

Jubilee Catholic Parish

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THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST – 11 JUNE 2023

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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

This weekend we celebrate the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. You may remember it as Corpus Christi and recall the procession in the Main Arena of the Brisbane RNA Showgrounds.

Today's Gospel is an excerpt from John Chapter 6, which starts with the miracle of the loaves and fishes, where Jesus fed the multitudes with food for the body. The crowd left with full bellies, but later were hungry again and came looking for more. Jesus advised them to seek "food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food that the Son of Man is offering".

In part of this Gospel reading today, we find Jesus in the synagogue at Capernaum. He begins to explain just what the Bread of Life, offered by the Son of Man, truly is. Addressing the people in the synagogue, he tells them: "I am the living bread....Anyone who eats this bread will live forever" ... "the bread that I shall give is my flesh for the life of the world". This sparked consternation and argument amongst the Jews, they simply could not understand or believe what he was saying.

Fast forward to the Last Supper: When Jesus instituted the first Eucharist he took some bread and gave it to his disciples saying: "This is my body which will be given for you" and then the wine, "the new covenant in my blood which will be poured out for you". Importantly, he did not say this bread is a bit like my body and this wine is a bit like my blood. He did say "this is my body, this is my blood". Clearly, he was telling us that bread and wine consecrated in his name are much more than mere symbols.

Partaking in this first Eucharist the disciples became one with him and one with one another in Jesus Christ, just as we do now when we celebrate the Eucharist.

Throughout the intervening 2000 years the Body and Blood of Christ, the real presence in the Eucharist has been core to our Catholic faith, the central focus of our mass and a strong unifying component of Catholicism worldwide. The Eucharist has also been controversial. It has even been out-lawed. Priests and lay people have been martyred for celebrating the Eucharist.

Recently at St Finbarr's, eleven children received the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ for the first time. During his homily, Fr Dang asked the congregation for a show of hands. He asked if the bread and wine we share at Mass is the body and blood of Christ or is it a symbolic representation of the same. The overwhelming majority thought it a symbolic representation of the body and blood of Christ. We are losing something important here; perhaps the most important, defining aspect of our Catholic faith.

The fact that through consecration in the Mass, by a priest taking on the mantle of Christ, the bread and wine become the body and blood of Christ, and that by sharing it we become one with Christ, and his church becomes the body of Christ on earth, is difficult to understand. But just because we do not understand, it does not make it untrue – it just means we don't understand it. Next time you receive Holy Communion; think deeply about the power of the Bread of Life, the body and blood of Christ that you are given and the act of faith you are making. **Gina Clare, Pastoral Associate,**



The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ– 11 June 2023 (Year A)

First Reading: Deut 8:2-3, 14-16 **Second Reading:** 1Corinthians 10:16-17

Response: Praise the Lord, Jerusalem

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

Gospel: John 6:51-58

FIRST COMMUNION: A big congratulations to **Amelia Turner** who was welcomed to the table of the Lord for the first time. May the blessing of the Lord Jesus be poured on her from this day forward.



SACRISTANS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: This weekend on Corpus Christi we give thanks and bless the ministries of our Sacristans and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion. Our Extraordinary Ministers of Communion have not been as noticeable through Covid-time. Now they are back and the parish is very grateful for their ministry.

Gracious God, your beloved Son has shown us that true worship comes from humble and contrite hearts.

Bless our brothers and sisters who serve this community through their liturgical ministry.

Strengthen their faith that they may bring the Good News of Christ to the wider community through lives of loving service. Amen.

SACRISTANS : Many people arriving for Mass would be unaware of the effort that goes into preparing the worship environment and the items needed for the celebration. The 'behind the scenes' ministry of sacristans is an essential service to the worshipping assembly. Sacristans take responsibility for opening up the church, turning on lights and microphones, putting out the Roman Missal (prayer book) and Lectionary (book of scripture readings) - both marked at the right place



SACRISTAN

of course! - and setting out chalices, plates, cruets, bread and wine, so that Mass can be celebrated.

Sacristans put themselves at the service of the community and its worship and so help the liturgy become truly an act of worship and thanksgiving for all. Thanks be to God and them for their faithful ministry.

FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST : The most logical day to commemorate the gift of the presence of Christ's body and blood in the Eucharist would be the day on which the Eucharist was instituted - Holy Thursday - but that day is part of the Easter Triduum and its focus is not on the institution of the Eucharist but on the Passion. The Thursday after Trinity Sunday - the first 'free' Thursday after the Easter season - was chosen for the celebration of the feast of *Corpus Christi*, as it was originally known. In countries like Australia where it is not a holy day of obligation, the feast is celebrated on the



Sunday after Trinity.

The second of the two Prefaces set down for the feast gives us an insight into its real meaning:

Nourishing your faithful by this sacred mystery,
you make them holy, so that the human race, bounded by one world,
may be enlightened by one faith and united by one bond of charity.

