

### WEEKLY BULLETIN

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

### 6 October 2024, 27th 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

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



"Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it."

(Gospel)

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

God created man and woman for each other. We encounter Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden, but the blessed state of their existence is short-lived. Sin enters the garden and both the man and the woman blame each other rather than take responsibility for it. From the time of their expulsion until New Testament times, man and woman are beset by difficulties in their relationships. The Pharisees question Jesus on the legitimacy of divorce and he redirect them to God's original design of man and woman as one flesh which cannot be divided. Yet they persist in questioning him and Jesus' teaching becomes more confronting. It is as challenging today as it was in the first century. In some ways the attitude of the Pharisees in questioning Jesus echoes the excuses raise by Adam and Eve for their sin. In contrast, the innocence and acceptance of the children in the final verses of today's Gospel model and appropriate attitude for those who seek the kingdom. The second reading from Hebrews provides the bridge. Through Christ's death and resurrection, we can regain our innocence and enter the family of God.

May God bless you, Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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You can now find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/CorpusChristiChurchStIves and Instagram www.instagram.com/CorpusChristiStIves

**Thompson Health Care** (new aged care facility on the corner of Mona Vale Road and Killeaton Street) are looking for volunteers to go and read the bible and pray with their residents. If you would like to support the spiritual needs of their residents, could you please contact Nadia Starr (Recreation Activity Officer) on 0474 593 500 or by email at rao stives@thc.net.au



### 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



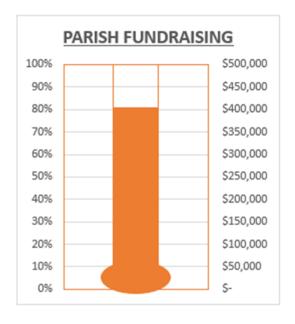
# Liturgy of the Word with Children Childrens' liturgy of the Word the Word

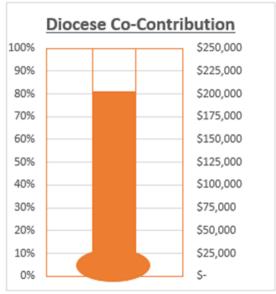
During Sunday 10am Mass, children are invited to go to

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!

### PRESBYTERY BUILDING PROJECT FUNDRAISING





Thank you for your generosity—we are so close to our target of \$500,000! Our updated total raised is \$404,700! We have achieved 81 percent of our goal. We have also received approximately \$18,800 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:

Please reference: **New Presbytery Build** in your payment message. This will ensure that the entire amount will be used for the presbytery and the Parish won't be subject to Diocesan tax on these donations.

Account Name: St Ives Catholic Parish BSB: 062 784 Account No: 100001798

Please note, any donations made are **NOT** tax deductible.

**Regards the Parish Finance Committee** 

### **Presbytery Project Update**

The refurbishment of the presbytery building is going well and we have confidence that it will be completed on time and on budget, enabling the priests to take up residence in December when the current rental lease ends.

As at October 1<sup>st</sup>, we can report the following work progress:

- Demolition completed
- Electrical and plumbing rough-in completed
- Bathroom tiling completed
- Roof structure rectification completed
- Roof sheet including fascia, gutters and downpipes completed
- Window installation 90% completed
- Wall adjustments completed
- Kitchen and laundry joinery designed and ordered
- Walk-in-robe joinery designed and ordered
- Gyprock patch 80% completed

We would also like to thank those generous parishioners who have made contributions towards the purchase of the PC items. To date approximately \$17,000 has been either paid or pledged to this appeal, which will reduce the total amount of the building contract. There is still opportunity to contribute to this appeal.

With regard to the remediation of the mould in the Parish Hall, the walls and ceilings, including those in the Boardroom and the toilets, have been cleaned with the solutions recommended and have come up looking like new; no mould was found underneath the surfaces, nor in the ceiling space; no remaining leaks have been discovered, so the mould growth was caused by moisture in the air from the Hall being closed up; all curtains, carpets, lights and fans have been removed and thrown out; two new humidifiers have been installed and piped outside to the garden; new locks have been installed so that the Boardroom window can be left locked partially open at all times; all surfaces have been hyper vacuumed and left for one week, with new mould testing carried out this week. Assuming the results are negative, all surfaces will be repainted, two additional whirlybird vents and new strip lighting installed. We are hoping to have the Hall ready for use again in time for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the opening of the Church.

