

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

8 April 2018 - Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday - Year B

Parish Mass Times:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 6:30am

Thursday: 9:15am

Saturday: 9:00am, 6:00pm (vigil)

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 6:00pm

Public Holiday: 9:00am

Youth Mass: 6:00pm (1st Sunday of month)

Baptism: Fourth Sunday of each month by appointment

Wedding: Contact Parish Office at least 6 months prior notice

Morning Prayer: Monday - Wednesday & Friday: 6:10am Thursday: 8:40am

Anointing of Sick: 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:15am 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)



April 2018

Every Thursday

Prayer Group prior to mass
8:40am

Every Friday (during term time)

Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Sunny
10-11am, Hall Boardroom

Sunday 8 April

10am Mass— Parish Choir

Monday 16—Friday 27 April

School holidays

Office closed on Mon 16 & 23 April

Open 9am-12nn Tues 17-Fri 20 April

Open 9am-12nn Tuesday 24

Closed Wed 25 April—ANZAC Day

Open 9am-12nn Thur 26-Fri 27 April

Sunday 15 April

10am Mass— Junior Choir

Thursday 19 April

Parish Social Craft Group
10am—Hall Boardroom



He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." (Gospel)

Dear parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

Giving them his Spirit, Jesus gives his Apostles the power to remit sins; thus he makes human beings participate in his triumph over evil and sin. The Risen Lord gives Thomas, who did not believe the testimony of his fellow Apostles, a lesson which is significant also for us: it is necessary to pass from vision to faith. The new mode of life of the Risen Lord means that he cannot be known as an earthly man, but as one who is present to us in the sacraments and in the life of the Church.

Today's liturgy proclaims that each one of us is regenerated to a living hope through the Resurrection of Christ. Nearly every day we die to something; our ego, a dream, an ambition, and old idea—in order to rise with a greater ability to love, to welcome the reality around us, to be enthusiastic in continuing the adventure of our lives. The mystery of death and resurrection goes on. The Resurrection, therefore, is not only a fact of past history but also a present reality. In our life, after every crisis we begin again; after every rupture we rebuild. Through all these experiences the Lord teaches us how to go forward, and prepares the way for us to arrive at the final death and resurrection. In this pilgrimage the Christian must be characterised by faith in the Resurrection, being conscious that the present moment is a pass from death to life.

May God bless you,

Fr Greg Chee

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PARISH OFFICE TEAM

Fr Greg Chee, OCD, Parish Priest

Fr Sunny Abraham, OCD, Assistant Priest

Fr Johny Arattukulam, OCD, Assistant Priest

Belinda Camilleri, Office Manager

Michelle Miles, Office Secretary

Ed Wales, Parish Finance

Jennifer Perrott, Catechist Co-Ordinator

Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator

HALL BOOKINGS

John Huggett (Co-ordinator)

0412 882 263

What's on...

Every First Friday, 7-8pm, Holy Hour for Vocations. Adoration, reflection, evening prayer of the Church. St Agatha's Parish, Pennant Hills. Email: vocations.ministry@dbb.org.au

Every Last Wednesday, 7-9pm, A Discernment Evening for young adults (18-35) who meet together once a month in order to pray, ask questions and discover their individual vocations or lifetime call from God. St Agatha's Parish, Pennant Hills. Email: vocations.ministry@dbb.org.au

Sunday 22 April, 9:30am-12:45pm, A Joyful Vision of Love, Marriage and Family. Speakers: Simon and Madeleine Carrington. Sacred Heart Church, 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble. RSVP by 19 April to steven.buhagiar@dbb.org.au or 0415 600 290

Friday 8 June 6pm — Sunday 10 June 11am, Better Blokes at Warrambui Retreat @ Conference Centre. Better Blokes is a national gathering of men. It is a life-changing and life-affirming experience where men are encouraged to get real with their mates, get real with God and get real with themselves. Men testify that they are equipped to be better blokes within their families, their churches and the wider community. This year we celebrate 10 years of Better Blokes. Our featured guests will be Col Stringer and Steve Grace.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. Pope John Paul II wrote an encyclical in 1980 "Rich in Mercy". He emphasised not only the mercy God has shown us but also the need for the church to make known to others the mercy of God. In fact we best open up for God's mercy by showing mercy and forgiveness to others.

The encyclical is well summarised in John Paul's words: "The Church lives an authentic life when she professes and proclaims mercy—the most stupendous attribute of the Creator and of the Redeemer—and when she brings people close to the source of the Saviour's mercy, of which she is trustee and dispenser.

