

The Net

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR A—27TH AND 28TH OF JUNE 2026

We, the people of Corpus Christi, seek to grow in living Christ-centred mission, sharing our gifts to foster welcome, justice and community in today's world.

A very warm welcome to anyone who is new to the parish.

First Reading

2 Kings 4:8-11. 14-16

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 88:2-3. 16-19. R. v.2

(R.) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.
1.I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.

Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever, that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. (R.)

2.Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face, who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss. (R.)

3.For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength;

it is by your favour that our might is exalted: for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord; our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. (R.)

Second Reading

Romans 6:3-4. 8-11

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we

were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation

1 Peter 2:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people.

Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light.

Alleluia!

Gospel

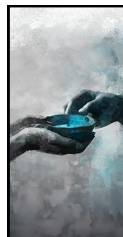
Matthew 10:37-42

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.'

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.'

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.'

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'



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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL 6pm

SUNDAY 7.30am & 9.30am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday & Wednesday at 6pm

Thursday & Friday at 9.10am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday evening from 5.00pm

- 5.45pm in the Meeting Room

ROSARY

Fridays after morning Mass

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(Principal - Mr Michael Pate)

Congratulations to our Confirmation Candidates

Warmest congratulations to all the children of our parish who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend.

As you are sealed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we pray that He will strengthen your faith, guide your steps, and fill your hearts with His peace, wisdom, and joy. May you always know God's love for you and grow ever closer to Him in your daily lives.

We give thanks for your parents, whose love, faith, and support have helped prepare you for this special moment. We also sincerely thank our facilitators for their time, commitment, and generous guidance, Fr Abraham for his pastoral care and encouragement along the journey, and our office volunteer for her hard work behind the scenes getting things organised for the celebration.

A special word of gratitude to Monsignor Ron McFarlane and Reverend Luis Fernando for celebrating this joyful occasion with us and leading our parish in prayer.

To our entire parish, thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and witness of faith. Together, we rejoice in this beautiful milestone in the life of our young people and give thanks to God for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Come, Holy Spirit!

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years.

Visit our website: www.corpuschristi.org.au

**POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER
INTENTION FOR JUNE**

For the values of sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

- June 29th:** Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
- June 30th:** The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
- July 3rd:** Saint Thomas, Apostle
- July 4th:** Saint Elizabeth of Portugal



LET US OFFER GIFTS OF PRAYER

Recently Deceased:

Frances Hooton

Anniversaries:

Gino Vassallo, Dioscoro Sampaga

For those who are sick:

Darren Hooton, Ruta Pelenatino, Rose Zahra, Marlene Rodger, Fr. Jerome Antogop, Joseph Cauchi.

From Parish Priest's Desk

In today's Gospel, Jesus makes a challenging statement: "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me" (Mt 10:37). At first hearing, these words may sound harsh. Yet Jesus is not asking us to love our families less; rather, He is inviting us to love Him first and above all. When Christ occupies the centre of our lives, every other relationship finds its proper place and purpose.

Christian discipleship is not a part-time commitment or a casual association. Jesus desires an undivided heart. He seeks a deep and personal relationship with us, one marked by trust, loyalty, and love. Too often, our faith competes with many distractions – comfort, possessions, status, ambitions, and even relationships. The Lord reminds us that nothing should take precedence over our relationship with Him. Relationship with the master is paramount in the Christian discipleship.

The saints understood this truth well. Their lives demonstrate that when Christ becomes the first love of the heart, sacrifice becomes meaningful, service becomes joyful, and challenges become opportunities for growth. They discovered that losing oneself for Christ is, in fact, the way to find true life. when Jesus is our first love it changes our way of thinking and acting. Today's Gospel invites us to examine our priorities. What occupies the first place in our hearts? What prevents us from following Jesus more wholeheartedly? The Lord does not force His way into our lives; He patiently invites us to choose Him every day. The choice is ours but once the choice is made then a commitment to that choice should take precedence above everything else.

