

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

**30 July 2023, 17th 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: 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 Monday**

**(during term time)**

Divine Will Prayer Group  
10-11:30am - Hall

**Every Friday**

**(during term time)**

Lectio Divina; Hall & Zoom 10am

**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

**Wednesday 2 August**

MenAlive Meeting  
Parish Office Dining Room  
7pm

**Thursday 3 August**

Welcoming Ministry Information  
Night 7:15pm Parish Hall

**Friday 4 August**

First Friday of the Month mass

**Sunday 6 - 13 August**

National Vocations Awareness  
Week



***The kingdom of heaven is like  
a treasure buried in a field,  
which a person finds and  
hides again . (Gospel)***

Dear Parishioners,

When I was younger, my sister and I would go ‘treasure hunting’ in the space under our house, with our ‘treasures’ being oddly shaped or multicoloured rocks. We would look a long time for the rocks, and be overjoyed when we found even one. Jesus uses the image of treasure to describe the reality of God’s kingdom. A treasure isn’t something we can earn, it’s something we need to go out and search for, perhaps even for a long time. And look at how the two characters in the Gospel respond when they find their treasure: they sell all their possessions just to have that one treasure they have found. Jesus uses this parable to remind us that God is the greatest treasure of our lives, and perhaps also that we are God’s own treasure; that, like the landowner and the merchant, God will do anything to have us near him and belonging to him. What are the treasures in my life? How do I make God my greatest treasure? Do I see myself as treasured by God, too?

May God bless you,

Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Ed Wales, Parish Finance  
Michelle Miles, Office Manager  
Jennifer Perrott, Faith Facilitator  
Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator  
Christina Surjan, Administrative Assistant

**HALL BOOKINGS**

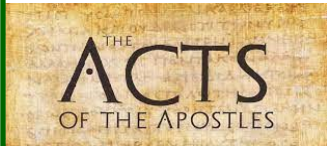
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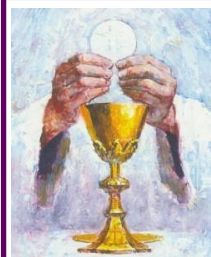
## FR SUNNY'S BIBLE STUDY



All are welcome to attend Fr Sunny's bible study on The Acts of the Apostles.

This session will commence on Thursday the 27th of July at 7:30 to 9pm and every Thursday thereafter with an extended break starting in the September school holidays.

The sessions are free and you will receive a handout. Please bring your bible with you.



### Enrolment for First Eucharist is now open.

If your child is Year 4 or older, has been baptised, and completed the sacraments of Confirmation and Reconciliation, then they are eligible to enrol in the First

Eucharist sacramental program. The ceremony will take place on either Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September 6pm or Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September 10am. To enrol go to <https://www.trybooking.com/CJSGB> or see our website for further details.

Any questions can be directed to [sacraments@corpuschristi.com.au](mailto:sacraments@corpuschristi.com.au)



ABC TV's Q+A INVITES YOU TO JOIN THE AUDIENCE! On **Monday, August 14th, LIVE from 9.30 pm!**

Host Patricia Karvelas is joined by a panel of decision-makers and commentators, discussing, and debating the issues that are important to YOU! Participate in national discussion and watch live TV being put to air!

**We will be running a free return bus service from ST IVES / PYMBLE to our studios in ULTIMO.**

Do you want to Join us on the bus and in the audience? Here's what you need to do:

Please register your interest at the link below and in the last question, Q.15 "How did you hear about us" please write:

**CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH**

<https://www.abc.net.au/qanda/studio-audience/>

We will be in touch with more details if you are successful in securing a seat on the bus and in the audience - Hurry limited seats!

We cannot predict what the topics will be this far out but would love to hear from your church about what matters most to you. We hope to see you at Q+A!

**Christa Hill – 0488 021 053 (business hours only)**

**Audience Producer (Monday - Thursday)**

*Please note I am a disabled person who use's voice to text technology, if any communication seems unclear, please contact me for clarification.*



The Welcome Ministry is for volunteers who greet people on arrival at each Mass, in particular newcomers to the Parish

*Be part of a team to make our parish warmer and build up our community*

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE THE FLYERS IN FOYER OF CHURCH, OR CONTACT ANDRENA BREWER ON 0438 698 993 FOR MORE INFORMATION.

