

## The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)— Year A

**Entrance Antiphon:** He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

**A reading from the book of 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 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 wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known

**The Word of the Lord.**

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 147:12-15, 19-20.**

**R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.**

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!  
Zion, praise your God!  
He has strengthened the bars of your gates,  
He has blessed the children within you.

He established peace on your borders,  
He feeds you with finest wheat.  
He sends out His word to the earth  
and swiftly runs His command.

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. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.**

**A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the 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.

**The Word 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!**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 6:51-58.**

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which as 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."

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

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

**Next week's readings: Jeremiah 20:10-13; Ps. 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33.**



Corpus Christi



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*The Parish of St Thomas More and the Archdiocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at:*  
[www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention](http://www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention)

## Our Parish Vision Statement:

**We are called to be a welcoming, compassionate community, empowered for our faith journey for active service.....**

CHURCH CENTRES		St. Joseph's Emerald	Sacred Heart Gembrook	St. Thomas More Belgrave	St. Paul's Monbulk
		Cnr. Emerald-Monbulk & Cornish Roads	Main Road	Reynolds Lane	59 Moores Road
MASS TIMES	WEEKEND				
	WEEKDAY				

**Mass changes: PARISH MASSES ARE RESTRICTED TO 20 + 5 PARISHIONERS FROM 1/6/2020. Updates as they come to hand.**

**Reconciliation: Marriages & Baptisms by appointment. RECONCILIATION: Email Fr. Cruz—[anthony.cruz@cam.org.au](mailto:anthony.cruz@cam.org.au) or phone 03875 18112 to book.**

## JUNE 14TH, 2020 — THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST — YEAR A.

### Corpus Christi Sunday

Jesus, Body and Blood,  
we are grateful for the gift  
of your life  
and the way it strengthens us  
to live ours.  
Teach us to draw on the gift  
of your Body and Blood  
for energy, renewal,  
strength and grace.  
May we never take the gift  
of your presence for granted.  
Amen.



Prayer from [www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca)

As if the Church were not satisfied with fifty days of paschal feasting, the festivals continue beyond the season. First the Holy Trinity is honoured, and now the Body and Blood of Christ. Many still know today's feast by its shorter Latin name, Corpus Christi.

This observance originated in the Belgian city of Liège in the 13th century. Very soon after, in 1264, Pope Urban IV decreed that the feast be celebrated by the whole Western Church. From then until the reforms of the Second Vatican Council the popular focus of the feast was on the presence of Christ in the consecrated bread, the Blessed Sacrament.

Nowadays the feast invites us to enter into the whole mystery of Jesus' self-gift to us in the eucharistic meal. We are reminded that the eucharist is first and foremost an action that engages us heart and soul. Our communion in the Body and Blood of Christ makes the Church the Body of Christ. Like Jesus we break the bread and pour out the wine of our lives for the sake of the world.

*Readings and Commentaries, Liturgy Brisbane.*

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## **REMEMBRANCE IN OUR PRAYERS:**

**Recent deaths:** Jack Jeffree (son of Kelly and Chris; grandson of Mel and Helen, formerly of Gembrook). We also continue to pray for the many thousands of people across the world who have died from the corona virus.

**Anniversaries:** Sigfried Maletski, Kathleen Canavan, Jenny Martin, Katie Rickard, Moll Keavaney, Norma Meade, Bill Broekhof, Marion Clinton.

**Prayers for the Sick:** We pray for all who are ill, but especially the following people: Debbie Owens, Don Kempster, Lida and Robert Ploeg, Pat McCarrick, Joan Newman, Justin, Joy Goodie, Tom Fergus, Leo Walsh, Father Noel MacKay, Stephen, Lois Lenaghan, B. O'Connor, Linda Bullivant, Maureen & Peter Lyons, Laurie Fitton, Ingvyn Collins, Alida Cabret, David Bourke, Eileen Banyard, Brendan, Martin Fergus, Kevin Ryan, Geoff Henwood, Margaret & Fiona Gilhooly, Maureen, Patricia Gilchrist, Stephen Mc., Cheryl McInnes, Kate Arnott, Julian Neesham, Robert Drake, Helen Hermann, Terry Garrick, Lyn Blackman, Joan Munday, Fa Perisipi, John Reid, Dieter Farmer, Margaret Sheanon, Dianne Zidek, Mark Pickthall, Terry Schubert, Neil Weatherill, Margaret Herbert, Rob Zwagerman, Peter Champion, Joshua McQuade, Jim & Ed Hodapp, Lanie Brereton, Sandra Dowling, Francesca, Neil Holland, Maureen Hughes, Marilyn Ward, Isabelle Henry, Phillis Willoughby.

## **ANYONE WISHING FR. CRUZ TO OFFER A MASS FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION**

can phone **03 875 18112** with request details, or email Father at **[anthony.cruz@cam.org.au](mailto:anthony.cruz@cam.org.au)**  
If you wish to make an offering for same at a later date, please feel free to do so using the offering envelopes available at your Mass Centre.

