

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

4 August 2019 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 (4th 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)



Every Friday (during term time) Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Greg 10-11am, Hall Boardroom

First Friday of the Every Month Exposition / Adoration at 7pm Holy Mass at 7:30-8pm

Every Thursday Prayer Group prior to mass 8:40am

August

Sunday 4 August Children's Choir 9am-11am

Acknowledgement Mass for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People

Wednesday 7 August PPC Meeting

Sunday 11 August Parish Choir 9am-11am

Sunday 18 August Children's Choir 9am-11am

"You have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry! (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

Though Jesus does say that it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of heaven (Mt 19:24), it is not simply the acquisition of wealth that is problematic for the Christian. What matters is our attitude towards it and to the plight of those who, through no fault of their own, are destitute. It is possible to have too much of the limited resources of our earthly home in a given set of circumstances.

It is possible to misuse our wealth and, as can easily happen, to become a slave to it. Moreover, continuously adding to and hording our possessions can distract us, as it did the man in today's Gospel parable, from seeking the only treasure that will not fail us (see Mt 6:19-21). The blunt words of the wise Teacher in the Book of Ecclesiastes should give us pause for thought: 'There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owners to their hurt' (Eccl 5:13).

May God bless you. Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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What's on...

Every First Friday, , 7-8pm, Exposition and Adoration at 7pm. Holy Mass at 7:30pm. Corpus Christi Church, St Ives Parish

Every Last Wednesday, 7-9pm, A Discernment Evening for young adults (18-35) who meet together once a month in order to pray, ask questions and discover their individual vocations or lifetime call from God. St Agatha's Parish, Pennant Hills. Email: vocations.ministry@dbb.org.au

Ku-Ring-Gai Interchurch Group

We will be praying for Pymble Catholic Parish and Fr Bogus and Fr Greq

KU-RING-GAI INTERCHURCH LUNCHEON

Interchurch Lunch Tuesday 6 August at 12pm, cost \$15 and our guest speaker is Wies Schuiringa from the Quaker faith who is involved in Ecumenical Movement. It is being held at St Swithun's Anglican Church in Pymble. We need your support from Corpus Christi. Please contact Cheryl Doyle if you have any queries. Phone: 0400 467 901





REMINDER: Last Week of Alpha

Tuesday night (6/8/2019) will be our last week for this Alpha series with the Celebration / Launch party being held on Tuesday, 20 August. It's crazy to think we are at the end and as many will attest to, gone very quickly and way too fast! It has been a wonderful journey with many people experiencing life changing moments, not to mention the friendships that have formed. If you think you are too old, too young, too formed in your faith.... too something to do Alpha, I can promise you Alpha has something for everyone. Alpha brings people together and something magical happens. Don't delay "Come and See" for yourself. Everyone Welcome! Registrations are now being taken for the next Alpha that commences on Tuesday, 20 August and continues weekly from Tuesday, 10 September. Register early to avoid disappointment or contact Jen Perrott in the office on 9144 6998 / 0415 242 898 or jennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au Alternatively, please register

bbcatholic.org.au/stives-alpha

Prayer Zone



Anniversaries: Gullana Asnicar

Please pray for the ill:

Joan and Tom Beram; Francis Follett; Rebecca Anderson; Maria and Jack Garcia; Tony Lee; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Crinitti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Tom Brewer; Anne Baillie, 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.

Feast Days — July / August

Tues 6th, The Transfiguration of the Lord **Thurs 8th,** St Mary of the Cross, virgin **Sat 10th**, St Lawrence, deacon, martyr

TAX RECEIPTS

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CARMELITE RETREAT PROGRAM:

Weekend Retreat: Facing Today's Spectre of Meaninglessness with St Therese of Lisieux August 9-11 Presenter: Fr Paul Maunder, OCD

Cost: \$300 (concessions apply)

"I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy....Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather, that your names are written in heaven" (Lk 10.17)

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



"The Catholic Church was there for my mother during her greatest trial". Sonia

Patricia was diagnosed with Stage 4 ovarian cancer in 2014. Over the 18 months that she was in and out of hospital, she was visited by one of our CatholicCare Pastoral Care Practitioners at Gosford Hospital. Today we hear how this service supported Patricia and her family and remember her on the third anniversary of her death (4 August 2015).

To read more on Patricia's story, please read the article in August edition of Broken Bay News. Your donations to the Charitable Works Fund are distributed amongst five Catholic services that assist the people of our Diocese.

Donations \$2 and over are tax-deductible. Thank you for your kindness, your thoughtfulness and your generosity.

CatholicCare Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioner Program – where five Pastoral Care Practitioners reach over 3,000 patients, 700 families and over 180 hospital staff each year across seven hospitals in our Diocese.

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine – creating and updating teaching materials and training catechists who minister to public school students across the Diocese.

St Lucy's School – for primary school students with disabilities.

St Edmund's College – for secondary school students with disabilities.

Ephpheta Centre – serving the Catholic deaf community.

We are obliged to meet the quota set for us of \$17,270.00 and if we don't achieve that quota we have to make up the shortfall from our own parish funds.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST



Families

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth".

SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE

NEXT MONTH (SEPTEMBER) IS SAFEGUARDING MONTH IN THE DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY.

This year the Diocese of Broken Bay is celebrating the theme: *A safe community is one in which all experience a sense of belonging.*

All clergy, parishioners and the wider community are invited to the Diocesan Liturgy which signifies the start of SAFEGUARDING MONTH.

LITURGY OF INCLUSION AND CARE, Tuesday 3 September 2019, Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara, 7:00pm.



SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

Acknowledgement Plaque

The Acknowledgement Plaque near the entrance to the church is being blessed at the conclusion of the 10am Mass today.

