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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER -YEAR B

14TH & 15TH APRIL. 2018

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

The first sentence of the gospel reading sets the context for the themes of today: 'Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.' Who is the Jesus that they recognised? And what does this recognition require?

Jesus is the servant of the God of the early ancestors, the long



awaited messiah, and the innocent sufferer portrayed in the prophetic tradition. He is the fulfilment of our deepest aspirations. When we gather around the table for the sacramental meal, we encounter the Risen Lord. There the sacred traditions of our religious heritage are opened for us and we are enabled to recognise him in the traditions and in the breaking of the bread.

In order to encounter the Risen Lord in the breaking of the bread and in the breaking open of the word, we need docile hearts ready to embrace the deepest meaning of our religious heritage. We need hearts that have been purified in the love of God; hearts that have been totally transformed. The commandment of love requires nothing less.

Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the people described in the first reading, must live

reformed lives. Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the people addressed in the second reading, must be obedient to God's commandment of love. Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the disciples portrayed in the gospel, must preach the good news of God's forgiveness to all nations. Easter faith assures us that all of this is possible.

Entrance Antiphon

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;

O sing to the glory of his name.

O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Lord, let your face shine on us.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:

make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Communion Antiphon

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

The Christ had to suffer and on the third day rise from the dead;

in his name repentance and remission of sins must be preached to all the nations, 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

5.15 pm - 5.50 pmor by appointment

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SCHOOLS OF THE PARISH:

Corpus Christi Primary – ph 4729 0696 (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...

Fr George O'Mara, Brendan McLellan, Katherine McGreevy *Mass Intentions:*

Mario Vella, Aaron Sales, Linda Borsato, Rocco Valore, Leonie Deane, Carmela Pronesti, Mickelena Caruana

Anniversaries:

Valentino Nadalini (22/04/07), Duncan Albertyn, Flora Centino (09/04), Charlie Cauchi (16/04/06), Malcolm Bryant, Luke Sprycha, Catherine Langtry, Vincent Langtry, Charlie Xerri, Bernadette Hammond, Frank Debono, Les Gapps, Lorraine Coop, Olive Az-

ize (31/03/11), June Young (25/03/11), Victoria Farrugia (05/04/07), Neil Whittingham, Lyle Brewin, Luke Bugden, Emmanuel Said, Fr Lionel Sham, Louis Farrugia, Xavier Zammit, Mary Gallop, Frank Pirotta, Joseph Attard, Antonia Vassallo (04/04/93), Nazzareno Said (13/04/78), Bob Foster, Zappi Farrugia, Chloe Comminito, Arturo Habana (05/04/06), John Rassack, Joseph Vaughan, Joseph Vella, Brandon Agius, Albert Agius (10/04/04), Grezju Vella (11/04/03), Rita Vaughan, Lyn Wilson, Diane Vella, Wayne Portelli (21/04/04), Virginia Ulloa (28/04/98), Tony Saliba (29/04/03)

And for those who are sick...

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



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Fr Dado will be celebrating Mass with us while Fr Chris is on leave. We warmly welcome him to our Parish Community.

Confirmation Preparation Groups...

The Confirmation Preparation Groups will commence the first week of May.

If you are unable to attend your regular group session please contact the Parish Office to arrange attending another 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.

DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS THE
PARISH OFFICE HOURS WILL VARY.
IF YOU NEED TO VISIT THE OFFICE PLEASE
PHONE FIRST TO MAKE SURE SOMEONE IS THERE.

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

- ♦ The first collection is sent to the Parramatta Diocesan Office.
- ♦ 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)

New Parishioners...

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 and hand it to Fr Chris, the acolyte, or drop it into the parish office.

An Important Carpark Safety Message...

Please be aware that the parish carpark has a **ONE WAY ENTRY AND EXIT**.

The access in front of the Parish Office is **ENTRY ONLY**. Please **DO NOT EXIT THE CARPARK VIA THE ENTRY**.

