

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

## 14 February 2021 – Sixth 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: 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: 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 facilitated

by Fr Greg 10am Parish Hall

## **First Friday** of Every Month

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

## **Second Thursday** of Every Month Anointing of the Sick -9am

## February 2021

#### Sunday 14 February

Parish Choir 9:00am-11:00am

Wednesday 17 February Ash Wednesday

#### Friday 19 February

7pm Liturgy with Exposition and Adoration 7:30pm Stations of the Cross

## Sunday 21 February

Children's Choir 9:00am-11:00am



A leper came to Jesus and kneelilng down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners.

'If you want to you can cure me.' These are the words, the plea, of a desperate man suffering from leprosy who came to Jesus begging for healing. The man approaches Jesus and falling on his knees makes his request. Jesus is profoundly moved by this man's

plea and does the unthinkable—he stretches out his hand and touches the man saying, 'of course I want to! Be cured.' To touch someone with leprosy was against the law and made the person unclean. Jesus' compassion for the man goes beyond the law.

While we are not afflicted with leprosy, perhaps we are experiencing other physical, spiritual or emotional conditions that are eating away at us and leading us to feel alone and isolated. We may carry shame in our hearts from past experiences. Let us approach Jesus in trust, believing that he will not turn us away. May we hear today these powerful words of Jesus—'be cured'. Jesus wants to stretch out his hand to us so that we too can experience the loving and compassionate touch of God in our suffering. Let us also always approach others and welcome them as Jesus does with us.

May God bless you. Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Commencing on Friday 19 February. Liturgy at 7:00pm with Exposition and Adoration followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm.



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#### INTRODUCING THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Five new members have been welcomed on the Parish Pastoral Council. Our new PPC members are Atat Li Kim Mui; Natalia Pazniewski; Cel Tria; Edith Chan; and Laetitia Richmond (Principal Brigidine College).

They join existing members of the Council who are Fr Greg Chee (Parish Priest); Linda Taneja (Chairperson); Jen Perrott; Andrena Brewer; Sherwell Fernando; and Jayne Wheen (Principal of Corpus Christi Primary School).



## **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 18 February 2021 @ 10.30am in the Parish Hall. Eng.: Angela 9144 6553.



## **WEDNESDAY 17 FEBRUARY MASS**

## TIMES:

9:00am Mass which will include some of the school children.

7:30pm Evening Mass

## **Prayer Zone**

Anniversary: Andy McElhone

**Departed:** Giuseppe Infante

## Please pray for the ill:

Kevin Ruberu; Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Denise Carmody; Steve Swain; 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.

## **FEAST DAYS— FEBRUARY**

Wednesday 17 February, Ash Wednesday

#### MT CARMEL RETREAT PROGRAM:

Weekend Retreats-Cost: \$300 per person

## The Gift of Joy! A Taize Retreat

Feb 19-21 Presenter: Annemarie Nichol & Fr John Armstrong.

Exploring pathways to joy in life with the help of prayer and worship of Taize.

## **Embracking Three Dimensional Thinking: The** Length and the Breadth, the Height and Depth

March 12-14 Presenter: John Charadia and Artist Tutor Team.

Through creating symbolically, abstractly and scripturally in art, participants will explore contemplative thinking that invites us to grow in awareness of the depths, and breadths of God's Presence in our lives.

### Day Retreat-Cost: \$30 per person (BYO Lunch)

### **Lazarus Come Out**

March 6 Presenter: Lorraine Murphy, OCDS A Day of Reccollection on the raising of Lazarus in John 11.

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: bookings@mtcarmel.com.au

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## **The Big Picture Course**

We are beginning the Big Picture Course on Monday 22 February 2020 at 7:30pm online on Zoom. This was hugely successful last year. If you missed out, now is the opportunity register.



The Big Picture is a personal journey through the Bible exploring our place in the story of salvation history. Join us on this exciting journey of discovery and deepening of your faith. All welcome, whatever your starting point. Allow God to reveal even more about his love for you and the role of Jesus in God's plan for us and all of creation, now and in the future.

Each book contains the study as well as the DVD. The study is free but you will need your own journal Big Picture book – which is approx. \$20 Please email Jen Perrott for further information at <a href="mailto:lennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au">lennifer.perrott@bbcatholic.org.au</a> Use this QR Code to register or complete the registration from in the foyer of the church. For more information and to watch the promotional video go to http://www.thebigpicturecourse.org



## SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

Father Geoff Bugden will be celebrating Mass for Serra at Sacred Heart Church, 2 Richard Porter Way Pymble on Thursday 18th February 2021.



The evening commences with Mass at 6.00 PM followed by a light meal and a short meeting in the Marian Hall which is a short walk from the Church. Given the size of the Hall, social distancing is easily achieved. Following the meeting we will be showing a YouTube video recording of the third Lenten talk given last year by Bishop Greg Homeming OCD, Bishop of Lismore, on the subject of "Holiness". Everyone is welcome. Please "come and see".

Please remember to pray every day for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians and novices and for the perseverance of existing vocations. Please telephone: Terry Scanlan on 0438 887 295 or email terry\_scanlan@bigpond.com if you would like to attend.

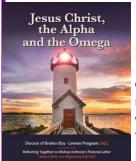


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## **Register for Alpha**

Alpha returned this week. You can still register!! We will send you the first weeks' video once you've registered. If you, family or friends have those underlying unanswered questions about life, faith and the universe, Alpha is a great place to discuss those questions. So, bring them along and come and join them. Use this QR Code to register or fill in the registration form in the





## **LENTEN** REFLECTION

The Diocese of Broken Bay has organised a beautiful Lenten reflection beginning next week with the start of Ash Wednesday. There are two lectio groups on a Friday that will be doing this reflection for anyone who would like to join them at 10:30am in the

hall. The start date for this program is 19 February. There will also most likely be an online Zoom version that will begin from week 2 on 24 February 2021 for anyone who would prefer this option. More details regarding this will be advise shortly in the bulletin and eNews.



## Douglas & Inacia Hendricks

Congratulations on your 60th wedding anniversary!



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## **Selbin Cleaning**

- Weekly, fortnightly, spring or occasional cleaning
- Preparation for sale or rent
- ♦ End of lease cleaning

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POPE FRANCIS'
PRAYER
INTENTION
FOR FEBRUARY

## Violence Against Women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

### The Word

## Sunday 14 February 2021: Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

### First Reading

From the book of Leviticus Lv 13:1-2. 44-46

As long as he is unclean, he must live alone, outside the camp.

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.' The Word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm Ps 31:1-2. 5. 11. R. v.7

(R.) I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

- 1. Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted. O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. (R.)
- But now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide. I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.' And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin. (R.)
- 3. Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just! O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart. (R.)

## Second Reading

From the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1

Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

## Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Mark Mk 1:40-45

The leprosy left him and he was cured.

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

The Gospel of the Lord.