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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST—YEAR A—6TH AND 7TH 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

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 147:12-15, 19-20. R. v.12

(R.) Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

1. O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!

Zion, praise your God!

He has strengthened the bars of your gates,

he has blessed the children within you. (R.)

2. He has established peace on your borders,

he feeds you with finest wheat.

He sends out his word to the earth

and swiftly runs his command. (R.)

3. He makes his word known to Jacob,

to Israel his laws and decrees.

He has not dealt thus with other nations;

he has not taught them his decrees. (R.)

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

Sequence

Sing forth, O Zion

The sequence, Sing forth, O Zion, may be said or sung in full, or using the shorter form indicated by the asterisked verses.

Sing forth, O Zion, sweetly sing

The praises of thy Shepherd-King,

In hymns and canticles divine;

Dare all thou canst, thou hast no song

Worthy his praises to prolong.

So far surpassing powers like thine.

Today no theme of common praise

Forms the sweet burden of thy lays –

The living, life-dispensing food –

That food which at the sacred board

Unto the brethren twelve our Lord

His parting legacy bestowed.

Then be the anthem clear and strong,

Thy fullest note, thy sweetest song,

The very music of the breast:

For now shines forth the day sublime

That brings remembrance of the time

When Jesus first his table blessed.

Within our new King's banquet-hall

They meet to keep the festival

That closed the ancient paschal rite:

The old is by the new replaced;

The substance hath the shadow chased;

And rising day dispels the night.

Christ willed what he himself had done

Should be renewed while time should run,

In memory of his parting hour:

Thus, tutored in his school divine,

We consecrate the bread and wine;

And lo – a Host of saving power.

This faith to Christian men is given –

Bread is made flesh by words from heaven:

Into his blood the wine is turned:

What though it baffles nature's powers

Of sense and sight? This faith of ours

Proves more than nature e'er discerned.

Concealed beneath the two-fold sign,

Meet symbols of the gifts divine,

There lie the mysteries adored:

The living body is our food;

Our drink the ever-precious blood;

In each, one undivided Lord.

Not he that eateth it divides

The sacred food, which whole abides

Unbroken still, nor knows decay;

Be one, or be a thousand fed,

They eat alike that living bread

Which, still received, ne'er wastes away.

The good, the guilty share therein,

With sure increase of grace or sin,

The ghostly life, or ghostly death:

Death to the guilty; to the good

Immortal life. See how one food

Man's joy or woe accomplisheth.

We break the Sacrament; but bold

And firm thy faith shall keep its hold;

Deem not the whole doth more enfold

Than in the fractured part resides:

Deem not that Christ doth broken lie;

'Tis but the sign that meets the eye;

The hidden deep reality.

In all its fullness still abides.

*Behold the bread of angels, sent

For pilgrims in their banishment,

The bread for God's true children meant,

That may not unto dogs be given:

Off in the olden types foreshowed;

In Isaac on the altar bowed,

And in the ancient paschal food,

And in the manna sent from heaven.

*Come then, good shepherd, bread divine,

Still show to us thy mercy sign;

Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;

So may we see thy glories shine

In fields of immortality;

*O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best,

Our present food, our future rest,

Come, make us each thy chosen guest,

Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest

With saints whose dwelling is with thee.

Gospel Acclamation

John 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;

whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which has come

down from heaven. Anyone who eats this

bread will live for ever;

and the bread that I shall give

is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one

another: 'How can this man give us his

flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly,

if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man

and drink his blood,

you will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood

has eternal life,

and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food

and my blood is real drink.

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood

lives in me

and I live in him.

As I, who am sent by the living Father,

myself draw life from the Father,

so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven;

not like the bread our ancestors ate:

they are dead,

but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'



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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From Parish Priest's Desk

The celebration of the great Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ invites us not merely to admire the Eucharist but to enter more deeply into the mystery of God's extraordinary love made present among us.

In the first reading today, Moses reminds the Israelites that God fed them with manna in the desert when all human resources had failed. The manna was more than food; it was a sign that God would never abandon His people. The desert experience taught them to trust not in themselves but in God's providence.

In the Gospel, Jesus reveals Himself as the true Bread from Heaven. "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." The Eucharist is not simply a sacred symbol or a pious remembrance. It is Christ Himself, offering His life to nourish ours. Every Mass is an encounter with the living Lord who comes to strengthen, heal, forgive, and transform us.

