Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish, Warnervale.

We gather as a community of believers in Jesus, to grow as his disciples, using our gifts, to proclaim the Gospel

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST 2ND JUNE 2024, YEAR B

Image by Sr Dorothy Woodward rsj

Readings: Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15

Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Response:

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord

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Reflection

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, commonly known as Corpus Christi, is a profound celebration in the Catholic Church, dedicated to honoring the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. For Year B, the readings for Corpus Christi Sunday are particularly rich and invite deep reflection on the mystery and significance of the Eucharist.

Readings Overview First Reading: Exodus

This passage recounts the covenant God made with Israel at Mount Sinai. Moses reads the words of the covenant to the people, who respond with a commitment to obey. The covenant is sealed with the blood of young bulls, which Moses sprinkles on the altar and the people, signifying their unity with God.

Second Reading: Hebrews

This passage highlights Christ as the high priest who enters the heavenly sanctuary, not with the blood of animals, but with his own blood, obtaining eternal redemption for humanity. It contrasts the old covenant rituals with the new and eternal covenant established through Christ's sacrifice.

Gospel: Mark

The Gospel recounts the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper. Jesus shares the bread and wine with his disciples, proclaiming them as his body and blood, establishing a new covenant for the forgiveness of sins.

Sacrament of Confirmation



We are continuing the preparation program for the Sacrament of Confirmation. This program is intended for baptised Catholic children in year 3 and above. Classes began

on Sunday, May 26th, and will continue for four weeks. The Confirmation ceremony is scheduled to take place on Saturday, June 29th.

We kindly ask for your prayers for our children who are preparing to receive this important sacrament. Your prayers and support for our dedicated volunteer teachers, who are guiding and preparing our children, are also greatly appreciated.

Pastoral Works Broken Bay

We extend immense gratitude to all those who contributed to the Pastoral Works, Broken Bay Appeal. Your kindness has propelled us closer to our annual goal of \$16,263, though we still face a shortfall of \$1,000. Your support is invaluable and has positively impacted numerous individuals in the past. Remember, donations exceeding \$2 are tax deductible.

Donations can be via the envelopes or made online at Name: St Mary MacKillop Parish; BSB: 062 784; Account no: 10000 5628; Reference PWBB and surname.

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Sunday Mass

Sat (Vigil) 5pm, Sun 8am, 10am, 5pm

Family Mass

Every Sunday at 10am Includes Children's Liturgy

Weekday Mass

Mon—Communion Service Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat 9.15am Wednesday 8:45am

Monthly BBQ

4th Sunday of each month after 5pm Mass

Devotions

Rosary after weekday Mass Tues 6pm Rosary

St Joseph's Men's Group 2nd & 4th Wednesday at 7pm

Anointing Mass

3rd Saturday of the Month at 9:15am

Reconciliation

Sat 4pm - 4.45 pm

Baptisms

Sunday 11.30am Contact the Parish Office for details.

Baptisms Preparation

3rd Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the church

Weddings

By appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tues to Sat/8am to 9am

Parish Luncheon

2nd Thursday of the month 12noon at The Ary (Ziva), Main Rd, Toukley

Men's & Women's Breakfast

4th Saturday of the month at 8am at Warnies Café.

Syro-Malabar Mass

1st Friday at 6pm 1st & 3rd Sunday at 7pm

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Safeguarding: When safeguarding is embedded in Parish leadership, governance and culture;

members of the Parish recognise that it is a shared responsibility to safeguard

children, young people and adults at risk.

'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility'

If you have any concerns please contact our Safeguarding officer - Bill Mifsud (bill@earthgold.com.au) 0412 051 839



Fr. Carmelo will celebrate his 60th anniversary of ordination on Thursday July 18th. To mark this milestone, the Parish will hold a special Mass on Saturday, July 20th at 5:00pm. Following the Mass, everyone is invited to join Fr. Carmelo for a dinner at Wyong Golf Club starting at 6:30 **pm.** Please note that dinner expenses will be the responsibility of each attendee. If you are interested in attending the dinner, please write your name and contact details on the sheet outside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. The deadline for expressing your interest is June 17th.

Rosary Prayer Group



Come pray with us for our families, the parish and the world, every *Tuesday at 6pm in the Church*.

The prayer meetings for <u>June on 6th</u> <u>20th</u>, <u>Thursday evening at 7pm</u>, in the home of Bill & Dianne 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace. Phone 0413 454 547. Everyone is welcomed.

Carpark Speed Limit



For the safety of our children and all pedestrians, please note that the speed limit within the school car park is 10 km per hour. Additional-

ly, remember not to park in reserved spots during the school hours.

We kindly request that everyone adheres to this speed limit at all times. Your cooperation is crucial in ensuring a secure environment for our school community. Thank you for prioritising the safety of our children.

Let's keep our School/Parish zone safe and welcoming for everyone!

Salesian Thought

Nothing is so strong as gentleness— nothing so loving and gentle as strength.

(The Spirit of St. François de Sales, IV, 9)



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for June

For the Migrants fleeing their homes

We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

Catholic Care

Domestic and family violence is any behaviour that is used to gain or maintain power and control over someone else. This could be psychological, emotional, physical and/or sexual abuse, financial, social or spiritual control, stalking or intimidation, including the use of technology.

CatholicCare provide a range of services to assist women and children experiencing domestic and family violence, plus supports for fathers who have caused harm to their family through violence, or the use of coercive controlling behaviours.

For more information:

W: https://catholiccaredbb.org.au/

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Reminder

We would like to gently remind all parents and guardians participating in Church services of the importance of accompanying children to the toilets before, during, or after Mass. This practice is crucial for the safety of all parishioners, particularly children, and we sincerely appreciate your cooperation in this regard.

SAINTS DAYS

Monday 3 June St Charles Lwanga

Tuesday 4 June

Wednesday 5 June St Boniface

Thursday 6 June

St Marcellin

Friday 7 JuneThe most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday 8 June

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Return and Earn

This week we raised \$69.20

Thank you to everyone who continually supports our Return and Earn fundraising project and commitment to sustainability and environmental responsibility for our commu-

Please remember;

- containers need to be empty of all liquid;
- not crushed or broken;
- labels must be on the containers;
- ◆ cans and bottles must have 10c refund logo.
- Please place glass bottles in crates



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Anniversaries: Charles Firmstone, Willibrordus Laka, Albina Ynsfran, Romon Castro, Kathrie, Stephen Callaghan, Sr Fran Nolan Sgs, Alejandro Mabaquiao Jnr, Mary Sammut, Rita Summut, Grahame Lesha.

Recently Deceased: Maureen Fenner, Denis James Ryan, Annabelle Bryant, Robert Curry Snr, Chris Henry, Christine Nemes, Shannon Dedera, Phylis Austin, Pat Mcleod, Helen Cohen, Paul Arkley.



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Year B

First Reading Book of Exodus 24:3-8

This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you.

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 bullock to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into the 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.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

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

R.

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.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Year B

Second Reading
Letter to the Hebrews 9:11-15

The blood of Christ will purify our inner selves.

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 ternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever.
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Gospel Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

This is my blood. This is my blood.

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 aa larger upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the predations 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.

The Gospel of the Lord