

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

**27 March 2022 – Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**Parish Mass Times:**  
Monday to Friday: 9am  
Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil)  
Sunday: 8am, 10am, 6pm  
Public Holidays: 9am  
Rock Mass: Once a term

**Baptism: Fourth 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 Friday (during term time)**  
Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Greg on Zoom

**Second Thursday of Every Month**  
Anointing of the Sick – 9am

**Every Friday during Lent**  
Liturgy at 7:00pm with Benediction followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm.

Just a reminder that we follow NSW Health advice to reduce the spread of Covid.

- sanitise your hands; &
- physical distance

**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.



**“Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” (Gospel)**

Dear Parishioners,

The readings today are a reminder that God has done, and will continue to do, great things in our lives. Isaiah, however, reminds us that there is no gain in continually dwelling on the past; rather we are called to notice God ‘doing a good deed’ as God calls us into the future. The woman brought before Jesus knows she has already been judged by the crowd around her and expects the same from Jesus. Yet, in her misery, she finds Jesus offering her mercy and compassion. He releases her from her past and offers her a future full of possibilities. Paul says all he wants if ‘to know Christ and the power of his resurrection’. What a great mantra for this final week of Lent! We too are ‘straining ahead for what is still to come .... racing for the finish’.

We only have a few more days with Jesus before he enters Holy Week. Can we allow him to look at us in the way he looked at the woman—to accept the mercy and compassion he offers and to be rescued from behaviours and judgements that may in the past have been harmful to others? There is still time to glimpse the *new deed* God is doing us.

May God bless you.  
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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# Parish Lenten Reconciliation

## Tuesday 5 April 2022 at 7:30pm

The Discalced Carmelite Friars of the  
Australia-Oceania Region



cordially invite you to the  
Solemn Profession of the Diaconate  
Ordination  
of  
*Br Adalbert of the Beloved, OCD*  
at  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish 193 St Andrews Road, Varrville, NSW 2566  
Saturday 7th May, 2022 at 11 AM  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish 193 St Andrews Road, Varrville, NSW 2566  
Sunday 8th May, 2022 at 12 NOON  
*(Priests and deacons, please bring your white vestment  
if you wish to partake in the liturgy)*  
Refreshments to follow in the Parish Hall.  
Kindly RSVP by 31st March, 2022  
Phone: 0432 452 084  
Email: adalbert.imperial@gmail.com



### Social Justice Corner

#### Request for Costume Jewellery to Support Survivors of Domestic Violence

Sr Fidelis McTeigue from St. Patricks Church Hill is looking for donations of costume (inexpensive) jewellery to assist survivors of domestic violence. The jewellery will be reworked by survivors of domestic violence and sold to provide them with some income. It does not have to be good jewellery and if it is in a tangled mess, that is fine as they can untangle it while sharing their stories. If you have any jewellery you would like to donate, please contact Sr. Fidelis: [srfidelissm@stpatschurchhill.org](mailto:srfidelissm@stpatschurchhill.org) and organise to drop off donations at the office at 141 Harrington St, The Rocks.

#### A Prayer for Ukraine

Loving God,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine,  
for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength and wisdom to  
guide their choices.

We pray for the world  
that in this moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity  
to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways  
so that peace and justice  
become a reality for the people of Ukraine  
and for all the world.

Amen.



### Catechist Corner

#### Is God tapping you on the shoulder?

The Holy Spirit will move in us in a way that we may feel a stirring to respond. I warmly encourage you to respond to this call. It is a wonderful opportunity to be part of something very rewarding.

**Come and share your faith with the children and pass on the Good News**

**We still need catechists to join our ministry.**

Please contact Jen Perrott on (02) 9144 6998 or email [catechists@corpuschristi.com.au](mailto:catechists@corpuschristi.com.au) We would love to meet you. All training and resources provided F.O.C.

Our Parish serves students from St Ives North Public, St Ives Public, Turramurra North & St Ives Park. For more information, please contact Jen Perrott in the office on (02) 9144 6998 or by email at [catechist@corpuschristi.com.au](mailto:catechist@corpuschristi.com.au). I look forward to helping you. Jen

**New time!**

*Sunday afternoon 4:30-6pm*

# YOUTH GROUP

For Corpus Christi students in Years 6-12  
Come along for some snacks, games and discussions!

Parents message Natalie at 0499 636 266 to RSVP



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Every Friday during Lent. Liturgy at 7:00pm with Benediction followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm.

## Prayer Zone



**Recently Deceased:** Fr Tagdh Tierney  
**Anniversary:**  
Patricia Meek; Marie Martin;

**Please pray for the ill:**

Patricia Mills; Quentin Stewart; Rob Sanders; Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Denise Carmody; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Criniti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, 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 the office know.*



### Project Compassion

**Shaniella 23**, grew up in a remote village in the Solomon Islands in a province which has limited educational and job opportunities – and one of the country’s highest poverty rates. After leaving school, she decided to move closer to the capital city, Honiara, to study hospitality and tourism. However, her vocational training school was hit by a landslide and cyclone in quick succession, destroying its



water supply system and the vegetable garden that it relies on for food.

With your generous support, Caritas Australia has helped the school to install water tanks, re-establish its garden and provided training in disaster risk reduction. Shaniella can now complete her job skills training and the school has enough food and water for its students.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 so this transformational program can continue to empower and strengthen vulnerable communities For All Future Generations.**



Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413.



### EASTER CHOIR PRACTICES:

The Parish Choir will be practicing for the Easter masses and would like to invite anyone with a love of singing to join them. All voices and instruments are welcome! The last practice will be held in the Church at 7:30pm on:

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 7:30pm-9pm

***Please come along and join the Parish Choir.***

### Our Deepest Sympathy

#### Fr Tagdh Tierney

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayerful sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Fr Tagdh. Fr Tagdh’s funeral will be held in Perth 8 April 2022, followed by a funeral mass at Varroville at 11am on 13 April. May Fr Tagdh experience the fullness of Christ’s peace.



## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

### A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges;  
may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with  
prayer and action.

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## The Word

### Sunday 3 April 2022 5th Sunday of Lent

#### First Reading

From the prophet Isaiah: Is 43:16-21

*I am doing a new thing and I will give drink to my people.*

Thus says the Lord, who made a way through the sea,  
a path in the great waters; who put chariots and horse in the field and a powerful army, which lay there never to rise again, snuffed out, put out like a wick: No need to recall the past, no need to think about what was done before. See, I am doing a new deed, even now it comes to light; can you not see it? Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness, paths in the wilds. The wild beasts will honour me, jackals and ostriches, because I am putting water in the wilderness (rivers in the wild) to give my chosen people drink. The people I have formed for myself will sing my praises.  
The Word of the Lord.

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 125. R. v.3

*(R.) The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.*

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs. *(R.)*
2. The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels the Lord worked for them!' What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad. *(R.)*
3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land. Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap. *(R.)*
4. They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing: they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves. *(R.)*

#### Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Philippians: Phil 3:8-14

*Because of Christ I look upon everything else as useless in order to gain him.*

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death.

That is the way I can hope to take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
With all your heart turn to me,  
for I am tender and compassionate.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

#### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John: Jn 8:1-11

*Let the person without sin be the first to throw a stone.*

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them. The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir,' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and don't sin any more.'

The Gospel of the Lord.