

OUR LADY OF THE WAY PARISH, EMU PLAINS

What does the Lord require of you but to act justly, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with your God.” Micah 6:8



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Sunday, 19th June 2022 The Body and Blood of Christ – Year C

Welcome to the celebration of the mass.

Entrance Antiphon.

He fed them with the finest wheat
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

First Reading

Gen 14:18-20

A reading from the book of Genesis

Melchizedek brought bread and wine.

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing:

‘Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.’
And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 109:1-4. R. v.4

**(R.) You are a priest for ever,
in the line of Melchizedek.**

1. The Lord’s revelation to my Master:
‘Sit on my right:
I will put your foes beneath your feet.’ (R.)
2. The Lord will send from Zion
your sceptre of power:
rule in the midst of all your foes. (R.)
3. A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the daybreak
I begot you. (R.)

4. The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.
‘You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.’ (R.)

Second Reading

1 Cor 11:23-26

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

*Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup,
you are proclaiming the death of the Lord.*

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, ‘This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.’ In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.’ Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming to his death.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven,
says the Lord; whoever eats this bread
will live for ever.

Alleluia!

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Gospel

Lk 9:11-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

They all ate and were filled.

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

Communion Antiphon Jn 6:57

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion:

Soul of Christ, sanctify me;
Body of Christ, save me;
Blood of Christ, inebriate me;
Water from the side of Christ, wash me;
Passion of Christ, strengthen me;
O good Jesus, hear me;
Within Thy wounds, hide me;
Permit me not to be separated from Thee;
From the wicked foe defend me;
In the hour of my death call me,
And bid me come unto Thee,
That with all Thy saints I may praise Thee
For ever and ever. Amen.

anima christi - saint ignatius loyola - 16th century

From the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius Loyola (1522-1524). Its authorship remains uncertain.

https://www.worldprayers.org/archive/prayers/adorations/soul_of_christ_sanctify_me.html

Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to your will. Grant, Good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen.

<https://www.catholic.org/prayers/prayer.php?p=231>

Let us pray:

We pray for recently deceased Jean McInnes, and Roger & Jesse Borg, whose anniversaries are at this time. We also pray for all our brothers and sisters in our community who are unwell, especially Elisabeth Robens, Marian Betker, Andrew Keenan, Alex Haddad and Catherine Allabyrne. If you know someone who needs prayers, please contact the parish office on 4735 1041 and we will add them to our prayer list.



Parishioner of the week: Michele Norbury (our parish secretary)

Michele has been in the parish for 35 years. She is married to Mark and they are blessed with 6 children. Michele loves the commitment of so many people at OLOW over so many years. Also, she really appreciates the kindness that was shown to her when she had little children in mass. That kindness is still evident in those people and she is eternally grateful. She thinks about people into the night and prays for them at times. Michele was involved in the OLOW playgroup when her children were young.

Michele has been parish secretary for the past 18 months. We are grateful for all the work she does behind the scenes to help keep our parish running efficiently. Michele and her husband Mark are also active members of the Servants of Jesus community.

Her favourite colour is blue. Michele's favourite food is John Von's curries – they are amazing! Her favourite song is "Come as you are" and her favourite scripture is the "the Lord is my light and my salvation". She loves St Monica (mother of St Augustine).

An interesting fact about Michele is that she has been to Malta, Israel, Italy, Lourdes, Fatima, Medjugorie and would like to go to Broome at some stage. Michele was a rotary exchange student to South Africa when she was 18 years old.



Parish Notices:

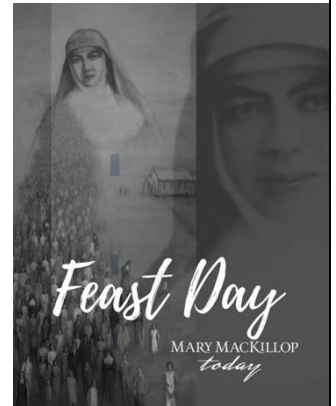
Wrap with love knitters group meet Thursdays from 9am-12pm in the parish hall. Donations of 8ply wool gratefully accepted. New members welcome. Contact Judy Prendergast 0407101254 or Julie Hayes 0452655844.

Playgroup coordinator needed: email (emuplains@parracatholic.org) or phone the parish office (ph: 4735 1041) for more details.

Catholic Outlook available: Please collect a free copy of the Catholic Outlook from the Foyer.

