

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Presider: When the crowds came to Jesus, he did not turn them away but fed those who were hungry. In our prayer, as in our daily life, let us not ignore others in need.

Reader: For our Church and our community of Paddington, Edgecliff and Double Bay.

All: May all those gathered at the table of the Lord be filled with the generosity of God. May our Church go forth into the world and share God's goodness.

Reader: For those in the world affected by disease and famine.

All: May Christians and people of goodwill everywhere come to their aid in the most effective way possible.

Reader: Lord God, you chose Mary to be the mother of your Son.

All: May the Virgin Mary intercede for those who are considering becoming a religious sister, nun, brother, priest or consecrated religious life.

Reader: For those parts of our nation that are still in drought.

All: May the rains fall freely on their fields.

Reader: For the children in our community who have recently celebrated their First Holy Communion.

All: May their union with Christ in the eucharist lead them to carry the kindness and love of God our saviour into the world.

Reader: For our deceased relatives and friends.

All: May the Eucharist received here on earth, be a pledge of their future resurrection in glory.

Presider: Let us pray together.

All: God of Life and Love, you satisfy hungry hearts. In your compassion, grant our requests. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.



Parish newsletter of the communities of St Francis of Assisi Paddington, St Joseph Edgecliff and the 8:45am Mass at Double Bay
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Sunday 23 June 2019 : The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, known also as Corpus Christi. To the invitation "The Body of Christ" we respond "Amen." But do we comprehend the full meaning of this response? Our "Amen" is our 'yes Lord', we will become as you became. Our "Amen" is our 'yes Lord', we will love as you loved - the little children, the outcasts and lepers. Our "Amen" is our 'yes Lord', we will forgive as you forgave - the prostitute, the repentant sinner, the ones who put him to death. Our "Amen" is our 'yes Lord', we will give as you gave - totally, without question, willingly. Our "Amen" is our 'yes Lord', we will challenge as you challenged - the sellers in the market place, the Pharisees, laws that bind. Our "Amen" is our 'yes Lord', we will live as you lived - according to the will of God. No, we can never comprehend the full meaning of our "Amen", it is a mystery in which we are invited to live. - *Fr Paul*

PARISH NOTICES

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB

Wed. 3 July 2019. 7.30 - 9pm at the PADDINGTON RSL CLUB 220-232 Oxford St, Paddington, opposite the Town Hall. Topic: "Sharing the Journey . Voice. Treaty. Truth. Let's work together for a Shared Future". Speakers: Matthew Smith - Principal of Redfern Jarjum College, Redfern & Louise Campbell, an Education officer - Aboriginal Education for the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle Catholic Schools Office Donation entry. MC: John Allen Info Marea: 0414 873 910.

CANA COMMUNITIES AT DE PORRES HOUSE

We need your help! We need additional volunteers to assist our work with Cana Communities at De Porres House. There is a roster of volunteers who work as a team to provide and serve meals to the residents of De Porres. If you can help or for more information call Paul Redmond on 0416 884 195 or contact the parish office.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Did you know that every Friday morning our community visits Presbyterian Aged Care and Ronald Coleman Lodge to give communion and company to residents? We are looking for new volunteers to join this roster. Each volunteer is rostered every four to six weeks. New recruits will start by buddying with an existing volunteer to 'learn the ropes', no experience is required. If you can help support this important work please the office on 9331 4043.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

If you missed out last weekend you can still contribute to the SVDP Winter Appeal. Your contributions support Vinnie's services that provide financial help, housing support and food assistance for Australians who are experiencing poverty and/or homelessness. Donations of \$2 and more are tax deductible. Envelopes are available at the back of each Church.

END OF FINANCIAL YEAR & PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

All contributions to Planned Giving must be received prior to June 30 if you would like to receive a tax deduction for your donation. New envelopes for the coming financial year (Jul 19 to Jun 20) are now available for collection. Please note in order to help us manage costs some planned giving numbers will be changing in the new year however your giving history and all other details will remain. Thank you for generous support of our planned giving programme.

JOIN US ON TWITTER

Don't want to wait to read the weekend bulletin to know the latest news and updates? Join us on twitter for the latest from our communities of Paddington, Double Bay & Edgecliff in real time. To be in the know about what's happening follow us at [@stfrancisjoseph](https://twitter.com/stfrancisjoseph) and stay in touch.



OTHER NOTICES

CANA COMMUNITIES & FRANCISCAN CHARISM

Join us Wednesday 26 June for our Holy Spirit Secular Franciscan Gathering Mass and Talk. The speaker will be Barry Anderson from Cana Communities. Mass, 7pm at the Star of the Sea Friary (45 Victoria St, Waverley). Talk, 8pm in the Borromeo Parish Centre (45A Victoria St, Waverly). All are welcome.

