

St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta

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19 June 2022 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Year C)

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

♦ 6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass♦ 7:30am Morning Prayer

◆ 7:30am Morning
 ◆ 8:00am Mass

♦ 9:30am Mass

♦ 11:00am Solemn Mass with Cathedral Choir

♦ 6:00pm Mass

♦ 6:00pm Youth-led Mass (3rd Sunday)

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

♦ 6:10am Morning Prayer

♦ 6:30am Mass

♦ 11:15am Exposition

♦ 11:15am Sacrament of Penance (till 12:15pm)

♦ Rosary after Angelus at 12:00 noon

♦ 12:30pm Mass

SATURDAY

♦ 7:30am Morning Prayer

♦ 8:00am Mass

♦ 8:30am Sacrament of Penance (till 9:00am)

♦ 9:30am Mass (Old Rite)

♦ 5:00pm Sacrament of Penance (till 5:30pm)

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Mass at 8:00am (No Adoration or Confession)

WEEKLY PRAYER GROUPS

- ♦ Tuesday 9:30am Christian Meditation
- ♦ Tuesday 6:30pm Legion of Mary
- ♦ Tuesday 7:30pm RCIA
- ♦ Friday 1:00pm Cenacle Prayers

MONTHLY PRAYER GROUPS

- ♦ Last Tuesday of the month Novena to Mary, Full of Grace
- ♦ First Friday Devotions: 6:30pm

OTHER CONNECT GROUPS

Playgroup: (suspended)

Facebook: Parramatta St Pat's Playgroup

Credo Youth Ministries

Contact Fr Chris or find information on **Facebook:** credo.stpats

 $\pmb{Email:} credo@stpatscathedral.com.au$

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"Dear Girls and Boys..."

"IT IS WONDERFUL to see you here at my church in Parramatta along with your family and friends who love you so much. I know that they have helped bring you to this very important day of your First Holy Communion. I hope that what you receive today you will receive on many more occasions in the future.



"Your faith journey began with your baptism, which you probably don't remember! When you had the waters of baptism poured over you, the minister said your Christian names and then the words, 'I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.' At that moment you became a part of my Body, the Church. Your parents and godparents promised to do everything they could to help you know me as a friend, and as your God. The Holy Spirit came down upon you and has given you the strength to be like me: loving, caring, kind and helpful, someone who likes to share with others, not fight or squabble or hold grudges against other people.

"I know it is not always easy living like me. You have made some bad choices in the past and you will do so again, even after today. Please know that you can always come to me in the sacrament of Reconciliation, tell me what you have done (even though I already know!), say that you are truly sorry, promise to try not to sin again, and be forgiven. It is just as though I have forgotten your sin and you are once again as innocent as you were when you were baptised. Isn't that wonderful? You have already celebrated Reconciliation a couple of times and I hope that you will continue to do so whenever the need arises.

"And now, here you are, receiving my Body and Blood for the first time! Even though you have done a lot of preparation for this day, I don't believe you know truly what a precious gift you are receiving today. I'm sure that even a lot of the adults here at the cathedral don't know this either - perhaps even the clergy can't understand this gift fully! It is beyond anyone to really understand the sacrifice I made on the Cross so that everyone who believes in me, eats my Body and drinks my Blood, may spend eternity with God. Just as you need to eat food every day to have a healthy body so that you can do what you need to do, so too you need my Body and Blood to nourish you spiritually so that you can love others the way I do. You can't "do things" to get into heaven but the more you live and love like me the happier you will be and you will get a glimpse of heaven while you are here on earth.

"I hope that in the years ahead you will come to know more and more how much I love you. One way to understand this a little is to know that I love you as though you were the only person on earth to love. My love for you is greater than you can possibly imagine and I hope you will start to see that this morning when you receive my Body and Blood for the first time.

"Know that I am always watching over you, not to judge you, but because I love you."

Your loving friend and your God.



