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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER -YEAR B

5TH & 6TH MAY, 2018

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

The boundlessness of God's love is seen in the fact that God loved us even before we were deserving of God's love. In fact, it was God's



love that made us able both to receive and to give love in return. Love is of God; love is God. Divine love is constant and trustworthy. How easily we can think this thought or speak these words, yet how difficult, even impossible, it is to comprehend what it means. We can only really recognise love in its manv concrete manifestations. Love is patient, kind and forbearing; it believes, it hopes, it endures. The love of God breaks down the barriers between Gentile and Jew, between slave and free, between the poor and the prosperous, between women and men, between the healthy and the ailing, between young and old.

Embraced by such love we are gradually transformed. We begin to recognise God's love in places we never suspected it would be found. We

discover that what we once judged unclean may merely be an unfamiliar openness to God's truth. We discover that our own insistence on legitimate religious practice may really be spiritual elitism. Our eyes are opened to ways we have tried to confine God's love to the conventional boundaries we ourselves have set. As we are drawn into God's love, we eagerly embrace the commandments that help us to live righteous lives. To the extent that we love as universally as God does, we will know that we live in God and that God lives in us.

Entrance Antiphon

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 6.00pm Sunday

7.30am & 9.30am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 7.00pm Adoration & Rosary Tuesday at 6.30pm

> Wednesday 9.10am Thursday 9.10am Friday 9.10am

> RECONCILIATION Saturday

5.15pm — 5.50pm or by appointment

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SCHOOLS OF THE PARISH:

Corpus Christi Primary – ph 4726 2200 (Principal - Mr Paul Devlin)

Xavier College – ph 4777 0900

(Principal - Mr Michael Pate)

We, the people of Corpus Christi, seek to grow in living a 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.

So that we can get to know who you are, it would be great if you would please fill out a Census Card available in the foyer.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS IS CANCELLED FOR APRIL & MAY.

Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer;

Recently Deceased...

Robert Kay (27/04), Peter Thom (01/05), Fr George O'Mara, Brendan McLellan, Katherine McGreevy

Mass Intentions:

Maryann Azzopardi (14/05/16), James Vella, Mario Vella Anniversaries:

Maryann Azzopardi, Mavis Follan, Zelma Cottee, Sylvia Rigby, Luke Sprycha, Gary Hawkins, David Beale, Mary & Sam Grima, Sam Mallia, Joan Said, Colleen O'Connor, Laura Peattie, Hilda Henrisson, Victoria Vella, Felice Micallef, Agnes Borg, A.G. O'Mara, Terry O'Mara, Pedro Sison, Frank Farrugia, John Sultana, Jean McSweeney, Jerry Sultana, Noreen Clark, Theresa Cremona, Fred Jaja, Haife Rahme, George Rahme, Sam Vella, Louis Farrugia, Xavier Zammit, Mary Gallop, Andrew Galea, Sid Bye, Christy Massey, Rosalie Randall, Vittoria Agius, Emmanuel Said, Fr Lionel Sham, Joseph Attard, Rita Vella, Laurie Vella, Josephine Micallef, Mary Borg, James Sciberras, Frank Borg, Charlie Mangion, Annette Grima, Ernie Hooton, Elizabeth Pletkan, Maria Mangion, Francis Farrugia, Frances Camilleri, Tony Antulov, Joyce Cleary, George DixonTherese Youssef, Zappi Farrugia, Chloe Comminito, Ann Smyth.

And for those who are sick...

Marlene Rodger, Angelo Vella, Joan Schneider Hooton, Salvina Vella, Florence Foran, Benita Azores, Joyce O'Brien, Marlene Baldacchino, Zeny Johnson, Neil Grant, Ross Dean, Marlen Dolor, Sharon Dawson, Charlie Galea, Jayden Maloney, Kevin McCormack, George Marabouti, Geraldine Carvalho, Kevin Coyle.

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Please keep in your prayers the children in our Parish Community preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

May their families be great models of faith for them during this important time.

