOOD  
INVITES ALL YOUNG  
ADULTS FOR A  
MOVIE NIGHT**

DATE: 29th October  
 VENUE: Harrington Hall  
 TIME: 6.30pm, after evening Mass

FROM THE DIRECTORS  
 LIFE OF PI AND THE BLIND SIDE  
**THE  
SHACK**



CATCH UP WITH  
CORPUS CHRISTI PARISHIONERS

# Coffee Morning

WEDNESDAY 8 NOVEMBER  
ARCHIES, ST IVES SHOPPING CENTRE  
10:30 AM



RSVP to Andrena | 0438 698 993



## MAGI PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE

Fr Maria Raju would like to invite you for an 18-day pilgrimage, departing on 23rd September 2024. This pilgrimage features Fatima, Lourdes, Turin, Milan, Padua, Venice, Florence, Assisi, Rotondo and Rome for an all-inclusive price of \$8790. The fare includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners + Catholic Priest + English speaking professional guides. For enquiries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or 1300 721 561 or email us [pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au](mailto:pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au).



## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

### For the Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit toward the peripheries of the world.

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company and to support their  
Clergy and Parishes.

For further information phone  
President - John White 0439 851 910  
Secretary - David Conoulty 0412 267 538

## The Word

Sunday 29 October 2023, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Collect

Almighty ever-living God,  
increase our faith, hope and charity  
and make us love what you command  
so that we may merit what you promise.  
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

A reading from the book of Exodus Ex 22:20-26

*If you are harsh with the widow or the orphan,  
my anger will rage against you.*

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

The Word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R. v.2  
(R.) *I love you, Lord, my strength.*

1. I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour. My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. (R.)
2. Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me. He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed. (R.)

### Second Reading

From the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians 1:5-10

*You turned away from idols to serve God and await his Son.*

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

The Word of the Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 22:34-40

*You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.*

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: you must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

The Gospel of the Lord.