

Our Lady of Lourdes Children's Corner
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Corpus Christi

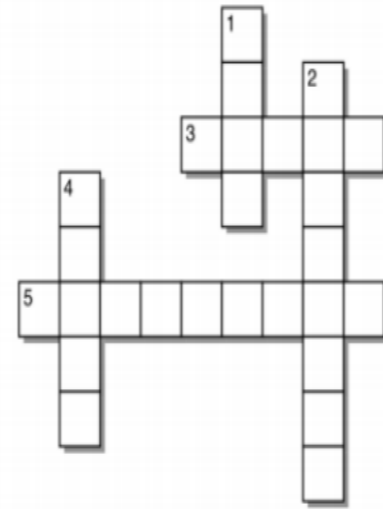


COMMUNION—MARK—BREAD—PASSEOVER—BLOOD

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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| BLESSING | CUP | PASSEOVER |
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| BROKE | MASTER | UPPER ROOM |



Across

3. Jesus took _____, blessed it and said, "This is my body..."
5. Every week we remember this Gospel passage when we receive Holy _____ or the Blessed Sacrament at church.

Down

1. Today's Gospel is from the Gospel according to _____.
2. This the the name of the Jewish religious observance that was the reason the disciples and Jesus need to gather to share a meal.
4. Today is the Solemnity of the Body and _____ of Christ.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES
PARISH OF SEVEN HILLS
"Still a wonderful place to pray & stay."

Parish Priest: Fr Henry Huu Duc Tran
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WEEKDAY MASS Tuesday-Friday 8.00am
WEEKEND MASS Saturday Vigil 6pm
Sunday 8am & 9.30am

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RECONCILIATION Saturday 4.30-5.30pm
BAPTISMAL PREPARATION 21st July 2021 7.30pm
BAPTISMS 2nd & 4th Sunday 11am

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) • 6 June 2021 • Year B

All are welcome to join us for **Our Lady of Lourdes, Seven Hills, Sydney, NSW, Australia Facebook LIVE-STREAM WEEK-END MASSES** celebrated by **Fr. Henry Huu Duc Tran** on **Saturdays 6PM (Vigil), Sundays: 8AM, 9:30AM** <https://www.facebook.com/LOL7Hills/>

REMINDER

KEEP COVID SAFE

We must continue to:



MASKS

Masks are optional, but strongly advised.



SANITISE

Use hand sanitizer upon entry and exit.



DISTANCE

Please maintain social distancing at all times. Including when lining up for Holy Communion.



SIGN IN

By Law, EVERYONE must SIGN IN. If the church has reached the MAX. capacity of 150 people, please proceed to Hall.



MARKED SEATING

Please sit behind the WHITE TAPE or in family designated areas.

IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING **ANY FLU LIKE SYMPTOMS** PLEASE STAY HOME AS THE MASS IS STILL AVAILABLE ON LIVE-STREAM THROUGH OUR OLOL FACEBOOK PAGE.

PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS TO THE CHURCH SAFE.

Let us Pray for the Sick



Chula Abey, Leonila Ahillon, George Alagiah, David Barrow, David Benjamin, John Bourke, Lina Cabaero, Barrie Chamberlain, Gabriel Chung, Myrna G Cruz, Paul Daniel, Melvin Fernandes, Ronald Gomez, Milroy Gunewardena, Anthony Janicska, Wendy & Klaus, Anslan Lawrence, Angelina Lee, Spencer Leon, Cynthia Lopez, Carmenu M, Gerard Marcello, Marie Marchand, Maria V, Mark McGilligan, Blago & Dragica Milicevic, Laurel Morris, Anna Mun, Ananda Nayana, Patricia Oreo, Lekisha Grace Panlilio, Roger & Kimberley Payoe, Wiranjan Peiris, Salome Pillay, Debra Price, Camy Ratnam, Susantha Seranayake, Bernie Sivapatham, Rose Stambouliah, Pummalin Sumcad, Denis Symon, Lourdes Tibig, Sue Tipaldo, Natalie Woodward.

