

**The Most Holy Body and Blood
of Christ
(Corpus Christi)
Year A**

SUNDAY June 22 2014

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST.

Change is very difficult for most of us. Even small interruptions in our daily routines can throw us off track. Sometimes the change affects everything about our daily living, as with a move to another city or state, a change of employment, or getting married. Sometimes change affects us personally and radically, as with a diagnosis of cancer requiring aggressive treatment that totally disrupts our lives. But no change we humans can imagine or encounter equals the change proposed by Jesus in this gospel and implied by our celebration of this solemnity. Jesus invites us to a change that makes a difference in *who we are*. Real change means transformation of self. It means no longer clinging to who we are or acting as we wish, but letting go. The real challenge of this feast is that we are invited to change - and what is at stake is life everlasting.

It is far too easy for us to file out of our pews into the Communion line, receive, return, leave after Mass is over, and get on with our lives. The food and drink that Jesus offers us requires of us conscious preparation, deliberate partaking, and ongoing savouring by how we live. Eucharist *changes* us to live more holy and self-giving lives. Sharing in the Body and Blood of Christ means that we share in Jesus' life of self-giving. This means becoming more aware of others' needs and responding to them; it means doing our everyday tasks well and out of love; it means being honest, just, and forgiving. Eternal life is the fruit of our transformation in Christ. We are to remain in him and are sent to be his presence in the world.

Jesus' call to eat his Body and drink his Blood is a call to participate in his very life: 'the one who feeds on me will have life because of me.' (from today's Second Reading). Nourished by and on him, we ourselves become, with him, 'the living bread' given unreservedly for others. We *are* the Body of Christ already sharing in eternal life.

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**St Joseph the Worker
Church**

44 Imperial Parade, Labrador

Sunday Mass

7.00 am

8:30 am

Weekday Mass

Monday -7.00am

Wednesday-7.00am

Each Friday-10.30am
Mass at Gold Coast
University Hospital

**Guardian Angels'
Church**

99 Scarborough St

Southport

Saturday

6.00pm

Sunday Mass

7.00 am

10.00 am

Weekday Mass

Friday 12.30pm

Reconciliation

Saturday - 4.30pm

**Mary Immaculate
Church**

31 Edmund Rice Drive, Ashmore

Sunday Mass

8:30 am & 6.00pm

Korean Mass

Sunday 3.00pm

Last Saturday of the Month

6.00pm

Weekday Mass

Tuesday - 9.00am

Thursday - 5.30pm

Holy Hour. First Thursday
of the Month 4.15pm

Poor Community, Poor Eucharist



It is difficult to have a sense of sharing in the one loaf as the sacrament of one Body, if, in fact we are not one body. And we are not one body if, outside the church building, we are not united and caring for each other. If we are not already a community before we enter the place where the Eucharist is being celebrated, we are not suddenly going to become a community after we come in. A parish where Mass-going is basically the

only activity of its members is going to be a dead parish and its Eucharist will also be dead. As said above, the Eucharist is the measurement of the life of the parish. And a parish gets the Eucharist it deserves. Poor community, poor Eucharist. A vibrant Christian community cannot have a bad Eucharist. Maybe some of those who have stopped going to Mass are in fact acting more honestly because the Mass no longer is a source of nourishment for them.

The Francis Effect

A small step in the midst of great human limitations can be more pleasing to God than a life which appears outwardly in order but moves through the day without confronting great difficulties.

Pope Francis, Nov. 2013

Invitation from Father Jan

In appreciation of all your work in the Parish, Father Jan is inviting all parish volunteers to a THANK YOU BBQ.

Its on this coming Friday, June 27, at 5.30pm in the grounds of Mary Immaculate Church. HAVE YOU LET THE PARISH OFFICE KNOW YOU ARE COMING? Be quick we need to know for catering purposes.

Marian Valley Canungra

Invitation to All to attend the Farewell Mass of Bishop-Elect Fr Columba Macbeth-Green OSPPE
Sunday, June 29, at 11.00am
at Marian Valley Canungra

Holy Rosary, 10.40am—Mass, 11.00am—Lunch, 12.30pm
Lunch: could everyone please bring a plate of finger food such as sandwiches or sweets.

If you would like to make a donation to Fr Columba's farewell present it can be given to Leon at the desk in the Canteen area.

