



11th June 2023

Corpus Christi

Hymns: 584 505 498 531

Sentence

But Israel I would feed with finest wheat; and satisfy you with honey from the rocks.

Psalm 81:16

The Collect

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption; for you live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

A reading from the book of Exodus chapter 24, verses 3 to 8.

Moses went and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the ordinances, and all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the Lord has spoken we will do." And Moses wrote down all the words of the Lord. He rose early in the morning, built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and set up twelve pillars, corresponding to the twelve tribes of Israel. He sent young men of the Israelites, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed oxen as offerings of well-being to the Lord. Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he dashed against the altar. Then he took the book of the covenant and read it in the hearing of the people, and they said, "All that the Lord has spoken we will

do, and we will be obedient.” Moses took the blood and dashed it on the people, and said, “Here is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words.”

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 116, verses 10-18

R: I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

I believed that I would perish, I was brought very low: I said in my haste, ‘everyone is a liar’. How shall I repay the Lord: for all his benefits to me? I will take up the cup of salvation: and call upon the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord: in the presence of all his people. Grievous in the sight of the Lord: is the death of his faithful ones. ...**R**

O Lord, I am your servant, your servant and the child of your handmaid: you have unloosed my bonds. I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving: and call upon the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord: in the presence of all his people. In the courts of the house of the Lord: even in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord. ...**R**

Second Reading

A reading from Paul's first Letter to the Corinthians chapter 10, verses 14 to 21.

Therefore, my beloved, flee from the worship of idols. I speak as to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say. The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. Consider the people of Israel: Are not those who eat the sacrifices partners in the altar? What do I imply, then? That food sacrificed to idols is anything or that an idol is anything? No, I imply that what they sacrifice, they sacrifice to demons and not to God. I do not want you to be partners with demons. You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons. You cannot partake of the table of the Lord and the table of demons.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia! **Alleluia, alleluia!**

I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever. **Alleluia!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark Chapter 14, beginning at the 12th verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, "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 a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." So the disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, "Surely, not I?" He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born." While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Prayers of the People

Incarnate God, all creation looks to you to give us food in due season, both in body and in spirit. Hear the prayers we offer for your church and your world.

We pray for the earth, whose soil brims with abundance, and whose resources we continue to squander. Have mercy on our greed and apathy, help us to be mindful of the environment in our care, and grant us wisdom to ensure a fairer and more sustainable use of the gifts you bring forth.

Lord of all life, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for nations throughout the world that are brought low by corruption, injustice, war, famine, disaster or disease. We pray for victims of these atrocities, as well as those who are implicit in them, through malice or negligence. Hold fast the hearts of those who suffer, and soften the hearts of those who cause the suffering of others.

Lord of all life, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for your holy church, in this land and overseas, remember particularly those for whom the Blessed Sacrament is a cornerstone of their faith. May all who witness the Eucharist come to understand Christ's presence in their lives.

We pray for Geoff, our Primate; Philip, our Archbishop; and Clarence, our Bishop. Keep all clergy and lay ministers faithful to your word and sacraments, and continue to strengthen them through the most precious Body and Blood of your Son.

Lord of all life, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all who are sick, in body, mind or spirit. Bring healing to those who are in pain, comfort for the downcast, and release for those nearing the end of their lives. We pray especially for *Elaine Haddock, Belinda Shannon, Jim Chatz, Barry Watts, Ray Daly, Val Watts, Gwen Bushell, Debbie, Chilcott, Beryl and Geoff Kirby, Fiona Mctier, Robert Whalley, Candice Pearce, Russel Taylor, David Valentine, Margaret Taylor, Peg and Ken Raeburn, Bishop John Parkes, Glenda McDonald, Edie Simpson, Bruce Seaman, Thomas De Sousa, Mary Cassar, Joan Grimwade, Vince Fazio, and Adeline Bickley*. May all who live in hardship, all without hope, be nourished with the Body and Blood of Christ, and bless all who work to bring contentment, purpose and healing.

Lord of all life, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who now feast with all your saints at the heavenly banquet; those who have died in your friendship, and those who never knew the saving power of the Blessed Sacrament in life. We pray for those who will die this day, especially those unprepared and afraid. Give them your peace, and make us vessels of that peace. We remember those whose year's mind occurs at this time:

Darren White, Joe Johnstone, Violet Ball, Ivy Chapman, Edward Piva, Lorelei Stewart, John Vinden, Annie Brown, Geoffrey Sexton, John Allen, Kenneth Stevens, Trevor Elliott, John Rogers, May Smith. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, **and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Lord of all life, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith, we may by your grace receive; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Notices

Op Shop

Please note the Op Shop will be CLOSED on Monday June 12th for the long weekend. Normal trading resumes Thursday June 15th.

