



Kerang, Cohuna and Pyramid Hill CATHOLIC PARISHES

Vision-Mission: A welcoming faith-filled Community, guided by the Holy Spirit Strengthened through the celebration of the Holy Mass, developing our strong and caring foundation.

As you take your next step, remember our past and present ancestors.

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The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ, Year A

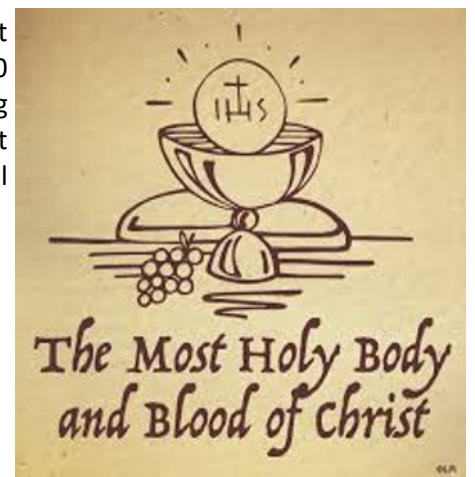
6th & 7th June 2026

Looking at the Readings

The Past, the Present and the Future are celebrated in the prayers and readings of the liturgy on this feast. Centuries before Christ, Moses appealed to God for food to feed the hungry people in the desert (first reading). God provided them with manna, "Bread from Heaven" actual food to gather daily and eat and symbolic of food for the soul, the word of God. St Paul reminded the Corinthians of the sacramental nature of the bread and wine which becomes communion with the body and blood of Christ. In sharing the eucharist they become nourished by Christ and united with one another.

The Sequence (Lauda Sion), which follows is the second reading is a song of praise for the marvellous deeds of God, the actions of Christ who feeds us now and leads us to the future feast in heaven. It especially profound and poetic teaching on the Eucharist.

The Gospel from John chapter six that starts with the feeding of the 5000 and concludes with Christ's teaching on the eucharist and the promise that 'whoever eats this bread will forever' (Jn 6:58).



We have a "Children's Corner" set up at the back of the Church. There are colouring pages and crayons/pencils that can be used at the little table or taken back to where their parents are seated.



SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

We are a child safe parish. Any children, young persons and vulnerable adults have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are concerned about any form of abuse, or believe that someone is at significant risk, you should immediately raise your concerns with our Parish Child Safety Officers (03) 5452 1041.

The Parish Calendar & News

June 2026 (10th Week in Ordinary Time, Year II) (Psalter Week 2)

Monday 8th: (G) St Mariam Thresia, Virgin 1 Kgs 17:1-6/ Ps 121:1-8/ Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday 9th: (G) St Ephrem of Syria 1 Kgs 17:7-16/ Ps 4:2-5,7-8/ Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday 10th: (G) The Martyrs of the Hulks of Rochefort 1 Kgs 18:20-39/ Ps 16:1-24-58,11/ Mt 5:17-19

Thursday 11th: (R) ST BARNABAS, AP Acts 11:21-26; 13:1-3/ Ps 98.1-6/ Mt 5:20-26

Friday 12th: (W) THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS, Sol. Deut 76-11/ Ps 103:1-46-4,10/ 1 Js 47-16/ Me 11:25-30

Saturday 13th: (W) The Immaculate Heart of the BVM 1 Kgs 19:19-21/ Ps 16:1-257-10/ Lk 241-51

Pope Leo's Intentions for June

For the values of sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

Catechism. Do you remember ME?

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

1601 "The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, is by its nature ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring; this covenant between baptized persons has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament."

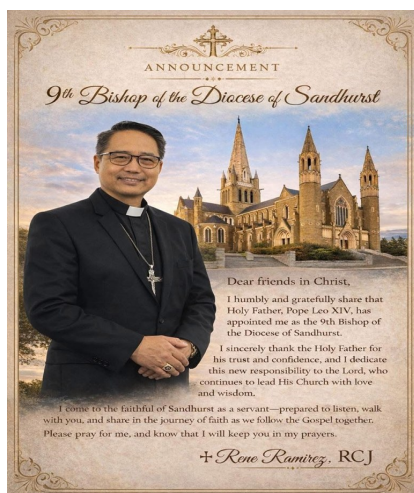
On the Lighter Side

The Sequence for the Feast of Corpus Christi (Lauda Sion) was written by Thomas Aquinas around 1264 at the request of Pope Urban IV for the new Mass of this feast. While it may be sung in the original Latin, we have an English version in our present Lectionary by James Ambrose Dominic Aylward OP (1813-1872). The New Lectionary (2029) will have two translations, one by Paul Murray OP and another by John Hibberd that can be sung with one of several tunes.

Installation Mass:

Bishop Rene Ramirez RCJ
save the date!

11.00 am 30th July 2026
Sacred Heart Cathedral.
All welcome.



Wheaten Bread

Wheat was known to the Ancient Egyptians and in the lands of the Near East. A wheat harvest appears in the Book of Genesis in Jacob's time. Jesus refer to wheat in four parables, several other teachings and especially about the grain of wheat that falls to the ground, dies and produces a harvest – an allusion to his own death and new life in the resurrection. Unleavened bread was eaten at the first Passover and at the Last Supper.