If you would like to add to our Sick List or know of any Parishioner that is unwell please contact Father Henry or the Parish Office on 9622 2920. We can also arrange for Holy Communion or a visit if required.

Let us Pray for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Pamela Cythina Ambrose, Rosario Arzaga, Armando Catania, Aloyseon Corera, Charles Do, Nilesch Evans, Cruz Fernandez, Teresita G Garganteil, Travis Gerreyn, Robert Gray, Shanil Jayatilake, Modesta Lorenzo, Mary Mifsud, Lirio Napud, Leonardo Naldoza, Ramon Nismal, Neil Nuevaespana, Custodio Palmos Jr, Rena Rose Pinto, Dale Rohe, Mary Said, Mary Silva, Peter Van Giao Nguyen, Domingo Villarta.

Anniversaries: Cecil Beed, Maurice Camenzuli, Carmela Carbone, Maria Thuc Trinh Dang, Marcel Diab, Rose Fernandes, Teodoro Garcia, Tarcisco "Archie" & Helen Gatt, Steve Gauci, Joseph Binh Chanh Lam, Sheena Landagan, Salvatore, Luigi & Lorenzo op. Loria, Antonio, Alberto, Francesco a& Giuseppe Mancina, Anton Motha, Paul Mula, Caytan Mula, Mary Muscat, Lakshman Perera, Cornelio & Iluminada Rondario, Alexis & Chantal Sauzier, S Susainathan, Peter Van Nhon Tran.

Remembrance: France Angseesing, Roy, Mary & Des Barney, Peter & Helen Bonnici, Sam Borg, Dayrit family, Ngan Siu Eng, Michael Gachia, Sharon & John Lawrence, Apolinario & Felina Maglaya, Pauline Meilak, Lourda Motha, Stephen & Louis Mula, Muscat family, Pineda Family, Roseline Ratnam, Yabut family

Planned Giving Program

On behalf of the Parish Community, I would like to thank you so much for your ongoing support, which has been very vital to keep our Parish going strong. Projects completed include the Hall Kitchen renovation, Parish Meeting Room painting, Parish Office and Meeting Room Roof painted, Church roof cleaned and ceiling repaired and painted.

ON-LINE BANK DONATIONS

BSB: 067 950;

Account Number 000552;

Account Name: Seven Hills Catholic Church.

(please include your NAME and ENVELOPE NUMBER in the reference description, or write DONATION if you haven't joined the Planned Giving Prog.

IN-PERSON BANK DEPOSIT (at a Bank Institute/Branch)
Seven Hills Catholic Church

BSB: 062 315

Acc Id # - 00901486

AGENT # - 660

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Exodus 24:3-8

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, ‘We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.’ Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, ‘We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.’ Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. ‘This’ he said ‘is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.’

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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

How can I repay the Lord
for his goodness to me?
The cup of salvation I will raise;
I will call on the Lord’s name.

O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful.
Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds. (R.)

A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:
I will call on the Lord’s name.
My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people. (R.)

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 9:11-15

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by men’s hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God. He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

SEQUENCE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to 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 Passover. 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.



PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the
Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least into
my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

