

Sacred Heart Catholic Parish, Kew

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, 2nd June 2024

Sacred Heart Parish Prayer
Lord, may we the parishioners of Sacred Heart strive to be people of the gospel and prayer. Imprint in our hearts a deep desire for your Word and a love of the Eucharist. Motivate us to be an engaging, welcoming, and supportive community. Help us to be a people of compassion and justice for all.



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Entrance Antiphon: He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.
Communion Antiphon: Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.


From Fr Trevor

After Pentecost and the solemn feast of the Most Holy Trinity, the Church celebrates the precious gift of *Corpus Christi*, the Body of Christ, the Lamb of God. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, and with spiritual eyesight, we recognise that the Lord Jesus is truly God-with-us, Immanuel, hidden in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. The God who embraces us, the most Blessed Trinity, draws us into the divine life through sharing in this Holy Eucharist. With our earthly senses of sight, taste and touch, we cannot perceive Him there. But when our Lord told His first priests to do this in memory of Him, saying, “*this is my Body, given for you*” and “*this is my Blood,*” Catholics and Orthodox have always believed Him and taken Him at His word. As St Thomas Aquinas said, “Truth Himself speaks truly, or there’s nothing true!” The better we prepare ourselves to humbly receive this Sacrament of spiritual nourishment, the greater will be its effect in our lives. Though “I am not worthy to receive Him under my roof,” one of the ways we can become more ready to receive this tremendous gift is by celebrating this feast each year with great solemnity.



This Sunday afternoon, join Catholics from parishes across Melbourne for the **2:30pm Corpus Christi Procession** as we follow behind the holy Eucharist from the seminary church in Carlton, opposite the Museum on the corner of Rathdowne and Pelham Streets, all the way to St Patrick’s Cathedral for 4pm Vespers and Benediction. That’s only a 1.5 km walk but it will take a little while in procession together. I hope to see some of you there for this beautiful expression of our faith. I’d try to get there early if I were you!

We’re not done with this long series of feast days yet! Friday the 7th is the solemn **feast of the Sacred Heart!** We’ll celebrate holy Mass at 9:15am with the whole school and some of their families. It should be a wonderful day. Please pray for growth in the faith of our students and their families.

<p>MASS TIMES</p> <p>Weekdays 9:15am Tues - Sat</p> <p>Weekend Mass Times 6pm Saturday Vigil 9.30am Sunday</p> <p>Reconciliation/Confession Saturday mornings (before and after 9:15 Mass) Or upon request</p> <p>Church open for prayer: 10am-11:30am Friday 10am-11:30am Saturday</p> <p>Baptisms Last Sunday of the month. Please contact the office</p> <p>First Sacraments Please contact the parish office or see our website https://shkew.org.au</p> <p>PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU</p> <div style="text-align: center;"><p>Make an online donation</p></div>	<p>NOTICES</p> <p>Hearts for Christ group is for <i>young people</i> in years 7-12. Thursdays from June 13 & 27 from 6pm to 7:30pm.</p> <p>Feast of the Sacred Heart full school Mass 9:15am Friday June 7. It is the feast of God’s love for every soul!</p> <p>Lectio Divina: Praying together with the Scriptures. You are invited this Wednesday (June 5) 7-8pm in the church. Please bring a Bible.</p> <p>Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver Annual Mission Dinner Sunday 16th June 2024 at 1 pm at the Peter Claver Hall, 154 Cotham Road Kew. Bookings close - 7th June. Tickets \$40.00 each. Bookings 154 Cotham Road or phone - 9817 3715</p> <p>Parish Talk. On Tuesday the 4th of June, Fr Trevor will give a talk on the Church’s <i>Liturgy of the Hours</i>, commonly known as the <i>Divine Office</i>. The evening is 7-8pm & will end with night prayer. The Australian Red Cross desperately needs you to donate blood! It would be a fitting gift on this feast of Corpus Christi. The Collins St centre is easily reached by Tram (L1, 367 Collins St)</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"><p>St Francis of Assisi said, “People lose all the material things they leave behind them in this world, but they carry with them the reward of their charity and the alms they give.”</p></div> <p>1st Collection— For the running of and upkeep of our parish. BSB: 083 347 Account #: 682 606 383 Reference: Full name</p> <p>2nd Collection— To support Fr Trevor, Priests of the Archdiocese & Archbishop Peter. BSB: 083 347 Account #: 663 832 561 Reference: Full name</p> <p>We extend our heartfelt thanks for your generous contributions to our parish. Donations last week totalled \$2,337.20. Unfortunately our running costs at the moment are reaching almost 5,000 per week. Please help us keep this beautiful church and parish up and running. Thank you for your generous support.</p>
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Liturgy of the Word

First reading

Exodus 24:3-8

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This,' he said, 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 115(116):12-13,15-18

R. I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

Second reading

Hebrews 9:11-15

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than the one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 14:12-16,22-26

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the Passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us

there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.'

After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

Sequence: Lauda, Sion (shorter form)

Behold the bread of angels, sent
For pilgrims in their banishment,
The bread for God's true children meant,
That may not unto dogs be given:
Oft in the olden types foreshowed;
In Isaac on the altar bowed,
And in the ancient paschal food,
And in the manna sent from heaven.

Come then, good shepherd, Bread divine,
Still show to us thy mercy sign;
Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;
So may we see thy glories shine
In fields of immortality;

O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best,
Our present food, our future rest,
Come, make us each thy chosen guest,
Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest
With saints whose dwelling is with thee.
Amen. Alleluia.

A Prayer after receiving Holy Communion:

"Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of thy Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, for [such and such an intention] and in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world."

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Friday and Saturday morning Mass 9:45-10:45am. There are sign-up sheets in the entrance of the church. We'll start next week.

Please Remember in Prayer

Unwell: Bertha Effendi, Esther Chong, Elizabeth Rossiter, Margaret Hogan
Recently deceased: Pat Gill
Anniversaries: Gonzalo Cobelas

Mass Intentions:

4th Holy Souls
5th Vocations
6th Personal intention
7th Respect for all human life
8th Intention of donor
6pm Vigil: All parishioners
9th Intention of donor

Upcoming Feast Days:

3rd (Mon) St Charles Lwanga & co.
5th (Weds) St Boniface
6th (Thurs) St Marcellin Champagnat
7th (Fri) *The Most Sacred Heart*
8th (Sun) Immaculate Heart of Mary

Melbourne Corpus Christi Procession

"Did not our hearts burn within us while he walked with us ..." Luke 24:32

Sunday 2 June 2024

Join Melbourne Catholics for the **2:30pm Procession** as we walk with Him from the seminary church (old Sacred Heart) 169 Rathdowne St, Carlton to St Patrick's Cathedral for **4pm Vespers and Benediction** inside the Cathedral.