

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH ROCKINGHAM

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BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST Sat 5 June / Sun 6 June 2021

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.'

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 115(116):12-13,15-18

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 the 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.

Gospel Acclamation

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 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.

LIVESTREAMING UPGRADE

We are finally in a condition to complete our equipment for livestreaming. The main item that is still missing is a particular camera meant for this purpose. Should anyone be passionate about this project and wish to contribute, please contact the office. May God bless you for your generosity.

MASS and EVENT TIMES AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Sunday 7.30am, 9.30am & 6.00pm
 Monday – Saturday 7.30am
 Friday 8.00am – 9.00am Holy Hour
 Saturday 6.00pm (Vigil)

Reconciliation: (Church only)

Saturday: 11.30am – 12.30pm; 4.30pm – 5.30pm
Priests can be contacted at any other time as well.

SOTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

2 Townsend Rd, Rockingham Phone: 9553 9500

KOLBE CATHOLIC COLLEGE

25 Dowling Street Rockingham Phone: 9592 1500

Banking Details 2nd collection (for the running of our parish):

NAB BSB: 086 006 Account No: 867962536 Account Name: Our Lady of Lourdes Rockingham parish

Banking Details 1st collection (for the support of priests in our parish and in the Archdiocese):

NAB BSB:086-006 Account No: 978620205 Account Name: Our Lady of Lourdes Rockingham Presbytery Account

LOURDESCARE - CATHOLIC OUTREACH

Visiting, transport for appointments and meals: Glenda - 0439 913 621, Ana - 0437 801 085; Laurie - 0449 980 004

SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS - SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE PERSONS

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FACEBOOK PAGES

Please look for "Rockingham Catholic Community" and "Lifted High".

24:7 SOUTH YOUTH GROUP meet Friday's, at 7.00pm in the Kolbe Catholic College Sports Hall.

Food, fun, faith, friends, music! Call Will on 0499 516 377 or Amanda on 0421 144 992 for more information.

MASSES CAN BEEN SEEN ON:

[Facebook:](#) Rockingham Catholic Community page [YouTube:](#) Our Lady of Lourdes Rockingham Online channel

RIP'S: Bob Smith; John the Baptish Do; Shirley Heath; Luigi Amato

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY WINTER APPEAL

This appeal will be conducted over the next two weekends 12-13 and 19-20 June.

CATHOLIC NEWS AGENCY - CNA

Pope Francis: The Holy Trinity invites us to grow in unity as Christians. On the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, Pope Francis said unity is essential to Christian life because God is a ... www.catholicnewsagency.com

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/>

YOUTH CONSULTATION - SUNDAY 13 JUNE AFTER THE 6 PM MASS

Our community is at a stage of shaping our future. I would really value hearing what our young men and women have to say about these two questions:

What do you love about our parish?

What drives you crazy about our parish?

Would you please stay back a little while and help me with your thoughts? Fr. Pier

HOLDERS OF WORKING WITH CHILDREN CARDS: Please check your cards expiry date.

The department notifies by mail individually those cardholders whose clearance is soon to expire. If you have received such an advice and are yet to act on it, please do so immediately. Alternatively, you may re-new your card prior to receiving notice from the department. This reminder comes from the Archbishop and the official office of the church. Renewal forms can be collected from the post office or the parish office.

MARRIAGE MATTERS: A promise of eternal life

Today, the letter to the Hebrews speaks of a new covenant, a new promise of eternal life. We became a new covenant when we promised to be a married couple on our wedding day. We renew our married covenant each time we nourish and feed each other in our relationship with acts and words of tender kindness.

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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 midthirteenth 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.

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)

COLUMBARIUM PROGRESS

Our Finance Committee, after consulting the individuals involved in following up this project, advised to keep it on hold until the end of this year due to the present conditions of uncertainty. A final decision will be reached by the start of 2022 and will be communicated.

ACT QUICKLY! Interviews underway for Year 7s 2023 at Kolbe Catholic College

If you have a child currently in Year 5 (Year 7, 2023) who would like to attend Kolbe Catholic College in Year 7, enrolment applications are open.

Please be aware that interviews for Year 5s (Year 7s, 2023) are currently underway and you will need to act quickly to submit an application.

DAYDAWN ADVOCACY CENTRE

Piccadilly Square Central, 13/5 Aberdeen St, Perth WA 6000

Do you have administration skills or advocacy experience and are interested in volunteering! Daydawn Advocacy Centre is seeking to recruit volunteers to assist this Archdiocesan (LifeLink) agency.

Its Mandate is to advocate, lobby and negotiate with government and non-government agencies on behalf of Indigenous people, especially the Noongar people of the South West.

If you are interested in learning more about this important work, please contact Mark Reidy, the Director on 9218 8035 or email mark.reidy@perthcatholic.org.au

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.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION is held weekly at St Joseph's Chapel, 27 Penguin Rd, Safety Bay at 9.00am Tuesdays. All are welcome. For further information contact Sr Kath 0409 296 909 or Pauline Lighter 0404 458 843

CHAPLETS OF THE DIVINE MERCY

A beautiful, prayerful, sung devotion held at St Thomas More Catholic Church, Dean Road Bateman, on the second Wednesday of each month commencing at 7.30pm.

The next devotion will be held on Wednesday 9th June 2021 commencing at 7.30pm.

Enquiries to George Lopez on 9310 9493 or 041 991 0039.

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