THE MINSITRY OF CATECHIST: A SERVICE WITH ANCIENT ROOTS THAT LOOK TO THE FUTURE

By Andrea Torielli

In 1944, in the midst of the Second World War, Pius XII published the encyclical *Mystici Corporis Christi*, dedicated to the Church, the Mystical Body of Christ. In one passage, after recalling that the Fathers of the Church, when they “sing the praises of this Mystical Body of Christ, with its ministries, its variety of ranks, its officers, its conditions, its orders,” were also thinking of the laity, whether or single or married, the Pontiff added: “Indeed, let this be clearly understood, especially in our days, fathers and mothers of families, those who are godparents through Baptism, and in particular those members of the laity who collaborate with the ecclesiastical hierarchy in spreading the Kingdom of the Divine Redeemer occupy an honorable, if often a lowly, place in the Christian community, and even they under the impulse of God and with His help, can reach the heights of supreme holiness, which, Jesus Christ has promised, will never be wanting to the Church.” Pope Francis’ decision to institute the lay ministry of catechist, which follows his decision to open the ministries of acolyte and lector to women, is in line with the path intuited by Pope Pius: Especially in our time, the task of bearing witness to the faith and passing it along to new generations is a task for “fathers and mothers of families.” Throughout the centuries, and even today in various countries, in the absence of priests, the faith has been kept alive thanks to fathers and mothers, and to catechists who have spent and even sacrificed their lives in order to do so. Today, however, the involvement, recognition and full appreciation of the laity is an urgent requirement and often a necessity in secularised societies. The Motu proprio *Antiquum ministerium* takes its starting point from the conciliar decree *Ad gentes*, in which the Council Fathers affirmed: “Likewise worthy of praise are the ranks of men and women catechists, well deserving of missionary work to the nations. Imbued with the apostolic spirit, they labour much to make an outstanding and altogether necessary contribution to the spread of the Faith and of the Church. In our time, when there are so few clerics to preach the Gospel to such great numbers and to exercise the pastoral ministry, the position of catechists is of great importance.” This awareness grew in the following years and culminated in Paul VI’s Apostolic Letter *Evangelii nuntiandi*.

The establishment of new lay ministries to respond to new needs was also discussed in the recent Synod on Amazonia, especially in reference to the Motu proprio *Ministeria quaedam*, the 1972 document by which Pope Paul VI reformed various ministries in the Church.

In the perspective that emerged from the Council and from the Synods, a perspective subsequently emphasised in the Magisterium of the Successors of Peter, and in particular today by the current Bishop of Rome, it is clear that the laity are not simply called to carry out ministries in the absence of vocations to the priesthood. It is not a matter of “stepping-in” to fill the place of clerics, but rather, of the full and acknowledged activity, involvement, and co-responsibility of the laity: their presence is genuinely necessary in order for the Church to be both “in communion” and “missionary.”

The institution of a ministry by the Church makes clear that the person invested with that charism performs an authentic ecclesial service to the Christian community for the growth of their own life and as a witness of faith. The institution of a lay ministry is therefore not meant to “clericalise” the laity. On the contrary, it is hoped that this further step will help to counter the return of clericalism so often publicly denounced by Pope Francis who, having often reminded us of the role of the holy people of God, the role of grandmothers and mothers in the transmission of the faith, has implemented the words of Pius XII concerning “the fathers and mothers of families, those who are godparents through Baptism” called upon to expand “the Kingdom of the Divine Redeemer.”

POPE FRANCIS AT ANGELUS: THE LIVING SIGN OF GOD THE TRINITY IS LOVE FOR ALL

By Lydia O’Kane

Pope Francis, during the Angelus from St Peter's Square recalled the feast of the Most Holy Trinity this Sunday, describing it as an immense mystery which “exceeds the capacity of our mind, but which speaks to our heart, because we find it enclosed in that expression of Saint John which sums up all of Revelation: "God is love." He went on to says that, insofar as God is love, and the one and only one, there is also communion between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Bond of unity

Addressing the faithful, the Pope explained that “it is the Father who gives himself by generating the Son, who in turn gives himself to the Father, and their mutual love is the Holy Spirit, the bond of their unity.” “This mystery of the Trinity has been revealed to us by Jesus himself,” emphasized Pope Francis. “He showed us the face of God as the merciful Father; He presented Himself, true man, as the Son of God and the Word of the Father.” The Pope continued by saying that Jesus spoke of the Holy Spirit who proceeds from the Father and the Son, the Spirit of Truth, the Paraclete Spirit, that is, our Consoler and Advocate.

Mystery of love and light

The feast of the Holy Trinity, said Pope Francis, “makes us contemplate this wonderful mystery of love and light from which we come and toward which our earthly journey is guided.” “In the proclamation of the Gospel and in every form of the Christian mission,” Pope Francis underlined, we cannot disregard this unity invoked by Jesus; the beauty of the Gospel demands to be lived and witnessed in harmony among us, who are so different." He continued by saying that this unity, "is essential to the Christian: it is not an attitude, an expression: no. It is essential, because unity is the only way of life. It is essential, because unity is born of love, of God's mercy, of the justification of Jesus Christ and of the presence of the Holy Spirit in our hearts."

