

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

17 November 2024, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Mass Times:

Monday to Friday: 9am
Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil)
Sunday: 8am, 10am, 5pm
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: 2nd 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 Monday
(during term time)
Divine Will Prayer Group
10-11:30am

First Friday of Every Month
Exposition/Adoration at 7pm
followed by Mass at 7:30pm

Every Sunday at 10am Mass
Children's Liturgy

Every Friday
(during term time)
Lectio Divina; Zoom 10am

Second Thursday
of Every Month
Anointing of the Sick – 9am

Thursday evenings
(during term time)
Fr Sunny's Bible Study Group
7:30pm in the Church

Sunday 17th November
Rose Petal Evening Prayer
Led by Fr Aloysius Rego, OCD
3pm-5pm
Mass at 5pm
Supper at 6pm (please bring a
plate to share)

Wednesday 20th November
Christmas Choir rehearsal 7pm in
the Church



Learn a lesson from the fig tree.
When its branch becomes
tender and sprouts leaves, you
know that summer is near.
(Gospel)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

Today's Gospel presents an apocalyptic vision of the end of the world. In his vision, the sun, and the moon and stars, which seem so stable, are suddenly shaken violently and come crashing down. Hopefully none of us will experience the end of the world in this way. But we can all experience times when our personal worlds seem to be falling apart and crashing all around us. Perhaps some structures that were very important to us, and that we thought would always be there, have collapsed. Or perhaps some people, on whom we relied greatly, are suddenly taken from us. We feel that our world has come crashing down.

These are terrible experiences but they can also be moments of grace, moments in which we experience the Lord entering our lives with great power and glory, as today's Gospel describes. We can experience God's presence in some way that inspires in us a joy and confidence that our actual situation cannot justify. Our being is uplifted: our heart rejoices, our soul is glad, even our body rests in safety. We learn to place all our hope in God. We pray with confidence, *"Keep us safe, O God, you are our hope."*

May God bless you,
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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*Rest
in Peace*



During the month of November we remember and pray for all our dearly departed loved ones.

In terms of responding for your departed beloved ones, you may write the names in a special book we will have available. You may also have a special individual mass said for the person by writing the name of the person on the envelopes found in the foyer and put a small donation in it, which can be put in the collection bowl or handed in at the sacristy. There will also be candles that you may light up. At each Sunday mass we will remember your departed ones generally as well. Remember that forgiveness and love crosses the grave through Jesus Christ.

Let us unite in prayer as a community, offering our gratitude and prayers for the souls of the faithful departed. May they rest in peace and may we always remember them with love.

God bless, Fr Greg.



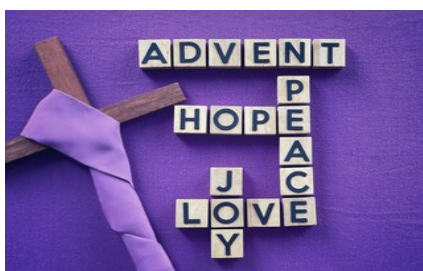
Candles for the month of November

For a gold coin donation, candles will be available to light in the memory of your departed beloved.

WHAT does "ADVENT" mean?

We are about to enter the "time" of "Advent" but what do we know about this beautiful "little season" which begins the Liturgical Year?

Fr Gerard Moran will give an hour's talk on the topic at **7pm on Wednesday the November the 27th** in the hall followed by a "cuppa" and time for questions concluding at 9pm.



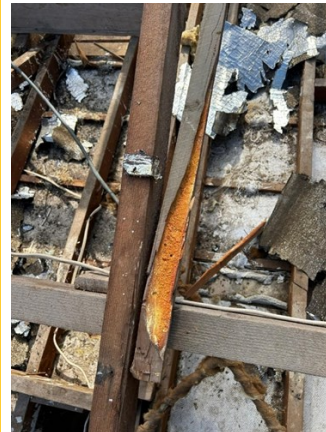
PRESBYTERY UPDATE

Dear Parishioners,

The refurbishment of the presbytery is nearing completion and the contractor is on track to complete the building works in time for our priests to move in before their lease on the rented accommodation expires.

We thank Greg Malouf for all the work he has done in liaising with the contractor and making sure that the work was carried out to our satisfaction.

We would like to share some photos of the roof timbers to show why it was important to replace the roof. As you will see from the photos there were a number of rotting timbers and some were badly cracked. New timbers were installed in various places in



the roof to make sure the roof was stable and would last for many years. The new timbers are a different colour to the existing timbers.

Thank you to all the parishioners who have donated to the project. Your donations have really assisted us in getting the project completed and getting a co-contribution from the Diocese.

Fr Greg and the Finance Committee

Parish Choir Rehearsals for Christmas



We are very close to Christmas now and you are all invited to come to the parish choir rehearsals in the church so that we will be ready to sing for the 9 pm Christmas Eve mass on Sunday 24th December. Even if you are not a regular attender of the choir we would love you to come along.