When we eat and drink the Body and Blood of Christ, we ourselves are transformed more perfectly into the presence of the risen Christ. This is Christ's gift to us, but it is also a challenge, because it calls us in turn to give our own body and blood to others so that they too might be nourished.

FUNERAL: There will be a Funeral liturgy for long time parishioner of the Sacred Heart Community, Monica Bell, at 11.30am on Wednesday 14 June at Sacred Heart Church, Rosalie. May she rest in the eternal embrace of our Holy Father.



FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART: This is a 'movable Solemnity', which in Australia is on the Friday after Corpus Christi. "This devotion, which dates back to the Middle Ages, flowered in France in the seventeenth century as a result of the visions of Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque. The feast was extended to the entire Western Church by Pius IX in 1856. It recalls the mystery of God who is love, and honours the heart of Jesus as the source and centre of the incarnate love of God". Daily Mass Book



"Grant, we pray, almighty God, that we, who glory in the Heart of your beloved Son and recall the wonders of his love for us, may be made worthy to receive an overflowing measure of grace from that fount of heavenly gifts". Collect

PARISH DIARY



Monday 12 June

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am

Tuesday 13 June

School Mass (Newmarket)
9.00am

Wednesday 14 June

Mass (Rosalie) 6.30am
Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

Thursday 15 June

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am
Mass (Ashgrove) 9.00am

Friday 16 June

Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time 17/18 June 2023

Saturday 17 June

Individual Reconciliation

(Rosalie) 4:00pm-4:20pm
(Ashgrove) 5:15pm-5:45pm

17 June Vigil

Mass (Rosalie) 4.30pm
Mass (Ashgrove) 6.00pm

Sunday 18 June

Mass (Herston) 7:30am
Mass (Bardon) 8:00am
Mass (Ashgrove) 8:30am
Mass (Newmarket) 9:30am
Mass (Red Hill) 10:00am
Korean Mass (Rosalie) 10:00am
Mass (Rosalie) 5:30pm

What's happening this week?

WOODLANDS ANOINTING LITURGY

Friday, 16 June, 10.30am

ST JOAN OF ARC CHURCH

Morning Tea following the

7.30am Mass

Sunday, 18 June



WINTER SHOPPING WITH DWCS:

Cold weather is here and we have the answer to keeping warm on those windy, cold days - Downs & West Community Support charity stall! Yes, we are back again on Tuesday 20th JUNE to Friday 23rd JUNE at Brookside with a variety of beautiful handcrafted winter woollies including items for sale for children and babies. Our crocheted rugs are amazing. All proceeds go to supporting individuals & farming families in Southern Queensland struggling through the impact of drought, flood, fires and COVID19.

The stall will be at the BROOKSIDE SHOPPING CENTRE, Mitchelton and will be located outside **Terry White Chemist and T.K.Max** on Tuesday 20 June & Wednesday 21 June from 8.45am to 2.30pm. Thursday 22 June 8.45am to 5.30pm & Friday 23 June 8.45am-12.30pm. For any further information please see Kathrine Howlett phone: 33681918.



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YEAR 3 CONFIRMATION ENROLMENTS CLOSING MONDAY 3 JULY

The Jubilee Parish Enrolment for the Sacrament of Confirmation closes Monday 3rd July.

Visit <http://www.jubileeparish.com/confirmation.html> or <https://www.jubileeparish.com/forms-downloads.html> for the enrolment form.

Please submit by 3 July as pre-enrolment is compulsory. Email completed forms to sac.jubilee@bne.catholic.net.au

One parent must attend the Information Night - Tuesday 11th July at 7pm Sacred Heart Church, Rosalie where the process is explained and to collect folders. Please note that ceremony numbers are capped so if you require a particular time and date return your enrolment as soon as possible.

NEOCATECHUMENAL WAY : Saint John Paul II, Pope described the Neocatechumenal Way as an "itinerary of Catholic formation, valid for our society and our time". This reality is present in our Parish. There are some meetings that will start on Wednesday 21 June and will continue for some weeks every Wednesday and Friday from 7:30 to 8:30pm in St. Ambrose's Church.

Feel free to join us so that you might see how God can make you happy with the life you have.

If you want more information, you can contact Alfonso on 0405 269 791 or via email (alfonso_ferraioli@yahoo.com.au)

CANTICUM CHAMBER CHOIR - "TRANSCENDENCE"

Canticum Chamber Choir and conductor Emily Cox AM present "Transcendence", a glorious selection of choral works from across the ages and the world, in the heavenly acoustic of St John's Cathedral. The feature piece is the 40-part motet *Spem in Alium*, by Renaissance master Thomas Tallis, which bathes the listener in awe-inspiring waves of sound and motion. Other works by Vaughan-Williams, Whitacre, Tormis, Grieg and others will complement this remarkable aural experience, including compositions by former and current choir members Joseph Twist and Phillip Gearing.

