

**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**

Lk 9:11-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

*They all ate and were filled.*

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing. It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

# Breaking Open the Word

# THE SAVING WORD

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) / C

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**SHARING JESUS' MINISTRY**

Surprising as it may seem, even though the letters of Paul were written some years before the Gospels, they rarely mention directly sayings of the Lord. One of the exceptions is when Paul sets out to remind his wayward converts at Corinth about the true meaning of the Eucharist. They had become all too complacent about their celebration of the Eucharist and, as far as Paul was concerned, rather than proclaiming the Lord's death till his return they were responsible for his death! To bring them back on the right track Paul reminds them of the tradition that he had received (cf. 1 Corinthians 15:3-5).

Matthew, Mark, Luke and Paul all hand on traditions about the Last Supper but Luke (22:19-20) and Paul (1 Corinthians 11:23-25) have a couple of special emphases that are worth noting. Firstly, they both focus on the Eucharist as a way of actively remembering the saving death of Jesus. Secondly, they both make it clear that in Jesus' blood a new stage in salvation history has arrived; a new covenant now binds us to God.

In the early church, the feeding of the five thousand was related in such a way that it reflected the Last Supper. Jesus taking the bread, breaking it, and giving it to the disciples to distribute, all mirrored elements of the Last Supper. What was new was that now the disciples were called to share in Jesus' ministry of welcome and hospitality; a ministry we are still called to share.

**FIRST READING**

Gen 14:18-20

A reading from the book of Genesis

*Melchizedek brought bread and wine.*

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing: 'Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.'

And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

■ The word of the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 109:1-4. R. v. 4

**R.** You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

1. The Lord's revelation to my Master: / 'Sit on my right: / I will put your foes beneath your feet.' **R.**
2. The Lord will send from Zion / your sceptre of power: / rule in the midst of all your foes. **R.**
3. A prince from the day of your birth / on the holy mountains; / from the womb before the daybreak I begot you. **R.**
4. The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. / 'You are a priest for ever, / a priest like Melchizedek of old.' **R.**

**SECOND READING**

1 Cor 11:23-26

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

*Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the death of the Lord.*

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you



drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

The word of the Lord.

**R.** Thanks be to God

**SEQUENCE**

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:  
Oft in the olden types foreshadowed;  
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.

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**WEEKEND MASSES** Sat: 5.30pm Sun: 9am and 5.30pm

**WEEKDAY MASSES** Mon: No Mass Tues: No Mass  
Wed: 12pm Sts John Fisher and Thomas More  
Thurs: 9am Fri: 9am The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

**CONFESSIONS**  
Sat: 4.30-5.15pm  
\*Or by appointment

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

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



**May God have mercy on all those asked to be remembered in prayer:**

**Recently Deceased:** Roy Carpenter, Warwick McKeon, Laurence McDonnell.

**Anniversaries:** John Varga (1/6), Pat Smyth (7/6), Grant D'Elboux (21/6).

**Deceased:** Eva May McLean, David Owens, Kathleen Griffin (Lismore), Ivan Abra, Annette Hardy.

**Sick:** Shirley Collier, Norma O'Brien, Alison and baby Huxley Gallagher, Sr Rita Vella, Barbara Brennan, Peter Richards, Colin MacPherson, Kevin Bonner, Lisa Foster, Kate Harrison, Maureen Harrison, Deacon Peter Harrison, Margaret Marshall, Graeme Bussell, Fr Bernie Flood.

### **SISTERS OF ST JOSEPH CELEBRATE 150 YEARS' SERVICE IN AUSTRALIA**

The Sisters of St Joseph will celebrate 150 years' service on 16 July with an important mass at the Bathurst Cathedral. Please see the Notice Board and the Parish website for further information, or contact by Email: [Berence.cornish@sosj.org.au](mailto:Berence.cornish@sosj.org.au) or phone Mob: 0418 681 949

**PILGRIMAGE:** In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, commencing in Melbourne on 18 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 29 October 2022. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry. For information - [national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au](mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au) or 89124818.

