

### WEEKLY BULLETIN

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### 4 February 2018— Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time —Year B

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: 2<sup>nd</sup> 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)



### February 2018

**Every Thursday**Prayer Group prior to mass 8:40am

Sunday 4 February Junior Choir—9am—11am

**Sunday 11 February** Parish Choir—9am—11am

Wednesday 14 February Ash Wednesday Mass Times 6:30am, 9:30am and 7:30pm

Sunday 18 February Junior Choir—9am—11am

**Sunday 25 February** Parish Choir—9am—11am



He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them. (Gospel)

Dear parishioners and visitors to the Parish

Job's reflections on the miseries of human life are meant to provide a background for the healing work of Christ of which the gospel speaks. It is from such miseries as Job speaks of that Christ comes to save us. Such graces are available at every Eucharist when we come with reverence and faith.

In today's gospel it is Peter's mother-in-law who is the subject of Jesus' compassionate ministrations. He also brings freedom to those who are bedevilled and enslaved by maladies that afflict the human spirit. In our lives this can take many forms- destructive addictions, compulsive behaviour, habits of serious sin, envy of others, greed, self-centredness and bigotry, to mention a few. Committed to amending our lives in whatever impedes our relationship with God and our neighbour, let us humbly stand before Jesus and ask for healing of mind, body and spirit and release from our personal demons expecting Jesus to really act in the Eucharist and in our regular prayer. In this connection, Paul offers us good advice: 'Stand fast therefore in the Liberty with which Christ has set us free, and be not entangled again in the yoke of bondage.'

May God Bless You, Fr Greg

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### **Lectio Divina**

You are most welcome to come and listen to scripture reading and meditation every Friday starting 2 February 2018, in the Hall boardroom for 1 hour between 10am—11am.

Facilitator: Fr Greg Chee

Enquiries at the office on 9144 6998 or by email at

office@corpuschristi.com.au



### SINGERS AND MUSICIANS - WE NEED YOU!

The Junior Choir and Parish Choir provides music at 2 of our Sunday masses, and we need your help. We don't mind how musical

you are; if you want to have fun with others in a prayer filled environment please just come along and join in.

### **Junior Choir and Parish Choir:**

- \* 9am. practice for 10am. Masses
- \* 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday (Junior) 2nd and 4th Sunday (Parish)

Please contact the office if you would like more information.



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for January

Religious Minorities in Asia. That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom

### **MEMOIR WRITING**

If there are enough people interested a new MEMOIR WRITING class will start at my place on Friday  $16^{th}$  February. Time 10 am—12nn.

ALSO, how about all those of you with unfinished books coming back for a "pep-talk"?

NEW YEARS RESOLUTION & all that!

Ring or email me 94493971, <u>colleenmcmillan11@gmail.com</u> Colleen



### Reminder:

Please bring in your blessed palms from last year so they can be burnt for Ash Wednesday. Baskets will be placed at the entrances of the church so you can leave your palms.

### Feast Days — February

Mon 5th, St Agatha, virgin, martyr

Tues 6th, St Paul Miki and companions, martyrs

Sat 10th, St Scholastica, virgin

# Prayer Zone

Anniversary: Margaret Cover

Please pray for the ill:

Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Clara Di Mauro; Tom Brewer; Anne Baillie, Francesco Macolino, Jan Davies, Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, John Edwards, Carol-Anne Campbell, Jennifer Nancarro, Gina Jaksetic, Jeannie, Gracie Spencer, Brendan Stone, John Michael Walsh



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# Your New Year Resolution Exercise Program

A fitness & flexibility session for Seniors (65yrs+)

Our fitness & flexibility program will build strength & flexibility to help increase your energy and maintain your mobility!

This is an 9 week exercise program which approaches fitness and well-being using a holistic approach. Each week we will be doing a light cardio routine, strength & resistance exercises, balance, flexibility & stretching and a relaxation to finish.

The group can be done standing, sitting or a mixture of both depending on how you are feeling on the day.

Thursdays February 8th - April 12th 2018

(Excludes March 29th—EASTER)

10.45-11.45 am

St Ives Uniting Church, cnr Douglas St & Mona Vale Road, St Ives.

For further enquiries or to make a booking please call Kerry Silver on 0448 733 267 or email ksilver@chcs.com.au. Alternatively contact Colleen McMillan on 9449 3971 if you would like to know more.

ASH WEDNESDAY—14 FEBRUARY
Mass Times for Ash Wednesday:
6:30am; 9:30am & 7:30pm

# Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) 2018

The sacrament of Reconciliation will be held in Term 1 of 2018 at Corpus Christi Parish on **24**<sup>th</sup> **March.** In order to join this sacrament program children must be in Year 3 or older and be both **Baptised** and have completed the sacrament of **Confirmation**.

Parents wishing to enrol their child for the Sacrament of reconciliation should do so filling in the form attached and returning it to the Parish Office by **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018** with a payment of \$25. You may have already enrolled your child if you paid for all three sacraments in 2017. In this instance an email will be sent to you.

There will be one Parent Information Evening held in the Church at 7:30pm on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February. Reconciliation will be held on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at either 9:30am or 3:30pm.

Attendance by at least one parent at the information evening is a requirement of the course. All queries can be directed to Gerri Hadwen via

sacraments@corpuschristi.com.au



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## The Light is ON For You.

During Lent, the Diocese is encouraging the use of the sacrament of penance and promoting openness and welcome. Experience God's light and peace in your life this Lent. Corpus Christi will be open on Fridays in Lent, February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16 and 23 from 7:00pm—8:00pm. We will also include Stations of the Cross. You are very welcome! Please take some invitation cards from the back of the church and invite others.



### **SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:**

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WORLD DAY OF PEACE 2018: Pope Francis' Message for the 51st World Day of Peace (1 Jan 2018) invites Catholics to embrace those who endure perilous journeys and hardships in order to find peace. He urges people of faith to turn with a "contemplative gaze" towards migrants and refugees, opening our hearts to the "gaze of faith which sees God dwelling in their houses, in their streets and squares."

In his Message, Pope Francis echoes St John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI, pointing to war, conflict, genocide, ethnic cleansing, poverty, lack of opportunity, and environmental degradation as reasons that families and individuals become refugees and migrants. Four "mileposts for action" are necessary in order to allow migrants, refugees, asylum seekers, and trafficking victims the opportunity to find peace. These actions include: Welcoming, Protecting, Promoting & Integrating.

We are encouraged to read and reflect on Pope Francis' Message which is themed: Migrants and refugees: men and women in search of peace. The full transcript is available on the parish website at <a href="https://www.stives.dbb.org.au">www.stives.dbb.org.au</a> under the News tab.

### **Volunteers Needed**

Our parish depends on the generosity of its members. We are grateful for your support to undertake the range of activities that make our parish a welcoming and developing community.

We need a volunteer with appropriate skills to take on the following role on an ongoing basis:

Advertising Co-ordinator — we need someone with marketing/sales/advertising skills to develop and manage the advertising in the bulletin. This has a two fold objective: Supports our parish and community and generates a small income for our parish.

Please contact Belinda Camilleri to express interest and discuss further: Parish Office: 9144 6998



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