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**25 July 2021 – 17th 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

**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



*One of his disciples, Andrew said to him, “There is a boy who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?”*  
**(Gospel)**

Dear Parishioners,

The first reading and the Gospel of today speak about the reality of hunger and the food that satisfies. In both instances people were hungry and in need of food. In the Gospel episode, the crowd is large and far from any town. By human standards they are in an impossible situation for they have no way to obtain food. But what is impossible for humans is possible for the God of compassion and love. Jesus challenges the disciples to come up with a solution: ‘Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?’ Andrew’s half-hearted initiative and the boy’s generosity are blessed by Jesus with remarkable results. The small boy’s ‘five barley loaves and two fish’ are enough to feed well over 5000 people, with plenty left over!

God works wonders when we are willing to cooperate with him. Complaining and murmuring about the enormity of a problem won’t solve it. But if we are willing and generous enough to place our small contribution at the Lord’s feet, remarkable results can come. St Paul exhorts us today to lead a life worthy of the vocation to which we are called, and to support one another in love, with complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Humility, gentleness, patience in all situations and loving support for each other are hallmarks of the Christian life.

May God bless you.  
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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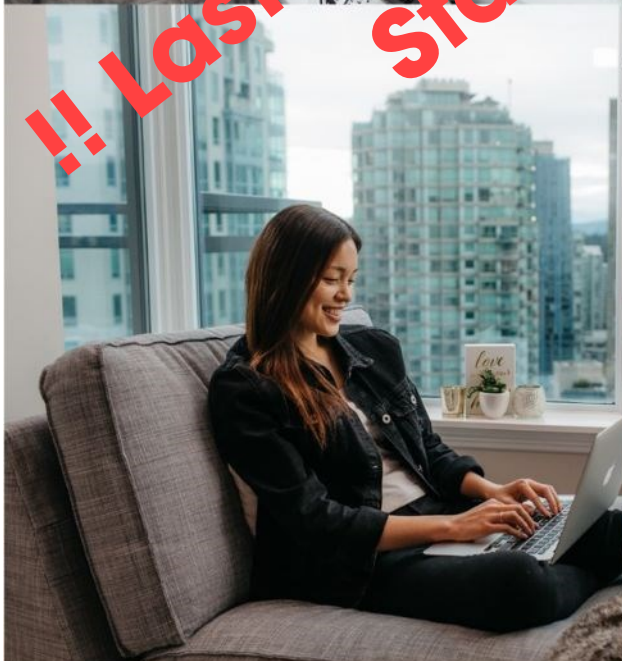
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9144 6998

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**Principal: Mrs Jayne Wheen**  
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# Alpha Online...



**!! Last Weekend to Register -  
Starts Tuesday!!**



## “Come & See”

Do you have questions? Feeling disconnected from life?

Come and join Alpha from the comfort of your own home and reconnect with others in our community.

Everyone welcome— bring a friend!!

Beginning Tuesday's  
27 July 2021  
7:30-9:00pm

To watch Promo [CLICK HERE](#)  
To Register [CLICK HERE](#)

For more information contact [Jen HERE](#) or  
our [website HERE](#)



**Wrapped in love UPDATE from Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School!**

Thank you to everyone in the Parish that has contributed the knitted squares for our "Wrapped in love" initiative.

**CALLING ALL SEWERS OR KNITTERS-WOULD ANYONE LIKE A PROJECT TO KEEP YOU OCCUPIED**

We still have more squares if anybody can sew, knit or crochet them together. Please contact me at penny.delmage@dbb.catholic.edu.au to arrange contactless pick up from the school office.

We now have about **12 blankets** being sewn together by nursing homes, Corpus Christi parents and grandparents, staff, friends in the community, high school students and even a pre-school. We have far exceeded our aim for this project to be "knitting generations together."

Our blankets will be ready to donate to the Hornsby Women's Shelter later this term.