WALK WITH CHRIST

In light of it being the Feast of Corpus Christi we ask all parishioners to save the date for a very special celebration for all Sydney Catholics. Please join your fellow Sydneysiders in the Walk with Christ annual Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Sydney on the Feast of Christ The King on November 24 at 2.30pm. Thousands of people took part in last year's joyful public proclamation and act of worship to invoke Christ's blessing upon our beautiful city. Meet at the corner of Martin Place & Pitt Street at 2.30pm on November 24.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT REFLECTION MORNINGS

Third Wednesday of Every Month 10.00am - 1.00pm. For family and friends who grieve and their companions. Understanding and managing life's changes in Loss, Grief & Bereavement. Morning tea provided. For further information please contact Bereavement Support by phone on (02) 9646 6908 or by emailing: bereavementsupport@catholiccemeteries.com.au

VOLUNTEER TO LEND A HELPING HAND TO SENIORS

We need people in South West Sydney to visit seniors for a chat over a cup of tea and to help with light housework. Call CCareline on 13 18 19 to find out more.

UPCOMING DEVOTIONS, GROUPS AND MEETINGS

St Francis' Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour: 5:00pm every Saturday prior to the Vigil Mass.

St Joseph's Rosary Group: 7.30am and 5.00pm weekdays.

St Joseph's First Thursday Adoration: Next: 4 July at 5pm followed by Mass at 5.30pm in the church at Edgecliff.

Lectio Divina: A meditative reading of the Scripture. 7pm Wednesdays in the Parish Hall at Edgecliff.

Christian Meditation: Saturday 10:30am Saturday at the St Francis Parish Meeting Room.

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL FUNDRAISING PAVERS

In 2019 St Francis Primary School will be providing an opportunity to create a lasting legacy in the school with an engraved commemorative paver. More information and forms are available at the Church entrances. Otherwise please contact Christine Hart in the School Office on 9331 5507.

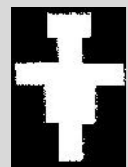


MY FAITH IN THE WAKE OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION

A REFLECTION BY ROBERT FITZGERALD AM
Former Commissioner to the Royal Commission on
Institutional Responses to Sexual Abuse

FRIDAY 5 JULY AT ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI PADDINGTON
7PM IN THE CHURCH
FOLLOWED BY SUPPER

Presented by Repair My House. Repair My House is a group of concerned parishioners who have been discussing how we as a community respond to all forms of abuse where the God Given value and dignity of the individual has been violated.



"Francis, go repair my house, which, as you see, is falling into ruin" were Christ's words to

the young St. Francis as he was praying in the crumbling little church of San Damiano outside the walls of Assisi. Register for this event at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/my-faith-in-the-wake-of-the-royal-commission-tickets-62686966404>

Our faith community demands that the Christian Churches including the Catholic Church provide full and meaningful reparation for those who have suffered clerical and institutional sexual abuse.

WELCOME

New to the parish? Please come and meet one of the Parish Team after mass and take home one of our Welcome Packs to find out more about your new community. Welcome Packs are available at the church entrance.

OUR PARISH

Paul Ghanem ofm - Parish Priest
Piotr Rzcudlo ofm & Francisco Basnayake ofm - Assistant Priests
Pax Scarf ofm, Phillip Miscamble ofm, David Leary ofm, Joseph Lu ofm - Friars in residence
Ruth Rawlinson - Parish Manager
Tanith Bryce & Dean Thill - Cantor & Organist, Edgecliff
Noel Debieu & Bransby Byrne - Music Dir. & Organist Paddington
Nicole Smelders - Cantor Paddington
Emma-Gai Gold - Safeguarding Support Officer
Nicole Hudson - Principal, St Francis of Assisi Primary School

WEEKLY SERVICES AND SACRAMENTS

St Joseph, Edgecliff

Sunday: 7:30am, 11:00am & 5:30pm
8:45am at Double Bay

Monday: 7:00am

Tuesday: 7:00am Communion Service
5:30pm

Wednesday: 5:30pm

Thursday: 5:30pm

Friday: 7:00am

Baptisms: First Sunday of the month at 12.00 noon

St Francis of Assisi, Paddington

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:30am & 10:00am

Monday: 9:00am

Tuesday: 9:00am Communion Service

Wednesday: 9:00am

Thursday: 9:00am

Friday: 9:00am

Baptisms: Third Sunday of the month at 11.30am

2019 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

First Holy Communion - Saturday, 22 June at 5:30pm

Confirmation - Thursday, 5 September at 6:00pm

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, contact the police. You can also contact the *Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office*: 93905810 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.

We remember those in need of our prayers: our deceased, those in hospital, nursing homes, the homebound and defence force personnel.

Recently Deceased: Paul Irvin, John Scott, Guida Nolasco, John Coulson, Veronica Henderson, Rebecca Newman, Pat Kerr, Phillip Gay, Michael Donovan, Mrs Cass, Rosemary Farmer, Bill Stavrellis, Ada Iatropoulos, Eiko Tamura-Concepcion, Manuela Bezzina, James Adamovich, Brian Roderick, Dorothea Rodi, Matthew Bolton, Christine Andrew-Smith, Sr Raphael OP.