Thank you for your prayers:

Mary MacKillop Today supports thousands of people in Timor-Leste, Peru, Papua New Guinea, Fiji and here in Australia, bringing hope to communities for generations to come. Please pray for Mary MacKillop Today especially during the challenging times we



all face, so that we can continue to transform lives through our vitals works carrying on the legacy of Saint Mary MacKillop. If you'd like to learn about Mary MacKillop Today please contact us via Ph: (02) 8912 2763 Email: hello@marymackilloptoday.org.au or visit: www.marymackilloptoday.org.au

Faith Formation at St Finbars

"I love Jesus. But why do I need the Church? Family, Youth and Faith". For many young Catholics, the love for Jesus is not a problem. Yet, it is a different matter when it comes to the Church. Increasingly, young people are disillusioned and hence become "unchurched". We invite you to attend our discussion on "I love Jesus. But why do I need the church? Family, Youth and Faith"

Where: St Finbar Catholic Parish, 52 Levy Street, Glenbrook NSW 2773

When: 21 June 2022, at 7pm

Organisers: St Finbar's Catholic Youth and Connect Group of Young Families.

Prayer for the Sacraments

Heavenly Father, we ask for blessings on all the children and families who are taking part in the sacramental program. We pray for the Holy Spirit to touch each one of them so they may experience your great love, presence and mercy in their life.
Amen

Readers/ Commentators roster:

Mass	18/19 June Body and Blood of Christ	25/26 June 13 th Sunday Ord Time
Vigil C:	Phillip Youngman	Debra Gleeson
R:	Trish Ryan	Mary Balam
8am C:	Paul Ryan	Geraldine Waters
R:	Helen Larsen	Kay Walker
9.30am C:	Don Robens	Marianne Castor
R:	Lara Roser	Layla Pascoe

Parish Information

Parish office open Tuesday to Friday from 9:30am to 3pm. (ph: 4735 1041)
Parish priest: Fr Michael G. Gathuku
Deacon: George Bryan
Parish Office Administrator: Michele Norbury
Sacramental Co-ordinator: Cate Kensey
Parish Pastoral council chairperson: John Cowen
Parish finance chairperson: Jim Prendergast
Our Lady of the Way principal:
Donna McFadzean (ph: 4777 7200)
Penola Catholic college principal:
Jim Fanning (ph: 4728 8100)

Weekend mass times:

Saturday 6 pm, Sunday 8am, 9:30am

Weekday masses:

Tuesday 6pm;
Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 9am.

Reconciliation: Saturday 5pm.

Sacraments: baptisms and weddings by appointment. Please contact the parish office (emuplains@parracatholic.org) for information on reconciliation, communion and confirmation.

Diocese of Parramatta Notices:

GET READY THIS WEEKEND... Sydney let's celebrate our faith by Walking with Christ... The first public Catholic celebration through the heart of Sydney since 2019. Festivities begin at Martin Place, 1.30pm on Sunday, 19 June 2022. Please join me with your family and friends as we gather for the **Feast of Corpus Christi**.

A message from *Aid to the Church in Need Australia*: ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church. Our brothers and sisters in Lebanon are suffering due to ongoing financial and political instability. Will you join us as we help them by providing food parcels to 500 needy families in the diocese of Baalbek, Lebanon?

Visit: www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject.



St Joseph's 150 year celebration mass: (Flyers in Church Foyer)

Sesquicentenary mass celebrating 150 years of the presence of the Sisters of Saint Joseph in NSW on Saturday 16th July 2022 at 10:30am in the Cathedral of St Michael and St John, Bathurst. Everyone is welcome. RSVP Sr Berenice (mob: 0418681949, email: Berenice.cornish@sosj.org.au)

LIFTED Retreat 2022 "Wonder & Awe":1-3 July You are invited to Catholic Youth Parramatta's annual young adults retreat. Take some time away from the busyness of everyday life and spend a weekend away full of prayer, talks, and community. For 18-35 year-olds. \$100 per person. Register at parracatholic.org/cyp-lifted-retreat.

Blue Mountains Musicians: Musicians (or their representatives) from each parish are invited to our first follow-up meeting at 7:30pm on Wednesday June 22nd at St Thomas Aquinas church, Springwood. The focus of this meeting is to explore the feasibility of an Ecumenical deanery Christmas carol experience. To confirm your attendance or to seek clarification on this initiative please contact Christ by email: CWILSON@stdominics.nsw.edu.au

Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal for our Holy Spirit Seminarians

Our Holy Spirit Seminary in Harris Park is preparing men who have been called by God to be good shepherds and beacons of Christ's light. Will you be their extended formation community and support these faithful men to be formed as priests after the heart of Christ? Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal Thank you for accompanying our seminarians on their spiritual journey to becoming priests.

Saints of the week:

Wednesday, June 22nd – Sts Thomas Moore & John Fisher, martyrs
Friday, June 24th –
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Saturday, June 25th –
The Nativity of St John the Baptist



Parish bank details:

If you would like to support our priest and church financially through **online banking**:
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BSB: 067 950
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