POPE FRANCIS ON ‘LAUDATO SI’ PLATFORM: ‘WHAT WORLD WILL WE LEAVE OUR CHILDREN

By Vatican News staff writer

In his video message for the launch of the *Laudato si’* Platform on Tuesday, Pope Francis notes that "with the Encyclical *Laudato si’*, promulgated in 2015, I invited all people of good will to take care of the Earth, which is our common home." This "house that hosts us" has been suffering for a long time, from "the wounds that we cause by our predatory attitude," la-ments the Pope. He highlights the fact that "the current pandemic has now brought to light in an even stronger way the cry of nature and that of the poor who suffer most the consequences, highlighting that everything is interconnected and interdependent and that our health is not separated from the health of the environment in which we live." It is for this reason that we need "a new ecological approach," says Pope Francis. In this way we can "transform our way of dwelling in the world, our styles of life, our relationship with the resources of the Earth and, in general, our way of looking at humanity and of living life."

Responsibility to future generations

We have a great responsibility, continues the Pope, "especially with regard to the future generations." "What world do we want to leave to our children and our young? Our selfishness, our indifference and our irresponsible ways are threatening the future of our children!" he warns. Pope Francis then goes on to "renew" his appeal: "Let us take care of our mother Earth; let us overcome the temptation of self-ishness that makes us predators of resources; let us cultivate respect for the gifts of the Earth and creation; let us inaugurate a lifestyle and a society that is finally eco-sustainable: we have the opportunity to prepare a better tomorrow for all. From God's hands we have received a garden, we cannot leave a desert to our children." Pope Francis then goes on to "renew" his appeal: "Let us take care of our mother Earth; let us overcome the temptation of self-ishness that makes us predators of resources; let us cultivate respect for the gifts of the Earth and creation; let us inaugurate a lifestyle and a society that is finally eco-sustainable: we have the opportunity to prepare a better tomorrow for all. From God's hands we have received a garden, we cannot leave a desert to our children." Pope Francis then goes on to "renew" his appeal: "Let us take care of our mother Earth; let us overcome the temptation of self-ishness that makes us predators of resources; let us cultivate respect for the gifts of the Earth and creation; let us inaugurate a lifestyle and a society that is finally eco-sustainable: we have the opportunity to prepare a better tomorrow for all. From God's hands we have received a garden, we cannot leave a desert to our children."

The platform

The Pope then goes on to explain that the *Laudato si’ Action Platform* is "a seven-year journey that will see our communities committed in different ways to becoming totally sustainable, in the spirit of integral ecology." He invites everyone to "embark on this journey together," and particularly calls on the involvement of "families - parishes and dioceses - schools and universities - hospitals - businesses and farms - organisations, groups and movements - religious insti-tute Work together, he stresses, as "only in this way will we be able to create the future we want: a more inclusive, fraternal, peace-ful and sustainable world." Bringing his message to a close, Pope Francis recalls that "there is hope." Working together, he says, "each one with his own culture and experience, each one with her own initiatives and capacities, so that our mother Earth may be restored to her original beauty and creation may once again shine according to God’s plan."



FROM FR. HENRY DUC

Dear Friends,
Perhaps we all have heard of St Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274), the theologian cum philosopher, and Doctor of the Church, whose thought has remained an influential force within our Church from the 13th century up till now, and we, Catholics, have owed him a great deal, not just because of his philosophy and theology, but also because of the feast we celebrate this Sunday, the feast of Corpus Christi, or of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Thanks to Juliana of Liege, a 13th-century Norbertine canoness, with pioneering efforts to form women groups dedicated to Eucharistic worship, and especially St Thomas Aquinas’ input following the Eucharis-tic miracle of Bolsena, Pope Urban IV established the feast of Corpus Christi in 1264, aimed to highlight the joyful dimension of the Eucharist as the real Body and Blood, the Soul and Divinity of Jesus, the Son of God given to humanity.

