

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

3 September 2023, 22nd 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

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

Monday 4 September

PPC Meeting, Parish Office
7pm

Tuesday 5 September

Metanoia Series
7:15-9pm Parish Hall

Wednesday 6 September

MenAlive Meeting Parish Office
7pm

Saturday 9 September

School Movie Night 6pm



**“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.”
(Gospel)**

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

The lamenting voice of Jeremiah in today’s first reading reminds us that sometimes we experience aloneness, rejection, and even persecution for our faith. Living a life of faith can be a lonely road at times, especially when we are called to walk against the grain of popular views and aspirations. This uncomfortable reality is echoed in the Gospel as Jesus remonstrates with Peter. It is apparent that, despite walking closely with Jesus as a faithful disciple, Peter has not fully understood what radical discipleship means. It is imperative that Jesus remains faithful to his mission and confronts the reality of the cross and the inherent power of darkness. Our current ‘creature comfort’ culture can seduce us into avoiding pain and conflict. As committed disciples of Jesus we are called to embrace the cross so that, in companionship with Jesus alive in our Christian community, we can continue to heal the world from within.

Wishing all Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles, father figures and carers a very blessed Father’s Day

May God bless you,
Fr Greg Chee, OCD



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Fr Greg Chee, OCD, Parish Priest
Ed Wales, Parish Finance
Michelle Miles, Office Manager
Jennifer Perrott, Faith Facilitator
Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator
Christina Surjan, Administrative Assistant

HALL BOOKINGS

Michelle Miles / Christina Surjan
9144 6998

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17 Link Road, St Ives NSW 2075
Web: www.ccsidbb.catholic.edu.au

Principal: Mrs Jayne Wheen
Email: ccsi@dbb.catholic.edu.au



**Hurry... Last Weekend
to Register...**

METANOIA

Guest Speaker

**FR DAVE
PIVONKA**



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Metanoia is a transformation of the heart, a spiritual conversion, which comes about through repentance. This conversion may be in how we see Jesus, the Father, our self, and others. Metanoia contains eleven, 1/2 hour episodes shot in locations all throughout the Holy Land and interviews with various people across the country. The audience will be able to encounter the Lord in the settings of some of the holiest sights in the world. Metanoia is a spiritual journey through the places where Jesus physically taught His Church the meaning and the way of metanoia.



7:15-9:00pm in Parish Hall. Register in the foyer of the church or with this QR code

For more information contact Jen Perrott on 9144 6998 or jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au



CAN YOU HELP??

One of our long time parishioners no longer drives and needs a lift to mass. She is happy to attend either the Sunday 10am or 5pm mass. She lives close by in Alvona Avenue, St Ives . Could you please contact Michelle or Christina in the office on 9144 6998 or via email: office@corpuschristi.com.au if you are able to provide any assistance.

CATCH UP WITH
CORPUS CHRISTI PATISHIONERS

Coffee Morning

WEDNESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER
ARCHIES, ST IVES SHOPPING CENTRE
10:30 AM



RSVP to Andrena | 0438 698 993



Social Justice Corner

Social Justice Sunday

Annual Fundraiser for the Tibetan

Community: 9 – 10 September 2023

Corpus Christi Parish has been supporting the Tibetan refugees living in the Northern Beaches for many years. Next weekend we will be holding our annual fundraising appeal after each Mass.



Donations received will be used to purchase prescription medication, fund the gap for hearing aids and provide other assistance to vulnerable Tibetan families when they first arrive in Australia. Robust systems are in place to ensure funds raised are used appropriately and money is not provided directly to the families.

If you are unable to attend Mass next weekend, a donation can be transferred to the following account:

Northern Beaches Tibetan Health Fund
BSB: 06 2287
Account No: 1043 9094



Please note: donations are not tax deductible.

For further information, please email Cathy Butler: tibetanhealthfund@gmail.com or call 0401 393 051.

If you are interested in learning more about the refugees we support and their stories, please read our column next week!

“For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat; I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink; I was a stranger and you took me in.”