**If you are phoning the Parish Office for any reason, please note the following phone numbers to ring instead of the usual number:**

**URGENT MATTERS: 03 875 18112**

**NON-URGENT MATTERS: 0400436793** (DURING OFFICE HOURS BUT **NOT TUESDAY**, PLEASE).

**SHOULD YOU WISH TO SPEAK TO FR. CRUZ OR ARRANGE A TIME FOR THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION WITH HIM**, please email **[anthony.cruz@cam.org.au](mailto:anthony.cruz@cam.org.au)** or phone **0387518112**, and Fr. Cruz will make a time with you.



The Lord is my Shepherd.  
There is nothing I shall want.  
I cast my cares on the Lord.

## **UPDATE ON EASED COVID19 RESTRICTIONS:**

Recently it was announced that 20 people could attend church services, along with attendants required for the Mass. To accommodate this small beginning of changes back to 'normal' Fr Cruz has organised the following Masses—with restrictions. **[Please note that Mass at Monbulk on Wednesdays has been re-located to Belgrave at 9.00 a.m. for the time-being. Also, bookings are not being taken for the weekday Masses (including Saturday mornings)].** - Attendance is based on a first-come, first served basis, i.e. once 25 people have recorded their names, no more attendees will be permitted to attend the Mass. If you have **not** received an invitation from **Eventbrite** to book in for a particular Mass, text (preferable) or phone Helen on **0400436793 (office hrs. but not Tuesdays please)**, or phone **03 87518112 (after hours/weekends only)**.

**Mass times are as follows for weekends in the foreseeable future:**

**Gembrook—Saturday 4.30 p.m.**

**Emerald — Saturday 6.00 p.m.**

**Belgrave: 9.00 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 9.00 a.m. Sunday AND 11.00 a.m. Sunday.**

**Monbulk: 12.30 p.m. Sunday**

**PLEASE—make sure that your booking is made before 3.00 p.m. on each respective Friday so that final numbers and lists can be passed on to Fr. Cruz.**

**As stated previously in the newsletter, if you are in a vulnerable age group/immune compromised category, or are unwell at all, please do not attend a local Mass in person for the time being.**

## **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL APPEAL—THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF JUNE:**

Every year the St Vincent de Paul Society hold a **Poormans' Mass Appeal** to help those in need, especially throughout the cold winter months. Fr Cruz has approved the appeal being held in the Parish in June, but as you can appreciate, not all can attend Mass. To assist you in making a donation, please go to the link below. You can request a receipt for taxation purposes.

**Here is the link for the online donations:**

**<https://donate.vinnies.org.au/donation-hub>**

Please put **"Belgrave Conference" in the comment field**, so that when their fundraising team process the donation, it will be allocated to our Parish Conference for use in distributing food, vouchers and other assistance to those in need across the Dandenongs.

**MASS - REFER GUIDANCE REGARDING PARISH MASSES (ON PREVIOUS PAGE).**

**TV, RADIO, ONLINE—FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND MASS DURING THIS CRISIS:**

Mass is available on the following:

**TV - Channel 10, Mass for you at home, Sunday mornings at 6.00 a.m.**

**RADIO - 89.9 Light FM**, -A traditional Roman Catholic Mass, Sunday mornings at 7am.

**ONLINE -**

**Mass online - <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass>, or <https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/> or <http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand>**

**AUSTRALIAN JESUITS ON FACEBOOK—**

**Go to:<https://www.facebook.com/151909541627410/posts/1577966115688405/>**

The **Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne** has additional online resources to help you through this time of suffering: [www.cam.org.au/coronavirus](http://www.cam.org.au/coronavirus).

**TO THE DELIGHT OF SCHOOL STUDENTS AND PARENTS ALIKE...**

everyone came back to school this past week. Thank you to our school principals, Michael and Caroline, and their super team of teachers and admin. staff, for all the work they have done over the 'stay home' period, and will continue to do as the term comes to a close.

**UPCOMING SCHOOL TOURS:**

**FAREWELL TO RESPECTED BELGRAVE PARISHIONER, CAROLE RIBET.**

Carole, very much a devoted volunteer in the Parish, is moving next week to take up residence in Wonthaggi. We wish Carole and her family much happiness and many of God's rich blessings in their new home. Thank you, Carole, for all your hard work over the years.

**PLENARY COUNCIL DISCERNMENT PAPERS**

**PUBLISHED:** The papers by the six Discernment and Writing Groups for the Plenary Council have now been published on the Plenary Council website. Each paper provides a reflection on some elements of the relevant pastoral reality, articulates a theological vision, outlines a number of challenges to be overcome, suggests prioritised questions to be answered and develops some proposals for change. They will be foundational to the next stage of discernment toward the Plenary Council – the development of the working paper, or *Instrumentum Laboris* – and ultimately the agenda for the Council assemblies.

**#WeAreStillHere:** With the COVID-19 pandemic headlining the news each day, and as we see Australia start to ease restrictions, it can be easy to forget that there are many countries around the world where the full extent of the impact has not yet been discovered.

Priests, sisters and missionaries around the world are doing all that they can to ensure that those in need are given the best practical and pastoral support, however these Church-run programs often rely on generous donations from people like you.

Will you join with us today to be there for those in need during this crisis?

For more information and to give generously to support vital mission programs through COVID-19, please go to [catholicmission.org.au/mission](http://catholicmission.org.au/mission).

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**TOURS AVAILABLE**

St Paul's are once again offering school tours with the Principal

One family per tour

Appropriate social distancing measures in place

Book today!

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