

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish



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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)- YR C

19 June 2022



Gifts of bread and wine

Today's readings introduce us to the mysterious High Priest, Melchizedek, who has an encounter with Abraham, the better-known Israelite figure. Abraham, as we know, became the founding father of Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

However, it is Melchizedek who prefigures Jesus' actions at the Last Supper by giving Abraham gifts of bread and wine. This is brought to further light in today's Psalm which acknowledges Melchizedek as "a priest forever" thereby foreshadowing Jesus' royal priesthood demonstrated through his sacrifice at Calvary.

Although our celebration of Corpus Christi – literally, the Body of Christ – has these wonderful connections to the world well prior to God's special covenant with the Jewish people, the focus of our feast is on Jesus of Nazareth, who was both faithful Jew and centre-point of our Christian faith. Christians keep this focus on Jesus our High Priest and Saviour alive especially through the prayerful celebration of the Eucharist.

The Eucharist does not just keep alive for us the memory of Christ's actions at the Last Supper and the sacrifice of his earthly body for us but the Eucharist re-enacts the reality of God's saving presence among us in the here-and-now. In a particular way, the Eucharist is linked to the Exodus-event of Israel's liberation from slavery by the Egyptians. God continues to shelter us from all life's trials and tribulations and to shower us with gifts for the road ahead.

Pope Francis tells us the Eucharist is "not a prize for the perfect, but nourishment for the weak!" In saying this he is not suggesting we should attend the Eucharist without thoughtfulness, prayer and presence of mind; but he also reminds all of us that we come to Eucharist as sinners in search of God's healing grace and mercy.

Pope Francis also provides guidelines for how the Eucharist should make a real difference in our lives and relationships with others – whether rich, poor, young, old, neighbour or stranger.

He suggests the Eucharist should lead us to "see the face of Christ" in the poor, sick and marginalised people of our world. The Eucharist is also especially connected to our experience of being "forgiven sinners", empowering us to reach out in forgiveness of others, to heal broken hearts, and to overcome division.

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This week in the Parish

Sunday 19	THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST - Yr C Reconciliation: 8:30am - 8:50pm 9:00 am - Mass with First Holy Communion 10:00 am - Morning Tea in MSP College basement
Tuesday 21	5:30 pm - Mass
Wednesday 22	No 5:30 pm Mass today
Thursday 23	No 8:15 am Mass today 12 noon - Legion of Mary - Parish Meeting Centre
Friday 24	The Most SACRED HEART of Jesus 12 noon - Mass with Mt St Patrick Primary School
Saturday 25	The NATIVITY of ST JOHN THE BAPTIST 9:00 am - Rosary - Sacred Heart Church Reconciliation: 5:30pm - 5:50pm 6:00 pm - Vigil Mass
Sunday 26	13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Yr C PETER'S PENCE & APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA SUNDAY Reconciliation: 7:30am - 7:50pm 8:00 am - Mass 10:00 am - Mass 11:15 am - Baptism

HOUR FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Each Tuesday & Wednesday
from 4:30 pm

WEDNESDAY WORD

Copies of Wednesday Word, with this weekend's readings, are available for you in the Church.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



Children's Liturgy this Sunday is held at the 9am Mass.

All primary aged children are welcome to join in the children's liturgy during Mass.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Betty Bridekirk, Sr Francesca Ryder, Nicoletta Zuecker, Alice Warne, Denzel Marden, Christian MacDonald, Michael Simpson, Henry Burns

ANNIVERSARIES:

Eileen Gear

THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Leah Ryder, Maureen McCabe, Kay Bewes, Lachlan Gallagher, Baby Harry Partridge, John Flanagan, Mark Hanna, Deb Craig, Fr Anthony Lemon, James Wallace

READING ROSTER | YEAR C

25/26 June | 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6 pm - Tim Waugh
8 am - Kay Ryder
10 am - Ed Egan

Readings for the next week:

13 Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C

1 Kg 19:16, 19-21; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We would like to acknowledge the Bundjalung people who are the Traditional Owners of this land on which we gather and pray today. We pay our respects to the Elders past, present and emerging, and extend that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people past, present and emerging.

PARISH MORNING TEA

This Sunday 19 June after 9am Mass

To celebrate First Holy Communion with the children and their families, we are having morning tea in MSP College basement following Mass.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

FRIDAY 24 JUNE



First celebrated in 1670, in Rennes, France, through the efforts of Fr Jean Eudes.

"The life story of Jesus as found in the Gospels is a story of a heart full of sympathy. -"And seeing the multitudes, he had compassion on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd" (Mark 6:34)

How wonderfully he showed his sympathy and understanding towards discouraged sinners; towards the sorrowing widow of Naim; towards the children who flocked to him; his treatment of the woman taken in adultery; the repentant thief; the ashamed Peter; the parable of the Good Shepherd and the Prodigal son. No wonder people listened when he invited them - "Come to me all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest".

