

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

24 November 2024, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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

Wednesday 27th November
Christmas Choir rehearsal 7pm in
the Church
Fr Gerard's 'Advent' talk 7pm in
the hall

Sunday 1st December
Corpus Christi School Family
Rock Mass—5pm



***“You say I am a king.
For this I was born and for this I
came into the world,
to testify to the truth.”
(Gospel)***

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

Our first reading today is taken from the Book of Daniel. We can describe Daniel as one of the great visionaries in the Bible. As Daniel tells us in the first reading today, *“I gazed into the visions of the night, and I saw...”* What a powerful statement that is! And what did he see? He saw Christ the King. As he said, *“I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man... On him was conferred sovereignty, glory, kingship, and men and women from all peoples, nations and languages served him. His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty, which shall never pass away, nor will his empire ever be destroyed.”*

If Daniel is the great visionary in the Bible, then Pontius Pilate, whom we meet in today's Gospel, is the Bible's great cynic – he has no vision at all, and he believes in nothing. The king of the Jews is standing before him and he cannot recognise him. And when Jesus says that his kingdom is a kingdom of truth, Pilate utters the ultimate cynical statement: *“Truth! What is that?”* Pilate no longer believes in the transcendental values of truth, goodness, beauty and altruism. He is motivated purely by self-interest, taking no responsibility for his actions (indeed, washing his hands clean of them).

Occasionally we meet cynics who only have bad things to say about the world and the Church and faith. What we most need our visionaries, people who don't deny that much is wrong, but still manage to see the good. Let us ask Christ our King to open our eyes that, amid the challenges, self-interest and scepticism that abound, we may see the signs of his presence among us in the goodness, the kindness and the self-sacrifice of so many people.

May God bless you,
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Christina Surjan, Administrative Assistant

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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 27th of November** in the hall followed by a "cuppa" and time for questions concluding 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

Social Justice Corner



Cana Market Stall: Sunday, 1 December 2024

Next Sunday, a stall will be held outside the church to support Cana Communities after the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Masses. The market stall will have handmade gifts, preserves, and other pantry items suitable for Christmas presents.

Cana Communities is a not-for-profit charity working with men and women, who have experienced homelessness, addiction, mental health issues, and other barriers that have prevented them from creating a positive life for themselves. At Cana Farm at Orchard Hills, locally grown and chemical-free produce is grown with the help of volunteers and community members, often people who have been homeless or are transitioning back into society following time in jail and face employment barriers.

Cana is run by volunteers and regularly runs stalls in parishes in the Sydney area. Funds raised go towards providing employment, education, and sustainable opportunities for people transforming their lives.

If you are unable to attend Mass next Sunday and would like to support Cana, you can also order online from their Christmas Catalogue www.canafarm.com.au/collections/christmas-gifts.



Prayer Zone



Anniversary:

Molly and Grace Tang; Robert Meek

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

Sun 24th, Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE

Sat 30th, St Andrew, apostle



Corpus Christi
Family Rock Mass

FAMILY ROCK MASS

Please join us on Sunday 1st of December at the 5pm mass.

The family rock Mass will be led by the children from Kindy and Year 5



Sunday 15th December following

the 10am Flampier Mass

Please join us for a thank you BBQ for all parishioners

More details next week!

PC ITEMS

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

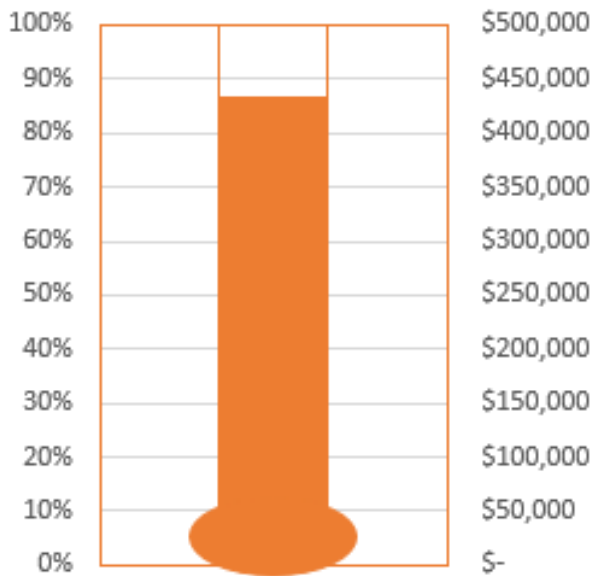
To date approximately \$22,300 has been either paid or pledged to this appeal, which will reduce the total amount of the building contract.

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.