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Deacor

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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms are celebrated in the Cathedral on most Sundays. Check for exceptions. Family members and guests are requested to be present at the Cathedral at least fifteen minutes before the usual commencement time of 12:45pm.

Weddings are by appointment only.

At least six months' notice is necessary.

Contact the Parish Secretary on 8839 8412

First Eucharist and Confirmation

Please contact the Sacramental Coordinator.

HIRING of ROOMS

For hire of Cloister Function rooms, call 8839 8400 or enquiry@stpatscathedral.com.au

Material for Bulletin

If you have something that you would like published in the bulletin, please ensure that it is conveyed to our Parish Secretary, Pat, by **12:00noon on Thursday.** Please note that material must relate to the parish and its mission.

Don't forget that businesses can advertise on the rear page of the bulletin. For further details, please contact Pat Preca by phone on 8839 8412 or email her at secretary@stpatscathedral.com.au

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation

Registration for Confirmation through St Patrick's Cathedral Parish is now open for children 10 years or older who have made their Reconciliation and First Eucharist. While this is the minimum age for children to join in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation, it is important to note that there is no maximum age for children who have been baptised as infants to complete their initiation into the faith community.

The online registration form can be found on St Patrick's Cathedral website at stpatscathedral.com.au. Go to the "Sacraments" tab in the section titled "Confirmation". Alternately, contact the parish office at sacrament@stpatscathedral.com.au.

The calendar of mandatory preparation sessions is as follows:

Confirmation 1: Tuesday 19 July, 7:30pm - Parent session (Note the revised date)

Confirmation 2: Tuesday 26 July, 7:30pm - Parent session

Confirmation 3: Saturday 6 August, 4:30pm - Parent and Children session **Confirmation 4:** Saturday 13 August, 4.30pm - Parent and Children session

Practice for Confirmation: Saturday 20 August, 4:00pm - Parents and Children session

Ceremonies for Confirmation:

Saturday 27 August at 11:30am and 3:00pm



ST PAT'S MATTERS Magazine

In the last issue, under the heading of *Our Knowledge of Rituals Matters*, Fr Robert, in answer to questions posed, explained, "Why we do what we do".

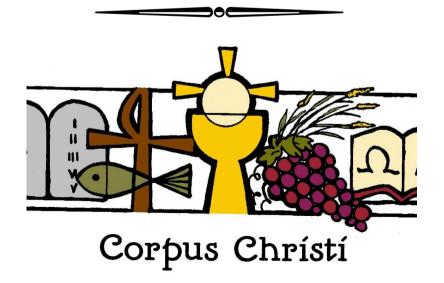
So, if you want to know why certain rituals are performed in church or during liturgical celebrations, email your questions to Fr Robert: frrobert@stpatscathedral.com.au and he will happily answer them in the next issue.

Issue 112 is underway, with articles already on file from Fr Robert, former Dean Mgr John Boyle, Mindy Mercado, Stacie Touche and Larry Neild from Widnes, England! There's plenty of space left for anyone keen to contribute:

What to write about?

- Why you love being a St Pat's Parishioner.
- ♦ Sharing your involvement in Ministry.
- ♦ How Faith in God shapes daily life for you and your family.
- ♦ Always keen to receive stories from anyone who has become a Catholic.
- ◆ Articles and archival photos relating to the longstanding history of our remarkable parish its priests, people and events.
- ♦ Any topics you think worth publishing.

Email submissions to M Polizzi — balmap5@bigpond.com or leave at the parish office marked for *St Pat's Matters*.



Peace, Justice and Ecology Group

You might remember that last year the parish was looking to establish a group focused on social justice. Unfortunately, the Covid lockdown got in the way of anything substantial happening on that front but now that things are more stable and slowly returning to normal, please contact Fr Robert or the Parish Office if you would be interested in being



Office if you would be interested in being a part of this venture.