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. We will be meeting in the Parish Hall on the following dates:

10 September	15 October
5 November	3 December

Please note we have postponed the September gathering until 10 Sep, due to Father’s Day on 3 Sep. We hope you’ll be able to join us!

High School Youth Group



Keep an eye out for details of our next Youth Group!

For more info about the youth groups or youth mass, please contact:

Edith (corpus.families@gmail.com) or Michelle in the Office.

IGNITE CONFERENCE 23

Broken Bay is hosting Ignite Youth Conference this year! We are getting a group of Youth together to attend Ignite, 28 Sep – 1 Oct (first weekend of school holidays). <https://igniteconference.com.au/sydney> for more info. Please let Edith know ASAP (corpus.families@gmail.com) if you are interested, we are hoping to get half price registrations if we can be quick!

CORPUS CHRISTI
STRENGTH AND GENTLENESS

PURCHASE PIZZA, DRINKS, POPCORN, ICE CREAM & LOLLIES ON THE NIGHT

We warmly invite you to the
CORPUS CHRISTI MOVIE & PIZZA NIGHT
SATURDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER
CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC SCHOOL
17 LINK ROAD ST IVES
GATES OPEN AT 5PM ❖ MOVIE STARTS AT 6PM
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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.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND



Each Sunday, a number of our parishioners, take communion to the sick and the housebound.

This ministry helps keep our Parishioners who can no longer attend Mass connected with our Parish. Receiving a visit from our ministers every Sunday means a huge amount to these Parishioners – many who are lonely, struggling with deteriorating health and suffering in a variety of ways.

We are receiving more requests and this trend will continue given the demographics of our Parish. *If you are able to join our Ministry in taking communion to the sick and housebound (which is on a 4 – 6 week rostered basis) or want to find out more – please contact:*

- Julie Tregale – T: 0418 781 617 (BUPA)
- Anne Freer – T: 0400 407 252 (T. House)
- Maggie Rodely – T: 0408 944 050 (Kari Court)
- Michelle at our Parish Office – T: 9144 6998

We currently take communion to:

- Bupa Aged care (across the road) from our Parish
- Turrumurra House (34 Curagul Rd, Turrumurra)
- Kari Court (251 Mona Vale Road, St Ives)
- Private Homes - various

A number of our ministers have been involved in this ministry for many years and all say they find it humbling, deeply enriching and rewarding.

Prayer Zone



Please pray for the ill:

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.

FEAST DAYS AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

- Friday 8th, The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Wednesday 13th, St John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor
- Thursday 14th, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- Friday 15th, Our Lady of Sorrows



Morning Chat with a cuppa

Come and join us for refreshments after the 8:00 am Mass on Sunday, 10 September. Catch up with old friends, Make new friends. We are looking forward to seeing



IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP
 17 October – 28 October 2023
An Australian Pilgrimage led by a Sister of Saint Joseph & the inaugural Director of the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre Melbourne

The Journey



- Starting in **Melbourne**, experience the early life of Mary and the MacKillop Family.
- Continue the story by coach to **Hamilton, Portland** and **Port McDonnell**.
- Spend two nights in **Penola** connecting with the Mary MacKillop and Fr Julian Tenison Woods' stories.
- Coach into South Australia and visit Our Lady Star of the Sea - a church built by Fr Julian Tenison Woods at **Robe**.
- Continue on to **Adelaide** where Mary professed her vows as a Sister of Saint Joseph and immerse ourselves in the unfolding story of the Congregation.
- Fly to **Sydney** and spend three nights at Mary MacKillop Place where Mary lived and died. Visit her burial site in the Memorial Chapel.
- Extra cost for those who wish to spend a couple of extra nights in Sydney before they return home.

For detailed information visit our website:
www.marymackillopplace.org.au

Booking & Enquiries

For further information or to make an application, please contact the Australian Pilgrimage Co-Ordinator

Email

national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au

Telephone

02 8912 4818



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults 2023/24

Everyone is invited to this year's RCIA, to explore what Catholics believe. The course is aimed at non-Catholics who may be interested in joining the Church, but is open to all Catholics as well.

