CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH ST IVES

# WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

## 13 November 2022, 33rd Sunday in 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: Third 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

**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

Sunday 13 November 2022 Parish Choir—10am mass

**Tuesday 15 November 2022** Parish Finance Committee meeting

**Thursday 24 November 2022** Parish Social Craft Group 10:30am in the Hall

**Sunday 27 November 2022** Pray & Play Young Family Group

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Jesus said, "All that you see here ... the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down." (**Gospel**)

## **Dear Parishioners**

What is the source of our hoping, our believing? It is the reality that 'the

Lord comes' according to today's psalm. Whatever the situation we find ourselves in, the Lord comes into it with us. Jesus experienced betrayal, even by those close to him; he knew hatred. From his experience of human reality, which is also our reality, he asks us to trust in him when we experience betrayal or hatred of whatever kind. Today he calls us for he 'comes' and is always coming, to encourage us towards a new spirit of endurance, believing that with him we 'win' our lives.

The end is near, Jesus points out, reminding us of the temporary nature of our life on earth, and all the things that make up our lives. The Communion antiphon captures the essence to today's readings and liturgy: 'To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.' Whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you will receive, and it shall be given to you', says the Lord, for I come, helping you to live joyfully and endure with me.

May God bless you, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

PARISH OFFICE TEAM Fr Greg Chee, OCD, Parish Priest Ed Wales, Parish Finance Michelle Miles, Office Manager Jennifer Perrott, Faith Facilitator Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator Natalie Yeung, Youth Minister

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### Fr Gerard's Prayer Series

Fr Gerard recommends the following booked to help you to follow up on the themes that we opened up. Copies of the ones in red will be available at the parish office until Monday the  $21^{st}$  of November.

The Bible: NT especially the Gospels / OT especially the Psalms

Helpful Books in the Bible: The Book of Psalms / The Song of Songs

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC): Inspiration of the structure of the 4 talks

<u>The Story of a Soul</u>: St Therese of the Child Jesus: This is an excellent book for anyone seeking to understand what the spiritual life is. It is very simple.

<u>St Teresa on Prayer</u> Fr Jerome Lantry OCD A wonderful and very simple introduction to prayer. It is based on St Teresa's teaching on prayer.

<u>St Teresa of Avila Vol 2</u>: This contains a lot of the material that I covered on the course. The second Volume of her works contains "The Way of Perfection" (chapters 19-29 deal with "mental prayer" and "The prayer of recollection"); "The Interior Castle" is her most mature work and the first part of it relatively easy to read.

<u>St Teresa of Avila Vol 1</u>: This contains "The Life" (her autobiography). The first 10 chapters are a delight and being an account of her early life, they are relatively easy to read. Chapters 11-22 use the image of watering a garden to describe the development of the life of prayer from the beginning stages until the heights. In chapters 22 -32 she recounts some of her mystical experiences in prayer and these chapters are difficult reading. In chapters 32-40 she continues to recount these experiences but also begins to speak of how she founded her first convent; these chapters are more easily understood.

Holiness for All: Aloysius Rego OCD. Fr Aloysius has given us a beautiful insight into the spirituality of St Therese of Lisieux. His gift is to make her thought accessible to us very simply and practically. Everyone who reads this book will understand Therese's thought and benefit from it.

<u>Patterns of Prayer</u> Fr. Eugene McCaffrey OCD In this beautiful, simple book, Fr Eugene gives us a series of short reflections on prayer.

<u>The Song of Youth</u> Fr Eugene McCaffrey OCD. A beautiful booklet explaining the spiritual life and prayer to young people

 $2^{nd}$  Volume Letters from Carmel Elizabeth of the Trinity. St Elizabeth of the Trinity (1880 -1906) was a contemporary of St. Therese of Lisieux. In her letters she teaches us in a simple and attractive way about how God works.

<u>Conversation with Christ</u> Fr. Peter-Thomas Rohrbach OCD. This is a very helpful book for understanding what "Mental Prayer" and "The Prayer of Recollection" as taught to us by St Teresa of Jesus and the Carmelite tradition. It is a bit dated (published in 1956) but its clarity makes is a very valuable help.

<u>The Impact of God</u> Fr Iain Matthew OCD A wonderful book on prayer and the spiritual life. It is book which simplifies and makes accessible the teachings of John of the Cross on these topics. It is eminently readable but demanding; while the writing is deceptively simple time and thought are needed to understand it. When it grasps you it will always be in your bookshelf!

<u>Teach us to Pray</u> Fr Andre Louf O.Cist A beautiful book in which Fr Andre, a Cistercian monk, opens up the monastic tradition of prayer for us



## 2022 Corpus Christi Parish Christmas Hamper Appeal

Our goal this year is to provide 100 hampers to any needy parishioners in the Holy Family Parish, Mt Druitt. We would appreciate your support to make this happen.