Saint Mary MacKillop's Feastday—AUGUST 8

As the Sisters of St Joseph expanded throughout Australia and beyond, Mary's endurance, coupled with her compassion and leadership, touched many people's lives leaving a legacy that endures today.

Share in celebrating this great woman with us.

Let us know what is happening. Email us

niesha.alloprt@sosj.org.au If you know of any celebrations or events happening in your region and we will share them on our website. Visit our websites www.sosj.org.au and www.marymackillop.org.au

YOU ARE INVITED!

Life in the Spirit Seminar

Over three Sundays, July 6, Sunday, July 13, and Sunday, July 20.

Guardian Angels Church, Southport from 11.00am
YOU ARE LOVED. A whole lot... John 3:16

Vocation View: Corpus Christi. That we can collaborate with God is a humbling truth. That God lives among us is startling. That we are the Body of Christ is our vocation.

ARTICO Ensemble returning for another Concert



ARTICO Ensemble is a chamber music quartet consisting of soprano, clarinet, bass clarinet and piano. Based in Brisbane, they specialise in creating concerts in small venues, bringing chamber music to audiences. Those of us who attended last years concert will remember the superb and exhilarating, inspirational, and very professional, heart-warming performance.

This year's ARTICO will be performing "The Art of Song" at Mary Immaculate Church on **Sunday, July 20 at 2.00pm.**

This concert promises to be an absolute delight for lovers of fine music! Tickets are \$20 for Adults and \$15 Concession. Primary School children Free.

Proceeds from this concert will go towards sending some of our youth to World Youth Day in Poland in 2016.

A light refreshment will be provided after the concert, giving you a chance to mix and chat with the group.

For tickets please contact the Parish Office 55 102 222 or look for the table selling tickets after Mass today.

Altar Servers Wanted



We are asking for children of families who regularly attend the Parish for Mass, and have made their First Holy Communion, to become Altar Servers at each of our three churches. You will be required to attend at least two training sessions. If you are interested please leave your name and details with the Parish Office 55 102 222 and Father Jan will contact you about training sessions.

Ministers Workshop

Any parishioner of Ashmore, Labrador or Southport who would like to become a Reader, Minister of Eucharist or take communion to people in Hospital, Nursing Homes or people in their own homes, Sister Elisabeth will be offering workshops on Saturday, July 12, at Mary Immaculate Church. The Readers workshop will be at 9.00am.

Ministers of Eucharist at 10.00am. For those taking communion outside Mass, your workshop will be at 11.00am.

It is essential you let Sister Elisabeth know on 55 102 222 or lis@scp.org.au so relevant material will be ready for you.

It is the generosity of parishioners to partake in various ministries that gives positive life to our community, so please consider if you would like to help.

Volunteers at the Villa

Are you looking for some way to give something back to your community.

De Paul Villa needs your help.

We would love to have you join our volunteer community.

Volunteering involves visiting residents, assisting the Divisional Therapy Team, and chatting in the Coffee shop.

If you think this might be you call Toni on 0424 364 549

High Tea

On Sunday afternoon June 1, at the home of John and Christine Wintour, approximately 60 parishioners gathered for our parish High Tea. Overall it was a very successful day with all present enjoying the goodies on offer and participating in the party games especially the trivia.

Special Thanks must go to John and Christine for the use of their home. To our sponsors, Cheryl who runs Bridge in our parish with classes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. If you would like to learn all about Bridge give Cheryl a call on 55 388 821. To Susannah who teaches crochet in the Annex at St Joseph the Worker Labrador on Tuesdays.

To Chocolotto and Ferry Road Tea Centre, for their donations of different brands of tea. Thanks to June Kennedy and the wonderful ladies who contributed delicious home made goodies. Please support these sponsors so more successful parish socials will achieve great success.

