



St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

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Corpus Christi Sunday Year A, 10-11 June, 2023

Corpus Christi

The Gospel tells us that the disciples made their preparations once they “set out and went to the city” (v. 16). The Lord calls us also today to prepare for his coming not by keeping our distance but by entering our cities. That includes this city, whose very name – Ostia – means entrance, doorway.

Lord, how many doors do you want us to open for you here? How many gates do you call us to unbar, how many walls must we tear down? Jesus wants the walls of indifference and silent collusion to be breached, iron bars of oppression and arrogance torn asunder, and paths cleared for justice, civility and legality. The vast beachfront of this city speaks to us of how beautiful it is to open our hearts and to set out in new directions in life. But this requires loosening the knots that keep us bound to the moorings of fear and depression. The Eucharist invites us to let ourselves be carried along by the wave of Jesus, to not remain grounded on the beach in the hope that something may come along, but to cast into the deep, free, courageous and united.

The Gospel ends by telling us that the disciples, “after singing a hymn, went out” (v. 26). At the end of Mass, we too will go out; we will go forth with Jesus, who will pass through the streets of this city. Jesus wants to dwell among you. He wants to be part of your lives, to enter your houses and to offer his liberating mercy, his blessing and his consolation.

You have experienced painful situations; the Lord wants to be close to you. Let us open our doors to him and say:

**Come, Lord, and visit us.
We welcome you into our hearts,
our families and our city.
We thank you
because you have prepared for us
the food of life and a place
in your Kingdom.
Make us active
in preparing your way
joyous in bringing you,
who are the Way, to others,
and thus to bring fraternity, justice
and peace to our streets.
Amen.**

(extracted from Pope Francis Homily on Corpus Christi Sunday)

Weekday Masses

Monday
9am Mass

Tuesday
9am Mass

Wednesday
7pm Mass

Thursday
9am Mass

Friday
9am Mass

Saturday
6pm

Sunday
9am, 11am and 6pm

Please note Sunday 11am is also
ONLINE

Please click on this link to follow
<https://youtube.com/live/U8IGJxcr6lg>

Reconciliation
Saturdays
10am—10.30am

Priests:

Fr Brendan Connell CP (PP)
Fr Luke Bulley CP

Parish Staff:

Gillian Velupillay (Bursar)
Didi Karkas (Secretary)

Passionist Community

Fr Brendan Connell CP
Fr Brian Gleeson CP
Fr Kevin Hennessy CP
Fr Luke Bulley CP

St Paul Apostle North Primary School

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Principal
Mrs Mary Lucas

St Paul Apostle South Primary School

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Principal
Mr Paul Gleeson

St John's Regional College

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Principal
Mr Tim Hogan

PASSIONIST COMPANION

Our Passionist Companion will be having a 'COME & SEE' session on **SATURDAY, 17 JUNE 2023** from 9.30am (for 10am start) to 12pm follow by sausage sizzle, in the annexe. Presenter for this event is **Fr Erick Niyiragira CP**. If you are interested to know more about this group, please contact Gerard on 0401 057 131

YOUTH MEETING (for Year 5-9)

Thank you to parents whom have enthusiastically attended their first meeting for this age group and are excited to commence activities for the children. The first gathering will be on **FRI-DAY, 11th AUGUST at 7pm in the Annexe**. If you are interested in joining this group please contact the parish office on 9700 3781

YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT

is August 4-6 (Friday night to Sunday afternoon). at Pallotti College for those aged 18+. It will be run by Tom Warren (from our Passionist Youth Retreat Team in Brisbane) and Fr Luke. This is an open invitation to young people in our parish, as well as friends, or anyone else who would like to come. Registration forms will be available at the gathering space. We are limited to 20 people, so please register soon (details to the right). Cost is \$150 per person. This will be a great opportunity to get to know other young people in our wider parish community, as well as deepen faith in a fun and open way. There will also be the possibility of being part of an emerging Team of young people facilitating school retreats around Victoria towards the end of the year. Register by scanning the QR Code, or clicking [this link](#).



2023 SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION

Those who have been registered to this program, please remember that your last family night is on **TUESDAY, 20th June at 7pm** in the Church. You must attend this gathering with one or both parents. Attendance is compulsory for completion of the program. All details of the Mass will be explained during the night.

(For those in the ASRE group, your ASRE class is Tuesday 13th June)

2023 SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

This program is for all school children in years 6-8 who have received their Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Communion. If your child is in this category and wishes to be part of the 2023 program, registration is now open. You can obtain the registration form from either the Parish Office or our website (under "documents and forms" tab) or simply click here. Donation is \$25 per child. Return the completed form to the PARISH OFFICE no later than the 23rd of SEPTEMBER (Please do not return to the school office)

PROJECT COMPASSION BOX

Please return your Project Compassion box, either to parish office (Monday to Friday, 9am to 2pm) or you may also return it when you come to Church

PARISH BINGO

Remember to put it in your diary that our next parish bingo night is on **FRIDAY, 21 July from 7.30pm**. You may come in a group or on your own. For more information please contact Louis 0419 008 173, Vianney 0438 700 675 or Joe 0419 385 441. Please note that this activity is **strictly only for anyone older than 18 yrs old**. Anyone under this age is not allowed to come in to the hall.

WELLSPRINGS FOR WOMEN

is an organization which provides supports for women (is having a fundraising event on **SATURDAY, 22 July 2023** from 2pm to 4pm. 'HIGH TEA' in KENNEDY HALL, Killister College, 433 Springvale Rd, Springvale 3171. Cost is \$60 per person. If you wish to have more information or to book, please send email to lata@wellspringsforwomen.com payment is by bank transfer to the following account:

account name: Wellsprings for Women
BSB 636 000 Account 129 467 502
Ref Surname

RSVP by 17 July 2023

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER COLLECTION

Our Endeavour Hills St Vincent de Paul will be conducting their annual winter collection to support their work in helping those in need. This year's special collection will be held during all Masses over the next weekend (17th-18th June)

Readings:

Corpus Christi Sunday Yr A

Deut 8:2-3. 14-16 ;
1 Cor 10:16-17 ;
John 6:51-58

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

Ex 19:2-6;
Rom 5:6-11;
Mt 9:36 – 10:8

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This weekend we pray for:

Those whose sick

Denis Carlow, Sonia Singh, Roger Gray, Anthona Henderson, Nimal Pandithakoralage, Chris Williams, Cecil Harper, Fr Brian Gleeson, Wilhada de los Reyes, Nicole Pinto, Toni Celona, Shinead Kralj, Carlos Aquino, Jamie Cabrera, Angela Schink, Rajendre Rasiah, Roy Conyers, Sandra D'Costa, Horace Stolke, Annette Perera, Ronald Peters, Godfrey Joseph, Camilla D'Rozario, Esric Jackson, Emily Broadbent, **and All those in aged care or home-bound with chronic health issues**

Those who have died

Wilma San Giorgio, Brian Tobin, Marcello Sota Snr, Louis Minerve, Peng Lee Wong, Upul Thewarapperuma, Toan Nguyen, Maria Longano, Erick Daly **and all who are named in our church memorial book**

May they rest in peace

We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