Good Shepherd Appeal

Thank you to all those who contributed recently to the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal. You can still contribute if you wish to do so via the envelopes at the doors of the cathedral and chapel, or donate online. All donations are tax deductible! Thank you.

Communion on the tongue

Whilst we allow people who wish to receive Communion on the tongue to do so, please receive Communion this way properly to ensure that there is no risk of the host falling to the ground or that the minister's hand will make contact with the tongue. The proper way to receive Communion on the tongue is to **extend the tongue fully** and **keep your head still.** Lunging for the host, as some people do, is both disrespectful and awkward for the minister distributing the host. Thanking you in anticipation of your cooperation!

Parking in the turning circle

Please note that there are signs indicating that no parking is to take place in the turning circle at the bottom of the cathedral car park. It is important that this be kept free of vehicles, especially if an **emergency vehicle** needs to use it. I understand that parking is tight but please ensure that you park in the marked spaces. On weekends especially, there is no need to park in the turning circle



as there is ample space in the overflow carpark. Thank you. *Fr Robert.*

Annual Leave

For your information, Fr Robert will be on leave from Monday 20 June through to the weekend of 02/03 July.

Plenary Council

The Plenary Council will meet again for the second, and final, time next month. If you want to keep up to date with the developments, please go to <u>plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au</u>.

First Eucharist this weekend - 9:30am Mass

Please hold up in prayer the 39 children who will be receiving their first Eucharist this Sunday at the 9:30am Mass. We pray that they will continue to be nourished in their faith as they mature as Christian disciples, especially by prayer, scripture and the Body and Blood of the Lord.



Funeral for Paul Mahoney

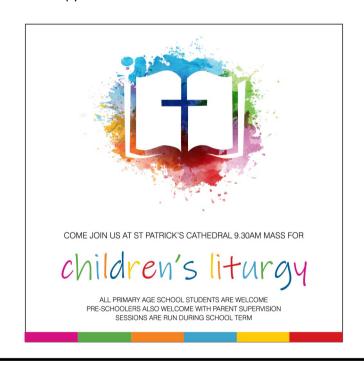
The Requiem Mass for Paul Mahoney will be held this Monday, **20 June at 10:00am** here at the Cathedral. We offer our condolences to Lyn and the family at this difficult time as we continue to hold them in prayer.

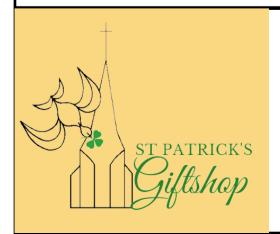
Corpus Christi Procession

We had a terrific evening last Thursday with the Corpus Christi procession, beginning with Mass here, a procession with the Blessed Sacrament to Our Lady of Lebanon (OLL) at Harris Park, Adoration and concluding with a Mass in the Maronite Rite at 10:00pm. I do hope that this will mark the beginning of a closer relationship with our brothers and sisters at OLL, many of whom frequent St Patrick's anyway! Many thanks to Dean Fr Tony Sarkis and the clergy at OLL and parishioners for their hospitality. We look forward to the next event!

Catholic Outlook

The winter edition of Catholic Outlook, our diocesan magazine, is now available for collection free of charge. You can also access a copy online via the Parramatta Diocese website.





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We pray for our beloved dead....

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them...

Recently Deceased: Ciba Sokovagone, Phillip Rixon, Paul Mahoney, Mercy Bhuyan, Elias Koura, Bob Humphreys

Deceased: Lewis & Nazar Nissan, John G Yulo, Paul Fung, Malina Baoang, Leon Mesina, Perla Reyes, Flora Baking, Virginia Leyba, Y T Hsu & Deanna Hsu, Andy Leonello, Salma Zukkar, Karemeh Bitar

Anniversaries: Mary Villadelgado, Maximena Malangit, Juan & Alejandro Montesco, Eustaquia Balate, Juliet Noronha, Jean Davoren, Perla Yulo, Norma Swain, Emil Sobolewski, Juliana Manlangit