Confirmation Home Groups...

A reminder that Session 2 of the Confirmation Home Groups will commence this week. If you are unable to attend your regular group session please contact the Parish Office to arrange attending another group.



Final Preparation for Confirmation

The final preparation for the CHILDREN will take place on Friday 1st June from 3.30pm-5.00pm in the CHURCH. It is really important that all candidates attend as it will be their only practice as a total group.

Confirmation Dates...

All those children who received First Eucharist last year will be preparing for Confirmation this year. The date Parramatta Diocese has allocated is Thursday 7th June at 5pm & 7.30pm.

For your Information... 1st & 2nd Collection

- ♦ The first collection is sent to the Parramatta Diocesan
- ♦ The second collection is kept here and pays for all the running costs of Corpus Christi Parish (including Church Repairs & Maintenance, Hosts, Altar Wine, phones, electricity, administration, Council rates, etc)

St Vincent de Paul Donations

It would be appreciated if any unwanted items you wish to donate to St Vinnies (ie Clothing, Toys, household goods, etc) not be left in the fover.

St Vincent de Paul Shops in Batt Street, Penrith and Cox Avenue, Kingswood gladly accept items such as these.

If you are unable to take your goods to either of the stores, you can phone the parish office and we'll contact the appropriate people to make arrangements to collect them from you. Thank you!



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Easy Church Access for Anyone with Limited Mobility

The Parish is aware that some parishioners have difficulty negotiating the paths at the front of the church. There are plans to change the access to a more gentle incline and to install handrails, but this is a complex and expensive task which will take some time to put in place.

As an interim strategy, starting next week, the gate from the small car park next to the parish office will be opened for each Mass. This will provide a flat footpath access from the car park to the church, which should make access much easier for anyone who has limited mobility. Lighting along this path has also been upgraded for use when needed. Parishioners are asked to only use this access if they have a need to do so.

WHILE FR CHRIS IS ON ANNUAL LEAVE NO WEEKDAY MASSES WILL TAKE PLACE. A COMMUNION SERVICE WILL TAKE PLACE EACH FRIDAY AT 9.10AM.

Urgent Call for Church Cleaners...

WE STILL NEED TWO VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN THE ROSTER. It requires an hour of your time every 4 weeks on a Saturday morning.

If you are able to join a cleaning team or would like more information, contact the parish office.

Advertising in The Net...

Are you interested in advertising your business in The Net??? Or know anyone who might be???

Ads run for 12 months for a cost of \$420. There is also the opportunity to run an ad on a monthly or three monthly basis. For more details, contact Marie at the Parish Office.

Corpus Christi Parish Feast Day

THIS YEAR OUR PARISH FEAST DAY IS ON 3RD JUNE.

The Feast of Corpus Christi is a celebration of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

All parishioners are invited to celebrate together with morning tea after 9.30am Mass.

Any Parishioners who attend the Vigil or 7.30am Mass are encouraged to join us for the morning tea. Students and staff from Xavier College will be

providing morning tea and there will be various activities for the children. Could you please indicate your attendance by filling out the sheet in the foyer.

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH DATES TO REMEMBER FOR 2018

Please note the following parish events in your diary:

Saturday 27th May 6pm Youth Mass

Sunday 3rd June:

Corpus Christi Feast Day

Saturday 18th August *Mary MacKillop Centre, North Sydney*

Saturday 13th October: *Pilgrimage to Penrose Park*

Saturday 8th December:Christmas Gingerbread House Making

Date to be Advised December:

City Christmas Lights Christmas Lights Bus Trip to St Mary's Cathedral

The Corpus Christi Collective Youth Group (C3)

meets on the last Saturday of every month in the Parish Meeting Room immediately after Mass. It is a great place to meet other youth from the Parish, have some fun and share a meal. All activities are open to youth aged between 12-18 (year 7-12) and are supervised.

'Young in Spirit' Seniors Group...

