

DUTTON PARK CATHOLIC PARISH

EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF: St Ita's, Dutton Park, St Francis of Assisi, West End & Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Fairfield. Under the care of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars

NEWSLETTER

Corpus Christi Sunday (Year B) 3rd June 2018

Today is Corpus Christi Sunday (the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ). 'Corpus Christi' comes from the ancient Latin language and means "Body of Christ." Today's feast is, moreover, the Church's official act of homage and gratitude to Christ, who by instituting the Holy Eucharist gave to the Church her greatest treasure. Holy Thursday, assuredly, marks the anniversary of the institution, but the commemoration of the Lord's passion that very night suppresses the rejoicing proper to the occasion. Today's observance, therefore, accents the joyous aspect of Holy Thursday.

This year on Sunday 3rd June 2018, marks the 200th Anniversary of Corpus Christi Procession in Australia. "In 1818, the Government forcibly removed the only Catholic priest in Australia, Fr. Jeremiah O'Flynn, from Sydney. Fr. O'Flynn's last pastoral act was to leave the Blessed Sacrament reserved in a faithful Catholic's home so that the colonists and prisoners could come to adore Christ present there.

For two years, the Blessed Sacrament, in this lay Sydney home, was the source and centre of worship and consolation for the priestless Catholics of the Australian colony" The Corpus Christi Procession Committee.

Corpus Christi Procession is a public procession of Jesus' Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity under the appearances of bread, the host, walking through the streets. The custom dates back to the feast of the Blessed Sacrament established in 1246 by the Bishop of Liege, Belgium, after Jesus told St. Juliana of Mont Carvillon she was to promote it. By 1264, Pope Urban IV extended the feast to the whole Church. In the early 14th century the custom began of carrying the Blessed Sacrament after Mass through the town in a beautiful procession. Popes encouraged it and granted indulgences, then the Council of Trent "solemnly approved and recommended the procession on Corpus Christi as a public profession of the Catholic faith in the real presence of Christ in the Holy Sacrament."

St. Pope John Paul II said, "Our faith in the God who took flesh in order to become our companion along the way needs to be everywhere proclaimed, especially in our streets and homes, as an expression of our grateful love and as an inexhaustible source of blessings."

The procession reminds us that Jesus is always present in the world, and He is interested in our joys, sorrows and blessing. The procession reminds us

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that we are the Body of Christ, and therefore we also see Him in our neighbour and the Eucharist embraces all of us.

If you would like to represent our parish in the Corpus Christi Procession, then please meet us St Mary's carpark at 1pm this Sunday where we will walk over to the Cathedral. The procession starts at 2pm.

Pax et Bonum Fr Lam Vu OFM Cap

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 80: 17

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

First reading Exodus 24:3-8 This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 115:12-13, 15-18 Response: I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

Hebrews 9:11-15 Second reading

The blood of Christ will purify our inner selves.

Sequence

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.

Gospel Acclamation

John 6:51-52

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 Passo-

ver.

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.

Communion Antiphon

John 6:57

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Gen 3:9-15; 2nd reading: 2Cor 4:13 - 5:1; Gospel: Mk 3:20-35

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Safeguarding Audit Update

St Mary's South Brisbane Parish has now been included in our Audit which will take place in early July.

Thank you to all the volunteers who have returned paperwork in the last few weeks from both parishes. I am still processing it all but assure you we are on track to have everything necessary in place before the Safeauarding Audit.

If you are a volunteer in either parish in any capacity and are not registered with our office please contact us immediately so that we can get you the appropriate forms.

For any volunteers that I have given or sent forms to and you have not completed and returned them to the office – please do so immediately. This is a matter of urgency.

Volunteers that are unsure of what to do please call the office to check what paperwork you may need.

I recently spoke to the Volunteers attending the Readers Training and explained the reasons behind the changes to the volunteer requirements. The Archbishop has put these changes in place in line with the recommendations of the Royal Commission. These regulations will help to make our parishes transparent.

As a parish we require all volunteers to be registered and those in a position of trust must also have a Blue Card and Police Check.

