

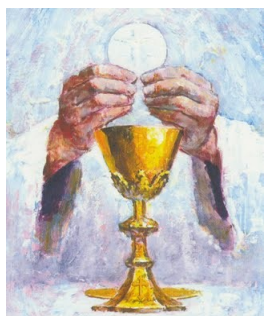


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**The Most Holy
Body and Blood
of Christ
Year A
13th / 14th
June 2020**

In a nutshell

Jesus gives us his life giving food for our life's journey with the assurance that if we eat it, we will live for ever.

Even in this life, we will find strength in him and he will live in us and be our friend.

When Jesus is within us we can speak with him, and our love will grow deeper and stronger until we see him face to face.

Today's Readings

Deuteronomy 8:2-3.14-16
1Corinthians 10:16-17
John 6:51-58

He gave you food which you and your ancestors did not know
Though we are many, we form a single body because we share this one loaf
My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

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The Solemnity of Corpus Christi complements the liturgy of Holy Thursday, when Jesus instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper. It arose in the Middle Ages as an expression of the faithful's devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. It was celebrated first as a local feast and then Pope Urban IV made it a universal feast in 1264. It became associated with processions through the towns and villages of Europe during which the monstrance which contained the sacred host was carried under a festive canopy and the crowds knelt as the Blessed Sacrament passed to receive the blessing.

At this great feast of Corpus Christi we can reflect on the past, present and future riches of the sacrament and let our lives be filled with Christ's grace. We need to keep in the front of our mind the historical reality of the cross, to remember how much Jesus suffered his flesh for us. He left the Eucharist as a way of reminding us of the sacrifice he made. But in the Eucharist that sacrifice is made present for us today and becomes a call for us to share our lives as Jesus did he fed those who were hungry, he satisfied their spiritual needs with his words and then he gave himself to them, body and blood. Now he nourishes us with this bread from heaven. We go to Mass to show our devotion and to pray before the Blessed Sacrament. But we are also told to imitate what Jesus did. He still shares himself at each Mass and at each Mass he invites us to do the same: "Do this in memory of me."

And finally this feast can remind us that we are on a journey. We are pilgrims. Here is no abiding city. When we get too settle in our worldly ways and live as though this world is all that concerns us, the Eucharist reminds us of our true destiny. We hear the priest say, just before communion, that "we await the blessed hope and the coming our Savior, Jesus Christ". We are called to share in that final heavenly banquet with God and all the saints. Even as we prepare to meet God we are given food for that journey. We received the Blessed Sacrament as *viaticum*, food for the final journey.

The Living Word, 2020


Entrance antiphon: The Lord fed his people with the finest wheat and honey;
their hunger was satisfied.

Response to the psalm: Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

Readers		Ministers of Communion	
Saturday Vigil June 13th	Janet Neenan (Coordinator)	Saturday Vigil June	Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator) Michael Zador & others
Sunday 7.00 am June:	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Charlie Robinson & Gerry Walker	Sunday 7.00 am June 7th	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Gary Keating
Sunday 9.30 am June 14th	Adele Cornale (Coordinator)	Sunday 9.30 am June:	Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty.
Church Cleaners Paula O'Connor and other volunteers.		Sunday 6pm	Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator), Paula O'Connor.
Money Counters—Parish Office June 14th: Group 2 June 21st: Group 3 June 28th: Group 4 July 1st: Group 1		Sacristy & Altar Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller	
		Altar Flowers Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros	

