The Mass is a sacrament. That means it is a sign pointing to something bigger than itself. That is why the Mass is a measure of the quality of our fellowship and community.

Some people ask why they have to come to Mass and why they cannot pray at home. Of course, they can pray at home and sometimes that is a better place to pray. But Mass is not just a time for praying; it is a time for celebrating community. That cannot be done at home; we can only do that together.

What do we do at the Eucharist? Basically we do two things:

- a. We remember and we give thanks.
- b. We come together to celebrate our being a community and a fellowship in Christ.

Today is the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. Whose Body? and whose Blood? The Body and Blood of Christ? Is it the body that died on the Cross? The body that walked and talked and taught in Galilee? Not really. The Body we celebrate today is the Body of the Risen Jesus. All of us who are baptised are members, constituent parts of that Body. Some of those members are alive and healthy and contributing to the overall life of the Body. Others are sick or dropping off, others are in need of healing or nourishment...

When we approach the altar table to receive Communion, the priest or minister says, "The Body of Christ". When we say our "Amen" of assent in faith, we need to be aware that the Body we are receiving is that Risen Body of Jesus, of which each one present is a part.

'Communion' is not just with Jesus but also with all those around us. That is why, before this 'Communion' we need to say the Lord's Prayer in which we ask forgiveness of those we have offended. The Sign of Peace gives an opportunity for genuine reconciliation so that the unity expressed through 'Communion' may be genuine.

We need to celebrate as a people who become daily more and more aware that we are constituent parts of the Body of Christ. If people are to know Christ, it can only be through us, his Risen Body, that they will come to know him. The more we grow in this awareness of Christ's living and acting through each one of us, the more meaningful will be our gathering round his table to share together, to eat and drink together the Body and Blood of the Risen Lord – which we are.

Sacred Space

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MASS TIMES

SaturdayNo Mass5 June 2021SundayNo Mass6 June 2021WednesdayNo Mass9 June 2021ThursdayNo Mass10 June 2021

Confessions Baptisms Marriages Saturday No Confession 5 June 2021 2nd Saturday of the month (by appointment)

By appointment with at least 6 months notice

PARISH ACTIVITIES

NO ACTIVITIES from Thursday 3rd June to Thursday 10th June

Monday Christian Meditation

School:

7-8 pm Parish Centre

(contact Chris Rowland 0411 440 746)

Tuesday Italian Ladies Prayer Group

10.00 am Meeting Room

Charismatic Prayer Group

7.30 pm Church

Drop-In Centre

1 - 3 pm Church/Parish Centre

Thursday St Vincent de Paul

Wednesday

5.30 pm Meeting Room (*last Thursday of the month*)

FROM ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 11AM: Live Streamed and C31 Televised (Channel 44 on Digital TV)

6AM: Channel 10 - "Mass for You at Home"

MONDAY - FRIDAY 1PM : Live Streamed. (Link below)

SATURDAY 8.00AM: Live Streamed. (*Link below*)

http://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass and https://www.youtube.com/user/archmelb

CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY - 5/6 JUNE 2021

Entrance Antiphon: He fed them with the finest wheat

and satisfied them with honey from the rock

Response to the Psalm: I will take the cup of salvation,

and call on the name of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

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

whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood

remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Please remember in your prayers the following:

Those who have died: Baldo lacobacci

Anniversaries:

Those who are ill: Dalmiro Bellio, Maria Coreno, Kath Layden, Lamberto

Cruz Monica Wickerson, Pasquale Buonomo, Joe Grech,

Sofia Ruggiero, Karen Hardy,

12/13 June 12/13 June

READERS: EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat 6 pm W. Cahill [L], A. Breen [R] C. Rowland Sun 8.45 am B. Messina [L], M. Tamayo [R] M. Bolitho 10.30 am S. Harrison [L], R. Cassidy [R] B. Watts

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

PLEASE NOTE NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER 7036 9330

At St Oliver's parish we aim to create a child-safe and child-friendly environment. Privacy: In 2001 the Commonwealth and Victorian governments introduced legislation that deals with the manner in which public and private sector organisations may record, use, store and disclose information, including health information collected from individuals. This Parish is committed to upholding and implementing the Privacy Principles set out in the legislation.

NEW COVID19 RESTRICTIONS

No gatherings at St Oliver's following the lockdown measures that apply across metropolitan Melbourne, and until

11.59pm, Thursday 10 June, 2021

unless otherwise notified.

NO MASS THIS WEEKEND 5/6 JUNE 2021 NO MASS WEDNESDAY 9^{TH} JUNE AND THURSDAY 10^{TH} JUNE We will await further instructions for the following weekend 12/13 June 2021.





Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/thailand

This week Catholic Mission invites you to partner with Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters in Thailand as they reach out to vulnerable mothers and their babies, who would have nowhere to turn when they need support.

Without this program, many vulnerable mothers will have nowhere to turn when they need love and care the most.

Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by going online at <u>catholicmission.org.au/thailand</u> or by texting 'GIVE' to 0488 854 436. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

beginning Saturday 12th of June 5.00pm

where we hope to welcome Fr James Puppady

Fr James will begin at St Olivers on Wednesday the 9th of June.

Please continue to support St Oliver's Parish. The link:

https://bit.ly/CDFpayPascoeVale

We are very grateful for your support at this challenging time.

Please visit our website for the newest update from the Archdiocese regarding liturgical guidelines: https://stolivers.org.au/