

Parish Office Hours

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What is happening this week? First Reconciliation Commitment Weekend You are invited to pray the Rosary before or after Mass in October... Fri 25th Oct 5:00pm **HFC** Adoration 26th Parish Centre Trendsetters (starts with Mass) 6-8pm 6:00pm **HFC** Mass Qο 27th Sat 26th Oct 9:00am SHC Mass followed by Rosary **HFC** 10:00am 1st Rite Reconciliation October **HFC** 5-5:30pm 1st Rite Reconciliation 6:00pm **HFC** Mass Sun 27th Oct 8:00am **HFC** Mass 9-11am Parish Centre Young Adventurers (ends with 2024 Mass) 10:00am **HFC** Mass (livestreamed) 11:30am **HFC** 30th Baptisms 5-5:30pm **HFC** 1st Rite Reconciliation Sunday **HFC** Mass 6:00pm 7 - 9pm Parish Centre Alpha for those aged 18 to 30. Mon 28th Oct Office Closed in Ordinary Time St Vincent de Paul Calwell Conf. 7.00 pm Assisi Room Tues 29th Oct 9:30—11:30 Parish Centre Parent Support Playgroup **HFC** Funeral service for Shirley Fletcher 1:00pm **HFC** 4:30pm Adoration 5:30pm **HFC** Mass **HFC** Parish School of Religion 6:30—7-30pm Wed 30th Oct 9:30am SHC Mass followed by Rosary Year 5:30pm Parish Centre Novena **HFC** Thur 31st Oct 7:00am Mass 7:00pm Assisi Room **RCIA HFC** 5:00pm Adoration Fri 1st Nov All Saints Day **HFC** 6:00pm Mass

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH EVENTS

Dear Parish Family

Month of October - Month of Holy Rosary

"Teach them to say the Rosary, the family Rosary, and all will be well." St Mother Teresa of Calcutta

We will understand the importance of Rosary in the month of October with little bit of history. In the 16th century, the Islamic Ottoman Empire presented a serious military threat to western Europe and sent a fleet of ships to attack Christian defences in southern Europe. Pope Pius V recognized the grave danger and organized a fleet called the Holy League to confront the navy of the Ottoman Turks.



Pius V knew he needed more than just military strength to defend Christian Europe, so he asked that all the faithful pray the rosary, requesting the intercession of the Blessed Mother. At the end of the Battle of Lepanto, the Holy League was victorious and the maritime expansion of the Ottoman Empire was permanently prevented. The next year, Pius V established a feast on October 7 in honour of the Blessed Mother, originally called **Our Lady of Victory**.

The entire month of October was dedicated to the rosary in 1884 by Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical "Superiore Anno"

In the beginning of the pandemic lockdown, I do personally know, people who were able to survive by the power of praying rosary. Some even re-learned to pray the rosary and gained a great deal out of that to survive as the churches were closed for worship and personal prayer. Someone recently came back to the church after 30 years or so and said, in those years, 'though I was not particularly religious, I prayed rosary every night without fail'

May I ask you, during this month of October, to pray a decade of rosary for someone other than your family member?

The concept of "Chain Rosary" is something we can look at, form a group either by our family members or by friends and pray the rosary every night without fail. Make sure, at least one person in the group will pray the rosary so that the chain is not broken.

"With the Rosary, the Christian people sits at the school of Mary and is led to contemplate the beauty on the face of Christ and to experience the depths of his love. Through the Rosary the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer." St John Paul II

Fr James T Antony CMI



The 2024 First Reconciliation Commitment Weekends

are happening at all Masses this weekend 26 & 27th October and next weekend, 2nd and 3rd November.

The children, with the support of their families, will be invited to present their Commitment Cards at Mass and make their commitment to learn about and participate in their First Reconciliation later on. Retreat Days will be held on November 12, 13 & 14.



Please keep these families in your prayers.

Priest Appointments

Fr Mark Ha has been ordained at the Cathedral. We congratulate him on his ordination.

His first post will be with us. He will start on the 3rd January 2025, along with Fr Simon Falk, who has already been announced.

