

St Anthony of Padua Church

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Weekdays: Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri: 9 am

Reconciliation: Saturdays 4 to 4.30pm or by appointment

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

11 June 2023

FEAST of ST ANTHONY of PADUA

Mass at 9.00 am this Tuesday 13 June

Come and honour our Parish Patron Saint.
Our parish school children and hopefully their parents will be joining us.
All welcome.

FEAST OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS this Friday 16 June

Please join us for Mass at 9.00 am.

First Reconciliation

Please pray for the children who will celebrate their First Reconciliation this week

Do we think of saying a short prayer before every meal. It's really about gratitude.

Communication with parish office.

Please supply your phone number on any emails you send to parish office.

Character is doing the right even when no one is watching.

Entrance Antiphon:

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Calvary Hospital

The ACT Government plans to takeover Calvary Hospital.

Our Archbishop is encouraging us to join him in asking the Prime Minister to Ensure that other governments around Australia who might feel emboldened by what the ACT Government is doing will not be able to just tear contracts up and removed faith-based operators from public institutions.

Please email the Prime Minister now.

Jesus believes a sinner has a future not just a past.

Do we allow others to have a future when they mess up?

Become a Catechist in 2023. Our parish catechists teach around 120 children each week at Clovelly Public School. Two more of our long-term catechists have retired, so we need replacements to continue this important ministry. Lessons are on Tuesday mornings. Find out more about the work of catechists at https://ccd.sydneycatholic.org, email the parish or contact Fr Laurie or Joanne Russell 0467 023 962.

You are all most welcome to sit closer to the altar.

When we visit someone at their home, would we normally insist on sitting near the exit?

Children can participate more if they can see more of what is happening at mass.

It is important for all that we can see the altar clearly throughout the mass.

Musicians / singers needed at our weekend masses.

If you have been blessed with some musical talent, please think about using it for the glory of God at our masses.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK OR ELDERLY

If you know someone who would like to receive Communion but is unable to come to Mass please notify the priest.

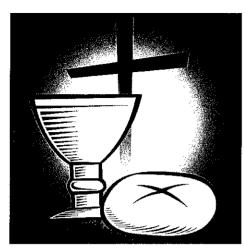
READERS NEXT WEEKEND: S Davies, S Bell; E Eberl, J Duffy; C Caro, L Jones.

Please remember in your prayers

Recently deceased; Karen Menzies, Kathy Steele, Brian Fitzgerald, Judith Bokeyar, Henry Moloney.

Anniversary: Lawrence Cauchi, Frank & Mattea Muzic, John MacNally, Peggy O'Connell.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney: Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, has been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support & guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.



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 éternal 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.'

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Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

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.'

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The Living Word

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Year A

11 June 2023

First Reading Dt 8:2-3, 14-16

He gave you food which you and your ancestors did not know.

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.
- (R.) Allelula!
- 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.)

- 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.)
- 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 Cor 10:16-17

Though we are many, we form a single body because we share this one loaf.

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.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 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 Jn 6:51-58

My fiesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

Jesus said to the Jews:

ever;

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for