Since then unleavened wheat bread is required for the celebration of the Eucharist in the West. Many Eastern Rite Churches use leavened bread symbolising the rising of Christ from the dead. Some Eastern Churches may use unleavened and leavened. What is common and essential is the flour is wheat. Flour may be wholemeal or white (without bran and wheat heart) or flour with gluten extracted to use for celiacs and ones allergic to gluten. Those allergic to wheat may receive Holy Communion from the chalice, the Blood of Christ. © Diocese of Sandhurst 2026

Prayer for the Feast

Oh Lord Jesus Christ, we come before You today, we thank You for the gift of Your Holy Body and Blood through which we get strengthened body, soul and mind. We solemnly pledge that we will offer You our undivided love and also service to our brothers and sisters as it is Your Holy will.

We pray this in the Name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** (St Columbans Mission Society)

Quote for the Week

How is it billions of stars live in such harmony with each other - when most humans can barely go a minute without declaring war in their minds about someone they know.

St Thomas Aquinas

Cohuna 3 CHURCH PEWS FOR SALE \$300 each
Approx 2.4 metres in length.

PLEASE CONTACT Peter Doyle if interested

Kerang's collection for 30th May \$826.40

Rosters and Events

6.00pm PYRAMID HILL This Week 6 th June 2026 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Year A		6.00pm PYRAMID HILL Next Week 13 th June 2026 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A	
Commentator/POF:	Jeff Pacala	Commentator/POF:	Anne Grogan
Reader:	Jezelyn Bermasa	Reader:	Marilyn Fernandez
Gifts:	J & J Bermasa	Gifts:	Cauchi Family
Eucharistic Minister:	Carmen Cauchi	Eucharistic Minister:	Anne Grogan
8.30am COHUNA This Week 7 th June 2026 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Year A		10.30am COHUNA Next Week 14 th June 2026 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A	
Commentator/POF:	Marita Hancock	Commentator/POF:	Anne Distefano
Reader:	Helen Keely	Reader:	Ilena Dayag
Gifts:	Garry Farrant	Gifts:	Liz Keely
Eucharistic Minister:	Marg Learmonth	Eucharistic Minister:	Peter Doyle
Altar Clean Up:	Anne Distefano	Altar Clean Up:	Donna Egan
10.30am KERANG This Week 7 th June 2026 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Year A		9.00am KERANG Next Week 14 th June 2026 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A	
Welcomers:	E Bortolotto & F Roney	Welcomers:	J Roberts & J Tuohey
Commentator/POF:	F Kelly	Commentator/POF:	C Flynn
Readers:	Marie Kelly	Readers:	S Poole
Gifts:	A Makeham & D Schmidt	Gifts:	L Morrow & G Prendergast
Eucharistic Minister:	P Hirst & C Scriven	Eucharistic Minister:	Frank Kelly & W Hall
Sick & Housebound:	M Niall & K Laughlin (NH)	Sick & Housebound:	A Makeham & M Lewis (NH)
Power Point:	R Kelly	Power Point:	A Kelly
Musicians:	Mike, Tony & Ladies Group	Musicians:	Tony Val, Marie & Marita
Setting up the Altar:	Ellen	Setting up the Altar:	Liz
Mowers: June:	P Lloyd & J Mowat	Mowers: June:	P Lloyd & J Mowat
Counters June:	P & K Laughlin	Counters June:	P & K Laughlin
With St Patrick, St Mary & St Joseph, let us be a spiritual support to each other in prayer for the: Sick: Kerang Lui Basile, Faye B., Kevin Thamm Pyramid Hill Margaret, Phil S., Terry W. Cohuna Clare & Magie, Danny Hanlon, Bryan Gibbs, Laurie & Pat Roberts, Brian McLoughlan and all our elderly and residents of our Nursing Homes, Retirement Villages and those in Hospital. Recently Deceased: Death Anniversaries: Kerang: Marie Fitzpatrick, Mgr J Dullard, Colin McCarthy, Mary Schmidt, Tony Doyle, Olly Jane, Fr Frank Jones, Phyllis Murphy. Pyramid Hill: Bernadette Rudkins, Reg Guggenheimer, Thomas Burns, John Hynes, Charles Martin, Daniel Ervin, John Burns, Hugh McCrae, Frank McCrae, Cath Holland, Joseph Cassidy, Kathleen Townsend, Martin Bartolo. Cohuna: Bill Byrne, Mary Jordan.			
Next Weeks Mass Times 8th to the 14th June 2026 Wednesday 10th: 6.00pm Pyramid Hill Thursday 11th: NO Mass Cohuna Friday 12th: NO Mass Kerang Saturday 13th: 6.00pm Pyramid Hill Fr Des Sunday 14th: 10.30am Mass Cohuna Fr Des 9.00am Mass Kerang Fr Des			

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please approach Fr Arun before or after Mass.

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First Reading

Deuteronomy 8:2-3. 14-16

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 147:12-15. 19-20.

(R.) Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

1. O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!
Zion, praise your God!

He has strengthened the bars of your gates,
he has blessed the children within you. (R.)

2. He has established peace on your borders,
he feeds you with finest wheat.
He sends out his word to the earth
and swiftly runs his command. (R.)

3. He makes his word known to Jacob,
to Israel his laws and decrees.
He has not dealt thus with other nations;
he has not taught them his decrees. (R.)

Next week: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
13th & 14th June, 2026

1st Reading: Exodus 19:2-6
Responsorial Psalm: 99:2-3, 5
2nd Reading: Romans 5:6-11
Gospel: Matthew 9:36—10:8

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Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

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

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 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

John 6:51-58

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever;
and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.

As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.