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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD - YEAR A

**5TH & 6TH AUGUST
2023**

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Transfigured Bodysouls

We have to get rid of the idea that the soul is a dot of energy in some hidden core of our body. In fact, the body is in the soul. There is no part of my body which is not immersed in my soul. It is my whole person, bodysoul, which needs to be saved. As Thomas Aquinas says: 'If only my soul is saved, I am not saved.'



Today's Gospel does not portray an out-of-body experience of religious ecstasy. Jesus' body was translucent, totally radiant with Divine Light. Further, this transfiguration was not a solitary experience for Jesus. Peter, James and John witnessed it precisely because it told them what our Heavenly Father desired as their destiny beyond martyrdom, if only they would listen to Jesus.

Heavenly salvation will involve my whole person, bodysoul, being transformed. But could a person, during their earthly existence, share in the transfiguration experience of Christ?

We could pause for a moment to 'Google' or otherwise get hold of my favourite story of a saint – St Seraphim of Sarov – and pray that we may share with his disciple the bodily experience of 'immeasurable wellbeing' – 'infinite joy in our hearts'.



Prayer for Our Diocesan Synod

O God, who always walks with us on the journey of life,
we call upon you to lead us forth united.

Bless and guide our Diocesan Synod.

Keep us anchored in your love.

Open our hearts as we listen and discern.

Reveal to us the way we are called to go out into the deep.
Give us the courage to pursue the mission with bold humility.

May we experience renewal in our local Church today,
and for generations to come.

We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ,
who in the power of the Holy Spirit continues to guide your Church,
to the fullness of your Kingdom now, and forever.

Amen

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL 6PM

SUNDAY 7.30AM & 9.30AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday & Wednesday at 6pm

Thursday & Friday at 9.10am

RECONCILIATION

by appointment

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SCHOOLS OF THE PARISH:

Corpus Christi Primary – ph 4726 2200
(Principal - Mrs Sarah O'Rourke)

Xavier College – ph 4777 0900
(Principal - Mr Michael Pate)

Parish News

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:

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Acct Name: Cranebrook Parish

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

Planned Giving

Please contact Marie at the Parish Office 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.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Children who completed the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist in 2022 are invited to register for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Parents are required to pick up Confirmation Information Packs on Wednesday 25th October

between 6.30pm & 7.30pm in the church foyer.

If your child is in Year 5 or above and has received the Sacrament of First Eucharist in a another year, you are welcome to register him/her for this year's Confirmation program by contacting the Parish Office.

Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer:

Recently Deceased:

Michael Bellingham, Mary Peacock, Abraham Galea, Michael Pace

Anniversaries:

Anthony Azzopardi, Bibiana Zahra

For those who are sick:

June Sultana, Maria Pilarowski, Eleanor Albertyn, Rosa Pronesti, Daryle Young



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August

For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.



The Net

If you know of anyone who is not receiving The Net via email and they would like to, please ask them to email the Parish Office or write their details on the list in the foyer.

Thanksgiving Mass for Fr Chris

All parishioners past and present are invited to join us for a

Thanksgiving Mass for Fr Chris on Sunday 20th August at 9:30am.

This will be followed by a farewell celebration in the school hall.

To assist in catering for Fr Chris' farewell celebration, could you please bring a plate of food to share.

The organising group are planning to have a slide show at Fr Chris' farewell.

If anyone has any photos they have taken over the years, which include Fr Chris and parish community, and you would like to share, please email them to

Vanessa Sultana at ness_sultana@hotmail.com

The Parish Pastoral Council invites parishioners to submit suggestions in any of the following ways:

- Person to person with a Parish Pastoral Council Member
- Email to corpuschristipcc@gmail.com, a direct email address to the Secretary of the Parish Pastoral Council
- Letter mailed or hand delivered addressed to:
The Secretary, Parish Pastoral Council
Corpus Christi Parish
PO Box 21, Cranebrook NSW 2749
- Suggestion Box, located in the foyer of the Church.