The Sunday of Divine Mercy derives from revelations given to St Faustina who died in 1938 and was canonised by John Paul II in the Year 2000. The context of the great act of God's mercy is the Christian Passover of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord. This is the basis of God's mercy for all humans.

Prayer Zone

Deceased: Albert Tong; Neville Fernandez

Anniversary: Patricia Meek, Sydney Requin; Majella Pereira

Please pray for the ill:

Carmel Cragg; Maurice Martin; Lewis Criniti; Phillip Johnson; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Clara Di Mauro; Tom Brewer; Anne Baillie, Francesco Macolino, Jan Davies, Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, John Edwards, Carol-Anne Campbell, Jennifer Nancarro, Gina Jaksetic, Jeannie, Gracie Spencer, Brendan Stone, John Michael Walsh

Feast Days — April

Monday 9 April The Annunciation of the Lord

Wed 11 April, St Stanislaus, bishop, martyr

CARMELITE RETREAT PROGRAM:

Weekend Retreat: Journeying with the Disciples of Emmaus: Time to Reflect with two "insignificant disciples" as they return (from Emmaus) to Jerusalem after meeting the Risen Lord.

April 13-15. Presenter: Bishop Greg Homeming OCD.

Cost: \$250.00 (concessions apply)

The retreats are held at the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville NSW 2566. For information of any of the retreats, please call 8795 3400 or email: retreats@carmelite.com www.carmeliteretreats.com.au

VOLUNTEER PIANO PLAYER

REQUIRED FOR PARISH CHOIR

(2nd and 4th Sunday of each month)

The Parish Choir is in urgent need of regular pianist to accompany them. If you can play the piano, or know of anyone who does, could you please contact the office on 9144 6998.



Chocolate Easter Egg Raffle

Congratulations to all our raffle winners and a big thank you to everyone who contributed to the raffle to make it a success. We raised \$768. This money will go straight into the building fund.

FATHER CHRIS RILEY'S YOUTH OFF THE STREETS

I am currently recruiting additional people for our food roster for Father Chris Riley's Youth off the Streets, Don Bosco House, in Marrickville. Families from the Corpus Christi community have been supporting the house in Marrickville for the last 15 years. There are approximately 20 families/ people, who provide a frozen home cooked meal in a tinfoil container (Glad tuckaway box 20x18x5cm), once a month, which is collected by one of the volunteers at their home on a Sunday morning. They are all then taken that afternoon in Eskies to Don Bosco House in Marrickville. At the moment the drivers are only having to deliver twice a year.

I am looking for any new families/ people who would like to join the roster to either provide a food box once a month (or whenever possible). More urgently we need more people to make the deliveries. This would only be once a year as you are placed on a roster and can choose the month that suits you.

This is a very important charity which is easy to support. They appreciate all our help!

If you are interested in joining the roster or finding out more about this charity, you can contact me on my mobile:0401044334 or email: tamal1@hotmail.com
Thank you

Tammy Malouf

Ku-Ring-Gai Interchurch Group

We will be praying for Corpus Christi Catholic Church and for Fr Greg, Fr Sunny and Fr Johny.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

St Vincent de Paul homeless shelter fresh bread deliveries needs a small number of new volunteers. If you are able to commit to helping one evening each month on a regular schedule, please email michael.j.hill@bigpond.com for additional details.



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IMPORTANT SJ MEETING – WEDNESDAY 18 APRIL:

The Corpus Christi Parish St Ives social justice group (SJG) will meet on Wednesday April 18, at 7.30pm in the Church Hall. ***This will be a very IMPORTANT meeting.*** All parishioners are invited.

For the past 8 years I have been the co-ordinator of SJG. As I moved from St Ives two years ago and now live in Waverton within the North Sydney parish / Sydney Archdiocese, it is now time for me to step aside. Thus we need to appoint a new SJG co-ordinator, or failing that we need to find another way for the St Ives SJG projects & activities to continue.

SJG projects are managed by committed leaders who are continuing in their roles. Projects include (but are not restricted to) Timor-Leste Dominican schools & orphanage, Dee Why refugee community, Rwanda Youth Life Skills, and Indigenous education & support. Activities include regular meetings & communication, DVD nights and more.

The SJG co-ordinator provides umbrella promotion and support across all projects and activities and is a link back to the parish. Responsibilities include communication to members and the parish, organising and chairing meetings, acting as a contact point for project leaders, and raising awareness within the parish of significant and emerging social justice issues. This is an extremely rewarding voluntary role. Time commitment is minimal and flexible.

Please contact me (Luke 0424 188 139 LKeighery@msn.com.au) for more information or if you are interested in this role, or if you wish to be a part of the parish social justice team going forward.



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