May this Eucharist strengthen us to renew our commitment to Christ. Let us strive to cultivate an undiluted love for Him, trusting that the more we love Jesus, the more capable we become of loving others with generosity, compassion, and faithfulness. May God bless us to be His committed disciples.

Fr Abraham Kunnatholy CMI

Parish News

CHILDREN'S LITURGY RETURNS NEXT WEEKEND

We are pleased to announce that Children's Liturgy will recommence from next weekend. Children's Liturgy is available for children aged 4–8 years and will be held on the 1st and 3rd weekends of each month during the 6.00pm Vigil Mass and 9.30am Sunday Mass.

We extend our sincere thanks to all of our volunteer facilitators—both those who have faithfully served in the past and those who have recently joined the ministry. Your generosity in helping our young parishioners grow in their faith is greatly appreciated.

We look forward to welcoming our children back as they continue to learn about God's love in a way that is engaging and meaningful for them.



Volunteer Opportunity: Data Operators Needed

We are seeking volunteers to assist as Data Operators at our weekend Masses, with a particular need at the **6:00pm Saturday Vigil Masses**

We warmly invite parishioners, including families and individuals of all ages, to consider joining this important behind-the-scenes ministry. Your contribution helps support the life and organisation of our parish in a very practical and meaningful way. Training will be provided.

If you are able to help, please contact the Parish Office.

MINISTRY ROSTER AND COUNTER'S ROSTERS

Thank you to all parishioners who so generously serve in our liturgical ministries or as counters. Your faithful support and willingness to assist in the life of the parish is greatly appreciated.

The July and August Liturgical Ministry Roster and the annual counter's rosters were emailed out to all volunteers last Thursday. If you are a volunteer and did not receive your roster, please contact the parish office

Thank you again for your continued support.



PARISH Faith Formation RETREAT DAY

SATURDAY 4TH JULY 2026



**1.00pm – 5.00pm
Retreat Program**



Stay for Reconciliation, Adoration & personal prayer leading into the **6.00pm Vigil Mass**



INSPIRING TALKS & DISCUSSION GROUPS



PRAISE MUSIC



PRAYER & REFLECTION



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)



CHILD-MINDING
for children aged 4–12 years may be available, subject to sufficient interest and volunteers. Please indicate this when you register.



REGISTRATION
Please add your name to the sign-on sheet in the church foyer.
Invite your family and friends!

A meaningful afternoon to grow in faith, strengthen our parish community and reflect on how we are called to live as disciples of Jesus in everyday life.

Theme: Discipleship and Living a Sacramental Life

RETREAT PROGRAM

TIME	WHAT	WHO
1.00pm	ARRIVAL	
1.30pm	Welcome & Opening Prayer	PPC Executive Fr Abraham
1.40pm	TALK 1: Intentional Discipleship • What does it mean to be Disciples of Jesus	Alison Ryan (MET)
2.20pm	Discussion Group 1	
2.50pm	Praise Music • 2 songs • Joyful, High Energy (Action Songs??)	Music Team
3.10pm	AFTERNOON TEA	Hospitality Team
3.30pm	TALK 2: Living a Sacramental Life • How we respond to the call of Discipleship	Alison Ryan (MET)
4.10pm	Discussion Group 2	
4.30pm	ACTIVITY: Writing Prayers of the Faithful • 1 prayer per group	
4.50pm	TALK 3: Commitment to Witness • How can I make a personal commitment today	Alison Ryan (MET)
5.20pm	Thank You • Invitation to stay for prayer and Mass	PPC Executive Fr Abraham
5.30pm	Encounter Opportunities • Confession • Adoration • Reflective Journaling and Prayer	Music Team
6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Fr Abraham

We encourage all parishioners to prayerfully consider attending this special parish event.



Special word of thanks...

A heartfelt thank you to **Jane, Luz, and Nony** for their generous and tireless work behind the scenes in sewing and painting **100 Confirmation stoles** for this year's candidates. Their dedication and care have created something truly special that will not only enrich this year's celebration, but continue to be a blessing for many Confirmation groups in the years ahead.



PARISH WORKING BEES

Parishioners are warmly invited to come along and assist in caring for and preparing our parish grounds and spaces. Whether you can stay for a short time or the whole working bee, all help is greatly appreciated.

