

Weekly Bulletin

Holy Name of Mary Catholic Parish

4 Myrtle Street, Rydalmere

Office: 2 Myrtle Street, Rydalmere

Email: admin@holymary.org.au Phone: (02) 9684 1541

Website: www.holymary.org.au



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST, YEAR B

Sunday, 2 June 2024

“There is nothing in the world as beautiful as the Eucharist”- Cardinal Wuerl



It is our experience that the hospitality of food and drink brings people together. There is a great sense of common humanity, gratitude and joy in such celebrations. Practically all the celebrations and important functions of various natures are marked with table fellowship. The feast of Corpus Christi highlights and reminds us of the Real presence of Jesus who comes to us in the form of bread and wine. This feast brings to me a lot of beautiful memories associated with this feast in India and in the Philippines, such as street processions, adoration sessions and other festivities. There is a reinforcement of the catholic identity in such celebrations. The catholic identity is centered on the Eucharist I believe which serves us as a source of divine energy to lead a life of freedom and wholeness.

Fr. Metzler shares the experience of his friend, an alcoholic in recovery, explaining the dynamics of an Alcoholics Anonymous meeting this way: “It’s funny,” he says; “the meetings are always the same, the exact same things get said over and over again. Everything is totally predictable; everyone, except those who are there for the first time, know already what will be said. And we are not there to show our best sides to each other. I do not go to Alcoholics Anonymous meetings to share my talents or to be a nice guy.

No. I go because, if I do not, I know for sure that I will start drinking again and eventually destroy myself. It is that simple. I'm going there to stay alive.”

Can this also be a description of the Eucharist, at least of one important aspect of it? Among various reasons, we go to the Eucharist to stay alive. The Eucharist is God’s regular nourishment for us, a daily manna to keep us alive within the desert of our lives characterized by hunger for love, companionship, affirmation; the emotional and relational brokenness in the families and communities and many more.

As Second Vatican Council puts it **“Eucharist is the source and summit of our life”**

Brennan Manning, an American Franciscan priest, tells this story of his mother, a lady in her mid-seventies in Brooklyn. Mrs. Manning’s day centred on her daily Eucharist. Because she began her voluntary stint at a drug detoxification centre each morning at 7.30 a.m., the only mass she could reach was at 5.30 a.m. Across the road from her lived a very successful lawyer, mid-thirties, married with two children. The man had no religion and was particularly critical of daily church-goers. Driving home from a late party at 5 am one January morning, the roads glassy with ice, he said to his wife:



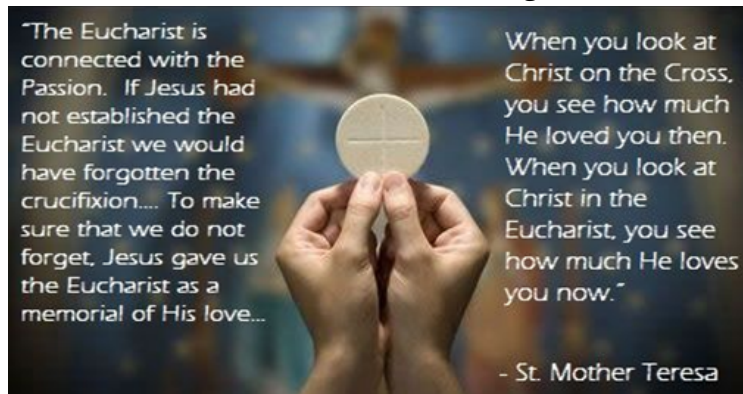
“I bet that old hag won’t be out this morning”, referring to Mrs. Manning. But to his shock, there she was on hands and knees negotiating the hill up to the church. He went home, tried to sleep, but could not. Around 9am he rose, went to the local presbytery and asked to see a priest. “Padre,” he said, “I am not one of yours. I have no religion. But could you tell me what you have there that can make an old woman crawl on hands and knees on an icy morning?” Thus began his conversion along with his wife and family. Mrs. Manning was one of those people who never studied deep religious books, never knew the big theological words, but she knew what it is to meet Jesus in Holy

Communion. **Jesus Christ is the bread of life.** What more could we want? (Sylvester O’Flynn in ‘The Good News of Mark’s Year’).

Special prayers and wishes to every one of you on this wonderful feast day! Let us continue our journey of being the Eucharistic people as a community united in Jesus!

God’s blessings

Fr. Vince



This Sunday's Readings



Entrance Antiphon:

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

First Reading: Exodus 24:3-8

This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you.

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This,' he said, 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 115:12-13, 15-18

**R: I will take the cup of salvation,
and call on the name of the Lord.**

How can I repay the Lord
for his goodness to me?
The cup of salvation I will raise;
I will call on the Lord's name. **R**

O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful.
Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds. **R**

A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:
I will call on the Lord's name.
My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people. **R**

Second Reading: Hebrews 9:11-15

The blood of Christ will purify our inner selves.

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than the one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood,

having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever. **Alleluia!**

Gospel: Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26

This is my body. This is my blood

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.'

After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

Communion Antiphon:

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



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024

Congratulations



TO OUR
FIRST HOLY
COMMUNICANTS!

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 3 June - **Sts Charles Lwanga & companions, martyrs**

Wednesday 5 June - **St Boniface, bishop, martyr**

Friday 7 June - **The Most SACRED HEART of Jesus**

Saturday 8 June - **The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

BISHOP'S APPEAL

Can you help us bridge this deficit.

Our quota for the appeal is \$ \$14,601.92. Our collection to date is \$10,198 - a shortfall of **\$4,403.92.**

Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal. Envelopes still available in the pews.

THANK YOU

Our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to **Diane O'Shea** and the **Team** for preparing the children for their First Holy Communion.