THIS SPACE IS AVAILABLE
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FOR MORE DETAILS
PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE
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We invite members of the parish to take advantage of our legal services specialising in:

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Ph: 02 4731 5899 www.batemanbattersby.com.au WHILE FR CHRIS IS ON ANNUAL LEAVE NO WEEKDAY MASSES WILL TAKE PLACE. A COMMUNION SERVICE WILL TAKE PLACE THIS FRIDAY AT 9.10AM.

Advanced Notice...

Arrangements have been made for the painting of the Church. This will take place from **Monday 30th April to Friday 4th May**. There will not be any weekday Masses or Communion Services during this time.

If anyone is able to assist after the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 29th April in clearing the Church (moving chairs and taking what we can of the walls, etc.) please contact Marie at the Parish Office.

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

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.

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.

Catechist News... Are you able to help???

Even though some of our catechists have taken on extra classes, at least two classes don't have teachers.

So, if you can spare about an hour (including preparation time) each week during school terms and would like to find out more about being a teacher or a helper, please contact Marie at 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.

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 Fover...

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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For any enquires and to register please contact Tania at tmelki@parra.catholic.edu.au or 0429 375 226. Morning tea and lunch included.

Discussion on Asylum Seekers and Refugees

The Social Justice Commission of Holy Spirit Parish, St Clair invites you to a Table Talk: WALKING WITH REFU-GEES AND PEOPLE SEEKING PROTECTION. Monday 16th April from 7.30pm-9pm at Holy Spirit Church (5 Todd Row, St Clair). RSVP to Jacinta before Tuesday 10 April via admin@holyspiritstclair.com.au or 02 9670 8222.

NSW Pastoral Conference: 1st May

NSW Pastoral Conference: Forming Missionary Disciples -Join with pastoral council members, parish clergy, staff and volunteers across NSW to explore strategies for forming missionary disciples. How do we renew our baptismal call and enable our gifts in parish and school life? Tuesday 1 Lidcombe, cost \$65. Find out more: www.tinyurl.com/disciples2018 or contact Tanya Quinn: 02 8838 3441 or tanya.quinn@parracatholic.org

The Permanent Diaconate: 6th May

The discernment program for those who are interested in finding out more about this Vocation will be held at St John 23rd Parish, 160 Perfection Avenue, Stanhope Gardens 2768. Come and learn more about vocations to the Diaconate and have a chat with our team members. We are looking for men aged between 35 to 55 and residing in the Diocese of Parramatta. Our discernment program consists of five sessions, with each session dealing with different aspects of the Diaconate. The meetings will commence at 3.00pm until 6.00pm followed by Mass and Fellowship.

The 2018 dates on Sundays: 8th July, 9th September & 4th For further information it www.parracatholic.org/permanent-diaconate or contact any of the following deacons: Deacon James - 0425 213832, Deacon Tan - 0407270782, Deacon George - 0408 440 769.





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Superhero Ministry Saturday 21st April, 10am -4pm **Rooty Hill RSL** SPECIAL YEAR OF YOUTH EVENT!

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YOU - our SUPERHEROS! All content will be presented in light of the recent report handed down by the Royal Commission and our discerned response as the Diocese of Parramatta. All are welcome, no matter what age or role you play with minors or vulnerable people in our Diocese. Come and be part of training in 'dialogue and sharing' with CYP and the Office for Safeguarding! Free event with lunch provided. Register at www.catholicyouthparramatta.org

Springwood East Timor Support Group **Annual Trivia Night** Saturday 19th May at 7:30pm

St Thomas Aquinas Primary School Hall.

This has proved to be a popular and well supported event for nearly twenty years. Tables of 8-10. \$20 per head. Bookings are essential. Contact Pam Gorman 4754 1160. All proceeds go to aid educational and health initiatives in East Timor.

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

Positions Vacant

- Risk Officer Chancery Office, Parramatta
- Interviewer Tribunal Office, Parramatta Details at: www.parracatholic.org/employment
- Garden Crew Supervisor CatholicCare, Orchard Hills Details at: www.ccss.org.au
- Youth Co-ordinator Our Lady Queen of Peace, Grevstanes

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