# WELCOME MINISTRY INFORMATION

*Night*

### WHERE:

**CORPUS CHRISTI ST IVES  
PARISH HALL  
7:15-9:00PM**

PLEASE SCAN THE CODE HERE TO REGISTER OR FILL IN THE REGISTRATION FORM AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.



# First Friday of Every Month

## Friday 4 August 2023

Exposition / Adoration at 7pm followed by  
Mass at 7:30pm

### Prayer Zone



**Please pray for the ill:**

Jessie Chang; Brendan Seeto; 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; Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, 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 the office know.***



### Social Justice Corner

#### One Plus One - The Elders

For people interested in Aboriginal views on the upcoming Voice referendum, the ABC program *One plus One - The Elders*, is an interview with seven prominent First Nations leaders/elders, including Miriam Rose Ungunmerr-Baumann, former Senior Australian of the Year and a teacher, both in the Catholic Education System and of traditional Aboriginal culture.

The interviews, by Dan Bouchier, are available on ABC i-view and you will get a detailed story of the lives of these remarkable people. It also provides a range of views from those supporting a 'yes' vote to those who propose to vote 'no' and those seeking more information.

### FEAST DAYS JULY / AUGUST

Monday 31 July, *St Ignatius of Loyola*  
Tuesday 1st, *St Alphonsus Liguori, bishop, doctor*  
Thursday 3rd, *St Dominic, priest*  
Friday 4th, *St John Vianney, priest*  
Sunday 6th, *The Transfiguration of the Lord*  
Tuesday 8th, *St Mary of the Cross, virgin*  
Thursday 10th, *St Lawrence, deacon, martyr*  
Friday 11th, *St Clare, virgin*  
**Tuesday 15th, *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Holy Day of Obligation***



#### PARISH SOCIAL CRAFT GROUP

A happy group for a relaxing morning every fortnight - bring your own craft or handiwork if you wish.

Next get together **Thursday 3 August 2023 @ 10.30am** in the Parish Hall.  
Enq.: Angela 0405 507 982

#### 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.

CATCH UP WITH  
CORPUS CHRISTI PATISHIONERS

## Coffee Morning

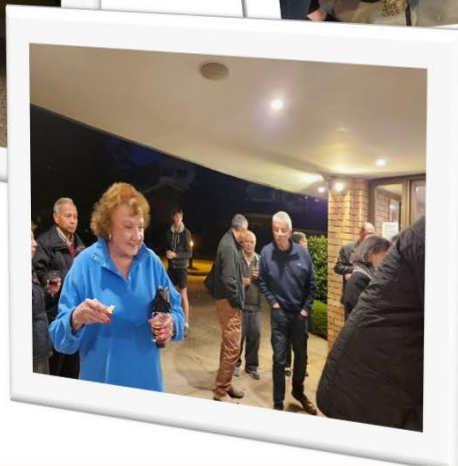
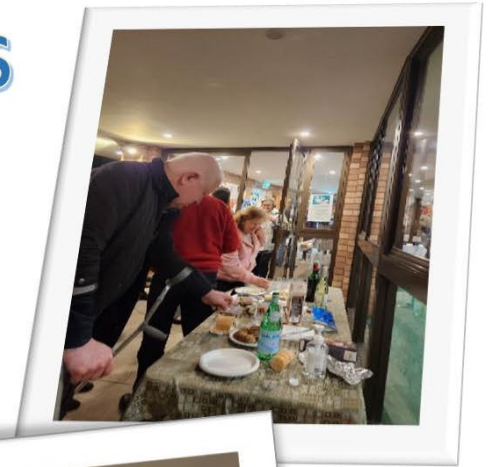
WEDNESDAY 8 AUGUST  
ARCHIES, ST IVES SHOPPING CENTRE  
10:30 AM



RSVP to Andrena | 0438 698 993



# Last Sunday after 5PM Mass



**Did you miss the inaugural Fine and Branches Community gathering after the 5pm Mass last Sunday. It was a great time of meeting new people , catching up with people not seen in a while enjoying a drink and something to eat?**

**Then don't miss the next one!**

**Vine and Branches will be after the 5pm Mass on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month.**

# Youth News

Pray and Play is for babies, toddlers, and primary school children together with their families.

It is an opportunity for the families to spend time together after Sunday 10am Mass for some running around and a simple lunch. We will be meeting in the Parish Hall on the following dates:

6 August                      3 September                      15 October  
5 November                      3 December

We hope you'll be able to join us!



