

# PIUS VOICE

18th June, 2017, Corpus Christi Sunday



## UNDER THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE OBLATES

### Parish Priest

**Fr. Mathewraj OMI**

### Assistant Priest

**Fr. John O'Doherty OMI**

### Parish Manager

**David Cunningham**

### Mass Times

**Tuesday, Wednesday &**

**Friday 9.15 am**

**Thursday 9.30 am**

**Saturday 6.30 pm**

**Sunday 9.30 am & 5.30 pm**

### Daily Morning Prayer

**Tues, Wed, Fri 8.40 am**

**Thurs 8.55 am**

### Rosary: Tues, Wed,

**Fri 8.55 am & Thurs 9.10 am**

### Reconciliation

**Saturday 11.30—12.00 noon**

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today is the Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This day is also called Corpus Christi, which is Latin for "Body of Christ." The gift of the Eucharist comes with an important "string" is attached: it must be shared. In sharing the body of Christ, we become the body of Christ. If we partake of the "one bread" then we must be willing to become Eucharist for others -- to make the love of Christ real for all. Our coming to the table of the Eucharist is even more than just reliving the memory of Christ's great sacrifice for our redemption -- in sharing the Eucharist we re-enter the inexplicable love of God who gives us eternal life in his Son, the Risen Christ.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* tells us "Anyone who desires to receive Christ in Eucharistic communion must be in the state of grace. Anyone aware of having sinned mortally must not receive communion without having received absolution in the sacrament of penance" (CCC 1415). Thus today's feast urges us to learn more about the importance and value of the "Real Presence" of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist in order that we may appreciate the Sacrament better and receive worthily and piously in every Holy Mass.

As a community we offer our prayerful congratulations to the children from St. PIUS X primary school who will receive their First Holy Communion for the first time this Sunday at 9.30am. What a special day it is not only for each of them but also for their families. I pray that God will continue to bless and watch over these special young people and help them to understand the importance of the Eucharist in their lives. I would like to offer a special word of thanks to all the teachers who have helped to prepare the children for this special day. May God reward them for their ministry to our community.

Prayerful Congratulations to you dear children

**Conor, Amelia, Jay, Uyen, Willow, Shaiem, Troy & Shanae.**

God bless you always

Fr. Mathew

### Call to Ministry

Thank you to the 40 Ministers who attended this weeks meetings. Six of our currently rostered Ministers did not turn up and five are on holidays at the current time and others have apologized they were not able to be present. A catch up meeting for these 16 will be held in the next few weeks. This is the last opportunity to attended training before the list is sent to the Archbishop for approval. Our ministers are very important to the whole parish and if you don't attend the meeting we would be very sad to lose anyone who is wanting to serve as a minister.

From the meetings.....

1. When you receive the Body & Blood of Christ please respond **AMEN**. Please don't add any other words. Make sure you mouth is empty before coming forward.
2. Communicants must not be permitted to intinct the host themselves in the chalice, nor to receive the intincted host in the hand. (Redemptionist Sacramentum 104). I strongly advice you to receive the Blood of Christ from the Chalice. If you need further clarification on this contact Fr. Mathew.

**Fr John's 50 Anniversary of Priesthood** Sunday 23 July 10 am Mass. On this day the 9.30am Mass will be cancelled and replaced with 10am Mass followed by a shared lunch for Fr John. To assist with catering a clipboard will be in the main foyer to indicate what food you are bringing. A special collection will be taken up on the weekend of 8th / 9th July.

### Feast day of the Week

#### Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

"The term 'Sacred Heart of Jesus' denotes the entire mystery of Christ, the totality of his being, and his person...Devotion to the Sacred Heart...calls for a fundamental attitude of conversion and reparation, of love and gratitude, apostolic commitment and dedication to Christ and his saving work" (Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy #166, 172). "The essential nucleus of Christianity is expressed in the Heart of Jesus; in Christ the whole of the revolutionary newness of the Gospel was revealed and given to us; the Love that saves us and already makes us live in God's eternity. Even our shortcomings, our limitations and our weakness must lead us back to the Heart of Jesus. His divine Heart calls to our hearts, inviting us to come out of ourselves, to abandon our human certainties, to trust in him and, following his example, to make of ourselves a gift of love without reserve" (Pope Benedict XVI).