Do you have any suitable DVDs you don't need any more? De Paul Villa Aged Care would love to hear from you. Please call Anne on 55 827 250

Today we welcome into God's Family

Mason Darcy Pennell, son of Chad and Tuleen Pennell

Lily Grace Mellitus Oliphant daughter of James and Skye Oliphant

Rainsford James Dean Stone son of Mark Mooney and Bianca Stone

Bronte Emeline Mooney daughter of Mark Mooney and Bianca Stone



YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THOSE WHO HAVE JOURNEYED TO THE FATHER.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Father Thomas Mullins

ANNIVERSARY: Max Pescud, Ian Grooms, Jose Jaca, Feliciano Jaca

ALL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK AND IN NEED: Elizabeth Anderson, Jean Ritchie, Gary O'Connell, Jack and Ross McAlpine, John Stowers, Ernest James, Leah Joy Layosa (baby) Jack Keniry, Michael Murray, Noel Mahoney, Albert Bussac, Alex McKinnon, Colleen Blanch, Joe Vohar, Karen Percic, Susanne and Peter Turner, Tim Howard, Michael Skinner, Angela Taylor, Barbara Bill Welle snr. Trudi de Vries, Yvonne See, Jack Kennedy, Christine Wheldon, Lynn Rann, Bernadette Fagan, Bong, Tanie and Gie Ubaldo, Babes Valenzuela, Vicky Smith, Mary Porrill.

Lord grant your people protection and grace. Give them health of mind and body. Amen

Novena for Vocations



V9 Novena for vocations is a nine week novena of prayer across the Archdiocese for vocations. It began last Sunday, June 15 and concludes at the end of National Vocation Awareness Weeks on Sunday, August 10. The campaign encourages a prayerful culture across the Archdiocese by praying a nine week novena for

vocations. **You will find the Prayer for Vocations on the back page of this newsletter. Keep a copy and pray this prayer daily for nine weeks.**

Feast Days of the Week

Tuesday, June 24, The Nativity of St John the Baptist.

Friday, June 27, The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Saturday, June 28, The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Thanks for the Memories"

In our parish in the days following Pentecost 70 children celebrated Confirmation and First Communion. We received a note of thanks from Bishop Brian expressing his thanks for the welcome he received when he came for Confirmation. "It was an enjoyable occasion. May the young people live as Holy Spirit inspired."

A special thanks to the parish sacramental team, the staff from Guardian Angels school, and all who assisted at our three parish celebrations. A big thank-you to the teachers and organist who prepared the music and the singers for our celebrations. Thanks also to all parishioners who prayed for the children and to those who sent food for morning tea. Thanks also to the generous helpers who spent hours ensuring the children and their families had a very happy celebratory morning tea on Sunday. May all the children and their families be blessed with many happy memories of Confirmation and First Communion. Sister Helen

NOT FOR SALE

An article in "The Australian" on Thursday, June 12, reported on the sale of the Old Star of the Sea convent for more than \$25 million to Chinese developers. Unfortunately in the article "The Australian" used a photo of Guardian Angels Church. Parishioners are advised that Guardian Angels Church has **not been sold and is Not For Sale.**

Parking at Mary Immaculate Church

Due to a major event at Aquinas College, there will be a parking problem for the 6.00pm Mass next Sunday, June 29. Parishioners are asked to avail themselves of the parking in Guardian Angels school grounds. Entrance is opposite to the road into Mary Immaculate.

PARISH DATE CLAIMERS FOR 2014

First Sunday of each month, Morning Tea at the "Annex" after 8.30am Mass at St Joseph the Worker, Labrador.

Each First and Third Sunday of the Month, 11.30am Charismatic prayer Meeting, Guardian Angels Church.

Southport Parish Book Club, meets First Monday of the month 10.00am. Mary Immaculate meeting room.

Bridge, every Wednesday 9.30am to 12 noon in the Meeting Room at Mary Immaculate. Beginners welcome.

Rosary and Novena at 6.00pm on the First Wednesday followed by Mass at 7.00pm at St Joseph the Worker.

Catholic Women's League, Meeting Second Friday of each Month, Guardian Angels Meeting Room, followed by Mass

Care and Concern, Meet Fourth Monday of each month, Mary Immaculate Meeting Room, 10.30am

SPY. Southport Parish Youth. Meet in the meeting room at Mary Immaculate on the last Friday of each month. 6.30pm

Friday, **June 27,** Parish Thank You Social

Sunday, **July 6,** Parish Golf Day at Colonial

Sunday, **July 20,** ARTICO Concert. 'The Art of Song'

Sunday, **July 27,** Blessing of the Cars. Have your car blessed after 8.30am Mass at Mary Immaculate.