Alpha - for anyone aged 18 to 30—We meet fortnightly from 7pm to 9pm in the Parish Centre, following Mass at 6pm. We hang out, eat food, explore questions of faith, life and meaning. First Steps: Let us know you are coming or just show up. Email to: youth.southtuggeranong@cg.org.au

NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE MASSES

Please note that all Saturday morning Masses during the month of November will be celebrated at Holy Family and NOT at SHC

Each Saturday will be dedicated to different groups of the deceased. Mass on Saturday 16th November will be offered for pre-term and full-term infants who have gone to God. If you have lost a child, you are most welcome to attend and bring a photo, keepsake or small remembrance and place it on the table near the tabernacle before Mass if you feel comfortable doing so. (We understand that not everyone will want to do this.)

If you would like a Mass to be offered for your loved one, please let the parish office know through an email communication.

Friday November 1, All Saints Day—6pm Mass HFC

"The saints are friends with whom we can grow in friendship. We all need friends who can help us deal with life. This is the trust which enlivens us when we turn to the saints in the decisive moments of our lives". (Pope Francis)

November 1 is the Solemnity of All Saints, which is also called All Saints Day. On this day we remember all men and women who were servants of the Lord while here on earth. We ask that they pray for us so that one day we might join them in heaven.

As Catholics we believe it is totally appropriate to ask others for prayers. We do this all the time with other Christians on Earth. Therefore, we pray to the saints. We are asking them to offer prayers to God for us. As members of the mystical body of Christ, it is right that we ask those who are already in heaven to pray for us also.

It is also important to understand that prayer is not the same as worship. Worship is for God alone. When we worship God, we recognize him as our creator and the ultimate mover in our lives.

Prayer is a spiritual conversation. When we pray to the saints, we are not worshiping them. We know that they have no power on their own. But in prayer, we ask them to repeat our requests to God and ask for his help for us. This is no different to asking a friend to pray for us.

Saturday November 2, All Souls Day—9am Mass HFC (no Mass at SHC)

"For it is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins". (2 Maccabees 12:46)

On November 2, Catholics observe the Feast of All Souls. This is a day to remember our dearly departed and pray for them. At our parish, there is a table where parishioners can display photographs of their deceased loved ones and an opportunity to pin a white cross on to the wooden cross near tabernacle. The cross with white crosses will remain there all through the month of November.

November Mass offering envelopes are available in the foyer of the church.

We also have the "November Names" book on the Offertory Table at the back of the church. You are welcome to write the names of those you would like remembered during this month.

Why do Catholics pray for the dead? For many of us "cradle Catholics", this is a very natural practice. But for non-Catholics this can seem strange and pointless. After all, our beloved dead are in God's hands. But Catholics believe in Purgatory, which is a state of purification. Even though our sins are forgiven, the consequences of our sin may linger. If we throw a ball and break a window, we may be forgiven, but the window is still broken. This is a time of repairing the window. So, our prayers for those in Purgatory are an expression of our trust in God's mercy. In Purgatory, God is repairing our broken parts so we can live with Him forever. We must cooperate with Him in this work of love. 'There is a mysterious solidarity in Christ between those who have already passed to the other

SAVE THE DATE

The Holy Family School Fete will be held on Saturday, the 16th November from 10am. Please put it into your calendars and come along. See you there.



To contribute to the Parish, from your account to our parish account - please use these details-

Name: Corpus Christi Parish BSB: 062 786 Account Number: 22193

Put your name and the reason in the Reference space. Or you can donate via Credit Card, go to our website https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/corpuschristiparish

We are very grateful for your donation.

The Cancer Support Group meets on the first Wednesday of every month at the Vikings Club Erindale at 2.30pm. Feel free to contact the Parish Office for more details.