Upcoming Parish Working Bees:

- Saturday 26th September – Garden Refresh after Winter
- Saturday 12th December – Preparing for Christmas

All are welcome. Light refreshments will be provided.



PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION – NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend July 4th and 5th, in celebration of the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, (June 29th), our parish will take up the annual **Peter's Pence Collection**.

This collection is a concrete expression of our communion with the Holy Father and supports his mission of proclaiming the Gospel, promoting peace, and extending Christian charity throughout the world. It assists the Pope in responding to those in greatest need, including emergencies and humanitarian works across the globe.

We are grateful for the continued generosity of Corpus Christi parish, especially as we are frequently called upon to support a range of worthy appeals, both for our parish and beyond. Each one offers us an opportunity to respond faithfully as stewards of God's gifts and to support the wider mission of the Church.

Please give generously to this appeal.



BISHOP'S GOOD WORKS APPEAL

Thank you for your generous support of the Bishop's Good Works Appeal. Thanks to your kindness, our parish has raised over \$1500 so far to support Holy Spirit Seminary and the formation of our future priests.

Your generosity is making a real difference. Please continue to keep our seminarians and all those supported through the Appeal in your prayers.

If you would still like to contribute,

donation envelopes are available at the entrances to the church and may be placed in the sacristy. Donations can also be made online at parracatholic.org/appeal or by scanning the QR code. Thank you for your continued support.



Be a Steward

BE INVOLVED. MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



Our parish thrives when we **PRAY, GIVE and SERVE** together.



PRAYING
Grow in faith together



GIVING
Your generosity builds our parish



SERVING
Share your gifts and make an impact

SCAN TO GET INVOLVED



All are welcome!



Your support helps our parish grow and flourish.

Every gift is a blessing – Thank you!

corpuschristi.org.au/stewardship

Corpus Christi Sacrament Dates 2026

FIRST RECONCILIATION & CONFIRMATION

The Sacraments of First Reconciliation and Confirmation have now been completed for 2026. We give thanks for all the children, families, sacramental team, and parish who prepared for and celebrated these important milestones, and we continue to keep them in our prayers.



Dates for 2027 will be published later in the year.

FIRST EUCHARIST

Parent Information & Registration Evening:

WEDNESDAY 12TH AUGUST AT 7.00PM

Parent and Child Formation Sessions:

Formation sessions will run on Wednesday evenings and Thursday afternoons from 19th August to 10th September (four sessions per child). Families are asked to attend all scheduled formation sessions as part of the preparation for First Eucharist.

In addition, compulsory weekend Mass attendance will be required from the weekend of 15/16 August through until the First Eucharist celebration dates, as part of the children's sacramental preparation and ongoing faith formation.

Available Sacrament Dates:

Saturday 12 September at 10.00am

Saturday 12 September at 6.00pm

Saturday 19 September at 10.00am

Sunday 20 September at 9.30am



BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS

Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sunday of each month at 11.00am. Parents wishing to have their child baptised are asked to contact the Parish Office to book a date and to attend the Rite of Welcome and Information Meeting. These are held on the fourth Sunday of the month prior to baptism.



Bookings for weddings and funerals are taken on request through the Parish Office.

Together in Faith, Walking in Hope

What's coming up in our parish

 SATURDAY 4 JULY & SUNDAY 5 JULY	Peter's Pence Appeal Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th July
 SATURDAY 4 JULY	Parish Faith Formation Afternoon 1.30pm – 6pm
 SUNDAY 12 JULY	Parish Morning Tea after the 9.30am Mass
 FRIDAY 31 JULY	Seniors Group Morning Tea after the 9.10am Mass Parish Office Meeting Room <i>All are welcome, bring a plate to share if you can.</i>
 WEDNESDAY 15 JULY	Fr Abraham's Annual Leave 15 July – 15 August During this time, weekday Masses will be replaced by Communion Services. Weekend Masses will be celebrated by visiting priests.
 SATURDAY 15 AUGUST	First Eucharist Registration 7pm Parish Office Meeting Room For children in Grade 4 and above. Please bring your child's Baptism certificate.
 WEDNESDAY 12 AUGUST	(No event listed for this date)

All are welcome!

