

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

5 February 2023, 5th 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: 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 Friday (during term time) Lectio Divina

Second Thursday of Every Month Anointing of the Sick —9am

First Friday of Every Month - 3 March

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

Tuesday 7th Feb—Thursday 9th Feb

Carmelite Regional Assembly Monday 6th & Friday 10th 9am mass. Tuesday 7th—Thursday 9th Communion services.

Thursday 16th February Corpus Christi School Opening Mass—11:30am

Ash Wednesday 22nd February 2023 Mass at 9am and 7:30pm



You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners

In a world that appears dark, what kind of light will people turn to? Perhaps it depends on how we

understand the dark. Are the problems, Godlessness, secularism, relativism, sex, drugs, and rock n' roll? Or is the darkness more timeless: fear, loneliness, regret and despair? It seems that Jesus discovered these darknesses two thousand years ago, just as Isaiah found before him, and we find him today. And the light, as ever, is 'Good News for the poor, liberty to captives': it is the light of living what we proclaim; it is a light of hope and healing in our caring and love bringing about liberation. We demonstrate our faith and light that others turn to, which attracts attention and trust. Only then will we be able to speak out of the power of God and not our own. As St Paul VI put it, today's world 'listens more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if [it] does listen to teachers, it is because they are witnesses.' So let us be lights that shine for everyone.

May God bless you, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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TRIUMPH—LENTEN PROGRAM 2023

Triumph is an 88-page full colour book (240x170mm) containing short daily reflections (from Ash Wednesday to Easter

Sunday) perfect for individual devotional reading in addition to the longer-form Sunday Scripture readings and reflections, prayers and questions that traditionally form part of Lenten group gatherings that has been published by the Diocese of Wollongong. There are a limited amount of copies available which can be purchased for \$8 from the Parish office. Please email office@corpuschristi.com.au

2023 SYDNEY ALLIANCE ELECTION ASSEMBLY

The Justice and Peace Office is joining The Sydney Alliance to inviting you and all your parishioners to register for and attend the 2023 Sydney Alliance Election Assembly in Westmead on Tuesday 28 February. We are presented with a rare moment to influence the major parties on the changes we want to see in making our city fairer and more liveable. We have commitments from NSW Treasurer Matt Kean and Shadow Treasurer Daniel Mookhey to attend and respond to the voices of the community.

The evening will include a well-known Alliance roll call of organisations, testimonies, putting the case, and asking politicians of all parties to make commitments to act on the Alliance agenda: Cost-of-living, affordable and renewable energy, affordable and social housing, and fair renting reforms (including removing no-grounds eviction and climate-proofing rental properties). The details of the Assembly are as follows:

Confirmed attendance:

NSW Treasurer Matt Kean (LIB) Shadow Treasurer Daniel Mookhey (ALP) & representatives of the cross-bench.

Venue: The Morley Centre, 2 Darcy Road, Westmead

Date: Tue, 28th Feb 2023

Time: 6:00pm for 6:15pm-8:15pm

Transport: Parking and afternoon traffic are challenging. We recommend coming by train to the Westmead Train Station. Registration and attendance is FREE. RSVP is requested via the registration link below:

https://events.humanitix.com/sydney-alliance-nsw-election-assembly-february-28



The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February – February 5 in 2023 (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A). Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to "the celebration, study and dissemination" of the Word of God. Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodsunday to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.



Would you like to purchase artwork that makes a difference?

Boonah is an art studio in West Pymble run by CatholicCare to meet the needs of artists living with a disability. Established in 1995, the space also operates as a gallery, which is open to the public. At the heart of Boonah is the wellbeing of its artists. Art making is a therapeutic tool which promotes confidence, resilience and transcends the artist's disability giving them meaning and purpose.

We now have an online portal where you can purchase artworks by our talented Boonah artists. Supporting our artists by purchasing their work highlights and cements their identity. It also allows their gifts and talents to be appreciated in a mainstream space. Please visit www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/boonah-2022 to learn more and view the artworks for sale.



Social Justice Corner

One Voice, One Humanity 2022

Would you like to know more about social justice and human right and hear from the many voices of those who are impacted & advocate human rights?

The United Nations Association of Australia (NSW) is organising One Voice, One Humanity 2022 to mark UN Human Rights Day (Dec, 2022) and World Day for Social Justice (Feb 2023).

One Voice, One Humanity is a live program of speakers and performances curated by the UNAA (NSW) Human Rights Pillar, in partnership with Affinity Intercultural Foundation, Centre for Social Justice & Inclusion, UTS, and Rotary Club of Sydney.

The event is a shared platform for the Human Rights community, in a TEDx style curated event of 5-minute narratives, performances, creative expression and videos clips, highlighting the complexity of Human Rights issues; create awareness on the challenges and celebrate the many achievements.

This year the focus is on three major themes:

- Climate Impact on Human Rights
- Conflict Impact on Human Rights
- First Nations and Human Rights

Speakers this year include representatives from Save The Children, Australian Human Rights Commission, The Institute of Economics and Peace, and Amnesty International and those with lived experience.

DATE: Friday, 24th February 2023

TIME: 6 pm - 8.30 pm

LOCATION: UTS Great Hall, Thomas St, Ultimo

COST: \$20 or \$15 for concession To purchase a ticket go to:

One Voice, One Humanity 2023, Ultimo, Fri 24th Feb 2023, 6:00 pm -

8:30 pm AEDT | Humanitix



Please bring in your blessed palms from last year so they can be burnt for Ash Wednesday. Baskets will be placed at the entrances of the church so you can leave your palms.

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.

Prayer Zone



Recently Deceased: Joan McLean Please pray for the ill:

Noel Carmody; 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.

Our Deepest Sympathy Joan McLean

The Corpus Christi parish family would like to extend its prayerful sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of Joan McLean. Joan's funeral will be held at Corpus Christi on Monday 6 February at 10:30am.

May Joan experience the fullness of Christ's peace.

FEAST DAYS—FEBRUARY 2023

Monday 6th, St Miki and companions, martyrs

Friday 10th, St Scholastica, virgin

Tuesday 14th, Sts Cyril, monk, and Methodius, bishop

Wednesday 22nd, Ash Wednesday



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

Parishes

We pray that Parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.



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

For further information phone President - Malcolm McEwen 0409 329 707 Secretary - David Conoulty 0412 267 538

The Word

Sunday 5 February 2023, 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collect

Grant us, Lord our God, that we may honour you with all our mind, and love everyone in truth of heart. 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 prophet Isaiah Is 58:7-10

Your light will shine like the dawn.

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry, and shelter the homeless poor, clothe the man you see to be naked and turn not from your own kin. Then will your light shine like the dawn and your wound be quickly healed over. Your integrity will go before you and the glory of the Lord behind you. Cry, and the Lord will answer; call, and he will say, 'I am here.' If you do away with the yoke, the clenched fist, the wicked word, if you give your bread to the hungry, and relief to the oppressed, your light will rise in the darkness, and your shadows become like noon. The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 111:4-9. R. v.4 (R.) A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

- 1. He is a light in the darkness for the upright: he is generous, merciful and just. The good man takes pity and lends, he conducts his affairs with honour. (R.)
- 2. The just man will never waver: he will be remembered for ever. He has no fear of evil news; with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. (R.)
- 3. With a steadfast heart he will not fear; openhanded, he gives to the poor; his justice stands firm for ever. His head will be raised in glory. (R.)

Second Reading

From the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 2:1-5

I came to you to proclaim Christ crucified.

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; the man who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 5:13-16

You are the light of the world.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.' The Gospel of the Lord.