The practice of inclusion forms an important part of rebuilding the relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The plaque is a symbol of welcome for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to our parish and an acknowledgment that there is an understanding of Australia's past.

The main logo on the plaque was designed by the Murri Ministry (Brisbane) to depict black and white coming together and growing in faith and respect for one another.

Aboriginal artwork has, for thousands of years, used symbolism to depict deep and complex concerns that are interpreted through the lens of culture and spirituality learned through Elders.

The plaque artwork uses colour as a simplified point of difference to symbolise all of the diversity and gifts of humankind.

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.

A bill to make abortion legal in NSW up until birth, for any reason, has been tabled in NSW Parliament and is due to be voted on this week. Archbishop Anthony Fisher has asked all Catholics in NSW to urgently contact their state Member of Parliament and ask them to vote against this bill. Contact details for your local MP are Jonathan O'Dea on 9880 7400.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT MASS FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLE

Corpus Christi Parish, St. Ives. 4th August, 2019 at 10am.

Introductory Prayer

Today we Acknowledge that God has been walking with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, making His Presence known through a continuous living culture over many thousands of years. We pray in thanksgiving for these ancient peoples who have enriched and sustained our continent over all that time. We praise God for the people who nurtured the land here in our parish that we call home.

Aboriginal Our Father

You are Our Father, you live in heaven We talk to you, Father you are good (repeat)

We believe your Word Father We your children, give us bread today (repeat)

We have done wrong, we are sorry Help us Father not to sin again (repeat)

Others have done wrong to us And we are sorry for them, Father today (repeat)

Stop us from doing wrong, Father Save us all from the evil one (repeat)

You are Our Father, you live in heaven We talk to you, Father you are good (repeat)

Acknowledgment: The Lord's Prayer from the "Missa Kimberley"; Diocese of Broome, Western Australia.

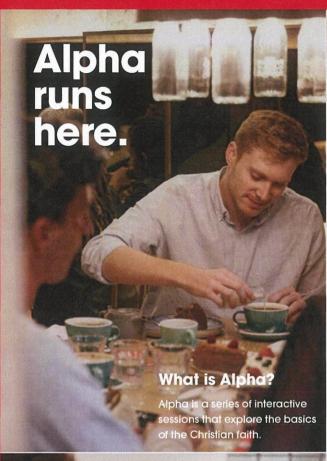
Prayer for Australia (after blessing of the plaque)

God of Holy Dreaming, Great Creator Spirit. From the dawn of creation you have given your children the good things of mother earth. You spoke and the gum tree grew. In the vast desert and dense forest And in the cities at the water's edge Creation sings your praise. Your presence endures as the rock at the heart of our Land. When Jesus hung on the tree You heard the cries of all your people And became one with your wounded ones: The convicts, the hunted and the dispossessed. The sunrise of your Son covered the earth anew, And bathed it in glorious hope. In Jesus we have been reconciled to you, To each other and to your whole creation. Lead us on, Great Spirit, as we gather from the four corners of the earth; Enable us to walk together in trust From the hurt of the past Into the full day which has dawned in Jesus Christ. Lenore Parker, 2002

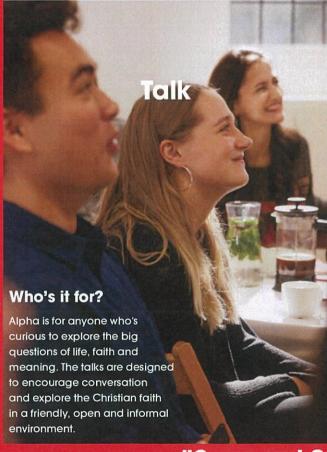


Peace to this House and to all who dwell within.

"People talking to Jesus in the Bough Shed" (1995) by artist Queenie McKenzie of Warmun Community. Reproduced with kind permission of NATSICC.









Alpha

"Come and See"

Launching Tues, 20 August 2019 at 7pm in the Church Hall and continuing weekly from Tues, 10 September 2019

Register at:

bbcatholic.org.au/stives-alpha



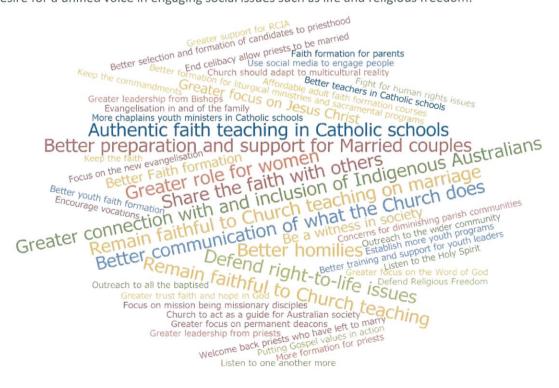
How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is missionary and evangelising?

"...You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem...and to the ends of the earth."

(Acts 1:8)

As we move into this second stage of the Plenary Council journey, we continue to seek the wisdom of the Holy Spirit. Beginning in July 2019, we are called to reflect on Scripture, Church teaching and our contemporary situation in order to discern the answer to this question. The fruits of what is discerned during this time will help shape the agenda of the first session of Plenary Council in October 2020.

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared a passion for participating in the missionary nature of the Church and desire stronger support, involvement and formation among all the baptised who make up the Church. The data also identified the need to reach out and communicate more effectively and to find new ways of living and proclaiming the Gospel in Australia today. There was a call for the strengthening of leadership and ministries in parishes and schools, training to equip leaders for ministry, pastoral support for various groups within parish and faith communities, and a desire for a unified voice in engaging social issues such as life and religious freedom.





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