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year A—27th and 28th of June 2026

Gospel Reflection

The gospel for today can be a difficult one to hear. It calls us to place our discipleship before our loyalty to family and even before our own life. It is important to place this passage in the broader context of not only the chapter in which it sits, but also within the gospel as a whole.

Today's passage appears at the conclusion of Chapter 10 in the Gospel of Matthew. The entire chapter deals with the commissioning and sending out of the disciples to 'proclaim the gospel, heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy and drive out demons.' (Mt 10:8) The previous chapter concludes with the words, 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.' (Mt 9:37-38) Chapter 10 is a response to this call. Jesus sends the disciples to 'work the harvest' through proclamation, healing and exorcism.

At the end of the chapter, having spelt out all the difficulties a disciple must face, Jesus assures them that even the smallest act of welcoming the disciple will be rewarded.

It's also important to understand that the Jewish audience of the Gospel of Matthew found themselves under increasing persecution and there was often division within families between those holding to orthodox Jewish beliefs and those following the new Christian way. For some early Christians, there was the very real choice to be made between following their faith and remaining loyal to family. The Gospel of Matthew repeatedly affirms Jesus as the promised Jewish messiah; as the fulfilment of Jewish prophecy. For early followers of the Christian way, this difficult message about being a follower was in the context of an affirmation that the message of Jesus was deeply grounded in their Jewish faith.

From the perspective of ...

What must it have been like to be one of those disciples of Jesus? Having followed their Rabbi, or teacher, for some time, he sends them out to 'have a go' at doing what he has been doing: preaching; proclaiming the good news; healing; curing lepers and casting out demons. The focus of a disciple is to be like their Rabbi. This is their first real test of being a disciple ... seeking to go out into the world without Jesus and do the things that they've seen their Rabbi do; to be like their Rabbi!

Historical Context – A cup of cold water

Jesus says, 'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water' to a disciple spreading the gospel, then their ultimate reward is assured. To give 'a cup of cold water' or 'a cold drink' to another person was the most basic act of hospitality or service. It is a metaphor for doing the absolute least service to another. Jesus is saying that even the most trivial act of service that recognises the work of the disciple will be welcomed and acknowledged. It suggests that 'practical loving kindness' is both the test and the result of discipleship.

Gospel Focus – Anyone who welcomes

Having spelled out the difficulties of discipleship throughout Ch 10, the gospel writer has Jesus reassuring the disciples that anyone who welcomes them welcomes him. There are echoes here of other parts of the Gospel of Matthew: the Beatitudes, with its blessings on the poor and humble of heart; the welcome of children, the 'little ones' of the kingdom; and the Last Judgment (Mt 24), that reminds us that whatever we do for the least in the world we do for Jesus. Jesus even describes the disciples as 'little ones' – a reminder both to them and to those who welcome them.

Questions for Adolescents

Q. How do you imagine Jesus' original audience might have reacted to this teaching?

Q. How might a person's faith place them in conflict with their family?

Q. What 'sacrifices' have you had to make to achieve something important in your life?

Q. What does it mean for you to 'welcome' the gospel messages of Jesus?

Questions for Adults

Q. What was your immediate reaction to hearing or reading this passage?

Q. When have you had to choose between conflicting priorities in your life?

Q. How might you 'offer a cup of water' and welcome a disciple who comes in an unlikely form?

Q. How might you discuss these 'hard teachings' of Jesus with a modern audience?

Learning moments

Construct a virtual gallery (or posters) of people who have placed their discipleship and bringing about the reign of God before their own comfort; their own needs; and even their own families.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Today we are faced with the cost of discipleship, but we are also comforted by the promise of the providence of God. Baptism is for us both death and life. Through it we enter into Christ's death and we die to lives of selfishness and sin. Through it we rise with Christ to a new life freed from everything that previously held us down. As glorious as this new life might be, it requires death to our old ways of living, and this is always difficult.