Mass Offerings:	<i>Your prayers are requested for the following:</i>
Recently Deceased:	Kevin Perry , Bishop Desmond Moore msc, Brian O'Connell. (Bishop Des' funeral is Monday 10am + streamed on-line)
Anniversary:	Evelyn Bast, Cecil Byrnes, Austin Byrnes, Eve Rodden , Susan Betros.
Other Deceased:	Noel Aisbett, Francis and Will Champion, June Ann Knight, McGlinn Family, Eileen and Paul McMahon, Alma & Jack Saidey, Bill Jack, Jack Olde, Marie Cunningham, Brenda Dore, Michael Cremin, John Keane.
Sick:	Bernice Ralston, Chaiel Blacombe, Cathryn Ferguson, Paula Hudson, Elizabeth Khoury, Susan Behan, Anne Stirling, Neil Thornton, Tony Cruikshank, Diane Gordon, Therese Warfield, Lyn Sweeney, Paul Evans, Owen O'Conner, Margaret Mary Foody, Trish Shadwick, Roslyn Powell, Jake Hudson, Michelle Thornton, Justin Wood, Richard Healy, Joan Edwards, Marian Moreno, Judy Chock, Faye Mather, Alex Campbell, Maximilian Naum, Geoffrey Karpin, Chris Schneider.



Baptism

We welcome Anthony Gentile, son of Liz and Patrick into our parish community, on Sunday at 11.30am.

St Brigid's Parish Information	
Mass Times	Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30 am and 6.00 pm
Morning Tea	Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass (NOT during Covid19)
Weekday Masses	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9.30 am
Reconciliation	20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass
Sacrament of Anointing	During 9.30am Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month
Baptisms	By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month, after 9.30am Family Mass, during the Covid19 pandemic restrictions.
Marriages	By appointment, arranged at least six months in advance
Parish Office:	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9am to 3pm.
Parish Office Number	9315 7562 (Fr Phil—pastoral emergencies only: 0420 329 731)

St Brigid's Parish—This week and beyond

Weekend Masses: at normal times—5pm Vigil; 7.00am; 9.30am & 6pm.

(At present, no morning tea after 9.30am Family Mass)

Welcome to families coming to our Children's Liturgy this Sunday 9.30am Family Mass.

There will also be another one in two weeks' time. (led by Kirsten)

We also welcome back our Altar Servers to 5pm Vigil and 9.30am Family Masses—and their families.

Weekday Masses now Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 9.30am

This Friday 19th July is the Feast of the Sacred Heart—Mass at 9.30am

Piety store is closed - We are in need of volunteers to open our little store. Siobhan Scott and her family have returned to the UK. Siobhan and Matilda will be sadly missed and we wish them well as they settle back home. If you require any items, please contact the Parish Office.

Planned giving envelopes - Our envelopes have arrived for the next financial year 2020/2021.

To make it easier during this Covid-19 period there is alternative option of monthly credit card donations to the planned giving program. Boxes are in the Church Foyer, if you would like to pick up your envelopes or authorized payment form. Or, call in to Parish Office.

Australian Catholics family magazine, winter 2020 edition, is enclosed with your Bridie this week. Excellent family reading—please share with others.

We hope all our families keep safe, healthy, and positive during these times.

Fr Phil

Some Directives for Churches and Liturgies from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Churches are open, but no more than 50 people may attend at once. Churches closed outside of services.

- This applies to private prayer, confessions, mass baptisms funerals, Eucharistic adoration, the divine offices, rosary in common, bible study etc.
- Only 20 attendees are permitted at Weddings
- Contact details of all those entering the church (name and phone number) must be recorded
- Spatial distancing (at least 1.5m from each other, the 4 square-meter rule) and hygiene directions (including regularly disinfecting the church) must be observed: attendees may sit only in marked place places, to queue at a distance from others, to take care when coughing or sneezing and to avail themselves of hand sanitizer provided.
- Holy Communion shall be received under the form of the Body of Christ only and in the hand, those who are unwell or at high risk due to compromised immune or respiratory system must not attend; those over 70 should exercise particular caution.

Revised St Brigid's Parish Sacramental Program 2020

First Reconciliation now rescheduled Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th July @ 7pm.

(We will probably need to extend to a third evening)

All registered families have been notified by email.

First Communion continues on 12th and 13th September Masses—however, we may need to extend to an additional weekend, depending on Covid19 regulations.

Confirmation still tbc. (you can register on-line)

For any sacramental queries, please contact Joanne <sacramentcoogee@yahoo.com>



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You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest, who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police,

St Brigid's Parish Coogee Safeguarding Officer is Sharon Waller.