Thank you  
Penny Delmage

**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.

**MT CARMEL RETREAT PROGRAM:**

**Day Retreat -Cost: \$30 per person (Please BYO lunch)**  
**Practicing the Presence of God in a Confusing World**  
August 7 10am to 4pm Presenter: Geoff Stumbles  
*A way of prayer that enables us to find the "still point" of God's presence in our ever changing world*

**Day Retreat—Cost: \$30 per person (BYO Lunch)**  
**St John of the Cross' Counsels: Instructions on How to Grow in Christian Perfection**  
Sept 4 10am to 4pm. Presenter: Bro Adalbert Imperial, OCD  
*We will explore how the substance of St John's Counsel can be adapted to help anyone who sincerely desires to live according to the values of the Gospel.*

For information of any of the retreats, please call 8795 3400  
[www.mtcarmel.com.au](http://www.mtcarmel.com.au)



Looking for more **JOY** in your life?  
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If this describes how you feel, then the Holy Spirit Series is for you!

**Starts Monday, 9 August 2021**

**The Wild Goose Holy Spirit Series:**

The Wild Goose series is truly a work of the Holy Spirit. "Wild Goose" was a term that the ancient Celts had for the Holy Spirit. It is a 14 part series featuring Fr. Dave Pivonka (for those who did the Advent series with the Vigil Project and loved his message – this was also part of the series we used to run the Holy Spirit retreat last August) and various interviews. Shot in various locations from Niagara Falls to the California desert, The Wild Goose invites viewers to an encounter, or a renewed encounter, with the Holy Spirit.

Join us by Zoom on August 9  
7.30-9:00pm

**[REGISTER HERE](#)**

## PARISH OFFICE WORKING FROM HOME

The Parish office staff will be working from home during the lock down period. If you have any queries during this time, please email:

Michelle at [office@corpuschristi.com.au](mailto:office@corpuschristi.com.au)

Belinda at [belinda@corpuschristi.com.au](mailto:belinda@corpuschristi.com.au)

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Jen at [Jennifer.Perrott@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:Jennifer.Perrott@bbcatholic.org.au).

Alternatively call the office phone number 9144 6998



### World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

"I am with you always" are the words that I, as Bishop of Rome and an elderly person like yourselves, would like to address to you on this first World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly: the whole Church is close to you – to us – and cares about you, loves you and does not want to leave you alone!



#IamWithYouAlways

@laityfamilylife

## FEAST DAYS— JULY

**Monday 26th**, Sts Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Thursday 29th**, Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus

**Saturday 31st**, St Ignatius of Loyola, priest

## Prayer Zone



### Please pray for the ill:

Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton;

Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Denise Carmody;

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,

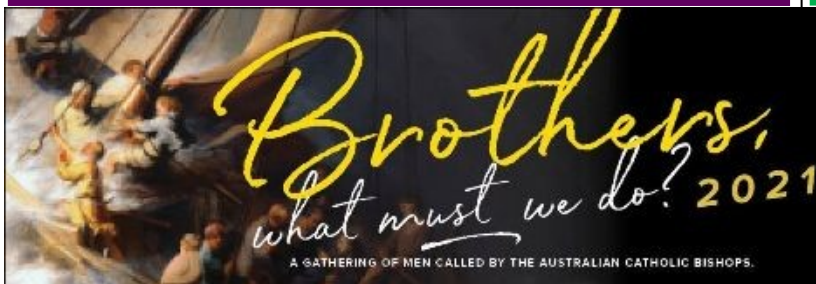
Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty,

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.***

## SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE

The Pastoral Care of the elderly is a priority that must form part of a Safeguarding Action Plan of any Parish community. In the encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*, Pope Francis reminds us that “no one is saved alone. With this in mind, we must treasure the spiritual and human wealth that has been handed down from generation to generation.”



Launching Nationally on  
**Saturday, 31st July 2021**

[www.catholicmensgathering.com.au](http://www.catholicmensgathering.com.au)



## National Catholic Men's Gathering 2021

*“They were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other Apostles, Brothers - what then must we do?”*  
Acts 2:37

The National Catholic Men's Gathering for 2021 will be launched online on Saturday 31 July. Join a diocesan group with your Bishop or individually. Three sessions will be provided online, along with reflection questions for group discussion or individual reflection. **Aim: To inspire and encourage all Catholic men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish/diocese and the world.**

**Cost: FREE**

**Registration:** [www.catholicmensgathering.com.au](http://www.catholicmensgathering.com.au)

**Program:**

**Available from Saturday 31 July 2021**

# Planned Giving Program Review.

## OVERVIEW:

- Fr Greg and the Parish Finance Committee thank all Parishioners for their ongoing support of our Parish.
- Approximately 36% of our contributing Parishioners do so by means of an electronic transfer.
- We respectfully request that Parishioners currently not using the available electronic transfers for the Parish Planned Giving Program to, where possible, make the change to electronic transfer.
- In coming weeks a representative of the Parish Finance Committee will contact Parishioners not using the electronic method to determine how we may assist, where possible, to make the transition.
- Parishioners who would like to change over to, or begin to contribute via electronic transfer, may contact one of the following:

The Parish Office (9144 6998)  
Ian Gibson (0417 670 150)  
Paul Rubenach (0409 445 542)

## THE NEED FOR A REVIEW:

The ongoing disruption to our Parish Community caused by COVID-19 has prompted the Parish Finance Committee to carry out a review of our current Planned Giving Program. The last twelve months has been difficult and during this time Parishioners have been generous in helping to maintain our income. However, with difficult times persisting, Parish projects, new and old, will require us to maintain our Planned Giving process in the most efficient manner.

The goal is to reduce the administration involved with the collection process and to establish a more predictable cash flow. This will assist with the maintenance of the Parish assets and administration, as well as associated running costs. Ideally, it will help manage the Parish cash flow and budget planning accordingly.

The Parish Planned Giving Program (also known as the 2<sup>nd</sup> **Collection**) currently receives funds via various methods. These methods include:

1. The “envelope” system (contributions typically made each week at Mass)
2. Ad hoc - Tap N Go machines at the entrance of the Church (made when attending Mass)
3. Credit card (electronic transfer monthly or quarterly)
4. Direct debit (electronic transfer monthly or quarterly)
5. Ad hoc cheque or electronic transfers (normally annual).

To achieve the desired outcome of this review, we are addressing Parish members who make their **much-appreciated** financial contributions to the Parish using Envelopes or Cash (including Tap n Go).

While we will maintain the 'envelope' system for those unable to participate in the 'electronic' process, we would appreciate the co-operation of Parishioners to change to a more efficient process and thereby help us achieve the following goals previously mentioned:

1. Administration efficiency
2. More consistent income flows to assist with Parish needs.

Importantly, members of the Parish Finance Committee will be available to help any Parishioner move from the 'envelope/cash' system to the 'electronic banking facility'.

At the end of this document you will find a form to authorise periodic payment by credit card. If you are confident to do so, please complete the form and return it to the Parish office.

If you would like assistance with this process you are invited to contact:

The Parish Office	(9144 6998)
Ian Gibson	(0417 670 150)
Paul Rubenach	(0409 445 542)

Once again, thank you to all Parishioners for your contributions. We hope that you may encourage others to start contributing. Hopefully, in the near future, we will also address the broader community by providing a simple way of contributing via our Parish website.

**Parish Finance Committee.**



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**AUTHORITY FOR RECURRENT PERIODIC PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD**

I wish to use my credit card to make regular parishioner contributions to the Catholic Parish of St Ives (the Merchant).

I hereby authorise the Merchant to debit my Credit Card account with the amount and at intervals specified below. This authority shall stand, as specified, until I notify the Merchant in writing of its cancellation.

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Given Names: \_\_\_\_\_

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Card Holder's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

**Credit Card Details:**

Card Type (tick Box)            MasterCard            Visa Card

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Card Expiry            \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_    (e.g MM/YY)

I authorize the following periodic payment(s) to be made:

A. **FIRST COLLECTION:**      Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_      Each: Month /Quarter

B. **SECOND COLLECTION:**    Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_      Each: Month /Quarter

**Please return this form to the Parish office by mail or email to [belinda@corpuschristi.com.au](mailto:belinda@corpuschristi.com.au)**

**The information provided in this form is collected and handled in accordance with the Broken Bay Diocese's Privacy Policy available on the website at [www.bbcatholic.org.au/privacy-policy](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/privacy-policy)**



## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY

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## The Word

Sunday 25 July 2021: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### First Reading

From the second book of the Kings 2 Kgs 4:42-44

*They will eat and have some left over.*

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."' He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

The Word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 144:10-11, 15-18. R.**  
v.16

*(R.) The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.*

1. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. *(R.)*
2. The eyes of all creatures look to you and you give them their food in due time. You open wide your hand, grant the desires of all who live. *(R.)*
3. The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. *(R.)*

### Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians Eph 4:1-6

*There is one body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism.*

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called.

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

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 John Jn 6:1-15

*He distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted.*

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

The Gospel of the Lord.