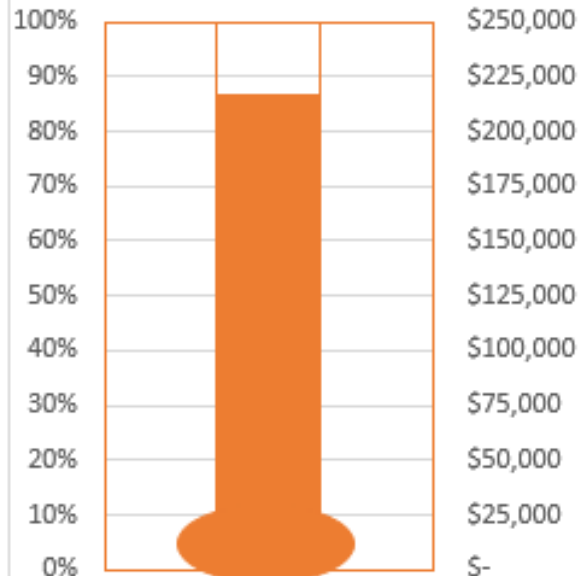
PC ITEMS	Approximate cost \$
Supply & install kitchen, laundry & pantry	20,000
Carpet (to be selected)	8,000
Ceramic tiles (to be selected)	3,000
Vanities (3) (Custom made for openings)	2,400
Alarm system (to be selected)	2,000
WC suites (3) (Mondella Signature)	1,500
Washing Machine (Fisher & Paykel)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

PRESBYTERY BUILDING PROJECT FUNDRAISING

PARISH FUNDRAISING



Diocese Co-Contribution



Our updated total raised, including cash sponsorship of the PC items is **\$434,020!** If you would like to donate, please reference: **New Presbytery Build** in your payment message.

Account Name: St Ives Catholic Parish

BSB: 062 784

Account No: 100001798

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

PARISH OFFICE

Fr Greg, Jen, Gerri, Christina and Michelle will be working from the interim Parish Office in the Parish Hall from Monday 25 November. Please come in to have a look and say hello!

We are happy to be back on-site!

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

Children's Nativity Mass

Would your child like to
be part of the 6pm
Nativity Play at
Christmas Eve Mass
this year?

Practice Dates:
3:30-5:30pm

Everyone is welcome!

- Sat 14 Dec 3:30-5:00pm
- Sat 21 Dec 3:30-5:00pm
- Tue 24 Dec 4:30pm
Mass at 6:00pm

Parent helpers encouraged to
stay during practice times.



Please attend the Saturday
practices for main role
allocation. If you can't come
for the Saturdays, please
still come to the Hall
before Mass on Christmas
Eve to join.

All are welcome to join in.

Contact:
Rebecca 0407 277 689
(via text msg)



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NOVEMBER 2024 APPEAL



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Hospital Chaplaincy
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CHRISTMAS WEEK SERVICES

Parish Reconciliation, Thursday 19th December

7:30-8:30pm

Christmas Eve Masses, Tuesday 24th December

6:00pm Family Mass / Nativity Pageant

8:30pm carols in preparation for 9:00pm Mass

Christmas Day, Wednesday 25th December **

8:00am, 10:00am (no evening Mass)

** Christmas obligation

AFTER CHRISTMAS

Thursday 26th - Friday 27th December

9:00am Morning Masses

Saturday 28th December 2024

9:00am Mass, & 6:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, 29th December 2024

8:00am, 10:00am & 5:00pm Mass

Wednesday, 1st January 2025

9:00am Morning Mass

GLORY TO THE NEWBORN KING



 CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH
ST IVES



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 24 November 2024: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Collect

Almighty ever-living God,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of the universe,
grant, we pray,
that the whole creation, set free from slavery,
may render your majesty service
and ceaselessly proclaim your praise.
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 7:13-14

His sovereignty is eternal.

I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples, nations and languages
became his servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire be destroyed.
as stars for all eternity.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 92:1-2. 5. R.v. 1

(R.) The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

1. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the
Lord has robed himself with might, he has
girded himself with power. *(R)*
2. The world you made firm, not to be moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are. *(R)*
3. Truly your decrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord,
until the end of time. *(R)*

Second Reading

From the book of the Apocalypse Rv 1:5-8

*The ruler of the kings of the earth ... made us a
line of kings, priests to serve his God.*

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born
from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth.
He loves us and has washed away our sins with
his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to
serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory
and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who
is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him,
even those who pierced him, and all the races of
the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth.
Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the
Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come,
the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David
our Father;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John Jn 18:33-37

You say that I am a king.

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked.
Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own
accord, or have others spoken to you about me?'
Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own
people and the chief priests who have handed
you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus
replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my
kingdom were of this world, my men would have
fought to prevent my being surrendered to the
Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you
are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it'
answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for
this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness
to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth
listen to my voice.'

The Gospel of the Lord.