

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

29 September 2024, 26th 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 Month

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

**Thursday evenings
(during term time)**

Fr Sunny's Bible Study Group
7:30pm in the Church

Wednesday 9 October

Coffee Catch Up at Archies
St Ives Village at 10:30am



**“Anyone who is not
against us is for us.”
(Gospel)**

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

The readings today give a graphic description of the importance of being focused on the things of God and not allowing words and practices to become a millstone around our neck. Moses and Jesus both say ‘no’ to misguided understandings of the truth and urge their followers to open their eyes and hearts. The reality is that God’s Spirit moves freely, and the Spirit of God is given to all of us. We need therefore to be open to the possibility that God’s spirit is working in unexpected ways, particularly wherever there is passion and commitment to life, wholeness and healing.

Where do I see this Spirit – in the church and in the world? Perhaps in those who are prophetically leading us towards more awareness and care of creation and our environment? Perhaps in initiatives to gather together the vitality and enthusiasm of young people to create an inclusive community in our local area? To be open to the possibility that God’s spirit may well be speaking to us, despite the way it comes, is the hope of Moses, fulfilled in Jesus and lived in our time.

May God bless you,
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Join us on Friday the 4th October
for Friday Holy Hour

The first Friday of every month

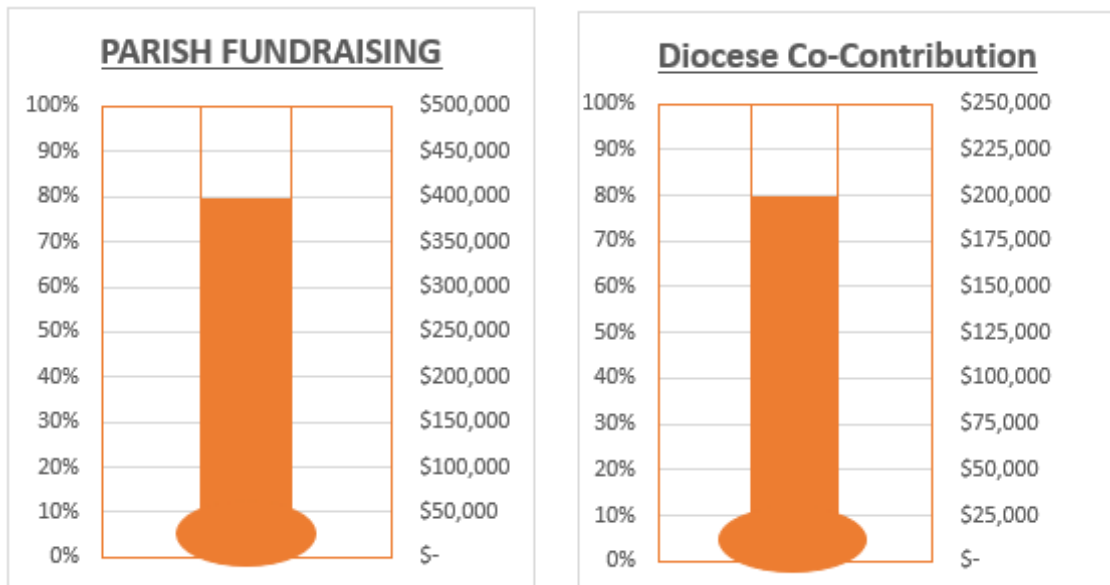
**Eucharistic
Adoration**

at 7pm

Followed by Mass at 7.30pm



PRESBYTERY BUILDING PROJECT FUNDRAISING



Thank you for your generosity! Our updated total raised is **\$399,100!** We have achieved 80 percent of our \$500,000 goal. We have also received \$13,300 for the PC Items. **For every \$100 donated the Diocese will give us another \$50.** You can donate directly to our bank account as below:

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Regards the Parish Finance Committee



Social Justice Corner

Refugee and Migrant Sunday

Pope Francis has chosen the theme, “**God walks with His people,**” for the 110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2024 which is being commemorated in Australia today. This last Sunday of September is also known in the Catholic Church as Migrant and Refugee Sunday.

First celebrated in 1914, the World Day of Migrants and Refugees encourages us to reflect on and pray for those forced to flee their homelands due to conflict, persecution, or hardship. It is also a time to express our concern for vulnerable populations and foster a deeper understanding of the complex realities they face.

The Corpus Christi Social Justice Group continues to support the health needs of newly arrived Tibetan refugees settling on the Northern Beaches. However, the annual appeal to support this project, usually held on Migrant and Refugee Sunday, has been postponed to later in the year.

Pope Francis’ Prayer for the 110th World Day of Migrants & Refugees 2024

*God Almighty Father,
we are your pilgrim Church journeying towards the Kingdom of heaven
We live in our homeland, but as if we were foreigners.
Every foreign place is our home, yet every native land is foreign to us.
Though we live on earth, our true citizenship is in heaven.
Do not let us become possessive of the portion of the world you have given us as a temporary home
Help us to keep walking, together with our migrant brothers and sisters,
toward the eternal dwelling you have prepared for us.
Open our eyes and our hearts so that every encounter with those in need
becomes an encounter with Jesus, your Son and our Lord. Amen.*



Calling all kids!!

