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**4 August 2024, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Parish Mass Times:**

Monday to Friday: 9am  
Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil)  
Sunday: 8am, 10am, 5pm  
Public Holidays: 9am  
Rock Mass: Once a term

**Baptism: Third Sunday of each month by appointment**

**Wedding: Contact Parish Office at least 6 months prior notice**

**Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday: 8:30am**

**Anointing of Sick: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 9am or by request**

**Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday 9:30 – 10am concluding with Benediction**

**Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am**

**Rosary: Immediately after weekday Mass and Saturday (8:35am)**



**Every Monday  
(during term time)**

Divine Will Prayer Group  
10-11:30am

**First Friday of Every Month**

Exposition/Adoration at 7pm  
followed by Mass at 7:30pm

**Every Sunday at 10am Mass**

Children's Liturgy

**Every Friday  
(during term time)**

Lectio Divina; 10am

**Second Thursday  
of Every Month**

Anointing of the Sick – 9am

**Wednesday 14 August**

Parish Coffee Morning  
Archies, St Ives Village 10:30am

**Thursday 15 August**

Solemnity of the Assumption  
Holy Day of Obligation  
Mass at 9am and 7:30pm  
(Years 3-6 will attend the 9am mass)

***The office staff will be working from home while the Hall is being renovated for the new office space.***



***“I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.”  
(Gospel)***

Dear Parishioners and visitors to the Parish,

All the sacred readings today have one goal - that we give up our old way of living, which hems us in with creaturely needs and desires, and live only for God. And this is especially true in our Gospel. Today and for the next three Sundays we get a continuous reading of the Gospel of John, chapter 6. It is an extended discourse on what it means to believe in Jesus and follows the feeding miracle and Jesus' walking on water.

We begin with the sign of the manna from heaven, retold in the reading of the Exodus and reinterpreted by Jesus in the Gospel. Jesus wants us to 'work for food that endures to eternal life'. What is this food? It is certainly not the manna! As the Exodus passage tells us, it is enough only for the day and, we will have hungry stomachs again tomorrow. We are invited to feast on the Bread of Life, Jesus himself, who will not only fulfil our physical hunger, but feed our souls as well. Only Jesus can fill us abundantly and eternally to overflowing with blessing, and our belief in him is the only requirement to feast at his table of joy. All are welcome – come, see, believe!

May God bless you,  
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Ed Wales, Parish Finance  
Michelle Miles, Office Manager  
Jennifer Perrott, Faith Facilitator  
Gerri Hadwen, Sacramental Co-Ordinator  
Christina Surjan, Administrative Assistant

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Keep updated with our latest news and photos on our Facebook Group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/CorpusChristiStIves>



or scan the QR code to go directly to the Facebook group



Pray and Play is for families with children aged 0 -12years. It is an opportunity for the families to spend time together once a month after Sunday 10am Mass for some simple games for the children while parents mingle and chat. **Date for our next gathering to be advised.**

Please keep an eye out on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/Groups/CorpusChristiStIves>) for our latest news and photos.

### Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather and show our respect to the Elders past and present . We also wish to pay our respects to all Aboriginal people.

## SUNDAY 5PM WORSHIP CHOIR

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month

Come and enjoy our modern worship music and welcoming mass.

Scan the QR Code OR use the link to find our hymns for this week

or

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Invigorate our Mass

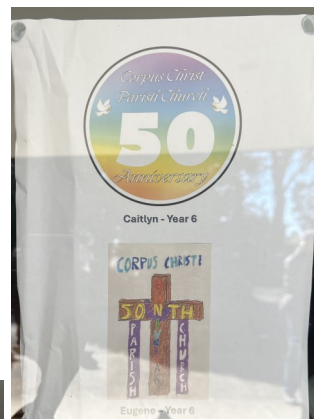
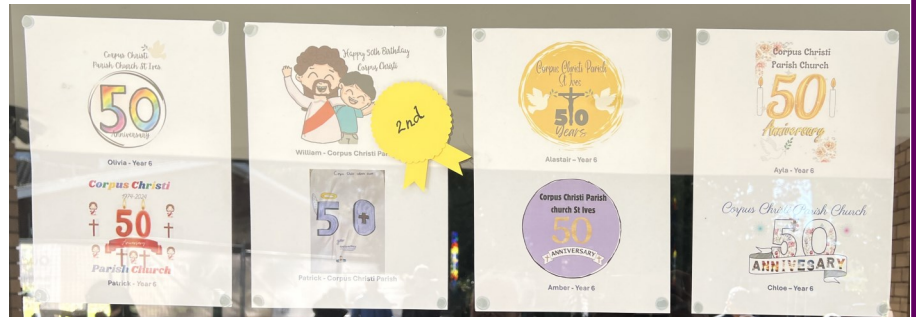
Contact [sueanne.sherwood777@gmail.com](mailto:sueanne.sherwood777@gmail.com) to join 😊 come have some fun