Meet on the last Friday of every month in the Meeting Room after morning Mass. Come along and enjoy the company. Please bring a small plate of food to share for morning tea. New members are very welcome!!! For more information, please contact the parish office.

Kneelers available in Foyer...

As you are aware, the kneeler pads are available for you to use them if you choose. For the time being they are all located in the main foyer and under the Holy Oils Cabinet. For safety, we ask that you please take the kneeler back to the storage box at the end of Mass.

Corpus Christi St Vincent de Paul...

Corpus Christi conference welcomes enquiries from parishioners who wish to know more about conference activities. Phone 1300VINNIES for or assistance.

The Net is available on the Corpus Christi website each week. Please visit www.corpuschristi.org.au/news

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Breakfast with the Bishop: 12th May

Each year Bishop Vincent hosts a breakfast with youth and young adults from across the Diocese of Parramatta. Attendees have an incredible opportunity to listen to the yearly vision of our Bishop and ask him questions about the challenges they are facing and the priorities they have identified for the year ahead, in their local context. The event is also a chance for the team at Catholic Youth Parramatta to motivate and encourage a successful year of ministry with young people. Further details at www.parracatholic.org/ cyp-lifted-breakfast/

INVITING THE MALTESE COMMUNITY AND THEIR FRIENDS TO CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF SAN GORG PRECA Sunday 6th May at 5.00pm

Holy Family Church, Luddenham Please, bring a plate to share. Come along and meet your friends and let us celebrate our own Maltese Saint.

St Patrick's Mother's Day Concert & Afternoon Tea: 13th May

Stuck for a gift for your mum or grandmother for Mother's Position Vacant Day? Or just like to treat yourself? Members of St Patrick's Casual Kitchen Hand required at Mount Schoenstatt Spirituality Cathedral Choir are once again going to delight us with the Centre, Mulgoa. Experience in a commercial kitchen would gift of their voices. This will be followed by a complimen- be a benefit but not necessary, as all training will be providtary 'Afternoon Tea' in the Cathedral Hall. If you would ed. Please email a short application letter and your resume like to be in the audience, please contact Pat/Donna from to manager@schoenstatt.org.au, by close of business, Friday the Parish Office on 8839 8400/8412 or email en- 18th May. If you have any questions please contact Annquiry@stpatscathedral.com.au. Tickets: \$15 Adult, \$10 Con- Maree on 4773 8338 Monday to Friday 8.30 am to 4.30 pm. cession, \$25 Family. All proceeds go to St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Parramatta. From 3pm.

Annual May Pilgrimage at Mt Schoenstatt & Golden Jubilee Celebration of the Shrine

Sunday 20th May from 9.30am

9.30am: Arrival - Sacrament of Reconciliation in

the Family Hall

9.45am: Celebrating our Shrine: 50 Years of Blessings 10.30am: Jubilee Mass celebrated by Bishop Anthony

Fisher OP, Archbishop of Sydney

12.15pm: Lunch – BYO or purchase from the multi

cultural Food Stalls

2.00pm: Thanksgiving Devotion and Benediction

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Doreen Vella

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You are invited to hear Bishop Vincent Long, an ardent supporter of Pope Francis, speaking about "the New Dawn of the Church" at 'Winbourne', the Edmund Rice Retreat and Con-

ference Centre, 1315 Mulgoa Road, Mulgoa 11.00 am to 1.00 pm on Saturday 16th June. Entry by donation. Registration 10.00am. For further information contact Dennis Farrar 0425209840. Organised by the Passionist Family Group Movement.

Catholic Outlook Survey

Tell Bishop Vincent and the Diocese of Parramatta what you think about the online publication of CatholicOutlook. All responses are anonymous and confidential. Take the survey here: www.surveymonkey.com/r/catholicoutlook

We Want to Hear YOUR Voice!

The Council for Australian Catholic Women, an advisory body to the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, and will be holding a consultation session with women in the Diocese of Parramatta on the evening of 21 June 2018. Share your thoughts with us and/or let us know if you would like to be part of that consultation event on https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ParraWomen



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