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Go to proclaim"*

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2nd June, 2024

Body and Blood of Christ—Year B (Corpus Christi)

Fri 7th June Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Sat 8th June Immaculate Heart of Mary



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, R. v. 13

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

SECOND READING:

Hebrews 9:11-15

The blood of Christ will purify our inner selves.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Jn 6:51-52

*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

This is my body. This is my blood.

St. Michael's Parish Notice

Sick: Vince Buchan, Sylvia Newman, David Low, Jimmy Chandra

Mass Intentions Sat 5pm †Bede Walsh & †Patrick Walsh

Sun 8am †Vince Hage & †Betty Mata , **Amaya (Blessings)**

World Apostolate of Fatima

The Sydney Archdiocesan Committee of the World Apostolate of Fatima invite you to a "Night of Prayer & Reparation" taking place at St. Mel's Parish - 7 Evaline Street, Campsie, on the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus & the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Friday 7th of June & Saturday 8th. Doors open at 8.30pm with Solemn Mass at 9pm Rosary at 10pm Re-dedication & Reparation to the Sacred Heart before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed, followed with a short break. Rosary, 12.15am, Morning Mass with prayers for the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary 12.30am. We look forward to you joining us as we intercede for World Peace. A bus will leave Dee Why pickup at Narraweena and other stops, with a cost of \$20.00 for further information please call Rosetta on 0403578994.

St. Michael's Playgroup.

Parents and carers with pre-school children are invited to attend the *St. Michael's Playgroup*.

Enjoy free play, story time, arts & crafts, make new friends while having morning tea... come and be part of this wonderful community!

The schedule this term are as follows: **June 12 and 26, 9:00-10:30am** to be held at the parish hall, entrance is from the school gate along Haig Ave.

If interested to come, please email Ms. Ma at ma.becina@syd.catholic.edu.au to RSVP.

The Walk with Christ.

On the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (2nd June), we are invited by Bishop Umbers to honour the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist by attending the **"Walk with Christ"** Eucharistic procession through the streets of Sydney.

WHEN: Sunday, 2 June with a festival beginning at 1:00pm in Martin Place.

The procession begins at 2:30pm sharp from the corner of Martin Place and Pitt Street and will proceed to St Mary's Cathedral.

For more information Walk with Christ,

visit: <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/walkwithchrist>

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crime are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial integrity office at **(02) 9390-5810** or

safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

***Please observe silence in God's house.
Please turn your mobile off or put it on silent.***



History of the Feast of Corpus Christi

In 1263 a German priest, Fr. Peter of Prague stopped in Bolsena, Italy, to celebrate Mass at the Church of St. Christina. At the time he was having doubts about Jesus being truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. In response to his doubt, when he recited the prayer of consecration as he celebrated the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, blood started seeping from the consecrated host and onto the altar and corporal. Fr. Peter reported this miracle to Pope Urban IV, who at the time was nearby in Orvieto. The pope sent people to investigate and ordered that host and blood-stained corporal be brought to Orvieto. The relics were then placed in the Cathedral of Orvieto, where they remain today. St. Juliana was a nun who had a series of visions, in which she was instructed by Our Lord to establish a liturgical feast for the Holy Eucharist, to which she had a great devotion. After many years of trying, she finally convinced the bishop, the future Pope Urban IV, to create this special feast in honour of the Blessed Sacrament. Soon after her death, Pope Urban instituted Corpus Christi for the Universal Church and celebrated it for the first time in Orvieto in 1264, a year after the Eucharistic Miracle in Bolsena. Inspired by the miracle, Pope Urban asked St. Thomas Aquinas, a Dominican Friar, to compose the Mass and Office for the feast of Corpus Christi. Aquinas composed the hymns *Tantum Ergo*, *Panis Angelicus*, and *O Salutaris Hostia* which are sung on the feast of Corpus Christi as well as throughout the year during Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Carlo Acutis

Acutis was known for making the Eucharist the centre of his life and referring to it as his “highway to heaven.” The Italian teenager never missed daily Mass from the time he received First Holy Communion at age seven. He spent time each day praying before the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle and praying the Rosary. “To always be close to Jesus, that’s my life plan,” Carlo is reported to have said. Carlo was considered a genius with computers and was gifted in the areas of computer programming, film editing, website creation and the editing and layout of comics. He also volunteered his time to helping those in need, especially children and the elderly. He created the website ‘The Eucharistic Miracles of the World’ shortly before his untimely death from leukemia at age 15 in 2006. The website catalogues Eucharistic Miracles according to country and demonstrates Carlo’s great love for the Blessed Sacrament. Before he passed away he said, “I’m happy to die because I’ve lived my life without wasting even a minute of it doing things that wouldn’t have pleased God.” In May 2024, Pope Francis has recognized a second miracle attributed to Acutis’s intercession, paving the way for his canonization in 2025.

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