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Sacred Heart Parish

NORTH ALBURY

Sacred Heart Parish, North Albury, pays respect to the Wiradjuri people, the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather to celebrate our faith and worship God. We acknowledge with respect elders past, present and emerging.

Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ

5th / 6th June 2021

Parish Clergy

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Mass Times

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6.00 pm

SUNDAY: 9.30 am

WEEKDAY MASSES: This Week:

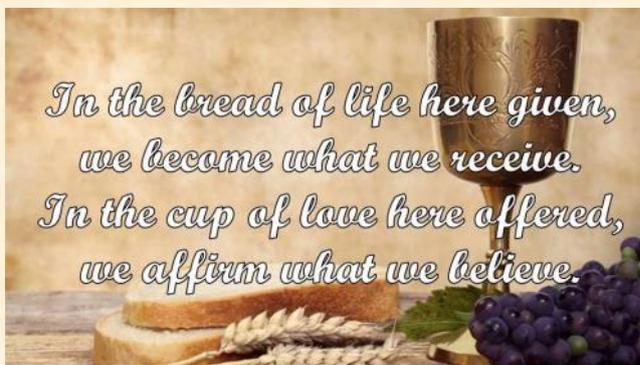
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday (Feast of the Sacred Heart) 9.30am

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 5.15 PM-5.45 PM

BAPTISMS—By appointment.

Preparation Course: 0411 883 661



On this feast of Corpus Christi we give thanks for who we are, and all that God has done for us. Today's readings show how God's plan moves towards a new covenant of love through Christ.

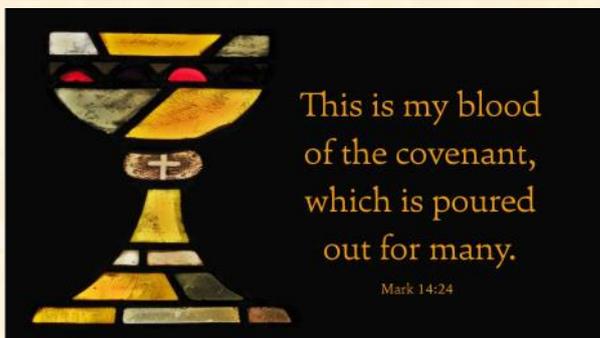
In the **First Reading** we see Moses mediate between God and the people, instructing them about God's rules and commands. For the Israelites, blood is the symbol of life, and Moses sprinkles blood from sacrificed bulls on both the altar and the people to signify their desire to enter into a covenant with God.

St Paul (**Second Reading**) explains that Jesus himself has now become the mediator of a new covenant. Jesus is both the priest offering the sacrifice and the victim being offered; his own blood replacing that of animals. In doing this, Jesus brings 'the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit', which takes away our sins.

In the **Gospel** account of the Last Supper, Jesus shares a meal with his dearest friends, giving himself in the bread and wine, a gift of love and friendship. On the following day, Good Friday, Jesus will freely give his own life, a sacrifice made out of his great love for the world. Here begins a new relationship between God and his people.

Today's **Psalm** is one of thanksgiving and praise to the Lord for his goodness and gift. The psalmist asks, 'How can I repay the Lord?'

As we celebrate the Eucharist today, let us offer to God a promise of undivided love, and an offering of ourselves to the service of others



This is my blood
of the covenant,
which is poured
out for many.

Mark 14:24

Parish Community



We pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Zorka Kresoja, Emma Ronan,

Shirley Sandral, Marjorie Atkinson, Barbara Arnold, Justin Lenehan, Violet Kennedy, Robert Johnson, Mick Heffernan, Norm Frauenfelder, Ron Clayton, Yvonne Rosewarne, Maree Ryan, Dot Taylor.

ANNIVERSARIES: Bill Cruickshank, Alan Lehmann, Trevor Thomas, Anne Dempsey, Peter Hamilton, Peter Howard, June Taylor, Tudge Guziak, Louis Kirley, Margaret Azzi, Desmond Powell, Michelle Kennedy, Edna Healey, Iris Costigan, Ellen Fimister, Marilyn Smerdon, Bill Cotter, Gertrude Twomey, William Packer, Gabrielle Williams, John Felstead, Maureen Atkins, Harry Hay, Margaret McGovern, Kevin Dyball, Albert Quinlan, Tom Emmerson, Bob McInnes, Austin Conroy, Billa Esler, Caroline Bye, Mary Percy.

Gather our loved ones into your arms. Quiet our doubt and anger and send us your healing grace. Through Christ our Lord.

Updated COVID-9 Diocesan Protocols

If you are feeling unwell, have a cough or cold, sore throat or flu like symptoms please do not attend our physical gatherings as this puts others as well as yourself at risk. Our Sunday 9.30am celebration of the Eucharist continues to be live streamed. This can be accessed by website: <http://sacredheartnorthalbury.com/>

It makes our digital processing of attendees much easier if you use the QR code provided at all church entrances.

Otherwise, please continue to use the paper register provided or have your name and contact details ticked off by one of our parish welcomers.

Prayer for the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ

The bread you give, O God, is Christ's flesh for the life of the world; the cup of his blood is your covenant for our salvation.

