

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

22 September 2024, 25th 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

Second Wednesday of Every

Parish Catch Up Coffee Morning Archies, St Ives Village 10:30am

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

Sat 21 & Sun 22 September First Eucharist Ceremony

Vigil & 10am Masses

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.



"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

Have you ever listened to someone speaking with great passion about the work they do with those who live on the fringes of society? Their eyes sparkle with compassion and deep emotion as they tell stories of individuals whose lives have been turned around because of simple gestures of caring. These people often speak of how their own lives have been changed for the better too. By serving those who cannot give anything in return they discover the powerful presence of God.

Jesus said, 'If anyone wishes to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' If my value as a person doesn't depend on the job I do, or the riches I have accumulated, how do I measure up to Jesus' standards with the service I give? It is all about an attitude of mind and heart, being fully present to God through the one in need. Of course, I don't only have to be working with those on the edge to know the pain and commitment of love. I may be a parent who keeps on giving to my child irrespective of my own needs or a carer for an ageing parent. I am certainly blessed if I can understand what greatness is in the eyes of the gospel and of God.

May God bless you, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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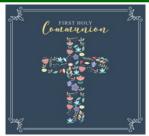
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YOUNG ADULTS

Congratulations to all the children who have completed their First Eucharist! This is a significant milestone in their faith journey and it represents a deepening of their relationship with God and the Catholic Church. It's a moment to cherish and celebrate their faith, and we wish them all the best as they continue to grow in their spiritual lives.



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Social Justice Corner

Vale Jon Horan

Social Justice Group members celebrated the life of Jon Horan on Friday with his family and friends. Jon's passing is a significant loss to our Group and our Parish.

Jon was a stalwart of the Social Justice Group for over a decade. His dedication and commitment to progress meaningful and genuine reconciliation with First Nations Peoples was inspiring.

Jon has left a strong legacy to our Parish for reaching out to First Nations Peoples to encourage pathways of understanding and collaboration. Jon coordinated many discussions within our Parish and local schools about social justice opportunities, including the Uluru Statement from the Heart and establishing a First Nations Voice that included First Nations speakers.

Jon's achievements include advocating for the Acknowledgement Plaque that is proudly displayed at our church and inviting local First Nations People to celebrate mass with us on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. Jon was an active member of several other groups that advocated for reconciliation and volunteered his time to support practical initiatives to enhance the spiritual, social, and economic well-being of First Nations People in Sydney. Jon was also a member of a Family Group that has been meeting in our Parish for many years.

The Social Justice Group would also like to acknowledge the wonderful support provided by Jo, Jon's wife, during the many bouts of illness Jon experienced in recent years.

On a personal level, Jon was known for his warmth, gentleness, sense of humour and his humble nature. He was a loyal friend and will be deeply missed. Please remember Jon, Jo and their family in your prayers.



Our Deepest Sympathy Jon Horan

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayerful sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Jon

Horan. Jon's funeral was held at Corpus Christi on Friday 20 September at 11am. May Jon experience the fullness of Christ's peace.



Our Deepest Sympathy Gerard Macknight

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayerful sympathy to

the family, relatives and friends of Gerard Macknight. Gerard's funeral will be held at Corpus Christi on Thursday 26 September at 10.30am. May Gerard experience the fullness of Christ's peace.

Prayer Zone





Anniversary: Denise Carmody

Please pray for the ill:

Enid McBain; 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 SEPTEMBER

Mon 23rd, St Pius of Pietrelcina, priest Fri 27th, St Vincent de Paul, priest Mon 30th, St Jerome, priest, doctor



IS GOD CALLING
YOU TO MAKE A
DIFFERENCE IN
OCATIONS MINISTRY?

SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

Thursday 26TH September, at Sacred Heart Church 2 Richard Porter Way Pymble. Commencing with Mass at 6.30pm. Our Mass celebrant and after dinner speaker will be Fr Gerard Moran OCD. His topic: "The Nature of a Discalced Carmelite Vocation and the Carmelites in Australia since 1948"

Everyone is welcome, so please come and see.

Please remember to pray <u>every day</u> for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians, novices, and for the residence of Joseph House Discernment Centre. Please also pray for the perseverance of existing vocations.

For catering purposes kindly telephone Henry or Anna Leung on **0478 083 116** or email annayytleung@yahoo.com.au or telephone Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com if you are planning to attend.



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

For the Cry of the Earth

Let us pray that each of us listen with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

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The Word

Sunday 22 September 2024: 25thSunday of Ordinary Time

Collect

Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, you Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

First Reading

From the book of Wisdom Wis 2:12, 17-20

Let us condemn him to a most shameful death.

The godless say to themselves,
'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he
annoys us and opposes our way of life,
reproaches us for our breaches of the law
and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.
Let us see if what he says is true,
let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.
If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part
and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.
Let us test him with cruelty and with torture,
and thus explore this gentleness of his
and put his endurance to the proof.
Let us condemn him to a shameful death
since he will be looked after – we have his word for it.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 53:3-6. 8. R. v.6 (R.) The Lord upholds my life.

- God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayers; listen to the words of my mouth. (R.)
- 2. For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God. (R.)
- 3. But I have God for my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. (R.)

Second Reading

From the letter of St James Jas 3:16 - 4:3

Justice is the harvest of peacemakers from seeds sown in a spirit of peace.

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Mark Mk 9:30-37

The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of humanity ... All who wish to be first must make themselves the servants of all.

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.