These changes are not aimed at people personally they are simply aimed at changing the culture of the Catholic Church as a whole moving into the future. Both Kate and I have had Police Checks as a requirement for all Archdiocesan Staff. Fr Lam, Fr Bollar, all Clergy and our Religious Sisters now have Police Checks.

We appreciate the support you have all given to us in helping both of our parishes move towards creating an environment where children and vulnerable adults feel nurtured and safe. Bernadette Maguire, Parish Secretary

Two Minute Catechism

Why does the priest pour water into the wine and put a piece of the bread into the cup?

Both actions are very ancient and began as practical necessities, but eventually the necessities disappeared and were even forgotten.

Later when Christians started to ask what these two gestures meant, they began to interpret the actions symbolically. While these symbols may never have been intended in the beginning, the better ones made sense and became part of our rich tradition.

In the ancient world, the Greeks added water to wine because it was often thick, gritty, and too strong. It was simply good taste to add water to wine before drinking it. The Romans loved all things Greek, so they adopted Greek manners and spread them to the lands they conquered. And even though it was not originally a Jewish custom to add water to wine, it soon became part of the Passover meal itself and, hence, part of our Mass.

As early as the fourth century, catechists explained that the water represented humanity and the wine, divinity. Once you put the water into the wine, it's impossible to take it out again. Because of Jesus, humanity can never again be separated permanently from God. So the custom continues.

The practice of dropping a piece of consecrated bread into the cup may have started because of the ancient Roman custom oithefermentum. Christians in the suburbs could not always travel to Rome for Eucharist. So when the bishop broke the bread before Communion, he would set aside a piece for each missing group. A minister brought this fermentum to each place later, where the priest would drop it into the chalice to be swallowed-and most everyone drank from the cup in those days. Thus the bishop's Eucharist "fermented" this celebration.

Eventually, the pope also began to set aside a piece for his next celebration. This was called the sacra, and it, too, was added to the chalice to show that this Mass is a continuation of the one before it-the one sacrifice of Christ. Priests began imitating the pope by breaking off a piece of the bread just consecrated. Some then explained this as a sign of Christ's Resurrection. A body without blood is dead, but when Christ's body is "reunited" with his blood, Christ is risen. This gesture also continues to this day, being preserved probably because it is so ancient a custom. This article appeared in the January 2005 issue of U.S. Catholic (Vol. 70, No. 1, page 43).

This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses) 9th Week in Ordinary Time

Monday 4th:

R/In you, my God, I place my trust.

Tuesday 5th: St Boniface (Memorial) R/In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Wednesday 6th:

R/To you, O Lord, I lift up my eyes.

Thursday 7th: R/ Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Friday 8th : The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Solemnity) R/You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

Saturday 2nd: The Immaculate Heart if the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial) (Weekday Missal, page 1770)

R/ My heart rejoices in the Lord my saviour.

Parish Activities in 2018



Awaken Together In Christ Tuesday 5th June - 7pm Healing A ministry bringing hope and the tangible presence of Christ to the lost and a deeper connection for those who know Him.

We invite you to come along and enter into God's presence, watch Him move in your circumstances today. **Everyone welcome!**



Congratulations Sister Salvacion on your 25th Silver Jubilee of Religious Profession what a wonderful day last Sunday!



New Daily Mass St Francis Church 10am Rosary at 9.30am

Pilgrim Virgin Statue May-Oct

Invite a Pilarim Virgin statue into your home and commit to praying the Rosary everyday while it is there. It will bring great peace and holiness to your life, and is the best method of honouring Mary. The statue usually stays with each family for one week.



The statue may be taken away after the 8am Mass on Saturday at St Mary's. The purpose of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue home family visitation is to aid families in responding to the requests made by the Blessed Mary during her apparitions at Fatima. The essence of her requests is threefold: return to God; make reparation for sins; pray the Rosary for Peace. To arrange for a home family visitation of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue from May to October please contact the Parish Office.

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1st Collection: \$1048.40 + \$160.77 (Direct Debit)=\$1209.17 2nd Collection \$795.05 + \$228.46 (Direct Debit) = \$1023.51