



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

31 March 2019 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

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)



***Father, I have sinned against heaven
and against you; I no longer deserve to
be called your son. (Gospel)***

Every Friday (during term time)

Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Greg
10-11am, Hall Boardroom

Every Thursday

Prayer Group prior to mass
8:40am

Friday 5 April

The Light Is On
7-8pm—Parish Church

Sunday 7 April

Junior Choir
9am-11am

Thursday 11 April

Parish Social Craft Group
Parish Hall 10:30am

Sunday 14 April— Palm Sunday

Parish Choir
9am-11am

Holy Thursday— 7:30—10:30pm

**Good Friday—10am Stations and
3pm**

Holy Saturday— 7pm

**Easter Sunday—8am; 10am. *No
evening mass***

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

Can you recall a moment or event that marked a dramatic change in how your life unfolded thereafter? Your story took a critical turn. Something important changed forever. What was, was no longer.

Today's readings speak of such a threshold moment. When the Israelites enter the promised land, the *manna* stops falling; they are now fed from the produce of the Land itself. For St Paul, to embrace the life of Christ is so utterly transformative that he speaks of becoming a "new creation". In the Gospel of the prodigal son, Jesus describes the Father's love as an experience of over-the-top forgiveness and radical reconciliation; a movement from death to life, from being 'lost' to being 'found'.

In the light of these readings, consider where 'newness' is breaking into your life at this time. What and who is being changed? Can you trace the footprints of grace in the experience?

May God bless you.

Fr Greg Chee, OCD

CONTACT DETAILS

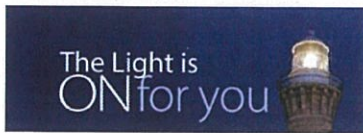
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The Light is ON for you!

Did you know that every Catholic is asked to go to Confession at least once a year? If it's been a while, you're not alone! Lent is the perfect time to go to Confession. God doesn't need us to be perfect in order to love us; but God does need us to trust in God's love and mercy. To help you do this, Churches across the Diocese of Broken Bay will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Friday evenings during Lent. Our church is open on Fridays in Lent from 7-8pm. The light is on for you.

For further details, Lenten resources, and participating Churches across the Diocese, please visit www.thelightisonforyou.org.au.

PARISH RECONCILIATION—TUESDAY 9 APRIL 2019

PREPARATION FOR EASTER

Fr Gabriel Malliakal OCD will grace us with his presence. Fr Gabriel is a Professor in Moral Theology. He will preside with a rite of reconciliation consisting of a short reflection on the Gospel; help us in examination of conscience and then we will have to opportunity for individual reconciliation. It is a great way to prepare for Holy Week and let the Lord's mercy and healing touch y our heart.

Please join us from 7:30-8:30pm so you can appreciate the full reconciliation experience.

Fr Greg Chee, OCD

JOIN THE CELEBRATIONS FOR DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY ON 28TH APRIL:

This is your invitation to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday at St Agatha's Pennant Hills, between 1:30pm and 5:00pm, including Reconciliation (**note that Reconciliation commences at 1:00pm**), **Mass at 2:00pm**, Benediction, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image. Please bring a plate (if you can) for afternoon tea. All welcome. **"Tell the whole world of My great mercy ... mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy."** (Jesus to St Faustina). Enquiries: Greg 0419228199.

PARISH PASTORAL COMMITTEE MEETING

The next PPC meeting will be held on Wednesday 3 April.

Ku-Ring-Gai Interchurch Group

We will be praying for Pymble Uniting Church and Reverend Steve Aynsley.

Prayer Zone

Anniversary:
Ambrose McCarthy

Recently Deceased:
Maurice Martin

Please pray for the ill:

Rebecca Anderson; Maria and Jack Garcia; Roseanne Kapel; Tony Lee; Jose Mestres; Marie Martin; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Crinitti; 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.

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.

CARMELITE RETREAT PROGRAM:

Day Retreat: Praying with the Doctors: St John of the Cross
April 6 @ 10:00am —4:00pm
Presenter: Barbara Stenning OCDS
Cost: \$30 (please bring your own lunch). Pick-ups from Minto station at 9:30am and 10am.