**PADDY'S CORNER:** The priest was giving one of his usual lectures. "Abstinence," he said, "is a wonderful thing, Patrick.' Sure and I know it is, Father," said Patrick, "if practised in moderation."



**COMING EVENTS: Marriage and Family Week 20-26 June 22**

**CHURCH COLLECTIONS:** BSB 082105 1st Coll: Presbytery Acc 001023642  
2nd Coll: St Patricks Church Acc 001041198

*Forgive me everything I have done  
to pain or disappoint any one of you.*  
(1877)



**NSW STATE COVID RULES:** \* FACE MASKS ARE NOT COMPULSORY BUT RECOMMENDED  
\* SANITISE HANDS ON ENTERING. \* NO CHECK IN REQUIRED

**WELCOME:** We warmly welcome Fr Michael Alcock in continuing his supply for us till 26 June.

**A FUNDRAISER!** An Andre Rieu movie (presented by the CWL) will be held in the St Patrick's Parish Centre, Sunday June 26th at 1.30 pm, with a delicious afternoon tea. Everyone welcome. Cost \$10pp—a bargain!.

**FRASSATI SOCIETY FOR YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS:** (16 to 39yrs) meets to pray together every Wednesday at 7.30pm via zoom. Please contact Tammy on 0459784171 for information.

**INVITATION:** All parishioners are invited to attend the priestly Ordination Mass of Rev Mr Peterpaul Chikezie on Wednesday 29th June 11am at Saints Mary & Joseph's Cathedral Armidale. Light refreshments will be provided afterwards in the Torreggiani Room. Please RSVP to the Chancery Office for catering: [chancery@armidale.catholic.org.au](mailto:chancery@armidale.catholic.org.au) or 67718700 by Fri. 17th June.

**HEART OF PEACE (HOPE)** is a new initiative of the Diocese of Armidale and is looking to begin a new project to cater for those less fortunate in our city. It is proposed to provide a "soup kitchen" each fortnight (maybe weekly depending on the response from those in need & numbers of volunteers), over the winter months. The initiative will be open to all three Parishes with the food prep to happen in the kitchen at St Edward's and service to happen in the area between St Nicholas Church & the Kmart Car Park. If you are able to lend a hand, please email:

[southtamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au](mailto:southtamworthparish@armidale.catholic.org.au) to let us know of your availability and contact details. HOPE will be in touch with you to provide further details.

**PLENARY COUNCIL IN PRAYER:** Catholics across the country are being invited to participate in a new prayer pilgrimage as the Church journeys towards the second assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia. The "Walking in the Spirit" pilgrimage has been prepared to encourage individuals, families, parishes, schools and other ministries to keep the Plenary Council in their prayers. The prayer pilgrimage will lead up to the opening of the second—and final—assembly on Sunday 3 July. You may access resources at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit/>

**READERS REQUIRED:** We are still in need of readers/volunteers—please contact the office .

*"We need to enlarge our hearts. We need to break out of the small room of our ego and enter the vast expanse of wonder and adoration." Pope Francis—Corpus Christi*

### **WEEK 6 ROSTER: 19/6/22**

**Vigil:** R D Gowing, Sr Kathryn  
**9am Sun:** R S Brown A Sartori  
**5.30pm Sun:** R M and J Murray  
**Counting Team** G & M Thrift, A Bowden  
**Sat Cleaning** 25/6 K O'Brien, J Cunningham  
**Altar Linen** J Hutt

### **WEEK 1 ROSTER: 26/6/22**

**Vigil:** R Sr Kathryn P Bamford  
**9am Sun:** R S Nichols G Clout  
**5.30pm Sun:** R C Lavell D Bearman  
**Counting Team** P Sheils; A Bowden  
**Sat Cleaning** 2/7 J Hutt and J Moran  
**Altar Linen:** E Jackson

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and care for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