St Matthew's Broadford

There will be NO MASS on Thursday at Broadford due to Fr. David taking a funeral on that day.

Pastoral Visiting

If you know of someone who could use a visit from a priest, e.g. illness, loneliness, grief, spiritual counselling, preparation for baptism or confirmation, please let Fr. David know. Call 0439 288 070.

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This Week in the Parish:

Monday 12th June: Op Shop CLOSED

Wednesday 14th June: 1pm Caladenia RACF Service

2.30pm: Dianella RACF Service

Thursday 15th June: NO MASS at Broadford

10am Funeral, Fawkner Cemetery

10am-12pm: Op Shop Trading

Friday 9th June: 10.30am: Blue Cross RACF Service

10am-12pm: Op Shop Trading

Saturday 10th June: 10am-12pm: Op Shop Trading

Next Sunday 18th June: Third Sunday After Pentecost: Genesis 18:1-15; Psalm 116:1-2, 11-18; Romans 5:1-11; Matthew 9:35-10:8		
Christ Church, Kilmore	9.00am	Morning Prayer
St Matthew’s, Broadford	9.00am	Holy Eucharist
St Stephen’s, Tallarook	11.00am	Morning Prayer
Transfiguration, Pyalong	11.00am	Holy Eucharist

Daily Scripture Readings

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday	Ps 99; 100	Ps 103
12 th June	1 Samuel 11	Sirach 1:1-20

	Acts 8:4-13	2 Corinthians 7:2-16
Tuesday	Ps 101; 102:1-11	Ps 102:12-28
13th June	1 Samuel 12:1-18	Sirach 2
Antony of Padua	Acts 8:14-25	2 Corinthians 8:1-15
Wednesday	Ps 108; 109:20-30	Ps 119:105-128
14th June	1 Samuel 13:1-18	Sirach 3:17-29
	Acts 8:26-40	2 Corinthians 8:16-24
Thursday	Ps 104:1-25	Ps 104:26-37
15th June	1 Samuel 13:19-14:15	Sirach 4:11-28
Evelyn Underhill	Acts 9:1-9	2 Corinthians 9
Friday	Ps 105:1-22	Ps 105:23-45
16th June	1 Samuel 14:16-25	Sirach 5:1-6:1
	Acts 9:10-19	2 Corinthians 10:1-12
Saturday	Ps 106:1-24	Ps 106:25-50
17th June	1 Samuel 14:36-48	Sirach 6:14-31
	Acts 9:9-31	2 Corinthians 10:13-11:6

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Thoughts for the Week:

Some Christians have asked me, 'what is Holy Communion?'. Even after I explain, they've told me, 'I don't do that, I just have Jesus alone.' Call me a fuddy-duddy, but I simply can't see how you can worship Jesus without worshipping Jesus, because without the Eucharist, we don't know Jesus at all. The Eucharist is not some grand old papist barrier to participation in God's plan; it facilitates and bolsters our participation. The Eucharist is 'Jesus alone', insofar as it is a perfect emulation and commemoration of the kind of death he had to die for our sake. Every time the priest says Mass, they repeat those immortal words: 'this is my Body, this is my Blood.' The Saviour did not give himself up in such a way, preceded by such a cultural endeavour as the Last Supper for us to simply ignore this endeavour in favour of just singing songs and quoting the Psalms ad nauseam and calling it worship. To worship Jesus, one must be ever mindful of his attitude of sacrifice. Everything stems from that word. A priest offering Mass for their flock is offering a sacrifice according to the Lord's command, and the auspices of the established church. There's no frills, no bells and whistles; if ever you want 'Jesus alone', go to Mass and witness the priest offering the Blessed Sacrament to God. Everything that Jesus is, was, and will be, is encapsulated in that simple, visceral and unadulterated act of giving and sharing. It's all focused on the altar: we lay our sins upon it, we offer intercession to it, the priest points their homily to it, bread is broken upon it as witness to the breaking of Christ's own body, and then the altar becomes the nexus of holy charity. In our brokenness, we meet and indulge in the Christ that was broken for us, so as to inspire reflection on the brokenness of the wider world, and more importantly how we can reconcile all that which is broken. There is nothing on or around the altar that is not 'Jesus alone'. It's not a matter of 'tradition' or 'churchmanship', it's about having the courage to witness to the breakability of Christ on that altar. We don't like to think of Jesus as breakable, and yet this quality is precisely why we worship him at all.