# 50th Anniversary Logo Competition

We want to thank everyone who participated in the 50th Anniversary Logo Competition, the entries were all uniquely beautiful. Congratulations to the selected winners!

First Place - Ava, Year 6

Tied Second Place, - William, Year 4 and Aaron, Year 6



## Social Justice Corner



### Dinner and Conversation: Sharing the Voices

Frenchs Forest Catholic Parish Social Justice Group has warmly invited our parish to attend a dinner and conversation to mark almost a year since the referendum to enshrine an Indigenous Voice to Parliament in the Australian Constitution failed. The same underlying issues that prompted the referendum proposal continue to affect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The dinner, to be held on World Day for Indigenous Peoples, will provide an opportunity for us to listen to and support each other in this time of recognition.

**Date:** Friday, 9 August 2024  
**Time:** 5.30pm- 9pm  
**Location:** St. Anthony in the Fields,  
 46 Myoora Rd, Terrey Hills  
**Cost:** \$45 full price, 2 course dinner,  
 coffee/tea.

To purchase tickets, go to <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1241227?>



### Parish Office Accommodation

The Parish office staff will be working from home while the Hall accommodation is being finalized. There will be no printed bulletin during this time. Please refer to eNews to read the bulletin in full.

You can still contact the office by email at [office@corpuschristi.com.au](mailto:office@corpuschristi.com.au) or by calling the Parish Office phone number 9144 6998.

Thank you for your understanding during this period of transition.

## Prayer Zone



### Please pray for the ill:

Michelle Fisher; Fr Sergio Chauira; Jessie Chang; Amy O'Connell; James Frederick Riley; Tom Brewer; Sylvia Fishburn; Nicolette Harris; Marshall O'Brien; Helen McCarthy; Quentin Stewart; Rob Sanders; Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Thi Nguyen; Carmel Hadley; Fergus O'Brien; Michelle Soumier; Gracie Spencer; Brendan Stone

***If you know of anyone who can no longer attend mass due to illness; or if you have noticed one of our parishioners is no longer attending mass, could you please let Michelle or Christina know.***

### FEAST DAYS AUGUST

Tues 6th, The Transfiguration of the Lord  
 Thurs 8th, St Mary of the Cross  
 Sat 10th, St Lawrence, deacon, martyr  
 Wed 14th, St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest, martyr  
 Thurs 15th, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - holy day of obligation  
 Tues 20th, St Bernard, abbot, doctor  
 Wed 21st, St Pius X, pope  
 Thurs, 22nd The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
 Sat 24th, St Bartholomew, apostle  
 Tues 27th, St Monica

*Catch up with  
 Corpus Christi Parishioners!*

## Coffee Morning

WEDNESDAY 14 AUGUST  
 ARCHIES | 10:30 AM

**EVERYONE WELCOME**



RSVP to Andrena - 0438 698 993  
 or just turn up



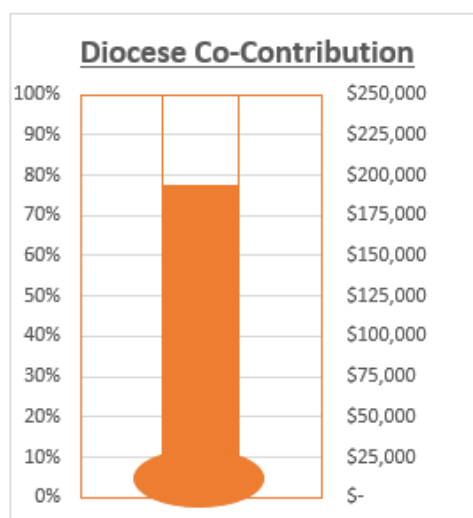
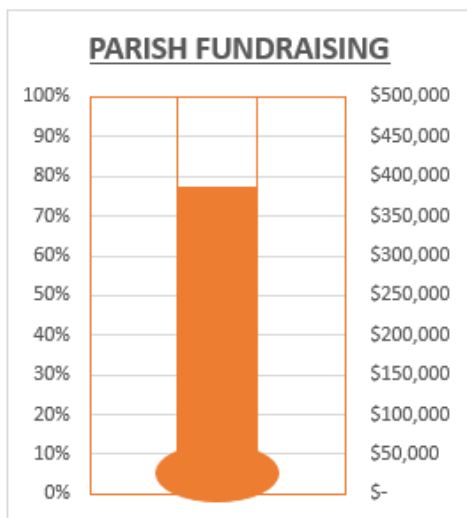
## The CChristi Bunch sure knows how to party!