Thank you to all staff and parishioners for your generosity and patience in enabling these essential works to be carried out.

Fr Greg and the Parish Finance Committee



## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS THIS WEEKEND

Please remember to wind your clocks forward by one hour

### 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**



### **Anniversary:**

Joseph Teow Quee Yeo; Katherine Ang

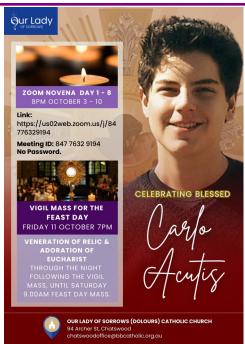
Please pray for the ill:

Enid McBain; 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 OCTOBER**

Tues 7th, Our Lady of the Rosary Tues 15th, St Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor Thurs 17th, St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr



Celebrate the Feast Day of Blessed Carlo Acutis with us!

### Novena

In the leadup to our celebration on the vigil of Blessed Carlo Acutis' Feast Day, we warmly invite you to join us in an online Novena, reflecting on, and giving thanks for, the life of Carlo. The novena will be from October 3-10, with the final day of the Novena being prayed in person at the vigil celebration on October 11. Can't make it every day? That's okay, please do join us when you are available:

### Feast Day Vigil Mass, Veneration of Relic, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – 7pm Friday 11 October

All are warmly welcomed to join our Feast Day celebration of Carlo's life by joining the Vigil Mass at 7pm. After Mass everyone will have an opportunity to venerate the relic of Blessed Carlo. Once Adoration has finished, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will occur all night, finishing at 9am on Saturday 12 October. Spread the word! Looking forward to seeing you there.

### 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.

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Anniversary

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.

















# 26-29 Sep

The Holy Spirit was truly present in the ~1200 participants from all around the country! All who attended for the first time from our Parish (incl. Fr Gerard) expressed their excitement to gather together again and share the fruits they've received, and to look forward to the event next year.

We are so thankful to the Ignite organisers, volunteers, clergy, participants and all of you who prayed for and supported our parishioners to go, making Ignite 2024 the joyous and successful event that it was.

# FAURE'S REQUIEM IN MEMORIAM

### THE ARTES CHRISTI CHAMBER CHOIR

Church of St Thomas of Canterbury Lewisham
7:30 Pm 2nd November 2024
Adult \$30 Concession/Pensioner \$20 Family \$60

Profits donated to Aid to the Church in Need





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# GIRLS DAY OUT AT THE SHRINE

9.30 AM - 5.00 PM

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OPTION 1: WEDNESDAY 9TH OCTOBER (15-18 YEARS)
OPTION 2: THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER (11-14 YEARS)
OPTION 3: OVERNIGHT LEADERS 9-10TH OCT. (15+)



LIMITED SPACES REGISTER BEFORE 05/10/2024 Schoenstatt Girls & Young Women Sr. M. Rita: 0493 026 628 srrita@schoenstatt.org.au





& CROWNING GOLDEN JUBILEE

# SUNDAY 20TH OCTOBER

- BBQ & Food Stalls
- Jumping Castle
- · Face Painting
- Popcorn
- Plant making

10:15am Pre-Program and Confession available

11:00am Holy Mass followed by Procession

12:15pm Lunch and fun Family Activities

1:30pm Devotion with Benediction

2:00pm Crowning Renewal followed by Afternoon Tea



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# POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

### For A Shared Mission

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

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Secretary - David Conoulty 0412 267 538

### The Word

### Sunday 6 October 2024: 27thSunday of Ordinary Time

#### Collect

Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. 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 Genesis Gen 2:18-24

They were two in one flesh.

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them, each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones, and flesh from my flesh! This is to be called woman,

for this was taken from man.'

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

The Word of the Lord.

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 127. R. v.5

(R.) May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

- 1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. (R.)
- 2. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. (R.)
- Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life! May you see your children's children. On Israel, peace! (R.)

### Second Reading

From the letter to the Hebrews Heb 2:9-11

He who sanctifies, and those who are sanctified have one origin.

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

The Word of the Lord.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! If we love one another, God will live in us in perfect love. Alleluia!

### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Mark Mk 10:2-16

What God has joined together, no one must divide. Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.' People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

The Gospel of the Lord.