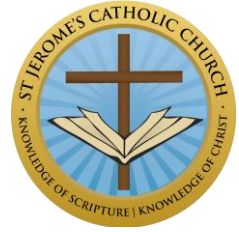


# ST JEROME'S CATHOLIC PARISH

VISION: "To be an active faith community centred on Jesus Christ, which unites everyone to build a better world"



## THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST Yr B – 6<sup>th</sup> June 2021

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### FIRST READING:

*Exodus 24:3-8*

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 bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into 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. **Thanks be to God**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

*Ps 115: R. v. 13*

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

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. **R**

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**

### SECOND READING:

*Hebrews 9:11-15*

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 eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God. He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: His death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

The Word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

*Jn 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:

*Mark 14:12-16.22-26*

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 a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations 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 the 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.

**R. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SOLEMNITY OF  
THE MOST  
HOLY BODY AND  
BLOOD OF CHRIST

"FOR MY FLESH IS TRUE FOOD,  
AND MY BLOOD IS TRUE DRINK."



# Father's message

## BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST SUNDAY.

**"I wish I had more time."**

At times, a person we dearly love moves out of our life. It happens not merely because the person dies. They may move to another country, get a job in a different company, move to another school. It may be a child who moves out. When this happens suddenly, we often wish we had more time.

More time to spend together, to do things that are important to us, to discuss those topics we always postponed as they were too personal or uncomfortable. More time together.

Some variation of "I wish we had more time" is a common scene in a number of films, I discovered. No surprise. When the disciples were with Jesus at the Last Supper, they probably were not aware it was the Last Supper. They must have sensed that circumstances were changing, but probably not predicted what did happen. It is one of those "I wish we had more time" moments. And Jesus did give us more time together.

***He gave us a real way to have him with us: the Eucharist. "This is my body" - "This is my blood."***

He remained with us. In the Eucharist. He gave us more time - all the time we want.

We can relate to Jesus, have access to him, right now.

We have access to him every time we have Communion.

We stay with him every time we come for adoration.

This is why it is so precious that we have an adoration chapel.

This is why it is so important that we commit to use it and use it frequently.

***This is why we aim at having perpetual adoration.  
Will you do your bit?***

### **SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is also known as the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, which translates from Latin to "Body of Christ." This feast originated in France in the mid-thirteenth century and was extended to the whole Church by Pope Urban IV in 1264. This feast is celebrated on the Thursday following the Trinity Sunday or on the Sunday following that feast. This feast calls us to focus on two manifestations of the Body of Christ, the Holy Eucharist and the Church. The primary purpose of this feast is to focus our attention on the Eucharist. The opening prayer at Mass calls our attention to Jesus' suffering and death and our worship of Him, especially in the Eucharist.

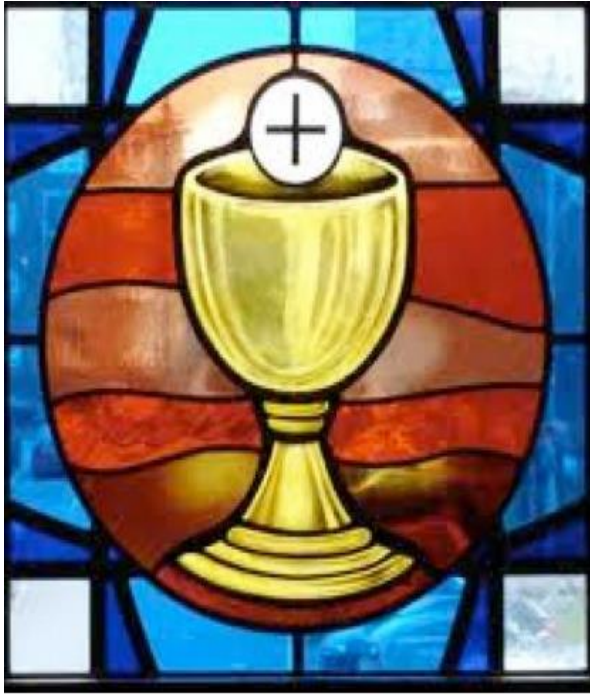
**At every Mass, our attention is called to the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in it.**

The secondary focus of this feast is upon the Body of Christ as it is present in the Church. The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion which Jesus shares with his disciples. He expresses this in the gospels by using the metaphor of a body in which He is the head. This image helps keep in focus both the unity and the diversity of the Church.

**The Feast of Corpus Christi** is commonly used as an opportunity for public Eucharistic processions, which serves as a sign of common faith and adoration. Our worship of Jesus in His Body and Blood calls us to offer to God our Father a pledge of undivided love and an offering of ourselves to the service of others.