Celebrating our Parish's 50th Anniversary at the beginning of Spring 2024, we need people to help organise the celebration (and party a bit on the way) ~

Or, if you have photos/stories to share (from 1974 to 2024),

please let us know if you can help, at: [corpuschristi.stives@gmail.com](mailto:corpuschristi.stives@gmail.com) or visit our Parish Office

### PRESBYTERY BUILDING PROJECT FUNDRAISING



Thank you for your generosity! Our updated total raised is **\$391,650!** We have achieved 78 percent of our \$500,000 goal. **For every \$100 donated the Diocese will give us another \$50.** You can donate directly to our bank account as below:

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**Account Name: St Ives Catholic Parish    BSB: 062 784    Account No: 100001798**

Please note, any donations made are **NOT** tax deductible.

**Regards the Parish Finance Committee**

## National Vocation Awareness Week 2024

National Vocations Awareness Week | 4 - 11 August 2024



On the 8th of August, we commemorate Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Australia's first canonised saint and cherished patron. As we celebrate her legacy, we also mark National Vocations Awareness Week, which runs from 4 -11 August 2024. During this special week, let us pray for more devoted priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women as we recognise and support the critical role of families in fostering vocations. May they find courage in Jesus Christ, draw strength from our united faith, and embrace the precious gift of their vocation with grace and gratitude.

In his Message for the World Day of Prayer for Vocations 2024, Pope Francis reflects on the theme of Hope and Peace and the courage to commit.

***Pope Francis urges all Christians to be pilgrims of hope, working towards a future of peace, justice, and love, with their hope rooted in Christ's resurrection. Pope Francis also calls everyone, especially young people, to rise up and courageously embrace their vocations, becoming messengers of joy and builders of fraternity and peace.***



### FR SUNNY'S BIBLE STUDY

Commencing on Thursday 22 August through to mid November with a break during the school holidays.

We are focusing on St Paul's Letters.

***BYO Bible and note book.***



We are pleased to invite you to join us in celebrating the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 15th. This ***holy day of obligation*** commemorates the moment when the Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.

**Mass Times :** 15 August at 9:00 am and 7:30 pm  
***(Children from Year 3 to 6 will be attending the 9am mass)***

We encourage all parishioners to participate in this special celebration as we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and reflect on her important role in our faith. This day is not only a time for prayer and reflection but also an opportunity to come together as a community.



## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

### For political leaders

Let us pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and the common good, taking caring of those who have lost their jobs and giving priority to the poor.

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## The Word

### Sunday 4 August 2024: 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

#### Collect

Draw near to your servants, O Lord, and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness, that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide, you may restore what you have created and keep safe what you have restored. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

#### First Reading

From the book of Exodus Ex 16:2-4. 12-15

*I will rain bread from heaven upon you.*

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!' Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.'

'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your hearts content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God.'" And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

The Word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R. v.24

*(R.) The Lord gave them bread from heaven.*

1. The things we have heard and understood, the things our fathers have told us, we will tell to the next generation: the glories of the Lord and his might. *(R.)*
2. He commanded the clouds above and opened the gates of heaven. He rained down manna for their food, and gave them bread from heaven. *(R.)*
3. Mere men ate the bread of angels. He sent them abundance of food. He brought them to his holy land, to the mountain which his right hand had won. *(R.)*

#### Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians Eph 4:17, 20-24

*Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.*

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

The Word of the Lord.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.  
Alleluia!

#### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John Jn 6:24-35

*Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.*

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'

Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread;  
for the bread of God  
is that which comes down from heaven  
and gives life to the world.'

'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered:

'I am the bread of life.

He who comes to me will never be hungry;  
he who believes in me will never thirst.'

The Gospel of the Lord.