Our first rehearsal is on **Wednesday 20th November at 7 pm and then every Wednesday at 7 pm until Christmas Eve.**

Christmas Eve rehearsal will be at 7pm, followed by Carols at 8.30pm then Christmas Mass at 9pm.

2024

Corpus Christi Parish Christmas Hamper Appeal



Mark your calendars for **Sunday, December 15th**, as we come together for a special Mass to celebrate our 37th annual Christmas Hamper Appeal. This year we are honoured to have Fr Nguyen Van Cao SJ, Parish Priest of Holy Family, Mt Druitt, co-celebrating this momentous occasion with us.

For nearly four decades, our parish has embraced the true spirit of Christmas by reaching out to those in need. This cherished tradition has not only brought smiles to countless faces but has also strengthened the bonds within our community.

As we embark on this journey of generosity, let's reflect on the impact of our collective efforts. Each item added to your weekly grocery shop becomes a beacon of hope for a family in need. Whether it's a can of soup, a box of cereal, or a festive treat, every contribution matters.

Suggested hamper contents

Canned Food (eg soups/seafood) Canned Fruits
Christmas Pudding / Cake / Biscuits
Long life custard / Jelly
Packets of Rice / Pasta / Nuts / Dried Fruit
Peanut Butter / Honey / Jam / Vegemite
Mixed Lollies or Chocolates
Chips / Pretzels / Popcorn
Non-alcoholic Sparkling Wine
Cordial / Soft drink / Juice
Packets of Tea / Instant Coffee
Packets of Sugar / Long Life Milk
Sauces, Oil or Vinegar
Tissues / Paper Towel
Christmas Decorations / Colouring Pencils
Shampoo and Conditioner

Plus any other non-perishable good you may wish to provide! Some families write personal notes or Christmas cards and place that in the Hamper.

Please place in a sturdy clothes basket, a strong box, recyclable grocery bags—wrapped in cellophane or Christmas paper.

We will also be accepting cash donations for those who can't get a hamper together. Unfortunately we won't be able to accept gift cards this year.

Please reference Hamper Mass

Account Name: St Ives Catholic Parish

BSB: 062 784

Account No: 100001798

Prayer Zone



Anniversary:
Molly and Grace Tang

Please pray for the ill:

Michelle Fisher; Fr Sergio Chauira; Jessie Chang; Amy O'Connell; James Frederick Riley; Tom Brewer; 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; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Thi Nguyen; Carmel Hadley; Fergus O'Brien; Michelle Soumier; 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 Michelle or Christina know.

FEAST DAYS NOVEMBER

Sat 11th, St Martin of Tours, bishop

Fri 17th St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious

Tues 21st, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wed 22, St Cecilia, virgin, martyr

Fri 24th, Sts Andrew Dung-Lac, priest, and companions, martyrs

Sun 26th, Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE



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 21 November 2024 @ 10.30am** in the Parish Hall.

Enq.: Angela 0405 507 982

PC ITEMS

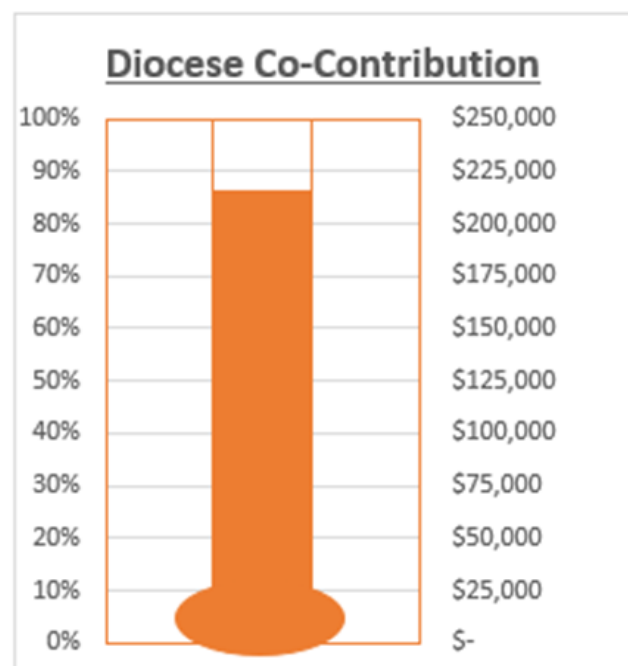
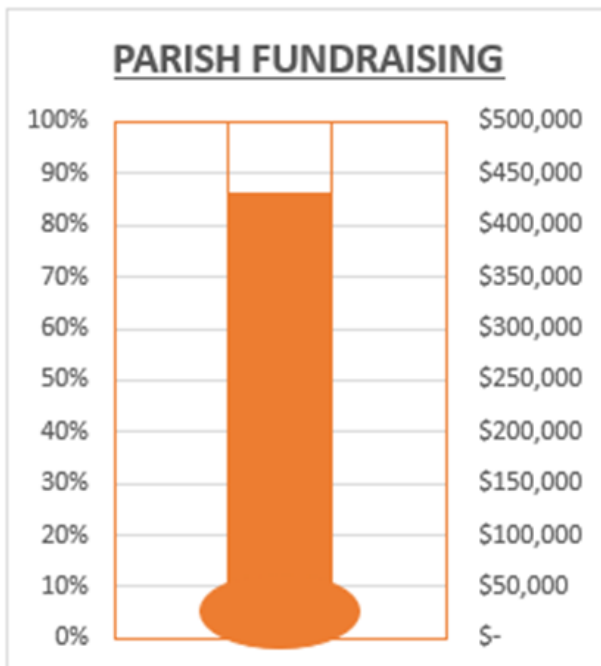
We would like to thank those generous parishioners who have already made donation contributions towards the purchase of the PC items.