"For well I know the spring that flows and runs although all is night."

Weekend Retreat: Finding life and joy in today's world: A retreat using worship from Taize
April 12—14
Facilitated by Annemarie Nichol
Cost: \$300 (concessions apply)

"The lights shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it."

Holy Week and Easter

April 17-21
Presenters: The Carmelite Team
Cost: \$500 (concessions apply)

The retreats are held at the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville NSW 2566. For information of any of the retreats, please call 8795 3400 or email: retreats@carmelite.com. www.carmeliteretreats.com.au

Prayer for a New Bishop

Heavenly Father and Eternal Shepherd, you watch over and govern your flock with vigilance and concern.

In your immense love, grant to your Church a pastor who will please you by his holiness and aid us with his unfailing care. In your time, grant us the joy of welcoming a shepherd formed after your own heart.

May he be an example of virtue to your people and, imbued with the power of the Holy spirit, fill their minds with the truth and beauty of the Gospel.

Grant wisdom, O Lord, to those now discerning your holy will in the selection of our new bishop.

We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord and through the intercession of our mother, Mary Star of the Sea.

Amen.

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. The practices will be held in the Church at 7:30pm on:

Wednesday 3 April;
Wednesday 10 April; and
Wednesday 17 April

Please come along and join the Parish Choir.

SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE

A culture of Safeguarding values COMMITMENT... "Speak out and judge fairly, defend the rights of the poor and needy." - see Proverbs 31:9



Chocolate Easter Egg Raffle

We are holding a Easter Egg raffle and Easter Egg guessing competition to be drawn on Sunday 14 April (Palm Sunday) We need your help. To make it a success we are inviting each member of the parish to donate one Easter egg of any size to the cause. Eggs can be placed in the baskets at the church entrances. If anyone would like to assist by selling tickets, please contact the office. Tickets are on sale this weekend. Thank you for you help and good luck!!

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL



Workers in War Zones

For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.



SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held at St Anthony's, 46 Myoora Rd, Terrey Hills on Sunday, 31st March. Mass will be at 9am followed by 10am dedication. This is an "out in the forest" event. The first station is dedicated to our Aboriginal People. Please RSVP to annelanyon@gmail.com

Mass at Reconciliation Church La Perouse

Mass at Reconciliation Church La Perouse, 11 Yarra Rd, Phillip Bay will be held at 11am on Sunday, 7th April. The Church is part of the Parish of St. Andrew's at Malabar and has been refurbished in the spirit of Aboriginal culture and art. Everyone is welcome to attend and share a light lunch afterwards. It is recommended parishioners drive to the church. Please contact John Lenehan on 0402 291 355 for further information.

HOLY SATURDAY 20 APRIL 2019— SUPPER AFTER MASS.

The 7:00pm *Solemn Vigil of Easter*, will be followed by Easter Supper in Hall. **All are welcome – please bring a plate.**

EASTER MASS TIMES

Holy Thursday—Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30pm followed by prayer and adoration to 10:30pm.

Good Friday—Stations of the Cross 10am; Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Supper—3pm

Holy Saturday—Solemn vigil of Easter 7pm

Easter Sunday—Easter Mass at 8am; 10am. No evening mass

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.

Corpus Christi Important Church

Aims and Happenings

Our Parish Pastoral Council has three main aims:

1) Plenary Council:

Listening and Dialogue Sessions have now ceased and the second stage of discernment with the Plenary is underway.

2) Development of Youth:

Much has been done in the background. Also last week we had a full church at our 6pm Family Mass on Sunday. Complete with drums, guitars, young people singing and playing musical instruments. There was very good feedback from people coming out of the church. The children were active in all parts of the Mass. There was a beautiful liturgical dance performed by the students of Corpus Christi School. The Family Mass will occur twice in each school term. There will be a meeting of interested persons organised in the near future to further develop our youth ministry.

3) Missionary Disciples

We aim to grow as missionary disciples of Christ. In the near future there will be opportunities for us to enrich our lives and the lives of others as we develop our friendship with Jesus – Alpha is one way of achieving this.