Grant that we who have been called into this holy mystery may reverence him in the needy of this world by lives poured out for the sake of that kingdom where he lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen



ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 5th / 6th June

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator Lector 1 Lector 2	Kellie Gordes Justin Clancy Jasmine Gordes	Roy Thompson Rom Hayes Liz Phegan
Eucharistic Ministers	Kaye Deanshaw	Sr Patricia Weekes
Cantor Musicians	Brian Waters Judy Foley	David Hicks Val Hayes

Counters: Diane & Greg Bartsch (Sunday) Group 6

Sat/Sun: 12th / 13th June

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator Lector 1 Lector 2	Sr Carina Morton Adrian Mitchelhill Volunteer	Gavin Dykes John Dowling Sr Patricia Weekes
Eucharistic Ministers	Anna Farrell	Gemma Whitehead
Cantor Musicians	Anne/Lachlan McIntyre Judy Foley	Simon Goss Val Hayes

Counters: Nardia Scarvell & Liz Simon (Monday) Group 7



*This weekend we welcome into the community of the Christian church through the sacrament of Baptism: **Rosie May Parascos** daughter of Glenn and Jessica;*

Audrey Jane Turner daughter of Nicholas and Eleanor.

Thought for the Week (Pope Francis):

"The Eucharist affects the way we see others. In his life, Christ manifested his love by being with people, and by sharing their desires and problems. So too the Eucharist brings us together with others—young and old, poor and affluent, neighbours and visitors. The Eucharist calls us to see all of them as our brothers and sisters, and to see in them the face of Christ."

Parish News

Bishop Mark Edwards—Pastoral Letter

Copies of the letter on the subject of Palliative Care are to be found on P10-11 of the May edition of 'Together'. The letter is written in the context of the re-introduction into the NSW parliament of Voluntary Assisted Dying or Euthanasia legislation. Please read and reflect upon its content and message.

Planned Giving 2021-2022 (Second Collection)

Thank you for your ongoing support of our parish community in this regard. The parish is reliant on your generous monetary contributions to meet its financial commitments and to engage in pastoral activities.

We have received 2021/2022 planned giving envelopes (red) and due to the decrease in those using envelopes you may not be allocated the same number.

If you would like to contribute to our planned giving and are not currently doing so please complete a form and place it in either collection basket. We also have the option of direct deposit into our parish account. Please contact the Parish Office to receive details to enable you to do this.

Parish Pastoral Council

Jane Ward has completed her term on the Pastoral Council and Barbara Godde and Margaret Gawen have resigned due to health reasons. We thank them for their generous efforts in serving the needs of our parish community. Therefore, we are looking to fill at least these vacancies. If you are able to offer your gifts and talents in this regard please contact Ed Brown (chair) or Fr Martin.

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will be held on Thursday 17 June in the Presbytery at 6.00pm. The annual general meeting of the Pastoral Council will be held on Thursday 5 August at 6.00pm in the Parish hall. All welcome to attend.

Australian Catholics—Winter Edition

With coronavirus having a significant impact on the economy and people's jobs, it's an important opportunity to consider what it means to be employed, and in particular what's required for a person to have dignity in their employment. The pandemic has helped us better understand and appreciate the workers who keep our society running—many of them in insecure and poorly paid employment. It has provided an opportunity for our community to consider how we can better value all workers, so that their work lead to a dignified life for themselves and the families they support.

The winter edition of Australian Catholics features articles focusing on the connection between work and human dignity.

Please take and distribute your free copies.

Sacraments of Initiation in Sacred Heart Parish 2021

Again due to ongoing corona virus restrictions and regulations we are continuing to adapt a programme for the celebration of the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation.

Confirmation

Bishop Mark Edwards will confer the sacrament of Confirmation on our candidates from Year 6 and beyond over the weekend of 7-8 August. There will be two sessions:

Saturday 7 August 6.00pm Sacred Heart Church

Sunday 8 August 11.00am Sacred Heart Church

Parent/student information and reflection evening:

Tuesday 13 July 6.00pm St. Anne's School Library

Commitment Masses: Sat 17/Sun 18 July & Sat 24/Sun 25 July—Candidates & families to attend one mass

Confirmation Student Reflection Day: Thursday 29 July at St Anne's Primary School

First Holy Communion

Sunday 5 September 11.00am Sacred Heart Church

Monday 6 September 6.00pm Sacred Heart Church Parent/Student information/Reflection evening:

Tuesday 10 August 6.00pm St Anne's School Library

Commitment Masses: 14/15 August, 21/22 August Candidates/families to attend one mass. Children in Year 3 will be prepared to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation later in the year. Dates to be confirmed.

Parents of candidates for Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation not attending St Anne's are asked to contact Fr Martin through the Parish Office a.s.a.p. so that appropriate sacramental preparation can be arranged.

Call for Volunteers

Catholic Education Sandhurst Ltd supports the "In School Volunteer" program which provides assistance to Aboriginal children in schools within the Diocese.

We invite volunteers to assist in this In-School Program at St Monica's Primary School, St Augustine's Primary School and St Francis of Assisi Primary School, all of Wodonga.

Starting in Term 3, 2021.

Hopefully volunteers would have had previous experience and/or interest in the field of education.

Adherence to Child Safety Standard Protocols required.

Indications of interest are welcome.

For more information contact the Project Coordinator: Sr Shirley Garland. Mobile: **0417 674 919**

Email: shirleygarland18@gmail.com

Morning Tea

Many thanks to our family group for their willingness to help cater for our parish morning tea to be held this morning at the conclusion of our celebration of Eucharist. All Welcome.

Let us continue to pray for the children who received First Reconciliation. May their parents continue to be for them a model of God's nurturing and forgiving love. Gratitude is extended to Cass Jones for organizing our liturgy and to Rhiannon Dolahenty, Jason Hollard and Chris Bourke for helping to prepare the children at St Anne's for the reception of this sacrament of initiation.

Liturgy of the Word

First reading: Book of Exodus 24: 3-8

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 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.'

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm 115 (116) 12-13.15-18

(When the Psalm is sung, the words will vary slightly but the meaning remains the same.)

Response: 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**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
Whoever eats this bread will live forever.
Alleluia, alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 14: 12-16; 22-26

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 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.

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, "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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

A reading from Letter to the Hebrews 9: 11-15

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than 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.

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