Yet Corpus Christi is not only about receiving Communion; it is also about becoming Communion. We cannot gather around one table of the Lord while remaining divided, indifferent, or unforgiving. The Eucharist challenges us to become what we receive – the Body of Christ for the world.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta once said, "If we cannot see Christ in the distressing disguise of the poor, we will not recognise Him in the Eucharist." The Bread broken on the altar calls us to become bread broken for others through acts of kindness, generosity, patience, and service.

As we celebrate this feast, let us examine our hearts. Do we approach the Eucharist with faith and reverence? Does our participation at Mass lead us to greater compassion and love? Do our families, workplaces, and parish communities reflect the unity we proclaim at the Lord's table? May this Feast of Corpus Christi renew our hunger for Christ. Nourished by His Body and Blood, may we become living witnesses of His love, bringing hope, reconciliation, and peace to a world that hungers deeply for God's presence.

Fr Abraham Kunnatholy CMI

As we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, our parish feast day, we extend our prayerful best wishes to all parishioners and visitors.

May our Lord Jesus Christ, truly present in the Holy Eucharist, deepen our faith, strengthen our unity, and fill our hearts with His love and grace.

Happy Feast Day to our Corpus Christi Parish family.



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 9th: Saint Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church

June 11th: Saint Barnabas, Apostle

June 12th: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

June 13th: Immaculate Heart of Mary and Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church



LET US OFFER GIFTS OF PRAYER

Anniversaries:

Michael Pace, Nazerene Sultana, Paul Galea

For those who are sick:

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

Parish News



CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

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You're
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TO OUR

FEAST OF

CORPUS CHRISTI

SUNDAY 7TH JUNE 2026

A DAY TO HONOUR THE TRUE PRESENCE OF JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST

-  **9.30 AM HOLY MASS**
-  **10.30 AM EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION**
Witness our faith in the presence of our Lord
-  **11.15 AM GATHERING AT THE SCHOOL HALL**
Fellowship, shared meal and community celebration
-  **12.00 PM PARISH RAFFLE DRAW**
Exciting prizes to be won!
-  **MUSIC BY PARISH CHOIRS**
Uplifting hymns and joyful praise throughout the celebration

Come, **BE PART OF THE CELEBRATION!**

Let us adore Him. Let us walk with Him. ❤️ Let us celebrate together as one Parish.



Together in Faith,
Walking in Hope

What's coming up in our parish



	SUNDAY 14 JUNE	Parish Morning Tea after the 9.30am Mass
	SATURDAY 20 JUNE	Bishop's Good Works Appeal Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st June
	FRIDAY 26 JUNE	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>
	SATURDAY 27 JUNE	Confirmation Mass 10am
	SUNDAY 28 JUNE	Confirmation Mass (together with our 9.30am Mass) 9.30am
	SATURDAY 4 JULY	Parish Faith Formation Afternoon 1.30pm – 6pm <i>More information to be published soon</i>

All are welcome!

Let us grow together in faith and love as one parish family.

PARISH RAFFLE – A HEARTFELT THANK YOU

As we prepare to draw our Parish Raffle at 12.00pm during our Feast Day Celebration this Sunday, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who has contributed to its success.

A special thank you to the parishioners and local businesses who generously donated prizes. Your support and generosity have enabled us to offer a wonderful range of prizes and have greatly contributed to the success of this important fundraiser.

We are especially grateful to the members of our Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Council who gave generously of their time to contact businesses seeking donations and who made themselves available before and after Masses to distribute and collect raffle books.

Our thanks also go to our dedicated Parish Office volunteer, who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to stamp tickets, prepare raffle books and assist with the many administrative tasks required to bring the raffle together.

We also acknowledge and thank Xavier College for their support in helping to sell raffle tickets and promote this important parish initiative.

Finally, thank you to everyone who purchased and sold tickets. Your support helps strengthen our parish and enables us to continue our mission and ministry.

We look forward to drawing the raffle at 12.00pm during our Feast Day Celebration and wish all participants the very best of luck.



CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH PRIZE LIST

MINOR PRIZES	MAJOR PRIZES
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) \$100 Fruit Basket – Donated by Cranebrook IGA 2) Electric Kettle – Donated by Anonymous Donor 3) Robotic Vacuum cleaner, Basic – Donated by Anonymous Donor 4) Dinner Voucher – Chelles Cakery – Donated by anonymous parishioner 5) Dinner Voucher – Chelles Cakery – Donated by anonymous parishioner 6) \$50 Bunnings Voucher – Donated by anonymous Parishioner 7) \$50 Bunnings Voucher – Donated by anonymous Parishioner 8) Fruit Basket – Donated by anonymous Parishioner 9) Food hamper – Donated by Cranebrook IGA 10) \$100 Red Balloon Voucher – Donated by anonymous Parishioner 11) \$100 Shell Fuel Voucher – Donated by Cranebrook IGA 12) \$100 IGA Voucher – Donated by anonymous Parishioner 13) \$100 IGA Voucher – Donated by anonymous Parishioner 14) \$100 Rusty's Barbeque Rusty Penny – Donated by Mark Lyons 15) \$100 Hair products Hamper – Donated by anonymous Parishioner 16) Dinner Set – Donated by Anonymous Parishioner 17) Dinner Set – Donated by Anonymous Parishioner 18) Reverse Cycle Fan – Donated by Anonymous Parishioner 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) \$1600 Caravan and Car Hire Voucher – Donated by Off the Grid Caravan Hire  2) EKO Tizen OS 70" Smart TV – Donated by anonymous parishioner  3) \$700 Screen Door Voucher – Donated by Think Safe Doors and Screens  4) Awa 55" 4K QLED Smart TV – Donated by Awa  5) Yoga Voucher (Ten sessions) – Donated by Encompass Movement and Yoga 


Thank you to all our generous donors for supporting our parish community.


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Special thanks to our prize sponsors....



CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH WOMEN'S GROUP

A We are delighted to announce that our newly formed Corpus Christi Women's Group will be formally inaugurated with a special blessing during our 9.30am Corpus Christi Feast Day Mass this Sunday.

We give thanks for the wonderful response and support already shown by so many women of our parish as this new ministry begins to take shape.

Women who are interested in joining the group are warmly invited to register their interest using the QR code provided. New members are always welcome, and we look forward to growing together in faith, friendship and fellowship.



THANK YOU FOR CARING FOR OUR PARISH GROUNDS

A sincere thank you to the three parishioners and Fr Abraham who attended our Working Bee last Saturday, as well as the four parishioners who generously gave their time on Friday morning to weed and tidy our gardens in preparation for our Parish Feast Day this weekend. Your care and dedication help ensure that our parish grounds remain welcoming and beautiful for all who gather here.

While much was accomplished, a few extra volunteers would have helped to lighten the load for those who faithfully give their time and energy. We warmly encourage anyone who is able to consider joining us at future Working Bees, even for a short time.

Upcoming Working Bees

- Friday 26 September – Garden Refresh after Winter
 - Friday 12 December – Preparing for Christmas
- All are welcome. Light refreshments will be provided.*



Corpus Christi Sacrament Dates 2026

FIRST RECONCILIATION (PENANCE)

This sacrament has already taken place for 2026. Dates for 2027 will be published later this year.

CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmation preparation program has now begun in our parish, and we warmly thank, but also keep in our prayers, all the families, children, and sacramental team who are part of this journey.

Sacrament Dates:

Saturday June 27th at 10am
Sunday June 28th at 9.30am



FIRST EUCHARIST

Parent Information and Registration evening:

Wednesday August 12th at 7pm

Parent and Child Formation Sessions:

Sessions will run on Wednesday evenings and Thursday afternoons from August 19th until September 10th (Four sessions per child)

Sacrament Dates:

Saturday September 12th at 10am
Saturday September 12th at 6pm
Saturday September 19th at 10am
Sunday September 20th at 9.30am



BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS

Baptisms take place on the first and third Sunday of each month at 11am.

Parents wishing to have their child baptised are asked to contact the Parish Office to book the date of baptism and to register for the Rite of Welcome and Information Meeting. (These take place on the fourth Sunday of the month prior to your child's baptism.)



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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ—Year A—6th and 7th of June

Gospel Reflection

The feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, also known as Corpus Christi, celebrates and commemorates the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper. Although the liturgy on Holy Thursday remembers the celebration of the Last Supper, its focus tends to be more aligned with the events of the Passion rather than on the institution of the Eucharist. In the 13th Century, Pope Urban IV established the feast of Corpus Christi (the Body of Christ) and it was St Thomas Aquinas who composed the official prayers of the Church for the feast day. In 1970 the feast was changed to the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. In some countries it is celebrated on the Thursday following Trinity Sunday and in others on the following Sunday.