Sunday 25 June, 2.30pm, St John's Cathedral, Ann St, Brisbane. \$45 / \$35 / under 16 free

Tickets through Trybooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/CHEOP>

PLANNED GIVING: As a Church, we are enormously grateful for the generosity of everyone in our community who helps fund our ongoing expenses. We rely on your help to run our liturgical life, administration and to build and maintain our facilities.



ENVELOPES: For those who use envelopes, they are now available for collection from the table at the rear of the Church.

SMART TERMINALS: "TAP N GO, Give it a go!" These are now in operation at St Finbarr's, St Brigid's & Sacred Heart Churches. They are positioned on stands near the entrance to these Churches.

TO JOIN THE PLANNED GIVING: If you would like to join our planned giving program, please go to our website for all the information or contact the Parish office to get things organised for you.



MASTERPLAN Planning is underway for some more community update meetings on the parish masterplan. What are the possibilities with the Kennedy Tce site? What is happening with the Rosalie development application? Stay tuned for an afternoon and an evening alternative information session.

COME AND JOIN US
FREE MINI CHAIR YOGA AND MEDITATION SESSIONS
TUESDAY 20TH JUNE 11AM - 1PM
FR. DENIS POWER BUILDING, 333 GIVEN TCE. PADDINGTON.

Before Yoga
 Hunchback from upper back pain

 Sad work feet
 3rd coffee before noon

Gain greater flexibility, inner strength, body awareness, concentration, breath support and general wellbeing.

After Yoga
 More space Sudden flexibility

 Happy feet

Contact:
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Follow up classes
Thursdays 10.30am
29th June.
Enquire: Rekha

Follow up classes
Mondays 9.30am & 10.30am.
Enquire: Jennifer.

The Education Ministry of Jubilee Catholic Parish

St Finbarr's School, Ashgrove. St Joseph's School, Bardon. St Ambrose School, Newmarket



Term 2 Family Mass at St Finbarr's

The Feast of the Holy Trinity, celebrated after the feast of Pentecost and in honour of the Trinity, has been celebrated since the 10th century. This tradition of celebration, to honour the Trinity, continued at St Finbarr's, when we shared in our Term 2 family mass. Parishioners, families, extended family members and staff gathered, along with the St Finbarr's children, to celebrate the Eucharist and to come together as a joy filled connected community. The children led the liturgy along with Fr Tony and read, sang, and served in style. The celebrations continued with a lovely morning tea and specially brewed coffee, out on the lawn. It was great to also welcome and celebrate with our newest St Finbarr's families, who joined us for Family Mass and then attended our second Prep Readiness session, as part of the St Finbarr's Prepping for Prep program.



I hope this newsletter finds you well and filled with the joy of the Lord. Here are some highlights from the past week
Middle Years Mass: On Wednesday, the Middle Years students came together to celebrate Mass. Thank you, Fr Gerry for presiding over the Mass and delivering a powerful message to our students. Fr Gerry's words about overcoming fear and embracing challenges, much like Simon Peter, resonated deeply with everyone present.

Year 2 Prayer Liturgy: Wednesday afternoon witnessed a beautiful prayer liturgy organised by our Year 2 students. Their heartfelt singing and heartfelt prayers touched the hearts of all who attended. I commend the Year 2 students for their dedication and enthusiasm in creating a meaningful and engaging liturgical experience.

St Joey's Video: We are delighted to announce that our wonderful STEM teacher, Mrs. Claire Byrne, has created a video that beautifully captures the vibrant community spirit and incredible opportunities available to our students. The video showcases the joy, learning, and togetherness that define St. Joseph's Bardon. We encourage all of you to head over to the St. Joseph's Bardon Facebook Page to watch and share this inspiring glimpse into our school community.



Last Tuesday, our Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) working committee gathered for the second time this year to continue working on a St Ambrose's School Vision Statement for Reconciliation, which is an opportunity to provide the broader community with what Reconciliation means to us. Everyone who gathered – staff and parents – expressed their keen desire and passion to engage in this very important journey toward Reconciliation.

Our first discussion involved a brain dump to answer the questions: What does Reconciliation mean to us? What does a Reconciled Australia look like?

What does St Ambrose's School do to promote reconciliation and what more can we do?

What is our sphere of influence?

Who can we engage?

Below is a Wordle that was created using the words which came to mind when responding to the questions. We look forward to constructing the first draft of our Vision Statement, which will capture our aspirations for reconciliation at St Ambrose's School.



Gloria

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of goodwill.

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**

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, *(all bow)*
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.**

In Transition

As a parish family we welcome
**Annabelle Wood, Henry Wood
& Noah O'Brien** who were baptised
this weekend.

We celebrate with the families of
**Ben Kluckhohn &
Michaela Theodorau** who were
married this weekend

We especially pray for
Margaret O'Hare who recently
passed away and for all the souls of
the faithful departed;
May they rest in peace.