TRENDSETTERS (Years 8-12) DATES
Friday 25th Oct—6-8pm in the Parish Centre

Sunday 3rd Nov—HFC—All Saints Party 11am

Friday 8th Nov 6-8pm Friday 22nd Nov 6-8pm

Sunday 15th Dec—11am, End of Year Picnic

YOUNG ADVENTURERS (Years 4 to 7) DATES

Sunday 27th Oct 9-11am (10am Mass)

Sunday 3rd Nov—All Saints Party 11am Sunday 10th Nov—9-11am (10am Mass)

Sunday 24th Nov 9-11am (10am Mass)

Sunday 8th Dec 9-11am (10am Mass)

Sunday 15th Dec—End of Year Picnic 11am

Corpus Christi Youth Co-ordinators Chiara and Osley Email: youth.tuggeranongsouth@cg.org.au Advent Program 2024: One of the five themes emerging from our parish assembly process was the need for ongoing faith formation. For the last few years, the parish has offered a Lenten and Advent program in person. This Advent we will be providing two options for you to be involved in a four-week program: -

- 1) The first option will be held online via Zoom on a Monday night at 6pm (time tbc).
- 2) For the second option we are looking for 5-6 people prepared to lead a small group in their home. All materials will be provided, and you will need to provide evidence of your WWVP card to the parish office. You can choose the time and day.

If you would like to lead a group, please advise Sharon Brewer via <u>shazbrew@internode.on.net</u> or 0411 730 936 or the parish office. We will need **replies by 28 October**. For those wishing to attend either option, we will open bookings in early November.

ARCHDIOCESAN EVENT NOTICES

27 October | The Marian Procession | 10:00 am

The Rosary will start at St Saviour's Anglican Cathedral, proceed along Bourke St, and arrive at the Our Lady of Mercy Chapel. The pilgrimage will conclude at the newly renovated St Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral.

Please bring along your own lunch or purchase food at the event. Tours exploring the rich history of Sts Peter and Paul's will also be available.

- MARIAN PROCESSION: Begins 11am at Anglican Cathedral of St Saviours, Goulburn
- **RECONCILIATION:** Sts Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral and Our Lady of Mercy Chapel 12:30 1:30 pm

MASS: 2.00pm Mass with main celebrant, Archbishop Christopher Prowse, Sts Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral. (Mass will include the installation of the reliquary with relics from Sts Peter and Paul, St Brigid, St Charbel and St Therese Lisieux)

CONTACT: Dianne Green or Heather Moss goulburn@cg.org.au Phone: 0403 631 797

- YOUTH RALLY (YR 6-12) 12pm 1:45pm Begins at St Saviour's Anglican Cathedral Hall. In this midday period at the YES Youth Rally for students in years 6-12 there will be live music, entertainment, games, and an input on what it means to say 'yes' like Mary did.
- 66 SEATER YOUTH BUS: I'm pleased to share that we now have a 66 Seater bus for the Youth from Canberra to travel across to Goulburn for the Marian Procession. I need your help to fill the bus by sharing this event with your young people in Year 6-12. The pick up and drop off point is indicated in the registration form.

CONTACT: christopher.gilroy@cg.org.au

• CARPOOL Please consider carpooling, especially families.



1 November | Catholic Women's Taskforce Annual Fundraising Dinner

The 2024 Catholic Women's Taskforce annual fundraising dinner for MacKillop House, Lyneham will take place on 1st November 2024 at the Canberra Southern Cross Club from 6.30 pm. For more information or to register go to https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/event/cwtad/ Enquiries: Monica Phelan on **0413 315 486**

5 November | Ministry to the Newly Married Information Session

About to be married? Recently married? Then this may be for you.

Ministry to the Newly Married (MNM) is a mentoring program for couples who have married in the last 2 years or about to be married in the next 6 months. The program aims to foster the development of relationship skills and supports living the sacrament of marriage. Join the information session about the Program on Tuesday 5th November 2024 7-8 pm.