It is possible for each of us to have a personal relationship with Jesus to assist us on our journey and help achieve our goals and build community.

What is Alpha?

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring our faith. There are three elements to an Alpha session. Firstly, there is a meal, during which people enjoy each others company. Secondly, there is a presentation of an element of the Gospel message in a way that can deepen our meaning for living. Thirdly, there is a discussion in a small group in a non-confrontational way, but in a way that allows each person to be himself or herself. It is fun and encourages a culture of invitation. Alpha is not just a program but has a vision for church renewal.

For the last three decades, Popes have called us to a new evangelisation. Unfortunately our churches are maintenance orientated and have lost the art of evangelising. By evangelisation we are reaching out to others in an invitational way. Alpha helps us to achieve this aim. Catechists are presently doing this in state schools.

Alpha gives us an opportunity to deepen our relationship with the Lord and to share it with others. *We will be running Alpha within our parish commencing Tuesday, 14 May 2019.*

Alpha runs here.



Beginning:

Tuesday 14 May 2019 7-9pm

263 Mona Vale Road, St Ives NSW 2075

Contact: Jen Perrott (02) 9144 6998

email: jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au

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Alpha

Sunday 31 March 2019: Fourth Sunday Lent - (Corpus Christi) - Year C

First Reading

From the book of Joshua Jos 5:9-12

The people of God went to the promised land and there kept the passover.

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.' The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 33:2-7. R. v.9

(R.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. *(R.)*
2. Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us praise his name. I sought the Lord and he answered me; from all my terrors he set me free. *(R.)*
3. Look towards him and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed. This poor man called; the Lord heard him and rescued him from all his distress. *(R.)*

Second Reading

From the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 2 Cor 5:17-21

God reconciled us to himself through Christ.

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on his reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I will rise and go to my Father and tell him:
Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke Lk 15:1-3. 11-32

Your brother here was dead and has come to life.

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them: 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery. "When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father. "While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate. "Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening." "The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found." The Gospel of the Lord.

Ministry Rosters

31 March 2019

<i>(Week 7) 30/31 Mar</i>	<i>Vigil 6pm.</i>	<i>8.00a.m.</i>	<i>10.00a.m.</i>	<i>6.00pm.</i>
LECTORS	Karen McEwen	Joy Pitts	Helen Russett Katie Russett	John Izzo
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MUSICIAN	Josephine Edwards Belinda Camilleri Liz Sim	Miller Family	Jacinta Ching Marianne Ching	
CHILDREN'S LIT.			Bev Howie	
COUNTERS	Garry McIntosh	Paul Rubenach	David McKay	
ALTAR LINEN	Annette Walker			
ALTAR SOCIETY			MORNING TEA	Marguerite Sequeira
FLORAL ARRANGER	Gwen Jugmans Rohini Gratiaen			

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Pat Dayton	c) Marguerite Sequeira	d) Marguerite Sequeira	Estelle Sok

<i>(Week 8) 6/7 April</i>	<i>Vigil 6.00pm</i>	<i>8.00a.m.</i>	<i>10.00a.m.</i>	<i>6.00p.m.</i>
LECTORS	Phil Davies	Martin Stebbings	Quentin Stewart Amy O'Connell	Chris Hannan
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION	A. & A. Brewer Patrick Brewer Maria Sapuppo	Aubrey Crawley Chris & Joy Pitts Sandy Mountfort	Charles & Sharon Thomson Linda Taneja Atat & Lise Li-Kim-Mui Nancy Lee	Beverly & Chris Hannan Nerissa Davey
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WARDENS	Patrick Brewer	Jan Martin	John O'Connell	
PIETY STALL		Raymond Tsui		Rachel Blake
MUSICIAN	Trevor Housley	Trevor Housley	Junior Choir	Jacinta Ching Marianne Ching Jason Licuanan
CHILDREN'S LIT.			Bev Howie	
COUNTERS	Phil Davies	Marguerite Sequeira	Joseph Li	Danielle Hadley
ALTAR LINEN	Indira Gomez			
FLORAL ARRANGER	Jane Sachs Morela Alfonzo		MORNING TEA	Buay and Lee Families
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