Perpetuals: Robert Dearie, Norm Hector, Bokeyar family, David family, Japour family, Paula Loto'aniu, Peter Van Tilburg, Margaret Angela Roberts, Sally & Frank Martlew, Sherwood family, Pat & Jim Hartman, Royan & Andrews families, Don Andrews, Juliet Noronha, Dr Joseph Malouf, Abel Moses, Jimmy, Anna & Frank Grainda, Frank Agostino, Bernadette Melhen

and Sally Boujandy, Jack & June Barrett, Ann O'Brien, Watson Lee, Ian & Pat Sanders, Bill & Alice Kendall, Allan Kendall, Maria Patterson & Ellen Bancan, Hooper family, Giuseppina & Giovanni Rechichi, Mary Coady, Mary & Jack White, Vincent & Rebecca Vella, Walter Townsend, Ferris Grugeon, McInherny, White, McWilliam & McGuckin families, Mary Abela, Robert Andrews, Sylvester family, Rogan family, Adcock and McMillan families, Love family, Gabrielle Baker, Paula Cowling, McDermott & Starr families, Repose of the Souls in Purgatory and all deceased parishioners of St Patrick's and St Monica's



We also pray for...



Sick: Sr Thomas Aquinas, Nikola Senjak, Rosalind McDonald, Gerard Noonan, Henriette Lam, Terry O'Brien, Leonardo Pedavoli, Ruth La Rosa, Zara Tai, Sharon Webb, Maureen Sewell

Special Intentions: Naleen & Raveen, Tian, John Isidore Yulo, Marilie Rodriguez, Yue Qiu Long, Leiliya Hassan, Zheng Xiao Pan

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for June

Families

"We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives."





This Sunday's Readings Corpus Christi

Gen 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11-17

Next Sunday's Readings Thirteenth Sunday

1 Kg 19:16,19-21; Gal 5:1,13-18; Lk 9:51-62

Saint of the Week

21st June - St John Rigby (1570-1600), Martyr

John Rigby was an English Catholic and martyr who was executed during the reign of Elizabeth I. He was born in Lancashire in 1570. His father worked for Sir Edmund Huddleston, whose daughter was summoned to the Old Bailey court for refusing to conform to the state religion. Because she was ill, Rigby appeared for her. He was compelled to confess his Catholicism, and sent to Newgate Prison. The next day he signed a confession saying that he had been reconciled by John Jones, a Franciscan, and that he had not attended Church of England services. He refused to recant his confession twice and was executed by hanging soon afterwards.



(Information taken from Universalis)

"Quote of the Week"

"Next to the Blessed Sacrament itself, your neighbour is the holiest object presented to your senses. If he is your Christian neighbour, he is holy in almost the same way, for in him also Christ is truly hidden - the glorifier and the glorified, Glory Himself, is truly hidden."

Clive Staples (C S) Lewis (1898-1963) Author and Apologist The Weight of Glory



Pope Francis' Words...

From a Tweet dated 13 June 2022

"Jesus summarised his commandments in a single one: 'Love one another as I have loved you.' (John

15:12) To love like Christ loves means to put yourself at the service of your brothers and sisters, especially those in greatest need, as we are and with what we have.'

Getting to Know....Barry & Marie Wilson

Dr Barry Wilson and Marie Wilson joined St Patrick's Parish when they moved to Parramatta as a young family in 1966. Marie and Barry raised Michael, Andrew, Mary-Anne, Matthew, and Damien in the parish. They met new parish families as each child started school. Many of those families became their dearest friends, often chatting after Sunday Mass.

For years, Marie volunteered with fundraising for the church and schools. She also worked at Housie on Friday nights in the old church hall. Barry became a regular at the daily morning Mass when he retired. He was part of the 'Counters' team (counting the weekend donations) and was actively involved with the parish nursing homes.