<b><u>WEEKDAY MASS:</u></b>	<b>Monday to Friday - 7am and 9am Saturday - 9am</b>	<b>Parish Secretary</b> Sandy Catanzaro E: secretary@stjromesparish.org
<b><u>WEEKEND MASS:</u></b>	<b>Saturday - 6pm Vigil Sunday - 8am, 10am and 6pm (Youth Mass)</b>	<b>Safeguarding Officers</b> Judy McShane & Anne Strafela E: safeguarding@stjromesparish.org
<b><u>RECONCILIATION:</u></b>	<b>Saturday 10.00 – 11.00am and 5pm -5.30pm Or on Request at any time</b>	<b>Parish Pastoral Council</b> Secretary: Ann Taylor E: ppcsecretary@stjromesparish.org
<b><u>Parish Office Hours:</u></b>	<b>Wednesday &amp; Friday 9am to 2.30pm Thursdays 9am to 12pm</b>	

**In an Emergency only (anointing of the sick), when the Parish phone is unattended please call the parish emergency number of 0478 456 079 or send a text to this number. Thank you!**



### WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT TODAY'S SOLEMNITY?

At every Holy Mass, the Church fulfills the mandate of Christ, who on the evening before his death instituted the Holy Eucharist and commissioned his disciples:

***"Do this in remembrance of me" (1 Cor 11:24).***

In doing so, the Church takes literally the words that Christ spoke over bread and wine: ***"This is my body... this is my blood" (Mk 14:22-24).*** This faith in the literal presence of Christ (real presence) in the transformed gifts of bread and wine has become ever stronger in the history of the Church, so that the Council of Trent (1545-1563) solemnly defined that in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist "the body and blood together with the soul and divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ, and therefore the whole Christ, are truly, truly and substantially contained.

**On Corpus Christi**, the whole Church publicly confesses Christ's provocative words:

***'I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world' (Jn 6:51).***

In the transformed bread, the world sees the beginning of a transformation that has already begun and will one day encompass all that has been created, for we are expecting a "new heaven and a new earth" (Rev 21:1). (youcat)

### SAFEGUARDING JUNE 2021

#### TO ANYONE HAVING ANY ROLE IN THE PARISH - SAFEGUARDING UPDATE FOR ALL CHURCH WORKERS

The following opportunities are available in areas close to us. Please consider taking part to one of these updates - it is really important to ALL, NOT ONLY to those who need a Working with Children card.

**Baldivis Parish: Tuesday 29th June from 1.00pm – 3.00pm**

**Yangebup Parish: Tuesday 29th June from 7.00pm – 9.00pm**

**Kwinana Parish: Monday 5th July from 6.00pm – 8.00pm**

Registration is required online at: <http://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training-calendar-church-workers/>

### PILGRIM STATUE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Our Parish has a tradition of the Pilgrim statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary, that travels the homes of our parishioners. If anyone would like to have a turn of the statue in your home for 2 weeks, please contact Lynette Odegaard on 0420 589 410 to be placed on the roster.

**2021 MARRIAGE CAMINO** Saturday June 12, 9.00am to 4.30pm, 9 Talus Drive Mt Richon. Event for couples-by-couples Registration Philomena & David 0417 936 757.

**2020 Grace & Silence Silent Retreat Day for Young Women;** Saturday June 19 9.30am to 4.30pm; 9 Talus Dr, Mount Richon WA 6112. A four-part retreat series. \$25 per day. Enquiries and registrations to Kendall 0478 904 673

### Catholic Mission Appeal- Weekend of 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> June 2021

The Catholic Mission Appeal will take place on the above weekend. Further details will be announced closer to the weekend.



#### St Jeromes Parish Young Couples Wine and Cheese Night

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021 7.30 – 9.30pm**

**FREE event**

Please get your tickets from the link below.

<https://www.trybooking.com/BRZAF>



**APPARITION DATE TIME**

Friday July 16 6:00 pm

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Jim Hill, Matilda De Santos, Sister Renee Quadros, Salvatore Lazzara, Marina & Rita Papalia, Lucia Merenda, Madeleine Lombardo, Maria Fernandez.

(Please advise the parish office if any of these names need to be removed.)

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

<b>Sat 05/06/21</b> 6pm Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Laretta Yon Souls of Juan & Maria Canada Soul of Manuel Canada Souls of Charles & Olga Bernard Soul of Leslie Joseph La Frenais Int. Rolando Ricciardi Int. Guilio & Edelmira Giancola	<b>Tues 08/06/21</b> 7am Special Int. Souls of Luis Fernandes & Delores Da Silva 9am Soul of Maria Basilio Soul of Antonio Maciel Coelho
<b>Sun 06/06/21</b> 8am Soul of Maria Basilio Souls of Luis Fernandes & Delores Da Silva Soul of Vitorino Nunes Souls of Conceicao & Alfredo Perestrelo Souls of Vincenzo & Orlando Letizia For the Forgotten Souls in purgatory Special Int B'Day Int. Winnie Fatovich	<b>Wed 09/06/21</b> 7am Special Int. Souls of Luis Fernandes & Delores Da Silva Soul of Gudelia Abestado B'Day Int. Winnie Fatovich 9am Soul of Maria Basilio Int. of Freitas & Yukos families Int. in hon of St Joseph
10am Soul of Maria Basilio Soul of Antonio Tomizzi Soul of Teresa Dos Santos	<b>Thurs 10/06/21</b> 7am Special Int. Souls of Luis Fernandes & Delores Da Silva 9am Soul of Maria Basilio Soul of Delores Da Silva
6pm	<b>Fri 11/06/21</b> 7am Special Int. Souls of Luis Fernandes & Delores Da Silva 9am Soul of Maria Basilio
<b>Mon 07/06/21</b> 7am Special Int. Souls of Luis Fernandes & Delores Da Silva 9am Soul of Maria Basilio Soul of Antonio Tomizzi	<b>Sat 12/06/21</b> 9am Special Int Souls of Luis Fernandes & Delores Da Silva Soul of Maria Basilio

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