Register for the information session at https://cgcatholic.org.au/ministry-to-the-newly-married-information-night/. For more information contact Ralph and Angela on 0401 994 081

9-10 November | ENGAGED ENCOUNTER RETREAT

How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. For further information visit: www.engagedencounter.org.au. Choose any of the Weekends: Nov 09-10, Feb 22-23, May 17-18, Aug 16-17

RECENTLY DECEASED: Shirley Fletcher (mother of Anne) Yvonne DeMamiel, Mary Spandler, Dennis Chaston, Ian Greig, Kristine Incher, Carolyn Wightman, Fr Brian Ebert, Connie Adams, Cathy Ffrench, Carolyn Bryant, Arrouk Arrouk, Gilbert James Singh, Eric Mangeon, Phillip Anderson

SICK: We pray for.... Mark Lodder, Doug Rankin, Perry Hardman, Jenny Keen, Bishop Pat Power, Wendy Roberts, Patrick Roberts, Harry Parvizi, Margaret Holberton, Gavin O'Brien, Flora Martone, June Lever, Jade Lancet, Hannah Thomas, Karen Nguyen, Delia Alexander, Jessica Bernadette Elena, Doug Rankin, Joan Brumby, Howard Murray, Diane Savage, Barbara Savage, Zenilda Gama, Ayla Haragli Judith & Werner Kley, Melvyn & Cheryl Nerva, Merle Shep, Dot Pestana, Karen Meacham, Maria Godec, Margaret Latham, and all our sick family members, friends and parishioners.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE: During October we remember Ray Chifley, Beth Chifley, Jamileth Martinez, Eric Dunley, Cath Entriken, Thomas Pham, Carlos Soriano, Matilda Gracik, Peter Doman, Honorato Corpus, Clifford Niblett, Shirley Pannell, Buenaventura Beringuel Sr., Kevin Bale, Raphael Clothier, Frank Archer, Angeline Ariyam, Phyllis Barker, Ron Bennetts, Frederick Brunskill, Henry Carmichael, Ziggy Gardon, David Hudson, Anne Irvine, George Kandiah, Gaye Kennedy, Stephen Lee, Michael Lever, Lionel Mitchell, John Muscat, George Noonan, Benjamin Robinson, Eddie Rupasinghe, Maureen Sheville, Gordon Solomon, Mary Solomon, Monica Thomas, Aileen Vega, Fred Bluck, Keith Walker and all of our loved ones who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

If you wish to have your loved one entered into our Book of Remembrance and remembered each year, you will find a form in the foyer.

BAPTISMS: We welcome Max, Sasha and Harper into our Parish Community as they celebrate the sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

26 & 27 October 2024—4th Sunday of the Month				
	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8am	Sunday 10am	Sunday 6pm
Acolyte/ Senior Server	Eugene	Val	Max	George
Altar Servers	Kane Jed	Riley Amy Patrick	William Amy Scarlet	Joe Max Neriah
Readers	Maritess V Suzanne M	Peggy R Kerry W	James M Zed S	Paddy M Adeline P
Music/DPO	Couples for Christ DPO Suzanne S	Lorna & Geoff DPO Angus	Jeremiah W DPO Samuel W	Gerard H, Brigita O DPO Chris B
Offertory Procession	Cruz family	Amala Volunteer	Amy Annabelle	Pond family
Eucharistic Ministers	Anne G Ester O	Angie N Chris H	Denise M Peter D	Bob C Jane M
Children's Liturgy	Annette M Rachel M	vacant	Amy S Jesse W	vacant
Cuppas	vacant	vacant	Marian	vacant
Collector bags & clear boxes	Edna S	Angie N	Geoff S	Ophelia D
SaniGun after Mass			Geoff S	

We acknowledge the Ngunnawal peoples, Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples, who are the traditional custodians and first peoples of this land. We pay respect to their elders past and present and to the memory of their ancestors. We acknowledge that they have occupied and cared for this land over countless generations and we celebrate their continuing contribution to the life of our city and of this region. We also extend our respect to all Aboriginal peoples living in our community.

Parish Safeguarding Commitment: Corpus Christi Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of all of our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers, and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to, and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all of our thinking and action.

Communicating Concerns: Parishioners are encouraged to raise any concerns they may have by emailing Fr James or the Parish Office. Alternately, please phone the Parish Office to organise a time to talk with Fr James. Specific safeguarding issues can also be emailed to the Parish Safeguarding Officers (see front page). Parishioners are also welcome to contact Maria Hicks, Manager for the Archdiocese's Institute for Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) ipss@cg.org.au /02 6239 9806.