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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Sunday Year A, 6-7 June, 2026



Masses

Monday
9am

Tuesday
9am Mass

Wednesday
7pm Mass

Thursday
9am Mass

Friday
9am Mass

Saturday
6pm Mass

Sunday
9am, 11am, 6pm

Reconciliation
Saturdays
10am—10.30am

Pope Leo: Keep beautiful witness of Corpus Christi processions alive

(By Deborah Castellano Lubov, OSV News)

Pope Leo XIV has encouraged the faithful to keep alive the public witness of faith made visible in Eucharistic processions, recalling that this week the Church celebrates the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also known as Corpus Christi.

“In the Eucharist, we contemplate Jesus, the bread broken and given for each of us,” Pope Leo said in his greeting to Italian-speaking pilgrims at the end of his Wednesday general audience on 3 June.

“Processions with the Blessed Sacrament, which take place in the streets of many towns, are an expression of popular Eucharistic devotion; in this regard, I encourage you to keep alive this beautiful public manifestation of

faith,” Pope Leo said.

In the Church’s liturgical calendar, the feast of Corpus Christi falls on the Thursday following the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. However, in most US dioceses, the celebration of the solemnity is transferred to the following Sunday so that more people can participate. This year the solemnity will be celebrated 7 June.

In his greetings to pilgrims, the pope also offered special words of closeness to priests and religious serving in the Middle East.

“I would like to address a special word to the priests and religious of the Middle East: I accompany your ministry and the hopes of your respective countries with my prayers and my blessing,” he said.

The Holy Father also greeted the Daughters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, members of the Montfortian Family and the Sisters of Our Lady of the Cenacle, encouraging them “to be a sign of hope for all those who thirst for God, for his truth, and for his peace.”

Parish Priest:

Fr Brendan Connell CP

Assistant Parish Priest

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Mr Tim Hogan

Readings for NEXT WEEK
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, 2026

First Reader: Exodus 19:2-6

A reading from the book of Exodus

On the third month after the children of Israel had gone out of the land of Egypt they came to the wilderness of Sinai. They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel: 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the children of Israel." This is the Word of God

Psalm

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God.
It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
And his courts with praise
Give thanks to him, bless his name

For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations

Second Reader: Romans 5:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Bothers and sisters:
While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his

love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.
This is the Word of God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
The kingdom of God has come near:
Repent and believe the good news
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 9:36 – 10:8

A reading from the Gospel of Matthew

When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest."
The Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve Apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus; Sion the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.
These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payments; give without payment." This is the Good news of the Lord

Reflection

Where in your daily life can you be a healing presence for someone who is weary, and how are you allowing yourself to be sent as an apostle of Christ's compassion today?

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM

As we continue with this year's program, we would like to remind you that our **LAST FAMILY** night will be held on **TUESDAY 16th JUNE** at 7pm in the Church.

For those attending NON parish schools, your last After School Religious Education (ASRE) class is on **TUESDAY 9th JUNE**. Please be reminded that we **DO NOT** have a class on the **2nd of June**

CHILDRENS LITURGY

As we are all aware, the running of the parish relies heavily on the generosity of parishioners who volunteer their time to run many of our Church activities and programs. One such program, our Children's Liturgy group is growing in attendance and is in great need of additional leaders. Children's Liturgy is held on Sunday 11am Mass, during the school term. It commences at the beginning of the Mass and ends at offering time (during the second collection). Each time, there must be at least 2 volunteers to run it, under the safeguarding policy. If you have time and are willing to assist this group, please contact the Parish Office and we will give you more information. Please consider to help this group.

COME AWAY

Come Away Retreats are conducted at the Holy Cross Centre on a monthly basis. A time for both sharing and quiet time in the beautiful garden setting of Holy Cross; guided meditation, silence, Mass and Anointing, opportunity for individual guidance. Session times: 9.30am. (start with a cuppa) to 3.00pm. (BYO lunch)

Our next session is **Wednesday, June 24th, 2026**

This long-standing Passionist Ministry at Holy Cross is valued by many. We invite you to support it financially according to your means. Suggested Donation \$20 – \$25

GARDENING

The last gardening we have was before Easter.

We are hoping to have another gardening on **SATURDAY 13 JUNE** from 8.30am to around 11am (weather permits). As usual we are hoping many of you will help. You do not need to stay for the whole 3 hours. Every hour you spent

with us will make our load lighter. Please come with garden tools

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP

During the Masses on 13 and 14 June, our family group representative will be giving a little presentation to us all.



ADORATION GROUP is inviting everyone to join on Saturday 27 June between 3-4 pm to attend our Church Chapel for prayers of the sick and lonely for healing both physical and spiritual. Come along, bring your family and friends for an hour, even if you can make it for 30 minutes, let's pray together for the healing of our loved ones. Further details please contact John Hendriks 0418308051 or Johnhendriks@gmail.com



DANDENONG DEANERY

The Deanery council is conducting a talk on 'The Voices That Echo the Glory of God through Peace & Mercy'

Event will be held on **WEDNESDAY, 17th June, 2026** at **GRADUATE RESTAURANT** (St John's Regional College, Caroline Street, Dandenong)

The night will commence at 5.30pm for a 5.45pm start.