The cost of discipleship cuts right to the core of our beings, it lays bare the very structures of kinship. Baptism recreates us as children of God; through it we are given a new life and born into a new family. The bonds of discipleship are now even stronger than the bonds of blood. Discipleship requires our very lives. As disciples we can no longer put ourselves first. We must be willing to spend ourselves and to be spent, to serve others in the day to day unfolding of life. We may find such commitment very demanding, but that is part of the cost of discipleship. God promises that if we lose our lives in this way, we will really gain them. If we are unselfish in the way we share ourselves with others, we will be enriched through our generosity. If we spend ourselves and are spent in our service of others we will be filled with blessings unimaginable.

REFLECTION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE – by Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

In today's Gospel Jesus talks to us about service.

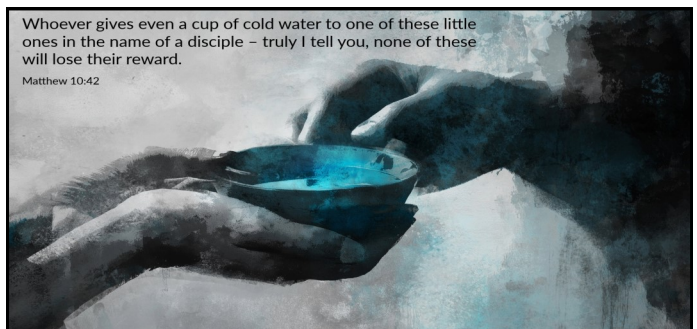
If Jesus appeared to you in the flesh and asked you to be a special disciple, what do you imagine that might entail?

How do you picture 'big-time' service – living in the inner city? volunteering at a shelter? spending a week at a mission? doing voluntary work for a summer? or joining a missionary order and spending the rest of your life in Africa?

How do you picture 'ordinary' service? Give some examples. Some jobs have great potential for simple human service, for example, smiling and being extra friendly as you bag groceries, looking out for what the children may need as you babysit, noticing whose coffee cup is empty as you wait on tables, or being sure the newspapers you deliver are always placed close to your customers' door.

What are some simple things that you might do every day that can be compared to giving someone a cup of cold water?

What kind of reward do you think comes to someone who serves another?



The **Living Word** For Children

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME —28TH JUNE

FIRST READING

Elisha Brings a Rich Woman's Son Back to Life

Once, while Elisha was in the town of Shunem, he met a rich woman who invited him to her home for dinner. After that, whenever he was in Shunem, he would have a meal there with her and her husband.

Some time later the woman said to her husband, "I'm sure the man who comes here so often is a prophet of God. Why don't we build him a small room on the flat roof of our house? We can put a bed, a table and chair, and an oil lamp in it. Then whenever he comes, he can stay with us."

The next time Elisha was in Shunem, he stopped at their house and went up to his room to rest.

"Then what can we do for her?" Elisha asked Gehazi.

Gehazi replied, "I do know that her husband is old, and that she doesn't have a son."

"Ask her to come here again," Elisha told his servant. He called for her, and she came and stood in the doorway of Elisha's room.

Elisha said to her, "Next year at this time, you'll be holding your own baby son in your arms."

"You're a man of God," the woman replied. "Please don't lie to me."

SECOND READING

Don't you know that all who share in Christ Jesus by being baptized also share in his death? When we were baptized, we died and were buried with Christ. We were baptized, so we would live a new life, as Christ was raised to life by the glory of God the Father.

The One To Fear

Don't be afraid of anyone! Everything that is hidden will be found out, and every secret will be known. Whatever I say to you in the dark, you must tell in the light. And you must announce from the housetops whatever I have whispered to you. Don't be afraid of people. They can kill you, but they cannot harm your soul. Instead, you should fear God who can destroy both your body and your soul in hell. Aren't two sparrows sold for only a penny? But your Father knows when any one of them falls to the ground. Even the hairs on your head are counted. So don't be afraid! You are worth much more than many sparrows.