Do you want to have a run and play after sitting still during mass? Come to Pray and Play!! We will be meeting after Sunday 10am Mass on the grassed area between the Presbytery garage and school oval on the following dates and hope to see you there:

- 20 Oct
- 10 Nov
- 8 Dec

Prayer Zone



Anniversary: Molly and Mary Tang
Recently Deceased: Hilda De Vox

Please pray for the ill:

Enid McBain; Michelle Fisher; Fr Sergio Chaurira; 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

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.

Liturgy of the Word with Children



Childrens’ liturgy of the Word

During Sunday 10am Mass, children are invited to go to the school to participate in Children’s Liturgy of the Word. There, they read the Gospel for the week and do activities related to that Sunday’s gospel.

Morning tea is served after Mass for everyone. We look forward to welcoming you!

TOWARD THE
2025 JUBILEE YEAR

YEAR OF PRAYER

YOU ARE CALLED TO BE
"PILGRIMS OF HOPE"

SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER 2024

Pope Francis has dedicated 2024 to the Year of Prayer in preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year.

As we prepare the celebration of our Parish Church's 50th Anniversary in on Sunday 27th of October, there will be various events and activities in our parish to help all to journey together in the rediscovery of the great value and need for daily prayer.

The "Wall of Prayer" you see near the front entry of the church is one such space that allows children and adults to participate in making small prayers, together. Please encourage each other to write prayers there, as we join together in one Spirit, one Church, one community.



Wall of Prayer

Prayer is special. We can talk to God by praying.

We can pray to say thank you
We can pray to ask for help
We can pray to ask for advice
We can pray for someone else

We can pray about anything!

Let's Pray!

1. Pick up a piece of paper from the tray below
2. Write your prayer on the paper

You can use your own words, or start with any of the below phrases:

Thank you for ___
I pray for ___
Please take care of ___

3. Use the Blu Tack to stick your prayer on the glass below
4. During Sunday Mass, we will offer the prayers

CORPUS CHRISTI 50TH ANNIVERSARY Celebration

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SUNDAY
27 OCTOBER

PARISH CELEBRATION



Come and join in the celebration of our special 50th Anniversary of our Church.

- ✓ Special Celebration Mass at 10am
- ✓ BYO favourite cultural dish to share
- ✓ Live Music
- ✓ Children's Activities



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In the coming week, the Church will commemorate the Memorial of three great saints: Saint Jerome, Saint Thérèse of Lisieux, and Saint Francis of Assisi.

These three saints lived at very different times, came from differing circumstances and led very different lives. But they all shared in common, a desire to live according to God's will. Every day, they lived out God's mission, most particularly through prayer. Despite the challenges they all faced in life, they never strayed far from God.

Saint Jerome dedicated much of his life to translating the Bible into Latin and writing extensively on theology. He also wrote commentaries on the Scriptures, helping many to understand and grow in their knowledge of God's Word.

Saint Francis gave up a lavish life to dedicate himself entirely to the service of God, leading a life of poverty and preaching, encouraging more people to live virtuous lives centred on Christ. He held a great affinity for the Eucharist and saw it as sign God dwelled within everyone.

Saint Thérèse of Lisieux was a model of simplicity and sanctity. Despite living just 24 years and living her entire adult life as a Carmelite nun, she has become a model of holiness to people everywhere, despite overcoming many obstacles in her life. Her approach to God is called "*The Little Way*". It is a way of confidence and surrender. All we need to do is to offer love in our concrete circumstances out of love for God and other people. In this way she became the greatest saint in modern times.

The saints of our Church came from many different backgrounds. They show there is no single path to sainthood. But they are all examples to us and help to light the path on our own journey to sainthood.



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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together, to enjoy each others'
company and to support their
Clergy and Parishes.

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The Word

Sunday 29 September 2024: 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Collect

O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven. 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

From the book of Numbers Nm 11:25-29

Are you jealous on my account? Who decrees that all people may prophesy?

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look', he said, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 18:8. 10. 12-14. R. v.9
(R.) The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

1. The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. *(R.)*
2. The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. *(R.)*
3. So in them your servant finds instructions; great reward is in their keeping. But who can detect all his errors? From hidden faults acquit me. *(R.)*
4. From presumption restrain your servant and let it not rule me. Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin. *(R.)*

Second Reading

From the letter of St James Jas 5:1-6

Your wealth is rotting.

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word, O Lord, is truth:
make us holy in the truth.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Mark Mk 9:38-43. 45. 47-48

Anyone who is not against us is for us. If your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off.

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

The Gospel of the Lord.