Marie and Barry celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in 2020. Although friends and family were unable to

share the occasion (Covid-19), they were honoured that Fr Peter Williams joined them for prayers and a Papal Blessing.

Marie and Barry are grateful for the visits from the parish clergy. When the rare opportunity arises, it is a joy to be amongst the congregation at St Patrick's Cathedral to pray together. They feel truly blessed to have been a part of the St Patrick's Parish community for so many years and hope to continue for many years to come.



BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Catholic Christian family, the Body of Christ, these children who have been recently baptised...



Andres Morrissey
Aurora Llorador
Edward Gruccio
Elyse Bernardo

Please pray for these children and their families.

WEDDINGS

Let us pray for those who are preparing for marriage, will shortly be married or have just married...



Jasmine Meade & Jordan Lotoaniu
Emellie Grah & Jon Sakr
Shinu Simon & Hamlin d'Souza
Bianca Thio & Eric Grella

DID YOU KNOW...

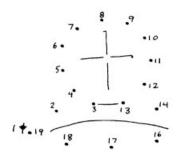
...that the Feast of Corpus Christi was instituted by Pope Urban IV in the midthirteenth century?

From the earliest days of the Church, the Eucharist has been revered and the desert monks usually kept the Eucharist in their cells in order to give themselves Holy Communion, but also revered it. It was really only in the Middle Ages however, that Eucharistic Adoration as we know it today became more widespread, resulting in the Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, otherwise known as Corpus Christi.



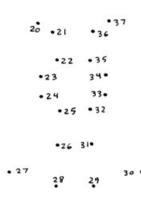
The Kids' Bulletin

Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ Sunday June 19th, 2022



Today is the feast day of the Body and Blood of Jesus.

When He died on the cross He offered up His Body and Blood for us.



Jesus also gave us His Body and Blood to eat and drink at the Last Supper.

Connect the dots to see where He comes to us now!

Luke 9.11b-17

unscramble the Story: Five Loaves and Two Fishes

How well do you know the story of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes? Put the numbers from 1 to 6 in the boxes in the right order.













When Jesus fed the crowd of five thousand with five loaves and two fish, He was giving an example of how He could feed everyone with His Body and Blood in Holy Communion.



The Body and Blood of Christ

When Jesus went back to Heaven He didn't want to leave us all alone, so He gave Himself to us in the Holy Eucharist. First He gave Himself to the Apostles at the Last Supper, and today He gives Himself to us in Holy Communion.

Normally when we eat something it gets absorbed into our body. But receiving Jesus in Holy Communion does something different. It makes us more into Jesus' Body! It brings our soul closer to God and closer to all the other people in the Church. That's what "Communion" means.

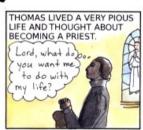
When we go to Communion in a state of grace we can get so much more grace from God. Our venial (small) sins can be taken away and we can get more strength to do His will. In fact, the time that your prayers are the most powerful is right after you receive Holy Communion, when Jesus is right inside you. He is your closest friend and only wants what is good for you. When you go to Communion remember Who you just received and don't forget to thank Him for coming to you!

Answers to Unscramble Puzzle: top: 3, 6 middle: 5, 1 bottom: 2, 4

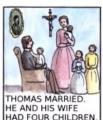
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Saint Thomas More

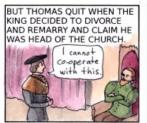














BECAUSE HE STOOD UP FOR THE CHURCH'S TEACHING, THOMAS WAS ACCUSED OF TREASON, PUT IN PRISON AND BEHEADED.

SAINT THOMAS MORE WAS A VERY IMPORTANT MAN IN HIS KINGDOM, BUT HE DID NOT APPROVE OF THE KING'S WRONG IDEAS. YOU CAN PRAY TO SAINT THOMAS MORE IF YOU ARE TEMPTED TO AGREE WITH SOMETHING YOU KNOW IS WRONG. BE READY TO SUFFER FOR THE TRUTH LIKE THE MARTYRS DID!



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