GOSPEL READING

Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me. And anyone who welcomes me also welcomes the one who sent me. Anyone who welcomes a prophet, just because that person is a prophet, will be given the same reward as a prophet. Anyone who welcomes a good person, just because that person is good, will be given the same reward as a good person. And anyone who gives one of my most humble followers a cup of cool water, just because that person is my follower, will be rewarded.

CHILDREN'S DISCUSSION STARTERS

In today's gospel what did Jesus ask his disciples to do? (welcome people)

How could they have made people feel welcome?

Why do you think making people welcome was so important to Jesus?

How does it make you feel when you are welcomed?

Jesus asks us to welcome people. How can we do this?



Children's Worksheet



**Anyone who welcomes you,
welcomes me**

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Jesus says that by welcoming others, we will be rewarded. Draw a picture of yourself making someone feel welcome.



Write down some ways that you can make others feel welcome...



in your home _____



in school _____



in church _____

Complete the Text Maze:

"Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me."

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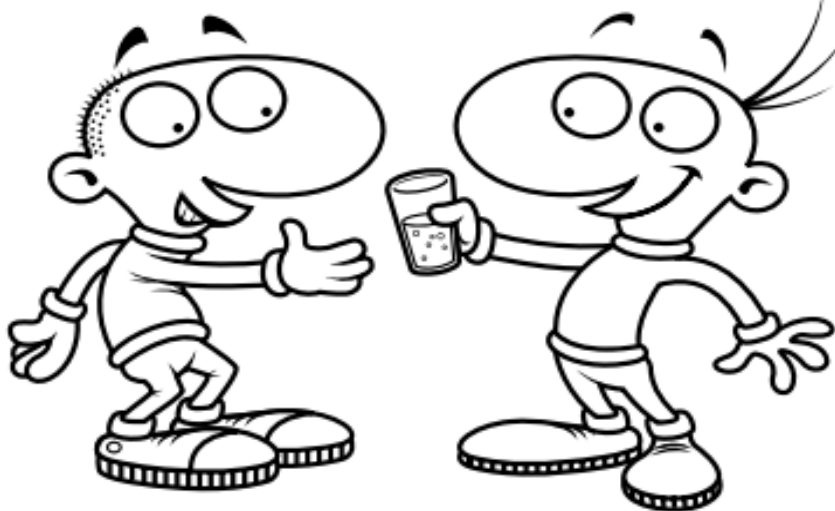
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FINISH



Anyone who gives a disciple of Jesus even a cup of cold water, will not lose their reward.

LIFTED RETREAT *Abundance*

3-5 JULY 2026
BENEDICT XVI RETREAT CENTRE
18-35 YEAR OLDS | \$150

REGISTER AT
PARRACATHOLIC.ORG/EVENTS/LIFTED-YOUNG-ADULTS/



SING A NEW SONG HOLIDAY MUSIC WORKSHOP

Come along for a fun day of singing and exploration of sacred music for children in years 4-12 with Mr Eric Grella (MET Music Facilitator and Assistant Director of Music)

TUESDAY 14 JULY 2026 | 9.30AM-2PM
**ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL HALL,
1 MARIST PLACE PARRAMATTA**
MORNING TEA AND LUNCH PROVIDED

Student participants will form a choir that will sing at the 6pm Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta on Sunday 19 July.



REGISTER HERE



BAABAYN ABORIGINAL CORPORATION & THE HOLY FAMILY PARISH SERVICES

NAIDOC DAY

THURSDAY 9 JULY, 2026
10AM - 4PM AT WHALAN RESERVE
'50 Years Deadly'



FREE FAMILY EVENT!
FEAT. MT DRUITT'S GOT TALENT SHOW,
FREE FOOD, FREE RIDES, LIVE ENTERTAINMENT,
STALL-HOLDERS & MUCH MORE!