### Welcome to the Parish

We welcome to the Parish Fr Peter Stoll OMI, who is Celebrating the Indonesian Mass this Sunday, June 18th . Fr Peter is the Regional Oblate Councillor for Asia—Oceania.

Thank you to those who donated the new set of Priest Vestments—they have arrived this week .

Vinnies sincerely thanks all parishioners for their support of our Soup Sunday. We raised \$293 which will provide assistance for people in need

**Leaving Collection** : There will be a leaving collection at all Masses next weekend for the Holy



## St Vincent de Paul Food Bank

This week—**WEETBIX, BREAKFAST CEREAL, RICE, FULL CREAM LONG LIFE MILK, PASTA, PASTA SAUCE**, Cans of Tomatoes, Jam, Milo, Vegemite. **Items for baby layettes: cotton vests, socks or booties, nappies, nappy pins, disposable nappies, cotton blankets, cotton sheets, towels, soap, wipes, wash cloths, baby shampoo, bibs, onesies, wool.** Items can be left in foyer.

### Are you between the ages of 16 –29?

2018 Synod of Bishops, which is to be held in Rome on 'Youth, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment'. The Holy Father has asked that the voices of young people be evident in the Synod conversations, and so every Diocese through out the world has been asked to provide information about their young people.

To accomplish this, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has created an online survey for young people between the ages of 16-29. This survey is for all young people, whether practising or non-practising Catholics, and whether deeply committed or those on the margins. It is very important that we get a wide range of responses from as many young people as possible.

This survey is only available online and the link is <https://www.catholic.org.au/youthsurvey>.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey.

### PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK OF OUR PARISH IN YOUR PRAYERS

Charlie Bell, Cynthia Edwards, Elisabeth Burns, Graham Smith, Helen Durkin, Ian Wallace, Margaret Vaughn, Marie Kelly, Marj Ryan—Honorary OMI, Mary Meatheringham, Pam Tully, Tony Petrie.

### Ladies Evening

All the ladies of the parish, new and old are invited to an evening of conversation so we can get to know each other by name. It will be held in the Church hall this Wednesday 21st June at 7pm. Please come along.

Regards, Janine 0415 507 729

### Next Week's Readings 12th

#### Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A:



Jer 20:10-13; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

### Parish Prayer Network:



Prayers for any need. All you need to do is call one of the following:

Marie 8264 9569, Maureen 8261 6906 or Beth 8396 2079

MINISTRY ROSTER 24/25 June	6.30pm	9.30pm	5.30pm
	C Rod Hern	C Dorothy Nappa	C Sanjay Mohanaraj
<b>Ministers Please Note:</b>	R1 Patricia Beaven	R1 Bernadette Davies	R1 Mark McCarthy
This roster follows the original roster. If you have made any changes they will not be reflected here.	R2 Keith Collins	R2 Margaret Duggan	R2 Kathy Nicholls
Please check the notice board at the back of the church for any updates.	E1 Jaippee Paje	E1 Sue Griffith	E1 Judith Mohan
	E2 Bill Edmonds	E2 Peggy McNeil	E2 Michael Wright
	E3 Marie Smith	E3 Doris Taylor	E3 Philip Matthews
	E4 Jean Canil	E4 Marie Sterai	E4 Amy Bartjes
	M James Lloyd	M Michael & Tim Carter	M Sonia & Group

**Church Cleaners:** Team G: Cid/Tindull/Crasto/Yates/ Winkler

**Altar Linen:** 25th June: Dot

**First Reading** Dt 8:2-3. 14-16

**A reading from the book of Deuteronomy**

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 147:12-15, 19-20.

**(R.) Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.**

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem! Zion, praise your God! He has strengthened the bars of your gates, he has blessed the children within you. (R.)

He has established peace on your borders, he feeds you with finest wheat. He sends out his word to the earth and swiftly runs his command. (R.)

He makes his word known to Jacob, to Israel his laws and decrees. He has not dealt thus with other nations; he has not taught them his decrees. (R.)

**Second Reading** 1 Cor 10:16-17

**A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians**

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

**Gospel Acclamation** Jn 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** Jn 6:51-58

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus said to the Jews: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'