

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

26 January 2025, Third 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

Friday 7 February
Exposition / Adoration at 7pm
Mass at 7:30pm

Thursday 20 February
Compulsory Parent Information
Night for the Sacrament of
Reconciliation
Parish Hall—7:30pm



Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

Australia Day is a time for reflection and gratitude, as we celebrate the beauty of this land and the richness of our shared history. We are called to reflect on the blessings of living in this great country, and to

remember our responsibility to care for the land, its people, and each other.

On this day, we acknowledge the First Nations peoples, the traditional custodians of this land. We honour their deep connection to the earth and their cultural heritage. As a Church, we seek to walk with them on a journey of reconciliation, healing, and mutual respect. Let us pray for greater understanding, for the healing of past wounds, and for the creation of a society where all are treated with dignity and love.

We also give thanks for the diverse communities that make up our Australian society. Our faith teaches us to welcome the stranger, to embrace those who are different, and to build a community rooted in justice, peace, and love. Let us pray for unity and harmony, recognizing that in our diversity, we reflect the rich tapestry of God's creation.

As we celebrate Australia Day, may we be inspired to live out the values of the Gospel, working together to build a society that reflects God's kingdom here on earth. Let us ask for God's blessing on our land, our leaders, and all who call Australia home, that we may be guided by His wisdom and love as we continue to walk together into the future.

May God bless you,
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Feast of the Conversion of St Paul

Excerpt from BBNeighbourhoods

On Saturday we celebrated the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul, the great evangelist driven by passion and love for Christ and His Church.

Saul of Tarsus, as he was known was a Diaspora Jew, a member of the party of the Pharisees, who turned away from persecution of Christians when he was suddenly and dramatically converted on the road to Damascus in the early first century A.D. when Our Lord appeared to him in His resurrected glory. Paul went on to become a great and widely-travelled missionary throughout the eastern Roman Empire spreading the Gospel and being the first to preach to Gentiles that they could be saved by their faith in God and not by good deeds or works of the law. He established more than a dozen churches but also endured numerous trials – beaten, stoned and shipwrecked three times before he was martyred in Rome around 64 A.D.

St Paul is traditionally considered the author of up to 13 books of the Bible, certainly seven authenticated, and more than any other biblical writer – one reason he is the patron saint of the missions, writers, and publishers.

If St Paul was alive today he would use all means of communications to bring the Word of God to all souls.

Prayer Zone



Recently Deceased
Mable Wong

Anniversary:
Arnoldo Figueroa

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 - JAN/FEB

Sat 25th, The Conversion of St Paul, apostle
Tues 28th, St Thomas Aquinas
Fri 31st, St Jon Bosco, priest
Sun 2nd, The Presentation of the Lord
Wed 5th, St Agatha, virgin, martyr
Thurs 6th, St Paul Miki and companions, martyrs
Mon 10th, St Scholastica, virgin
Fri 14th, Sts Cyril, monk, and Methodius, bishop

Father Ireneusz Czech's Jubilee Year 2025 Homilies Book

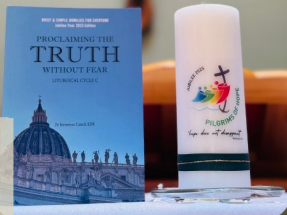
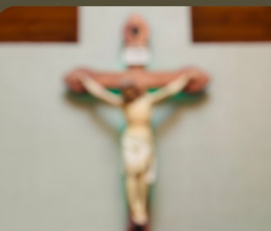
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Broken Bay Pilgrimage Assisi | Rome | October 2025

In early February, Mission Broken Bay will launch a ten day Broken Bay pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome with Chaplain, Fr Hien Vu on 1-10 October 2025. Included in this pilgrimage will be Mass with Bishop Anthony in Rome, visits to the Holy Doors and participation in the Vatican celebrations for the Jubilee of Consecrated Life 8-9 October. Enquiries mission@bbcatholic.org.au

SAVE THE DATE: Pilgrimage Information Night –
6:30pm Thursday 27 February

In loving memory of



**REV. FR. JOHNY ARATTUKULAM OCD
(MANJUMMEL PROVINCE)**

March 07, 1952 - January 03, 2025

On Sunday the 19th of January we honoured the life of Fr Johnny Arattukulam. Fr Johnny was Assistant Priest at Corpus Christi for 12 years before moving to Mandurah in Western Australia. Fr Johnny's funeral mass was held in Manjummel, India on 6 January, 2025.

May Fr Johnny rest in the fullness of Christ's peace.





POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

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The Word

Sunday 26 January 2025: Australia Day

First Reading

From the prophet Isaiah Is 32:15-18

The effect of justice will be peace.

Once more there will be poured on us the spirit from above;

then shall the wilderness be fertile land and fertile land become forest.

In the wilderness justice will come to live and integrity in the fertile land;

integrity will bring peace,

justice give lasting security.

My people will live in a peaceful home,

in safe houses, in quiet dwellings.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 84:9-14.

(R.) The Lord speaks of peace to his people.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace.

His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)

2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. (R.)

3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

Second Reading

From the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians
1 Cor 12:14-11

One and the same Spirit distributes different gifts as he chooses.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.
The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the peacemakers;

They shall be called children of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 5:2-12

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

Jesus began speaking to the crowds. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle;

they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn;

they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right; they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful;

they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart;

they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers;

they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right;

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.