Sunday, **August 10,** Parish Observation Car Rally

Saturday, **September 13,** Music Workshop at

Mary Immaculate 9.30am to 4.00pm

Saturday, **November 29,** Fundraising event for Ethiopia

Mission, Gold Coast Little Theatre

PARISH GOLF DAY

Palmer Colonial Golf Club—Robina

Sunday, July 6, Tee off at 12noon sharp

Cost \$60 per person— 4 person Ambrose

18 holes of golf-electric cart-Dinner and Presentation

Everyone is welcome even if you have never played golf

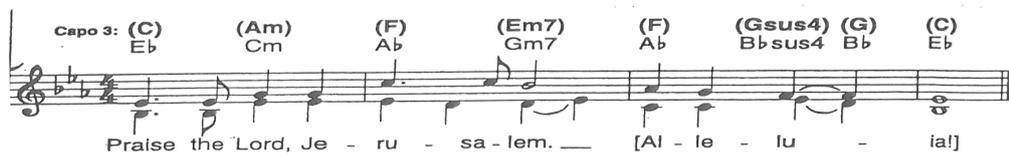
before. Please RSVP and pre-pay your place in field

with Alan Waghorn phone 0416 145 054

or email Alan at alandme@optusnet.com.au

Entries close Sunday, June 29, 2013

Prize Sponsorship: If you would like to sponsor a Hole or donate a Prize for a range of competitions on the day, let Alan know what you would like to donate.



HYMNS

WE GATHER HERE, O LORD

Refrain:

*We gather here, O Lord,
to hear Your saving word.
To feast upon this finest bread,
this richest wine out-poured.
Come, set our hearts ablaze! Come,
fill our nights and days with purpose
strong and vision clear and songs
of thankful praise! (Repeat)*

GLORY TO GOD

Refrain:

*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. **R**

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. **R**

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. **R**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Praise the Lord Jerusalem! (Alleluia)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
I am the living bread from heaven, says
the Lord: whoever eats this bread will live
forever
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

THE WORD OF THE LORD FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Acts 3:1-10 Galatians 1:11-20
John 21:15-19 John 20:1-9

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GIFTS PROCESSION

LORD TO WHOM SHALL WE GO

(Michael Herry)

Refrain:

**Lord, to whom shall we go?
You are our bread,
broken and shared.
Lord, to whom shall we go?
Yours are the words of life.**

Our fathers ate,
yet their hunger remained.
Their hearts were not satisfied. **R.**

O Lord, you feed us with the finest of
wheat,
Our pledge of eternal life. **R.**

The bread you give is the living bread,
Your flesh for the life of the world. **R**

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.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by
your Cross and Resurrection, you
have set us free.

AMEN

Amen, Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins
of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION PROCESSION

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

I am the bread of life,
You who come to me shall not hunger
And who believe in me shall not thirst
No one can come to me, unless the Father
beckons
*And I will raise you up,
and I will raise, you up,
and I will raise you up,
on the last day!*

The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
And if you eat of this bread,
You shall live forever,
you shall live forever **R**

Unless you eat of the flesh
of the Son of Man
And drink of His blood,
and drink of His blood,
you shall not have life
within you. **R**

Yes, Lord, I believe,
that you are the Christ,
the son of God who has come
into the world

TAKE AND EAT (No 2) (Maggie Russell)

Take and eat, this is my body.
Take and drink, this is my life blood.
Whenever you share this meal with others
Do so in memory of me.

RECESSIONAL

CITY OF GOD

Awake from your slumber!
Arise from your sleep!
A new day is dawning
For all those weep.
The people in darkness
have seen a great light.
The Lord of our longing
has conquered the night.

Refrain:

*Let us build the city of God.
May our tears be turned into dancing!
For the Lord, our light and our love,
Has turned the night into day!*

We are sons of the morning;
We are daughters of day.
The One who has loved us
Has brightened our way.
The Lord of all kindness
Has called us to be
A light for his people
to set their hearts free. **R**

God is light ;
In him there is no darkness
Let us walk in his light,
His children,
One and all.
O comfort my people;
Make gentle your words.
Proclaim to my city
The day of her birth. **R**

Prayer for Vocations

- A.** *At the sight of the crowds Jesus' heart
was moved*
B. *For they were like sheep without a
shepherd*
A. *Jesus said, "The harvest is ready"*
B. *"But the labourers are few*
A. *Ask the Lord to send out labourers for the
harvest*
B. *O Lord we pray that young men will
answer the call to become priests in Your
harvest*
A. *And the shepherds for your people.
Amen*

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