Cost is \$48per person (includes a 3 course meal and a glass of wine/ beer)

This invitation is open to all who are interested. Please contact Paddy on 0422 296 961 or email to dandenongdeanery@live.com.au

COMMUNITY AROUND US

Those with early Dementia and their carers are invited to come along to this **FREE** fun singing group which is led by professional singing teacher. The aim is encouraging social interaction with activities to aid memory retention. This activity runs every **SECOND THURSDAY between 1pm-2pm** (starting Thursday 7 May, 2026) at **ANDREW CENTRE** (2-6 Hanna Drv, Endeavour Hills) Ph. 03 9700 4944
Afternoon Tea provided

Readings:

Corpus Christi Sunday Yr A

Deut 8:2-3, 14-16

1 Cor 10:16-17

Jn 6:51-58

www.universalis.com

11 Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

Ex 19: 2-6

Romans 5: 6-11

Matthew 9: 36-10:8

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This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick

Peter Van Helmond, Pandry Jackson, Irma Dias, Eduardo Dias, Fr Chris Mithen CP, Kerryn Carney, Mary Antoun, Anne McCallister, Neville Akom, Terry Gough, Cecile Potier, Mavis David, James Mendis, Oliver Mendis, Hector de Santos, Teariki Sword, Rui Manuel Campos, Ruby Reid, Danny Sugunasekera, Dorothy Locke, Piper Anne Spriggs, Grace Sprigg, Ronella Tyrell **and All those in aged care or homebound with chronic health issues**

Those who have died

Clare Foster, June Kitto, Cyril Sextus De Silva, Conrado Casiano Omega, Carmelo Cicero, Philippe Larosse, Giuseppina Materia, Barbara Anne Tobin, Avita Fernandes, Sinta Nugraha, Milica Kosi, Kuntjoro Setyo, Cheryl Anthony, Leela James, Paul Parer Snr. **and all who are named in our church memorial book**

May they rest in peace

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MINISTERS OF WORD/ COMMENTATORS 2026

	Saturday—6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 11am	Sunday 6pm
1st Sunday	Mary Pegram Liz Spear	Virendra Jayetileke Janina Gorski	Anne Astin Rinku Arora	Stephen Nasalio William Roncon
2nd Sunday	Marg Daly Liseby Lapierre	Grace Sudjono Rosa Mitchell	Mars Sota Beth Sota	Charlene Nheu Mignonne Meerwald
3rd Sunday	Liz Flood Trevor Saldanha	Agnes Giam William Round	Alvita Dias Harendra Alwis	Jeremy Ferrao Reg Young
4th Sunday	Mark Rolfe Karen Rolfe	Mary Moore Jodicee Tenisio	Mary Heaton Anne Astin	Marg Keating William Roncon
5th Sunday	Marg Daly Trevor Saldanha	Grace Sudjono Jodicee Tenisio	Mary Heaton Jennifer Tanti	Lakni Weerasekera Charlene Nheu

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MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST 2026

	Saturday—6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 11am	Sunday 6pm
1st Sunday	Riona Alveyn Lionel Alveyn Lien Phan	Mary Moore Nila Fernando Rosa Mitchell Rohan Wickramasinghe Jennifer Cunningham	Vianney Clark Antionette Gargano Stephen Herbert Biniitha Mathew Patricia D'Souza	Anne Kankanige Peng Chee Vonny Lai
2nd Sunday	Gertrude Akom Mima Arena Carmeline Don Paul	Sig Romano Anabela Costa Aloma Pereira David Goh Rinku Arora	Dominque Maclou Sai Dilingar Naomi Falo Stephen Nasalio Santhanamary	Jenny Catania Brendan Keating Lakni Weerasekera
3rd Sunday	Celine Quinless Riona Alveyn Lionel Alveyn	Mary Moore Nila Fernando Rosa Mitchell Jennifer Cunningham Sig Romano	Vianney Clark Antionette Gargano Biniitha Mathew Patricia De Souza Marie Claire Maillard	Vonny Lai Charlene Nheu Marg Keating
4th Sunday	Bernie Henstridge Lien Phan Celine Quinless	Aloma Pereira Michelle Boissezon Rohan Wickramasinghe David Goh Daphne Goh	Naomi Falo Dominque Maclou Lauren Rafferty Stephen Herbert Santhanamary	Mignonne Meerwald Swineetha Disanayake Jenny Catania
5th Sunday	Bernie Henstridge Carmeline Don Paul Mima Arena	Sig Romano Anabela Costa Nila Fernando Rinku Arora Daphne Goh	Biniitha Mathew Stephen Herbert Vianney Clark Patricia De Souza Marie Claire Maillard	Marg Keating Peng Chee Jenny Catania

Please note that the above rosters are subject to the completion of the required SAFEGUARDING documents and training