Please remember to include your name and contact number in case we need to contact you for any clarification or update.



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.

Parish News

Corpus Christi Seniors Group

Our seniors group meets on the last Friday morning of each month after 9.10am Mass, in the Parish Office. Please bring a small plate of food to share for morning tea. New members are welcome!!

Parish Ministries...

If at any time a member of the parish is seeking some involvement in parish ministries, you are warmly encouraged to 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 \$350.

There is also the opportunity to run an ad on a monthly or three monthly basis. At present, readership of *The Net* on our website is around 1000 people per week for forty- eight weeks of the year.

To ensure good exposure, we still only accept no more than twelve businesses for advertising.

For more details, please contact Marie at the parish office.

Liturgical Ministry Formation Course

The Office for Worship is taking enrolments for its Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses from September to October for those who are interested. There is no cost for these courses.

**Bede Heather Centre: 1-5 Marion St, Blacktown
Mondays at 7pm**

- * 4th September: Compulsory Introduction Session.
- * 11th & 18th September: Ministers of the Word.
- * 9th & 16th October: Ministers of Communion.
- * 23rd October: Communion to the Sick & Dying.*
- * 30th October & 6th November: Ministers at the Altar.**

* If you wish to complete Communion to the Sick & Dying, you must attend the Ministers of Communion Session first.

** If you wish to become a Minister at the Altar, you must attend all sessions.

**Deadline for enrolments: 28th August.
Please contact the Parish Office to obtain an
enrolment form.**

Parramatta Diocesan News

Follow our World Youth Day Pilgrimage

170 young people from Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains have officially taken off to World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal for an experience of a lifetime.

Our pilgrimage will travel through some of the most beautiful and sacred parts of Europe including Lourdes and Fatima and you are invited to follow along from home. We will be posting videos, photos and articles throughout the trip, so you can see and hear what our pilgrims are experiencing. Sign up today by visiting catholicoutlook.info/WYD23News or scanning the QR code on the poster in the church foyer.

Updates can also be found on our World Youth Day pilgrimage website parrawyd.org, our [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#) and [Flickr](#) pages, as well as on [Catholic Outlook](#).

We wish to share our pilgrims' stories of encounter and faith widely and anticipate people will be keen to see where our pilgrims venture.

Marriage Retrouvaille Program Information Session

The Diocese of Parramatta aims to offer the Retrouvaille program for couples who are having difficulties in their marriage. We are looking for married couples who are committed to helping others heal their marriage relationships. You will be trained to facilitate this program. An information evening will be held on 25 August at 7.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Contact Karin on (02) 8838 3460 or register at marriage@parracatholic.org

Marriage Preparation Courses in 2023

Getting married? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp to view week-end course dates, book and pay. An online preparation called *SmartLoving* can also be booked via the website. For more information, email met@parracatholic.org or phone Karin on 0419 242 435 or Marisa on 0412 280 017.

FaithLIFE – 3 Night Short Course on Scripture

Want to explore Christian spirituality? Sign up for the FaithLIFE 3-night short course on Scripture with Sr Patty Andrew. From 6:30pm to 8:30pm on three Tuesdays: 22nd & 29th August and 5th September.

Downstairs @ Bishop Bede Heather Centre: 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown NSW 2148. RSVP via <https://pfparra.org.au/faithlife/>

Soul Food Podcast

Do you find life & faith inspiration by listening to the experiences of others?

The Mission Enhancement Team's *Soul Food Podcast* features life & faith stories of people from our diocesan family. Listen now for FREE via our website or on Spotify: <https://pfparra.org.au/soulfood/>

Diocese of Parramatta Tribunal

Available for in-person, virtual appointments

The Tribunal is open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm for enquiries regarding marriage annulments. Interviews are being conducted in person with Zoom and telephone interviews available for those unable to attend the office. Please contact the Tribunal office on (02) 8838 3480 or email tribunal@parracatholic.org.



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