To date approximately \$22,300 has been either paid or pledged to this appeal, which will reduce the total amount of the building contract.

There is still opportunity to contribute to this appeal. The items that are still available for a "cash in kind" donation are shown in the attached table.

| PC ITEMS | Approximate cost \$ |
|--|---------------------|
| Supply & install kitchen, laundry & pantry | 20,000 |
| Carpet (to be selected) | 8,000 |
| Ceramic tiles (to be selected) | 3,000 |
| Vanities (3) (Custom made for openings) | 2,400 |
| Alarm system (to be selected) | 2,000 |
| WC suites (3) (Mondella Signature) | 1,500 |
| Washing Machine (Fisher & Paykel) | 1250 |
| Shower roses (3) (Methven Satinet) | 600 |
| Floor wastes (7) (Kinetic 100mm Chrome) | 210 |

PRESBYTERY BUILDING PROJECT FUNDRAISING



Our updated total raised, including cash sponsorship of the PC items is **\$432,770!** If you would like to donate, please reference: **New Presbytery Build** in your payment message.

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BSB: 062 784

Account No: 100001798

Please note, any donations made are **NOT** tax deductible.



“Connecting to the Mission of Jesus Christ!”

NOVEMBER APPEAL

“Your generosity with our Pastoral Works appeal helps us go further and wider in helping our community of Broken Bay, and more deeply connect us to our vision and the Mission of Jesus Christ. I am deeply grateful for your support.”

MOST REV ANTHONY RANDAZZO DD JCL BISHOP OF BROKEN BAY



Red
Wednesday
for persecuted Christians

20 .11. 2024 | 07 PM

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS 94 ARCHER ST CHATSWOOD

Across the world, many Christians face persecution for their faith, enduring hardship and risking their lives to follow Christ. This Mass with Bishop Anthony Randazzo is a time for us to come together in prayer, showing solidarity and support for our brothers and sisters who courageously live their faith despite the challenges they encounter. Join us as we lift them up in prayer and strengthen our global Christian family.



PASTA BOLOGNESE
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ANY DONATIONS ARE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED



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PASTA FOR A CAUSE

A Fundraising Effort for India Immersion for the following:

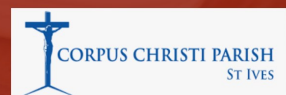
Kolkata: Mary ward social center (Loreto sisters), funding teachers in brickfields

Varanasi: Jeevan Jyoti, girls school for the visually impaired

Jaipur: Vatsalya children's village

Mumbai: Saki Naki Slum community

SATURDAY NOV 16 AFTER 6:00PM MASS
SUNDAY NOV 17 AFTER 10:00AM MASS



Rose Petal afternoon prayer

with St Thérèse

Through prayer and Adoration, enter into the way of trust and love of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, and ask for Saint Thérèse's intercession by individually addressing and writing letters to her.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH

263 MONA VALE RD, ST IVES

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH

3:00-4:50 PM

AN AFTERNOON OF
PRAISE & WORSHIP | REFLECTION
WRITING PRAYER LETTER
ADORATION | NOVENA

**WITH TALK BY FR ALOYSIUS REGO, OCD
FOLLOWED BY MASS AT 5PM**

part of 50th
Anniversary
celebration
activities



INFO: 0414 317 431 ATAT



Please bring a plate to share after the 5pm mass as we gather to enjoy some fellowship and food with Fr Aloysius Rego!



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

For Those Who Have Lost A Child

Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community, and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation.

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The Word

Sunday 17 November 2024: 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Collect

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God,
the constant gladness of being devoted to
you,
for it is full and lasting happiness
to serve with constancy
the author of all that is good.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Daniel Dn 12:1-3

When that time comes your own people will be spared.

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1
(R.) *Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope.*

1. Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. (R.)
2. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. (R.)
3. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness forever. (R.)

Second Reading

From the letter to the Hebrews Heb 10:11-14, 18

By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.
The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful, and pray constantly,
that you may be worthy to stand before the Son
of Man.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Mark Mk 13:24-32

He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.