

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 147:12-15. 19-20

**RESPONSE:** Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!  
Zion, praise your God!  
He has strengthened the bars of your gates,  
he has blessed the children within you. **Response.**

He established peace on your borders,  
he feeds you with finest wheat.  
He sends out his word to the earth  
and swiftly runs his command. **Response.**

He makes his word known to Jacob,  
to Israel his laws and decrees.  
He has not dealt thus with other nations;  
he has not taught them his decrees. **Response.**

**SECOND READING:** 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

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

*Though we are many, we form a single body because we share this one loaf.*

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SEQUENCE.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

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

**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL:** John 6:51-58

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

***My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.***

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



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

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**Jer 20: 10-13; Rom 5: 12-15;  
Mt 10: 26-33.**

**Safeguarding our community:** If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney please call the appropriate authorities OR The Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office on 02 9390 5812 OR **speak with our Parish Safeguarding Support Officer Helen Vaz OR Parish Priest, both of whom will be able to provide support and guidance.**



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**MASS TIMES:**

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6:00 pm.  
SUNDAY: 8:00 am and 10.00 am.  
MONDAY: 9.30am Communion Service.  
TUESDAY through to SATURDAY: 9.00 am Mass.  
FRIDAY: 9.00 am Mass.  
Exposition & Benediction every Friday after Mass.  
RECONCILIATION: Saturday 5pm – 5.45pm or by appointment.  
Baptism: Every Sunday at 11.30am. Please contact Parish Office.  
Marriage: By appointment.  
Anointing of the sick: Please give names to Father Roberto Castillo.

**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST  
10<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023**



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

**FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 8:2-3. 14-16**  
**A reading from the book of Deuteronomy**  
***He gave you food which you and your ancestors did not know.***

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart - whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.'

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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**10 / 11 JUNE 2023 – THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)**

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10AM
ACOLYTE	R MORFUNI	A STANTON	G MOODLEY
READER	B CLARK	P TREACY	C LAYOUN
OFFERTORY	DABBAH FAMILY		VOLUNTEER FAMILY NEEDED
PROJECTION	TONI MORFUNI		
ALTAR SERVERS	GRP 2: ZAC O'DONOGHUE, CHRISTIAN HILL & EL-AZZI FAMILY		GRP 6: SIENNA BUIST, OLIVIA JOMA, ANNA MIRABILE, GENEVIEVE MCPHIE
WELCOMERS	A CHAN & P ONG		VOLUNTEER NEEDED
COUNTERS	GROUP 10: V MAMO	C MAMO	
ALTAR FLOWERS	J KEYSER	JUNE ALTAR LINEN: MIRA SAVIC	

**17 / 18 JUNE 2023 – ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

	SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.00AM	SUNDAY 10AM
ACOLYTE	T DABBAH	D D'MELLO	J KWONG
READER	L SAMONTE	S JAYAMMANE	H VAZ
OFFERTORY	DABBAH FAMILY		VOLUNTEER FAMILY
PROJECTION	ANNA PLEADIN		
ALTAR SERVERS	GRP 3: BERNLEITNER FAMILY, NIARA PAREKELEM & FREDERICK LI		GRP 7: WIDJAYA FAMILY, ANNABELLE BOGER, LENNOX HO
WELCOMERS	A CHAN & P ONG		VOLUNTEER NEEDED
COUNTERS	GROUP 11: P. HO B TANG	A. STANTON	
ALTAR FLOWERS	A NAGANATHAN	JUNE ALTAR LINEN: MIRA SAVIC	

**PARISH NEWS & NOTICES**

**Request for Mass and Prayers.**

We pray for those who have recently died especially Barbara Bencina (*her funeral will be on Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> June at 11am here at Denistone*), Margaret Cooper and John De Souza. Also pray for those who celebrate anniversaries especially Nicola Morfuni, Clemente Maraste, Giovanni Dominello, Teresa Dominello and Rosa lentile. Please pray for those who are sick and struggling with an illness especially Julian Santa Maria and Michael Hahn. Julian is now back home and wants to thank you all for your prayers.



**First Holy Communion THIS SUNDAY at 11.30am.**

Thank you to all those who helped with First Holy Communion last weekend. And we hope to see many of the children return to continue celebrating their communion in our parish.

**A new Catholic THIS SUNDAY.**

Our Brother, Robert Bernleitner, is becoming a member of the Catholic Church THIS SUNDAY at the 10am Mass. Robert will receive the Sacrament of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation at the 10am Mass. Congratulations to him and his family on such a special day for them all.



**Baptism this Sunday.**

This Sunday we will welcome into our faith community Liam Thomas May. We congratulate his parents Daniel and Jessica and their families.



**Prayer and Reflection Group.**

Come and join our Tuesday evening "Prayer and Reflection Group" held in the school hall at 7.30pm. The group alternates each week between Liturgy of the Word and Lectio Divina. Everyone is welcome to attend any week you are free with no obligation to come each and every week.



**Safeguarding Children Training.**

Our refresher training sessions have ended. We thank all those who attended these sessions and especially thank our Parish Safeguarding Support Officer, Helen Vaz, for her time, giving our parishioners so many opportunities to attend this vital training.



We note that many more need to still complete this training if they wish to keep their ministry positions.

**Walk with Christ Procession – This Sunday.**

Due to track work on the train line this weekend, Fr Roberto thinks it is best if everyone makes their own way to Martin Place by 2.30pm using any means of transport they are comfortable to use.

Due to the large numbers of people, it will be too difficult to meet up and form a group.

Therefore, we suggest you all attend as individuals, enjoy and have a prayerful time joining the procession with all the other Catholics.



**Eucharistic Ministers for Nursing Home.**

More Eucharistic Ministers / Acolytes are needed to administer Communion to the residents at San Antonio Nursing Home.



Some of our parishioners have generously been looking after the residents consistently for a couple of years, but now needs your support and help to continue this beautiful ministry to the elderly within our parish. Please speak with Fr Roberto after any of the Masses or call the parish office.



**Like to help the Parish with a Monthly Donation?**

Would you like to help support the parish with a monthly donation?



If so, please contact the Parish Office to arrange for a credit card authority form to be emailed to you OR we can organise a set of Planned Giving envelopes.

**Parish Councillors will be commissioned.**

Next weekend of the 17/18 June Fr Roberto will commission the new Parish Councillors at all Masses.

**Corpus Christi.**

What is the Eucharist?

The Eucharist is the very sacrifice of the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus which he instituted to perpetuate the sacrifice of the cross throughout the ages until his return in glory. Thus, he entrusted to his Church this memorial of his death and Resurrection. It is a sign of unity, a bond of charity, a paschal banquet, in which Christ is consumed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us.

Paragraph 271 from the Catechism of the Catholic Church



*"...This is why the Word was made flesh, died and rose and gave us his Spirit; this is why he left us the Eucharist, so that we could live on him as he lives on the Father. The Eucharist is the sacrament of the gift Christ made of himself for us: he is the sacrament of love and peace, which is the fullness of life."*

Quote from Pope John Paul

*"How I loved the feasts!... I especially loved the processions in honor of the Blessed Sacrament. What a joy it was for me to throw flowers beneath the feet of God!... I was never so happy as when I saw my roses touch the sacred Monstrance".*

St. Therese of Lisieux (2013). "The Poetry of St. Therese of Lisieux: The Complete Edition", p.153, ICS Publications

*"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth,"*

St Teresa of Calcutta

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