

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

30 January 2022 - Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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

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

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

- sign in with the QR Code;
- sanitise your hands;
- wear your mask; and
- socially distance



Jesus began speaking in the synagogue, saying: "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke highly of him.

(Gospel)

Dear Parishioners,

In today's beautiful passage from the first letter to the Corinthians, Paul speaks of the wonders of love—the love which is always patient and kind, which is always ready to forgive, which delights in

the truth, and which does not come to an end. As such, love, in its purified form, reflects the character of the divinity, the essence of God himself. Each of us has experienced and participated in love in some way or another.

It is a universal and even constitutive part of our human condition. But human love is often marred by possessiveness, inconstancy, lust or insecurity, and is therefore but an imperfect image of heavenly love. Yet it remains always as authentic and genuine (if at times, somewhat tarnished) reflection of God's love, ardently and passionately, all that is noble, beautiful and true. For in whomever and whatever we love, it is God himself who is ultimately both the lover and the beloved.

May God bless you.

Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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First Friday of Every Month Friday 4 February 2022

Exposition / Adoration at 7pm followed by Mass at 7:30pm

Introducing **Corpus Christi Youth Ministry**



My name is Natalie Yeung and I am the new Youth Minister at Corpus Christi St Ives. We are beginning a new Youth Group for students in High School. Youth Group will involve a space for lots of games and a place to hang out, meet others and food. I am thinking of a movie night, maybe a

games night, I am open to your ideas. We will also have some short discussions to get to know one another more. So, bring a friend along or come by yourself and meet some new friends. I would love to meet you. If you have recently finished high school or you know anyone in their 20's who would like to help out please email me at youth@corpuschristi.com.au I would love your help. I am so excited to meet with you and begin the youth ministry at Corpus Christi, St Ives.

Our Deepest Sympathy Fr Manoj Manuel

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayerful sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Fr Manoj. Fr Manoj, who had recently been appointed as the Assistant Priest of Wahroonga, had travelled home to India for his holiday when he died suddenly. May Fr Manoj experience the fullness of Christ's peace.

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.

Prayer Zone



Please pray for the ill:

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 Crinitti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, Gina Jaksetic, 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.



PARISH SOCIAL CRAFT GROUP:

A happy group for a relaxing morning every fortnight - bring your own craft or handiwork if you wish. Next get together Thursday 3 February 2022 @ 10.30am in the Parish Hall. Eng.: Angela 0405 507 982

MT CARMEL RETREAT PROGRAM:

Day Retreats -Cost: \$30 per person (Please BYO lunch)

The Power of Faith in Uncertain Times February 5 10am to 4pm Presenter: Br Adalbert Imperial, ODC

We will explore how our faith in Christ, lived in the Spirit, can help us remain grounded and centred amid the ups and downs of life.

Practicing the Presence of God in a Confusing

March 5 10am to 4pm. Presenter: Geoff Stumbles A way of prayer that enables us to find the "still point" of God's presence in our ever changing world.

Jesus Encounters "The Adultress" John 8:1-11 April 2 10am to 4pm. Presenter: Lorraine Murphy,

We will explore relationships in the company of Jesus, the encourager.

Weekend Retreats-Cost: \$300 per person

The Gift of Joy! A retreat in the Spirit of Taize March 11-13. Presenter: Br Matthew Exploring pathways to joy in life with the help of the prayer and worship of Taize.

Embracing Multi-Dimension Thinking: The Length and the Breadth, the Height and the Depth

March 18-20. Presenter: John Charadia & Artist Tutor Team

How do we come to know and embrace the full capacity of God's presence in our Lives?

For information of any of the retreats, please call 8795 3400 www.mtcarmel.com.au



Alpha Begins:

Tuesday's 15 Feb 2022; 9:30-11:30am in church hall Wednesday's 16 Feb 2022; 7:30-9:00pm on Zoom Register for either event using the QR Code here



For more info or to register go to www.bbcatholic.org.au/stives-alpha

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring some of life's big questions. There's no pressure, no follow-up and no charge.

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The Word Sunday 30 January 2022 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading

From the prophet of Jeremiah: Jer 1:4-5. 17-19

I have appointed you as prophet to the nations. In the days of Josiah, the word of the Lord was addressed to me, saying, 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you came to birth I consecrated you; I have appointed you as prophet to the nations. So now brace yourself for action. Stand up and tell them all I command you. Do not be dismayed at their presence, or in their presence I will make you dismayed. I, for my part, today will make you into a fortified city, a pillar of iron, and a wall of bronze to confront all this land: the kings of Judah, its princes, its priests and the country people. They will fight against you but shall not overcome you, for I am with you to deliver you it is the Lord who speaks.' The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Ps 70:1-6. 15. 17. R. v.15

R.) I will sing of your salvation.

- 1. In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your justice rescue me, free me: pay heed to me and save me. (R.)
- 2. Be a rock where I can take refuge, a mighty stronghold to save me; for you are my rock, my stronghold. Free me from the hand of the wicked. (R.)
- It is you, O Lord, who are my hope, my trust, O Lord, since my youth. On you I have leaned from my birth, from my mother's womb you have been my help. (R.)
- My lips will tell of your justice and day by day of your help. O God, you have taught me from my youth and I proclaim your wonders still. (R.)

Second Reading

From the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 12:31 – 13:13

There are three things that last: faith, hope and love; and the greatest of these is love.

Be ambitious for the higher gifts. And I am going to show you a way that is better than any of them. If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak without love, I am simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding all the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountains, but without love, then I am nothing at all. If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever.

Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not resentful.

Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes.

Love does not come to an end. But if there are gifts of prophecy, the time will come when they must fail; or the gift of languages, it will not continue for ever; and knowledge – for this, too, the time will come when it must fail. For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophesying is imperfect; but once perfection comes, all imperfect things will disappear. When I was a child, I used to talk like a child, and think like a child, and argue like a child, but now I am a man, all childish ways are put behind me. Now we are seeing a dim reflection in a mirror; but then we shall be seeing face to face. The knowledge that I have now is imperfect; but then I shall know as fully as I am known.

In short, there are three things that last: faith, hope and love; and the greatest of these is love.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners. Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke Lk 4:21-30

Jesus, like Elijah and Elisha, was not sent only to the Jews.

Jesus began to speak in the synagogue, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.' And he won the approval of all, and they were astonished by the gracious words that came from his lips. They said, 'This is Joseph's son, surely?' But he replied, 'No doubt you will quote me the saying, "Physician, heal yourself" and tell me, "We have heard all that happened in Capernaum, do the same here in your own countryside."' And he went on, 'I tell you solemnly, no prophet is ever accepted in his own country.

'There were many widows in Israel, I can assure you, in Elijah's day, when heaven remained shut for three years and six months and a great famine raged throughout the land, but Elijah was not sent to any one of these: he was sent to a widow at Zarephath, a Sidonian town. And in the prophet Elisha's time there were many lepers in Israel, but none of these was cured, except the Syrian, Naaman.' When they heard this everyone in the synagogue was enraged. They sprang to their feet and hustled him out of the town; and they took him up to the brow of the hill their town was built on, intending to throw him down the cliff, but he slipped through the crowd and walked away. The Gospel of the Lord.