The gospel passage comes from the 6th chapter of the gospel of John in which the gospel writer has Jesus deliver an extended discourse on the image of himself as the Bread of Life. This passage comes from the end of that discourse and, in this relatively short passage, Jesus repeatedly demands that his followers must eat his flesh and drink his blood. It is through these actions that his followers will share in eternal life. Jesus says that whoever does this will live in him and he will live in them. That is one of the fundamental beliefs about the Eucharist. When we receive the body and blood of Jesus in the Eucharist we become what we receive – we become Christ's body in the world. When Jesus called his disciples, he called them to be like himself. He reissues that call to be like him every time we receive his body and blood in Eucharist.

Scriptural context – Eucharist in Scripture

The gospel of John does not include any account of Jesus taking bread and wine and urging the disciples to 'do this in memory of me'. The three synoptic gospels, however, all feature these actions and words, as does Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, which predates all of the gospels. Rather than using these words of institution, the gospel of John includes an entire chapter much earlier in the gospel in which Jesus theologises about the image of himself as the Bread of Life. It is this discourse, more than the Last Supper accounts, that provides much of the theological understanding of Eucharist.

Living the Gospel

Meals are very important events. Not only do we physically need food and drink to keep ourselves alive, but we use meals to mark occasions and celebrate events: birthdays; weddings; dates; achievements; disappointments; reunions. There is a sacredness about gathering with friends and family and sharing a meal together. Stories are told; memories shared; the food is appreciated and more often than not there's a drink to accompany the meal. Treating such occasions with gratitude – as blessed moments of grace – is living out the Eucharistic reality of welcoming Jesus into our lives and seeking to be more like him.

Gospel Focus – Real Presence

In the gospel passage, Jesus speaks a number of times about his followers eating his flesh and drinking his blood; 'For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.' In the Eucharist, we celebrate the 'real presence' of Jesus, understanding that bread and wine is changed into the body and blood of Christ. This change does not occur in a physical, observable way. The Church teaches that the 'substance' of bread and wine (what makes them bread and wine in essence) is changed but not the physical attributes. This is known as 'transubstantiation' – change of substance.

Questions for Adolescents

- Q. Why might Jesus have used the image of such an everyday item as bread to describe himself?
- Q. How might a Jewish audience have reacted to the idea of eating flesh and drinking blood?
- Q. Why might Jesus have used such a confronting idea?
- Q. In what ways can people be 'nourished' and 'fed' by Eucharist?

Q. In what way do you understand Jesus to be 'present' in the Eucharist?

Questions for Adults

- Q. Can you suggest why the name of the feast day might have changed at the time it did?
 - Q. How might the saying, 'You are what you eat' be applied to Eucharist?
 - Q. What reasons can you suggest for the Eucharistic meal becoming so central to Christian practice?
 - Q. How is it possible for you to be 'Eucharistic' in your daily life?
- Learning moments
- Research the way your local community celebrated Corpus Christi in the past. Speak to older members of your community about what they recall about this feast day.
- Investigate the variety of beliefs about Eucharist that are held by different Christian traditions. Create a graphic representation of similarities and differences.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate The Maternal Jesus

I once saw a young mother discreetly breastfeeding her baby during Mass, and thought ... 'What a wonderful thing!' There could not be a better illustration, a better acting out of what Jesus says in today's Gospel: 'The one who eats me will live.' Of course, even mothers who find they cannot breastfeed offer the same gift for nine months as the baby draws its life from the mother's body in the womb.

This is a good analogy for what Our Lord was teaching in today's Gospel.

'Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me and I in them.' Notice the very maternal language. The risen Lord truly abides in us, we truly abide in the risen Lord. This is as intimate as the baby dwelling in the womb of its mother.

Moreover, it is a Holy communion which is both a present reality and a foretaste and promise about our place in God's future: 'The one who eats this bread will live forever.'

We could pause for a moment to pray with St Thomas Aquinas: 'Oh Sacred Banquet in which Christ is received and a pledge of future glory is given to us.'

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

Jesus tells us that he is the living bread of life, and that those of us who eat his flesh and drink his blood will live forever. We call that meal the Eucharist; this name means 'giving thanks'.

Are you thankful for the abundance of food in your life? Or do you take it for granted?

How often have you got ready for an evening meal (after eating once or twice already that day) and said, 'I'm starving!'