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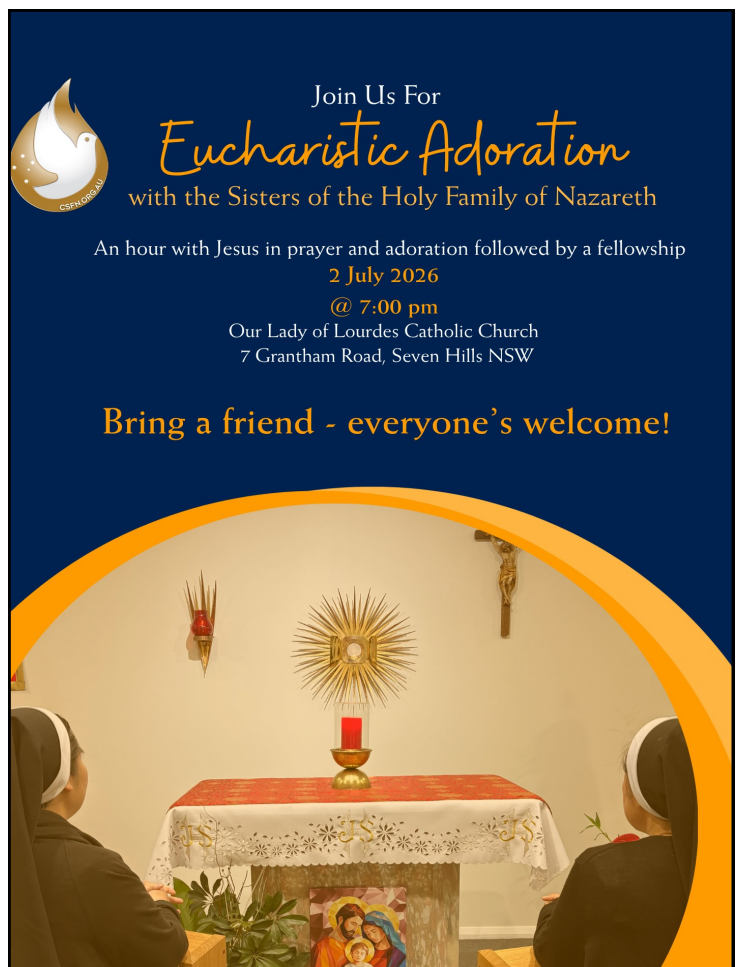


...including many other organisations.

Join Us For
Eucharistic Adoration
with the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth

An hour with Jesus in prayer and adoration followed by a fellowship
2 July 2026
@ 7:00 pm
Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church
7 Grantham Road, Seven Hills NSW

Bring a friend - everyone's welcome!



Parish Giving

Planned Giving/Parish Donations

Your gift to Planned Giving helps cover the running of the parish and also contributes towards outreach in our parish community and beyond.

If you would like to contribute directly, the parish bank details are:

BSB: 067 950
Acct No: 100000698
Acct Name: Cranebrook Parish

Please ensure you put your details in the reference section (ENVELOPE N# OR SURNAME)

Please contact the Parish Office (02 4730 1249) if you

- ◇ are contributing to the Planned Giving Program via the envelope system and would like to change to credit card or direct debit;
- ◇ would like to join the Planned Giving Program.

Other Notices

Safeguarding Face-to-face Training Opportunities for June 2026

There are several face-to-face Safeguarding Training opportunities available throughout June at several parishes. Please register directly for this training or for other convenient dates and locations by clicking on the training event at: <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training>. For more information, please email: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

CYP Annual LIFTED Retreat for 18-35's: 3-5 July

Join young people from Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains at Catholic Youth Parramatta's annual LIFTED Retreat for 18-35-year-olds. (3-5 July at Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, Grose Vale.) Together we will enter a weekend of connection, prayer and reflection on the theme of Abundance, inspired by John 10:10. Whether you're just beginning your faith journey, looking for community or need a mid-year renewal, the LIFTED Retreat welcomes you with open arms. Limited spots available. Registrations close 19 June. parracatholic.org/events/lifted-young-adultsjustice-dinner-2026

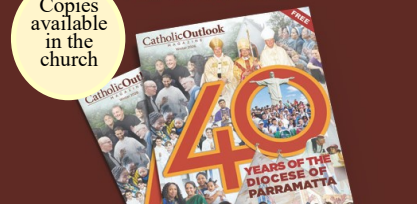
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