**Suggested Hamper Contents**—please refer to the insert.

Where and when do I deliver my Hamper? Please deliver to our Corpus Christi Church at any time during the two week Appeal period. This runs from the 6pm Mass on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December and ends at the special Hamper Mass at 10am on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

If you require your hamper to be collected from your home please call Michelle at the Parish Office on 9144 6998 by Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> of December and we will organise a pickup from your home.

#### **Cash donation**

If it is more convenient for you to make a cash donation in lieu of a Hamper you can bring this to the Parish Office or use the Parish's Electronic Funds Transfer account:

Account Name: St Ives Catholic Parish BSB: 062 784 Account Number: 100001798 Reference: Parish Hamper

#### Thank You!

For over 35 years our Parish has had a rich heritage of support to the parishioners of Holy Family Parish, Mt Druitt. We thank you for your Christmas spirit generosity.

### PWBB - NOVEMBER 2022





Our pastoral works also assist students with disability achieve their dreams, and provides practical support for the deal community. Your grift close make a difference. It maybe young people in schools, someone in hospital, a parish or the wider community. My prayer is that Pastoral Works Broken Bay enables us to reach further and wider in helping our community, and more deeply connects us to our vision and the mission of Jesus. I am deeply grateful for your support.

In supporting our pastoral works you are helping our dedicated catechists provide thousands of state school students with a Catholic education; and helping us provide comfort, care, a listening ear and the scaraments to those who are vulnerable or experiencing lonelines, illness an isolation through our hospital chaplaincy program.

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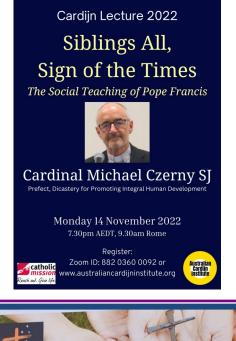


## Social Justice Corner

## Cardijn Lecture 2022

The Justice and Peace Office has extended an invitation to hear Cardinal Michael Czerny SJ speak from Rome about the social teaching of Pope Francis. Cardinal Czerny is one of the senior leaders of the global Church and will address the theme "Siblings All, Sign of the Times: The Social Teaching of Pope Francis."

Cardinal Czerny's address will be live-streamed on Zoom at 7.30pm Australian daylight time on Monday 14 November 2022. You can register and receive the meeting password on the <u>website of the Australian Cardijn</u> Institute.



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Anniversary: Kath Fletcher; Helen Ferguson

## Please pray for the ill:

Sylvia Fishburn; Nicolette Harris; Marshall O'Brien; Helen McCarthy; Quentin Stewart; Rob Sanders; Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, 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.

### FEAST DAYS-NOVEMBER

Thursday 17th, St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious

Sunday 20th, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Monday 21st, The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday 22nd, St Cecilia, virgin, martyr Thursday 24th, Sts Andrew Dung-Lac, priest, and companions, martyrs



## 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 24 November 2022** @ 10.30am in the Parish Hall. Enq.: Angela 0405 507 982

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.



## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

### For all children who suffer

We pray for the children, who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war, may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.



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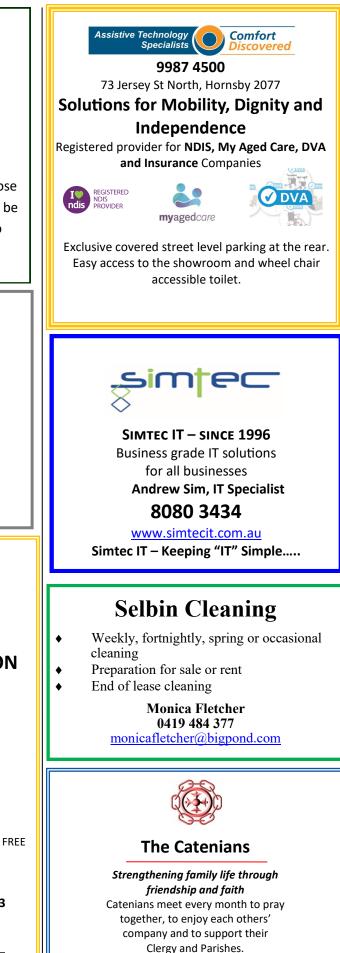
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For further information phone President - Malcolm McEwen 0409 329 707

Secretary - David Conoulty 0412 267 538

### The Word Sunday 13 November 2022, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **First Reading**

From the prophet Malachi Mal 3:19-20

The sun of righteousness will shine on you. The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

The Word of the Lord.

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 97:5-9. R. see v.9

- (R.) The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.
- 1. Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. (*R.*)
- 2. Let the sea and all within it, thunder; the world, and all its peoples. Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord. (*R.*)
- 3. For the Lord comes, he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness. *(R.)*

### Second Reading

From the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians 2 Thes 3:7-12

Do not give anyone food who refuses to work. You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow. We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat. The Word of the Lord.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia

### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke Lk 21:5-19

#### Your endurance will win you your life.

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'

'Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

The Gospel of the Lord.