Mass will be celebrated on Friday at 12 noon with Mt St Patrick Primary School.

First Holy Communion is being celebrated in our Parish this weekend.



Congratulations to the children receiving Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion! We welcome them into full communion with our faith community, as they have now completed the initiation process that commenced with Baptism. We thank parents, teachers and catechists who helped prepare the children for this special occasion, and ask you to continue to keep the children and their families in your prayers.



10TH WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 22-26 JUNE

Every three years since 1994, the Church has celebrated the World Meeting of Families in a different city of the world.

In 2022 the event will be hosted by the Diocese of Rome with Pope Francis leading special celebrations. However, the Holy Father has also asked that the World Meeting of Families be celebrated concurrently in every diocese of the world in 2022. The idea is for families to gather locally around their bishop to explore and celebrate the theme of "Family love: A vocation and a path to holiness."

Find out more at: www.family.catholic.org.au.

PLANNED GIVING RENEWAL 2022-2023

Give and it shall be given unto you, a full measure... overflowing." Luke 6:38

Thank you to everyone who donates financially to the Parish and Clergy Fund. Your continued support is much appreciated and helps us not just to keep the lights on but your donation enables us to strengthen our Parish mission to love God; to love others and to grow disciples in our local community.

If you are new to the Parish and would like to participate in our planned giving program, please contact the Parish Office. We welcome your support of the parish.

Planned Giving envelopes for 2022-2023 are ready for collection this weekend. Please note that many of you have been issued with a new Planned Giving Number – families who use planned giving envelopes have been reissued numbers between 1-120 and those using EFT for their planned giving now have reference numbers between 121-140.

We encourage you to pop your cash or planned giving envelope donations into the collection plates as you arrive at Mass or as you are leaving Mass as the plates are no longer "passed around".

Thank you again for your generous support of our parish and our priests.



REFUGEE WEEK 19-25 JUNE

"Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees"

is the theme chosen by the Holy Father for the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees.

Pope Francis highlights the commitment that we are all called to share in building a future that embraces God's plan, leaving no one behind.

Refugee Week is an important opportunity for us all to experience and celebrate the rich cultures of refugee communities.

The key aims of Refugee Week are:

- ♦ To celebrate the ways in which people from refugee backgrounds enrich our communities and culture.
- ♦ To educate the public about who refugees are why they have come to Australia, and to understand the many challenges they face in doing so.
- ♦ To foster empathy and understanding and in doing so, encourage a safe and welcoming environment for people seeking safety in Australia.
- ♦ To enable communities and individuals to take positive action, and stand in solidarity with people seeking asylum and displaced people in Australia and around the world.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION



Next weekend 25/26 June, there will be a collection for Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Envelopes will be available in the Church next weekend.

LEGION OF MARY NEWS...

The Legion now has a new home (until further notice) due to the floods. We now meet at twelve noon in the Parish Meeting Centre, each Thursday. New members very welcome. Come & see what we do!

CORPUS CHRISTI - Yr C

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (109)

R: You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

Expressions of Interest are invited for parishioners interested in Eucharistic Ministry for Holy Communion to the Sick and for Nursing Home Visitation.

Please email your expression of interest to Fr Peter Wood at murwillumbah@lismore.catholic.org.au for consideration.

Some training will be required for these roles and a Police/Criminal History Check and/or a Working with Children clearance may also be required. Vaccination records will also be required for clearance to visit nursing homes on behalf of the Parish.

Please consider becoming involved in this special ministry to the sick and vulnerable. It may be a ministry that you could share with a partner or a friend.

Christmas Carnival & Nativity Tableau 2022 -

Saturday 26 November 2022 is the date to save! After two years of covid restrictions, we hope to be able to bring back the Christmas Carnival and Tableau for our local community this year. We need your help to make it happen. If you are keen to be involved in any way, please contact the team in the Parish Office and tell us how you might be able to help.

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The pope notes the Church's very identity and mission flow from the Eucharist enabling us to become "other Christs" through loving service and compassion for others.

The Anglo-Catholic poet TS Eliot says Christ is "the still point of the turning world". It is especially through our celebration of the Eucharist that our distracted, busy, turning worlds are stilled by the overpowering, silent mystery that camouflages the saving, liberating, loving presence of Christ in the broken bread and sweetened wine.

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VIEW MASS AT HOME - *There are several options to tune into Mass at home when you can't join us:*

- Bishop Greg continues to online-stream Sunday Mass on the [Diocesan YouTube](#) channel - 9:00 am.
- Freeview TV - Channel 10 Sunday 6 am

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,

we bless you,

we adore you,

we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

(APOSTLES' CREED)

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.

Amen.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.



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