According to Pope emeritus Benedict XVI, in a homily in 2007, this feast “was born for the very precise purpose of openly reaffirming the faith of the people of God in Jesus Christ, alive and truly present in the most holy sacrament of the Eucharist. It is a feast that was established in order to publicly adore, praise and thank the Lord, who continues ‘to love us to the end,’ even to offering us his body and his blood.” Apart from his strong support in helping to get this feast established and promoted universally, St Thomas also wrote a popular hymn called "**Pange lingua gloriosi corporis mysterium**" (Sing, my tongue, the Saviour's glory, of His Flesh), which our parish has still sung at the Eucharistic procession at the end of our Mass of the Last Supper every year. In the gospel of Mark this Sunday, we have a chance to listen to Mark’s account of the final meal Jesus shared with his Apostles, technically called the Last Supper. Here the evangelist takes us through not simply the Last Supper itself, but also its preparatory steps, when Jesus asked two of the disciples going to the city and negotiating with the property owner to secure a large room furnished with couches for him and the group to celebrate the Passover that year, perhaps their third Passover together. In Mark’s eyes, Jesus always knew exactly what was going to happen in his life just like he had the plan, and what he was about to do and say at the last Supper was totally of his plan. Mark makes this point very clear, as he states in his Gospel, ‘the disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them.’ Two central and special moments Jesus did carry out at the Last Supper formulate what we consider as the Lord’s establishment of the Eucharist: First, the moment when he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to the disciples, saying ‘take it, this is my body, and second, the moment when he took the cup, gave thanks, handed it to them to share, saying ‘this is my blood.’ Luke (cf.22.14-23) and Paul (cf.1 Cor 11.23-26) even added these few highly significant words ‘do this in memory of me’ as Jesus’ invitation to the disciples to keep alive their memory of him by re-enacting the Last Supper moments, which we continue to celebrate in our Eucharist today known as the narrative of Institution, consequently the bread and the wine then become the Body and Blood of Christ for us to share as food to give us strength and healing on our earthly journey. Let us offer praise and thanks to the Holy Trinity for the precious gift of the Holy Body and Blood of Christ as source of our spiritual nourishment on our way home. Let us ask Jesus for his grace from this Eucharist to help us fulfil our call to be the living signs of his selfless love in wherever we are called to be. Have a Eucharist-oriented week. Fr Henry

PARISH NEWS...



NEW ALTAR SERVERS INDUCTION FOR 2021 6 JUNE Another training session will be available after the 9.30am Mass this weekend for our new Altar Servers. Children in year 4 and higher who have done First Holy Communion are most welcome to join.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Just a gentle reminder to all members of our Parish Pastoral Council, that we are going to meet again on Wednesday 9 June at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room. Please spare your time to attend the meeting.

THANK YOU FOR THE EAST TIMOR FLOOD APPEAL

On behalf of Fr Luan Le, co-ordinator of the appeal, I would like to thank all our parishioners, school children and their families for your generous help to raise funds for people in the Hatubesilolo community in East Timor, who have been facing the shortage of food due to the recent flood in their local area.

RECONCILIATION will be held in the church, on **Saturdays 4:30pm-5:30pm**.

LOURDES OVER 50’s MEETING will be held in the Parish Hall next Thursday **10th June** from 10.30 am to 1.00 pm. Covid-19 restrictions apply. Please bring your own packed lunch to comply with current restrictions, tea and coffee supplied. Visitors and new members most welcome.

LOURDES OVER 50’S. For those members booked on Guardian's Courtesy bus trip to Wiseman's Ferry and Camellia Grove this Monday **7th June** please be outside the Parish Hall by 8.45 am.



MINISTRY ROSTER UPDATE FOR JULY— DECEMBER 2021 The next scheduling period will be from July through December 2021. Please remember to inform us of any dates you will not be available to serve in this period **before Wednesday 9th June**. Please find the roster forms at the Church door or on MSP website. Write your name and contact details clearly. . Contact the Parish office for further enquiries.