Sessions run for 1-1.5 hours each week. There is a video presentation followed by discussion and tea/coffee. We will start in mid September.

There are approximately 25 sessions, culminating in baptism at Easter. We take breaks during the school holidays. If you are interested, please contact Michelle or Christina at the Parish office on 9144 6998 or by email: office@corpuschristi.com.au

There are no costs involved.



Ignite 2023 are looking for Volunteers! Sept 28 – October 1

Opportunities exist to volunteer in either a part-time or full-time capacity. Click below to register for a volunteer role* and use one of these Coupon Codes (enter in the 'enter coupon code' box to reveal the rego option):

For Full-Time (\$100 - rostered close to entire program) - vft23

For Part-Time (\$165 - rostered about half of the sessions) - vpt23

Visit www.igniteconference.com.au to register.

After registering and paying for your ticket, the Ignite team will send you an email to an online questionnaire enabling you to indicate the different roles you would like to serve in, and the time slots that you are available. Please note that **Mandatory Volunteer Training is on Thursday 31st August, 2023, 6pm – 9.30pm, MacKillop Centre, St Leo's College, Wahroonga (enter the college via Unwin Rd)**

Contact **Angela Harris (Ignite Volunteer Co-ordinator 2023)** if you have any questions about Volunteering for Ignite.

For more information about Ignite visit: <https://igniteconference.com.au/sydney>



Looking for a way to serve God?

For the last 8 years we have been going into St Ives High School once a term, as a team, to teach scripture in a seminar style format. This was initiated because we didn't have enough students turning up to scripture weekly at that time. The students in the school are truly delightful and they want to engage with Jesus. We just need people to share their faith with the students. Over these years, we have built rapport with the students, with one student saying to me when she left, **"It's a shame we don't get scripture more often!"** This broke my heart and motivated me to see what we could do to change it.

Truthfully, this seminar approach is not enough. We need your help.

How can students get 45 minutes of scripture once a term, know Jesus and engage in relationship with Him, especially if they are not getting it from home? 45 minutes per term makes that goal near impossible.

We may have the opportunity to connect with the students on a weekly basis but I need a team of people to help. There is a time limit on this. The school principal is leaving in the next month and when I spoke to him, he was open to the possibility of us returning weekly. To leave it longer would mean we could miss the opportunity.

IS GOD CALLING YOU? CAN YOU HELP?

By stepping out in this way, you are responding to your baptismal promise which has eternal rewards for our soul. In doing this, we are being missionary disciples which is what Jesus calls us to be. Our parish vision states...

...To be an invitational Parish that leads people to experience and respond to God's love, continually growing in relationship with Jesus as missionary disciples who connect and serve, pray and worship, give and actively share our gifts in the power of the Holy Spirit...

Will you be an important part of a young persons life and help him/her in their relationship with Jesus and help advance the mission of Jesus? All you need is a willing heart to share your faith. All training and resources are provided. You just need 1-1.5 hours per week.

If you are feeling called or wish to respond, please do not delay and contact me asap on the email below. I truly hope to hear from you.

Jen Perrott

Faith Formation Facilitator

✉ catechists@corpuschristi.com.au



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POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

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The Word

Sunday 3 September 2023, 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collect

God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, you may nurture in us what is good and, by your watchful care, keep safe what you have nurtured. 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 prophet Jeremiah Jer 20:7-9

The word of the Lord God has meant derision for me.

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger.

I am a daily laughing-stock, everybody's butt.

Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'

The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long.

I used to say, I will not think about him,

I will not speak in his name any more.

Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones.

The effort to restrain it wearied me,

I could not bear it.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 62:2-6. 8-9. R. v.2

(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

1. God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. *(R.)*
2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. *(R.)*
3. So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. *(R.)*
4. For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. *(R.)*

Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Romans Rom 12:1-2

May you present your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 16:21-27

Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

The Gospel of the Lord.