Mass Intentions: Nita & Domenic Casamento, John & Jeanette Rawlinson, Catherine & Cherrie, Dezma Malouf, Odette Malouf, Malouf & Dickson Families, Francisco Correa, Genevieve Scarf, Finbarr O'Farrell, Peter Meagher, Molly Odillo Maher, Len Destro, Beth Constance, Daniel O'Connell, Herminia Hernandez, Margaret Austin, Janice Hui, Carmen Bellanto, Frances Furlong, Edward Kiernan, Richard Szweczyk, Keith Steele, Avery & Roche Family, Joseph, Sheila & Paul Dahdah, Joan Connelley, Adamovitch & Ford Families, Hector Destro, John Carmody, Vinz Napoli, Jim Evans, Jerry Austin, Peter O'Brien, Geoff Cliff, Lena Kaine, Violet Kiernan, Andrew Georgiou, Charlie & Eddy Piper, Tino Ordenez, Anne Cole, Julee Lyle, Patrick Oglivie, Holy Souls.



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Our faith community acknowledges and pays respect to the Traditional Owners of the Land on which we worship, the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation.

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing. It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Grant your Church, O Lord, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace, whose signs are to be seen in mystery in the offerings we here present. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I OR II OF THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: 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.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,

we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace

LAMB OF GOD

All: 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Jn 6:57

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Grant, O Lord, we pray, that we may delight for all eternity in that share in your divine life, which is foreshadowed in the present age by our reception of your precious Body and Blood. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

R. Thanks be to God.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

CELEBRATING THE HOSPITALITY OF GOD

The Gospel for today's feast very appropriately tells of the divine hospitality Jesus provided for thousands of people, multiplying loaves and fishes to feed them.

The twelve apostles, genuinely concerned, for the crowd, make a practical suggestion. Send the people away to find food and lodging for the night. Jesus throws back the challenge: 'You provide them with food'. They are aghast. In human terms hospitality on such a scale is impossible. But Jesus is going to make them ministers of the hospitality of God.

The people are made to sit down in groups—a clear signal that they are about to be fed. Then, invoking heaven (to show the divine source), blessing and breaking the loaves and fishes (the language has clear Eucharistic echoes), Jesus miraculously makes it possible for the Twelve to feed the entire crowd—not merely adequately but so abundantly that even after all had eaten each of the Twelve has a full basket of broken pieces left over. God is never niggardly in hospitality; on the contrary, overflowing abundance is its mark.

It is significant that in the supply of food Jesus himself does not deal directly with the crowd. He leaves the distribution entirely to the disciples. He is apprenticing them to be ministers of God's hospitality themselves when, after his ascension, he is physically removed from the scene. In this way the episode foreshadows the Christian Eucharist, the rite in which the Church will experience and celebrate God's hospitality as a foretaste of the banquet of the Kingdom.

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) / C

23 JUNE 2019

FOOD FOR THE MULTITUDES. After feeding the crowds with the loaves and fishes blessed by Jesus, his disciples gathered twelve baskets of leftovers. Jesus, the generous giver, always provides too much, a sign that his gifts are never meant to be hoarded but to be shared with others. Seeing the poor and hungry of our world, he says to us what he said to his disciples, 'give them something to eat yourselves'. Nourished by his body and blood in the Eucharist, let us go out and generously share our gifts with others.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 80:17

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

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You came to call sinners: Christ have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

GLORIA

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. / 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. / 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. / Amen.

COLLECT

P. O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Gen 14:18-20

A reading from the book of Genesis

Melchizedek brought bread and wine.

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing: 'Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.'

And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 109:1-4. R. v. 4

R. You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

1. The Lord's revelation to my Master: / 'Sit on my right: / I will put your foes beneath your feet.' R.

2. The Lord will send from Zion / your sceptre of power: / rule in the midst of all your foes. R.

3. A prince from the day of your birth / on the holy mountains; / from the womb before the daybreak I begot you. R.

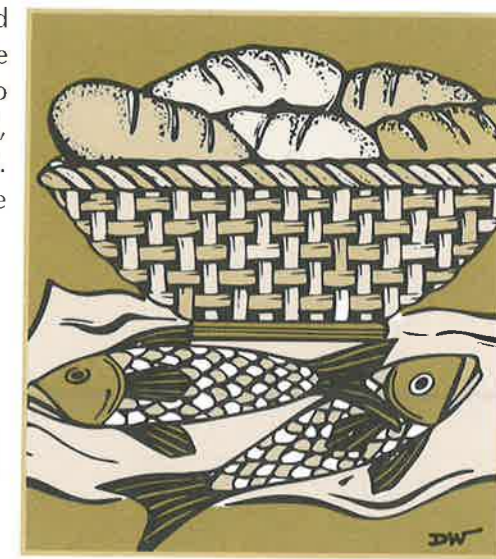
4. The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. / 'You are a priest for ever, / a priest like Melchizedek of old.' R.

SECOND READING 1 Cor 11:23-26

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

Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the death of the Lord.

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which



is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

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 foreshadowed; 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.

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 Lk 9:11-17

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

They all ate and were filled.