MINISTRY SCHEDULER PRO
Effective Ministry Scheduling



FROM POPE FRANCIS

CHAPTER FOUR: Communities filled with life

91. The Eucharist is also the great sacrament that signifies and realizes the Church's *unity*. It is celebrated "so that from being strangers, dispersed and indifferent to each another, we may become united, equals and friends". The one who presides at the Eucharist must foster communion, which is not just any unity, but one that welcomes the abundant variety of gifts and charisms that the Spirit pours out upon the community.

92. The Eucharist, then, as source and summit, requires the development of that rich variety. Priests are necessary, but this does not mean that permanent deacons (of whom there should be many more in the Amazon region), religious women and lay persons cannot regularly assume important responsibilities for the growth of communities, and perform those functions ever more effectively with the aid of a suitable accompaniment.

93. Consequently, it is not simply a question of facilitating a greater presence of ordained ministers who can celebrate the Eucharist. That would be a very narrow aim, were we not also to strive to awaken new life in communities. We need to promote an encounter with God's word and growth in holiness through various kinds of lay service that call for a process of education – biblical, doctrinal, spiritual and practical – and a variety of programmes of ongoing formation.

94. A Church of Amazonian features requires the stable presence of mature and lay leaders endowed with authority and familiar with the languages, cultures, spiritual experience and communal way of life in the different places, but also open to the multiplicity of gifts that the Holy Spirit bestows on every one. For wherever there is a particular need, he has already poured out the charisms that can meet it. This requires the Church to be open to the Spirit's boldness, to trust in, and concretely to permit, the growth of a specific ecclesial culture that is *distinctively lay*. The challenges in the Amazon region demand of the Church a special effort to be present at every level, and this can only be possible through the vigorous, broad and active involvement of the laity. [Pope Francis, *Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation QUERIDA AMAZONIA—to the people of God and to all persons of good will.*]



Pope Francis' Prayer to Mary during the coronavirus pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of all People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. *Amen.*

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God.

Our Lady of Lourdes

Ever immaculate Virgin, Mother of mercy, health of the sick, refuge of sinners, comfort of the afflicted, you know my needs, my troubles, my sufferings; cast on me a look of pity. By appearing in the grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary, from which you dispense your favours, and already many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and physical. I come, therefore, with the most unbounded confidence to implore your maternal intercession. Obtain most loving mother, my requests, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. *Amen.*

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| 6 | Altar server training after 9.30am Mass | |
| 7 | St Vincent de Paul Meeting | 7.00pm |
| 8 | Deanery Meeting | |
| 9 | Parish Pastoral Council Meeting | 7.30pm |
| 10 | Christ Community Prayer Group | 9.00am |
| 10 | Legion of Mary | 1.30pm |
| 10 | Lourdes over 50's in the Hall | 10.30am |
| 11 | Young Adults Group Meeting | 7.00pm |



DIOCESAN NEWS

SAFE PARISHES WEEK

Find out how we are making our parishes safer. The Diocese of Parramatta starts its inaugural Safe Parishes Week this Sunday 6 June. During the week, we will be featuring online talks, posts and articles on how everyone in our parishes in the Diocese is working towards a Church that keeps everyone safe. Find out what's happening at catholicoutlook.org/safeparishesweek2021

PASSION FOR THE EARTH RETREAT 6 – 8 July

You are invited to attend a *Laudato Si'* camp for adults at the Wooglemai Environmental Education Centre in Oakdale, NSW, from 6 to 8 July. The program explores the way to Ecological Conversion, drawing on the Theology and Science of the changes emerging from Pope Francis' teachings. The retreat is \$95 for adults and \$75 for students. For a camp brochure or enquiries, please contact Br Frank Richardson fms on 0429 595 231 or antiphon1@gmail.com

YOUNG ADULT FAITH FORMATION: 6 JUNE

Young Adult Faith Formation sessions continue on Sunday 6 June at The Hustle, 4-6 Purdy Rd, Minchinbury, at 7pm. Fr Sam Fancourt will speak and lead discussion on the Attraction of Truth. We encourage all adults 18-35 to come along and enjoy some faith formation and fellowship! Call Mark on 0477 004 678 for more information.