How often do you think of people who only have one tiny meal to eat all day? When you do think of them, how do your thoughts affect you?

The symbol of the meal is significant. In Jesus' time every item of food had to be prepared, and the ingredients needed to be gathered and used before they spoiled. Preparing and cooking food for a meal was a major job.

What do you think is the overall attitude of teenagers regarding food, nutrition and health? Are most of them careful not to eat junk food – or is junk food their main form of nutrition? Is there a problem in your area with obesity? How about anorexia? bulimia?

How are today's meals and meal preparation procedures different from the meals and their preparation in Jesus' time?



The **Living Word**

For Children

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST —7TH JUNE

FIRST READING

Don't forget how the Lord your God has led you through the desert for the past 40 years. He wanted to find out if you were truly willing to obey him and depend on him, so he made you go hungry. Then he gave you manna, a kind of food that you and your ancestors had never even heard about. The Lord was teaching you that people need more than food to live—they need every word that the Lord has spoken.

But when all this happens, don't be proud! Don't forget that you were once slaves in Egypt and that it was the Lord who set you free. Remember how he led you in that huge and frightening desert where poisonous snakes and scorpions live. There was no water, but the Lord split open a rock, and water poured out so you could drink. He also gave you manna, a kind of food your ancestors had never even heard about. The Lord was testing you to make you trust him, so that later on he could be good to you.

SECOND READING

When we drink from the cup we ask God to bless, isn't that sharing in the blood of Christ? When we eat the bread we break, isn't that sharing in the body of Christ? By sharing in the same loaf of bread, we become one body, even though there are many of us.

GOSPEL READING

I am that bread from heaven! Everyone who eats it will live forever. My flesh is the life-giving bread I give to the people of this world.

They started arguing with each other and asked, "How can he give us his flesh to eat?"

Jesus answered:

I tell you for certain that you won't live unless you eat the flesh and drink the blood of the Son of Man. But if you do eat my flesh and drink my blood, you will have eternal life, and I will raise you to life on the last day. My flesh is the true food, and my blood is the true drink. If you eat my flesh and drink my blood, you are one with me, and I am one with you.

The living Father sent me, and I have life because of him. Now everyone who eats my flesh will live because of me. The bread that comes down from heaven isn't like what your ancestors ate. They died, but whoever eats this bread will live forever.

CHILDREN'S DISCUSSION STARTERS

Who do you invite when you share a meal?

Who does Jesus invite to share in his sacred meal?

What are some of the things we do at this sacred meal, the Mass? (ie. listen to God's Word, bring forward gifts, sing, pray, join in processions etc)

Eucharist means 'thanksgiving'. What can we thank God for in the Eucharist today?



Children's Worksheet



Whoever eats this bread will live forever

The Body and Blood of Christ, Year A

During Mass we share in a sacred meal called the Eucharist, which means 'to give thanks'. In the chalice, write down some things which we can be thankful for. In the bread, draw a picture of your family sharing a special meal.



Can you work out which two of these pictures are the same?



Dear Lord,

Amen.

Write a prayer of thanksgiving to God that you can say before every meal.



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Saturday 23 May 2026
10am - 1pm

ENTERTAINMENT
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12PM-1PM



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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

Ministry of Care courses: 3-24 June

Those who visit the sick and are involved in the Ministry of Communion to the Sick and Dying in Hospitals, Aged Care Facilities and in Homes are invited to attend this course on the Ministry of Care. The course will take place every Wednesday in June at 7pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Please register via parracatholic.org/ministry-of-care-courses to reserve your spot. For enquiries, please contact ofw@parracatholic.org or 0460 037 795.

Did You Know? One in Seven Christians Worldwide Experiences Persecution

An estimated one in seven Christians worldwide experiences persecution or discrimination because of their faith.

In countries including Nigeria, Burkina Faso, Pakistan and China, Christians can face imprisonment, violence, or pressure to abandon their faith simply because they follow Christ. Yet despite persecution, countless Christians continue to gather for Mass and practise their faith with remarkable courage - even when doing so may place their freedom or lives at risk. These Christians are not strangers to us. They are our brothers and sisters in Christ, and we are called to stand with them in prayer and solidarity.

Through Aid to the Church in Need (ACN), discover their stories and be inspired by the courage of Mathieu and Pauline, catechists from Burkina Faso who were kidnapped for their faith. Read their remarkable story by visiting aidtochurch.org/bulletin

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