## High School Youth Group



We had so much fun last Sunday making pizzas with a special treat of dessert pizzas and ice cream! Thank you to Cel Tria and Michelle Biggs for providing such yummy ingredients.

Next Youth Group will be on 27 Aug after 5pm Mass. We will have a simple dinner, some games, and discuss "If God has a plan, then how can we also have free will?"

**IGNITE CONFERENCE 23**

Broken Bay is hosting Ignite Youth Conference this year! We are getting a group of Youth together to attend Ignite, 28 Sep – 1 Oct (first weekend of school holidays). <https://igniteconference.com.au/sydney> for more info. Please let Edith know ASAP if you are interested, we are hoping to get half price registrations if we can be quick!



# Youth Mass

Do you love to sing, or play an instrument? We would love for you to join our monthly Youth Masses. Our next Youth Mass is at the 5pm Mass on 27 August. Please come at 4pm for warm up and rehearsal!

For more info about the youth groups or youth mass, please contact Edith ([corpus.families@gmail.com](mailto:corpus.families@gmail.com)) or Michelle at the Office.



## ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice, and pastoral care.

More information and Applications Forms are available on our website.

[pallottine.org.au/svpscholarship](http://pallottine.org.au/svpscholarship)

Closing Date 4 August 2023

## Holy Day of Obligation

Tuesday 15th of August, *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary* is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be held at 9am and 7:30pm that day.

## CORPUS CHRISTI POP-UP PLAYGROUP

All preschool-aged children, parents & carers in the community are welcome to attend! You do NOT need to be enrolled at Corpus

THU  
3 AUG

WED  
16 AUG

TUE  
29 AUG

FRI  
15 SEP

SESSIONS  
FROM  
9:15-  
10:45AM

SCAN TO REGISTER OR VISIT LINK

[bit.ly/Corpusplaygroup](https://www.ccsidbb.catholic.edu.au/)

<https://www.ccsidbb.catholic.edu.au/>

## PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay



## THANK YOU!

To all our parishioners and friends who have donated to the Diocese Pastoral Works Broken Bay, the pastoral charity of our Catholic community.

Your kindness and generosity will make a difference to someone in hospital, school, a parish and the wider community.

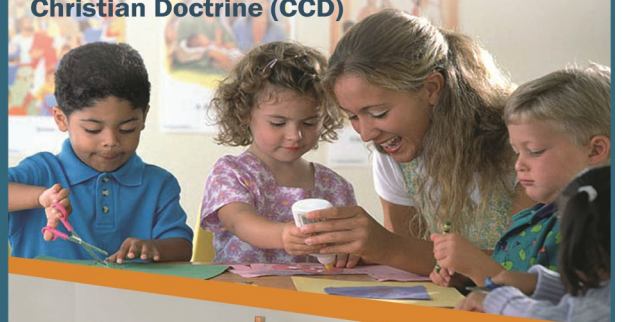
*Pastoral Works Broken Bay also supports:*

**St Lucy's School** K-12 students with disabilities    **St Edmund's College** 7-12 students with disabilities    **Ephpheta Centre** Catholic deaf community

If you donated via the Good Giving app, use this QR Code to access a tutorial to get your donation statement for the 2022/2023 financial year.



## Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)



Pastoral Care and Hospital Chaplaincy



## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY

### For a Eucharistic Life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

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## The Catenians

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friendship and faith*

Catenians meet every month to pray  
together, to enjoy each others'  
company and to support their  
Clergy and Parishes.

For further information phone

President - John White 0439 851 910

Secretary - David Conoulty 0412 267 538

## The Word

Sunday 30 July 2023, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Collect

O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, noting is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure. 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 first book of the Kings 1 Kgs 3:5.7-12

*You have asked for wisdom.*

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

The Word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 118:57. 72. 76-77. 127-130. R. v.97

*(R.) Lord, I love your commands.*

1. My part, I have resolved, O Lord, is to obey your word. The law from your mouth means more to me than silver and gold. *(R.)*
2. Let your love be ready to console me by your promise to your servant. Let your love come to me and I shall live for your law is my delight. *(R.)*
3. That is why I love your commands more than finest gold. That is why I rule my life by your precepts: I hate false ways. *(R.)*
4. Your will is wonderful indeed; therefore I obey it. The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the simple. *(R.)*

### Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Romans Rom 8:28-30

*He predestined us to become true images of his Son.*  
We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 13:44-52

*He sells everything he owns and buys the field.*

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.'

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it. 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.'

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

The Gospel of the Lord.