GLENBROOK PARISH WOMENS RETREAT: 12 June

St Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook, is hosting a women's retreat filled with peace, prayerfulness, adoration, Mass, Reconciliation, guest speakers and praise and worship. It will be held at the parish on 12 June from 8.30am to 8.30pm. Registration is \$60, and with places limited, register now at <https://forms.gle/KkBaTAvm1qkYYCzm8>. For enquiries, email beloved2021info@gmail.com

| 5/6 June 2021 | | |
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| Acolytes | Vigil: Derick Soares 8am: Louis Fernandes 9.30am Kilifi Huihui | |
| Ministers | Vigil: Helen Gonzales, Rosey Soares 8am: Fennie Balatbat, Lorraine Fernandes 9.30am: Laura Bellissimo Crystal Menezes | |
| Readers | Vigil: Catherine Rodrigues, Jemma Sarmiento 8am: Pepito Ferriols, Maricel Santos 9.30am: Ian Epondulan, Kamela Huihui | |
| Altar Servers | Vigil: Alexa Bagatella, Thomas Osbourne, Zachary Osbourne 8am: Joshua Herczeg, VOLUNTEERS 9.30am Rynan Michael, Lewis Savic, Daniel Tenn | |
| Morning Tea | Young Adults | |
| Flowers | Fenty, Gaby & Flo | |
| Church cleaning | 10 June | Chuck Baquial, Karen Baquial |
| Welcomers | Vigil: Judith Deloso, Ram Ugre 8am: Joyce Hillbrick, Rita Paolini 9.30am: Maria Michael, VOLUNTEER | |

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ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and Applications Forms are available on our website <https://pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholar-shipfor-lay-ministry.html>. Applications close 30 July 2021.

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE OF DR. JOHN COLLINS & DR. MICHAEL TAN: 11 JUNE

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv and the Diocese of Parramatta invite you to the Ordination to the Diaconate of Dr John Collins and Dr Michael Tan at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta, on 11 June at 7.30pm. Refreshments will be served in the Cathedral Hall following the Ordination. The Mass will be livestreamed on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sRqZaG81glo>

PASTORAL MINISTRY NETWORK OCEANIA

WEBINAR: 22 June The Pastoral Ministry Network, formerly NAPPA, is hosting an online Oceania webinar on 'Being People of Invitation: Creative ways to connect, invite and engage' on Tuesday 22 June from 11am to 12.15pm AEST. The webinar will be sharing best practice, in our baptismal call to connect and invite others to share in the Good News. To register, visit <https://tinyurl.com/BeingPeopleofInvitation22june>

GET VACCINATED FOR THE COMMON GOOD

Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

| 12/13 June 2021 | | |
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| Acolytes | Vigil: Abel Do Rosario 8am: Ernie Gartner 9.30am Eugene Miu | |
| Ministers | Vigil: Charmaine Jansz, Benno Motha 8am: Erika Hien, Anne Mc Nally 9.30am: Sarah Lenthall, Mercy Aquino | |
| Readers | Vigil: Noreen Do Rosario, Alison Punch 8am: Pepito Ferriols, VOLUNTEER 9.30am: Adrian Walker, Jeanine Nonato | |
| Altar Servers | Vigil: Makayla Dalmati, Lucas Laus, Jayden Rambukwella 8am: Erika Naing, Jaylen Naing, Riley Naing 9.30am Connor Ballment, Ethan Ballment, Riley Ballment, Matthew Shawcross | |
| Morning Tea | Tongan Group | |
| Flowers | Claudette, VOLUNTEER | |
| Church cleaning | 19 June | Helen & Dennis Gonzales, Novelo Paylaga, Adrain Pinto, Johnson Rozario, Maricel Santos. |
| Welcomers | Vigil: Annette Peatman, VOLUNTEER 8am: Suzy Nemorin, VOLUNTEER 9.30am: Lena Falzon, VOLUNTEER | |