Thank you to all who contributed and attended my Mother's first Death Anniversary Mass and fellowship.
Fr Vince

Thank You

Kindly say a prayer for the **construction of the Parish Admin Office & Priest's residence** to commence with the providence of God.



BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER

Parents, would you please encourage your children to be a part of the **Junior server ministry (altar servers)**? The date and time of their training sessions will be announced shortly.

Let us pray for ...

Sick

Aileen Pelias, Estelito Fenis, Tom Nayler, Louela Davis, Linda Dysoco, Judy, Catherine, Elizabeth, Monika, Naza Nazah, Maree Buttenshaw, Robert Power

Recently Deceased

Carmen Coppini

Anniversaries

George & Martha Abraham, Arlette & Yves Flore, Louise Gaffney, Nellie, Perce & Sr Jean Howard, Mary Mathew, Marcel Raoul, Cyril Rodrigues, George Saad

PARISH ROSTERS

08/09 June 2024

	Computer Operators	Lectors	Altar Servers	EMHC	Counters	Cleaning Ministry	Altar Society
Sat Vigil 5.30pm	Thomas Russo	Eli Ogrizek Leah Garcia		Sr Maureen Sue Farrar	Lawrence Tsang Geoff & Barbara Rosario	Pierre Salomon	Pam McKay Annabel Manlutac Gail Dick
Sun 8.00am	Anthony Wong	Jodie MacGregor Helen Wong		Helen Wong Barbara Rosario			
Sun 10.00am	Eddie Appleby	Lorna Argal Astrid Kossim		Elaine Gade Sheila Tapiador			

15/16 June 2024

	Computer Operators	Lectors	Altar Servers	EMHC	Counters	Cleaning Ministry	Altar Society
Sat Vigil 5.30pm	Lynnette Rodrigues	Sue & Len Farrugia		Diane O'Shea Michelle Acharya	Lawrence Tsang Bill O'Shea	Thomas & Sophie Russo	Maria Greenfield Lily Hon O.Ham
Sun 8.00am	Christopher Younis	Rozz Morris Sam Winders		Lina Flores Helen Wong			
Sun 10.00am	Juvy Austria	Romeo & Yolanda Urqueza		Sheila Tapiador Evelyn Artiaga			

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Are you up-to-date??

Do you volunteer your time at the parish?

Did you know that every volunteer must complete their **Safeguarding modules** every 2 years AND parish volunteers who work alongside or care for children must also hold a **Working with Children's Check?** This is a mandatory requirement by the Government.

Visit [https:// learning.safeguarding.org.au](https://learning.safeguarding.org.au) to sign up and log into your Safeguarding modules.

For more information please contact the Parish office.

The Diocesan Safeguarding team are offering face-to-face training throughout June:

• **Monday 3 June** from 9.30am to 2.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown for Modules 1-3 for those who are new to ministry

• **Monday 11 June** from 10.30am to 2pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre for Modules 4-5 for those who have completed Modules 1-3 in the last two years. Please register directly for this training by clicking on the training event at: <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training> For more information, please email: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

Thank you for working together to keep our community safe.

VOLUNTEER
you can make a difference!

VINNIES - NEW MEMBERS DESPERATELY NEEDED

Our Vinnies group meets every fortnight. Next Meeting is on **Tuesday 11th June** at **7:00pm** in the **Meeting Room**.

RYDALMEN

Our objective, is to be a place for men in the Parish to come together and speak freely and openly with a Christian viewpoint.

This is usually demonstrated in doing the following activities on a regular basis:

1. Lenten Program from Ash Wed to Easter
2. Bible Readings
3. Ted Talks for Example Brene Brown "In the Arena"
4. Sermons and other talk by Clergy for example Fr. Robert Baron
5. Movies or shows for example Jesus, Bible, Passion of the Christ
6. Encouragement to attend the Men Alive Maxx weekend and do daily scripture reading using the SOAP format
7. Building up fellowship among men of different age brackets
8. Other as suggested by Members of the group from time to time

Group Name : **Rydalmen**

What's app : **Rydalmen**

Contact Person: **Mark Bannister**

Contact Mobile: **0417 400 000**

When : **Meet on The Third Thursday of every Month**

Where : **Parish MEETING Room**

Time : **7:15pm for 7:30pm to 9:00pm**

What to Bring : **Small plate of nibbles (Optional)**

Next Meeting : **20th June 2024**

Topic will be : How to apply the S.O.A.P. format to the daily reading of the scripture and what does this mean.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue - Wed - Thu - Fri - Sat 9:15 am

*Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Succour
Every Wednesday 7:00pm*

First Friday of the Month

7:00pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Mass

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday (Vigil) 5:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 8:30 am - 9:00 am

ADORATION (EXPOSITION)

Saturday 8:30 am

BAPTISM

1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month 11:30 am

PARISH TEAM

Fr. Vincent Savarimuthu
Parish Priest

Cheryl Percan
Parish Secretary
Tue / Wed / Fri
9am to 3pm

Deacon Leon
Finance Secretary
Thur
10am to 2pm

Sacramental Coordinator
Childrens Liturgy Coordinator
Lectors Coordinator
Senior Server Coordinator
Finance Chairman
St Vincent De Paul President
Rydalmen Coordinator

Diane O'Shea
Allison Markarian
Glenys Oxlee
Anton Massillamany
Ron Della Vedova
Ron Della Vedova

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Mary's Primary School
1 Myrtle Street, Rydalmere NSW 2116
Ph: (02) 8844 5700
Email: StMarysRydal@parra.catholic.edu.au
Principal: Mr. Richard Blissenden

St. Patrick's Marist College
171 Kirby Street, Dundas NSW 2117
Ph: (02) 8841 7900
Email: stpatsdundas@parra.catholic.edu.au
Principal: Mr. Paul Ryan