



**THE MOST HOLY BODY
AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
YEAR C**

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LITURGY AND BULLETIN



OPENING PRAYER

*Lord Jesus Christ,
we worship you living among us
in the sacrament of your body and blood.
May we offer to our Father in heaven
a solemn pledge of undivided love.
Amen.*

FIRST READING: A reading from the book of Genesis

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing:

‘Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth,
and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.’

And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**Response: You are a priest for ever,
in the line of Melchizedek.**

1. The Lord’s revelation to my Master:
‘Sit on my right:
I will put your foes beneath your feet.’ (R.)
2. The Lord will send from Zion
your sceptre of power:
rule in the midst of all your foes. (R.)
3. A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the daybreak I begot you. (R.)
4. The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.
‘You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.’ (R.)

SECOND READING: A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, ‘This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.’ In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.’ Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 9:11-17

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.



Reflection on the Gospel by Greg Sunter

Rather than a gospel account of the Last Supper to celebrate the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, we are presented

with what is widely regarded as another 'eucharistic' story from the gospel of Luke. The feeding of the five thousand with five loaves and two fish is regarded as a eucharistic story because it was a clear example of God's presence in a miraculous meal. All of the meal stories in the gospel of Luke are instructive for the audience. Whenever the gospel writer refers to a meal, the meal is used to teach about the reign of God. The gospel writer uses meals to demonstrate who is welcome in the reign of God. Like in today's gospel, the author of Luke's gospel was keen to show that the reign of God is available to anyone who wishes to be a part of it. The reign of God is inclusive and welcoming; no one will be turned away.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

We pray for the whole of creation, reconciled in the body of Christ. May everything in heaven and on earth be one in his peace. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the body of Christ that is the church. May we proclaim his saving death in faith until he comes again. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray that, through the World Meeting of Families events, the church will renew its dedication to, and appreciation for, the gift of family life. May family love be recognised as a vocation and a path to holiness. (pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the starving millions of the world in this desperate time of famine. May nations with food stocks join forces to share their resources. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray, as we begin Refugee Week, for the reform of Australia's refugee policies and practices. May our elected leaders collaborate with neighbouring nations to meet the challenge together. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the homeless and those in low-grade housing as winter sets in. May local communities, welfare agencies and all levels of government combine to provide them with proper shelter. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all who suffer in mind, body or spirit, Ross Lawless, Bob Haigh, Richie Simpson, Paul Fa'Oa, Rongo Tee Peeti, Helen Montgomery, Judy Nielson, Tony Riley, Val Biggers and all who need our prayers; that they will be cared for by loving family, friends and community (Pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the recently deceased - Barry Waters, Ian Vardanega, Marilla Lowrey, Rod Coady. . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time. May they be welcomed to the banquet of eternal life. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

*Lord Jesus Christ,
you give us many gifts
as a sign that, even now, we share your life.
Amen.*

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Tuesdays: 9.30am – 3.30pm; Fridays: 9.30am – 12.30pm

Weekday Mass: Tuesdays at 10.00am in the Church.

Meditation: Thursdays at 10.30am in the Presbytery.

Social Justice Group: Tuesday 5 July 2022 at 10.30am, at the Presbytery

Dear Parishioners,



June Celebrations - The World Meeting of Families | 22 - 26 June 2022

Pope Francis is inviting families around the world to gather locally over June to celebrate and explore the theme of this year's World Meeting of Families:

“Family love. A vocation and a path to holiness.”

Plug into events and resources: Locally at www.marriagefamily.org.au

https://www.romefamily2022.com/assets/media/catechesi_2_en.pdf will take you to “Family love: a vocation and a path to holiness”. Nationally: www.family.catholic.org.au

Archdiocesan Celebrations of the World Meeting of Families 2022 will be held in three locations in our Archdiocese

Sunday 12 June Cooma for the Snowy Monaro region

Sunday 26th June Manuka for the Canberra region

Sunday 10th July Cootamundra for the Western Deanery

Enquiries email lara.kirk@cg.org.au or text 0429 192 869

Vinnies Winter Appeal still open.

“**Help Ukranians Raffle**”, sponsored by the Goldsmith Street Surgery in Goulburn. Tickets available from Wendy Hart either at Mass times or wherever you see her around town. Many prizes are on offer. See poster for details. Tickets \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

Call to Connect (CTC) is a Catholic women's ministry where women gather in small groups to pray and share the faith journey. On **Wednesday, 22 June from 7.30pm to 8.10pm** women are invited to experience the CTC style of prayer and friendship, in an introductory Zoom meeting, including an opportunity for Q&A. To register go to ctc.registrations@yahoo.com and for further information visit www.calltoconnect.org.

The Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation will be celebrated in the coming months. Reconciliation 13 August; First Eucharist 18 September and Confirmation 20 November. If you know of any children, who attend the Central School or home school, who might like to make these sacraments, please forward their parents and their names and contact details to the parish office.

Sr Joan Chittister in Conversation with John Warhurst: Thursday 23 June at 7.30pm – join online with Sr Joan Chittister OSB and John Warhurst (Concerned Catholics) as they explore issues crucial to Church renewal ahead of the second assembly of the Plenary Council in a few weeks. This is an opportunity to experience Sr Joan’s prophetic vision for our Church. Register with garrattpublishing.com.au

“Save the date! Caring for Creation Conference on 17 September at John Paul II College in Gungahlin. Holy Spirit Parish , Gungahlin is holding a conference on how to achieve the goals of *Laudato Si’* – On Care for Our Common Home. The Pope has called all our Parishes, schools, families and individuals to help save the planet and one another from greed, consumerism and climatic change. Our Bishops have called us to respond to: The Cry of the Earth – The Cry of the Poor. Everything is connected.

Saturday, 17 September is the day to work together to change ourselves, each other and the planet. Save the date! Contact: alisonmweeks@bigpond.com

Ministry Rosters: now that we are more or less back to normal in the Church and parish there are a couple of vacancies on our rosters. After 3 years of doing the counting by herself Helen Bopping would like to have a break. So we are looking for teams of 2 (preferably) to count the collections and do the banking each week. Interested persons should speak to Br. Brian. I would like a back-up or two more for the PowerPoint and music. I have two but they are not always available.

We welcome Tommy Gilbert to the ministry of Reader.

Readings for Mass: 1st Gen. 14:18-20. 2nd: 1Cor. 11:23-26. Gospel: Luke 9:11-17.

Readings for next week: 13th Sunday Ordinary Time: 1st: 1 Kings 19:16,19-21. 2nd: Gal 5:1,13-18. Gospel: Luke 9:51-62.

Ministry Rosters for our Masses

Date	Acolyte	Welcomer	Readers	Music/PP
18 June	James	Geraldine	Bobbie/Tommy G	Helen H
25 June	Felix	Helen P	Wendy H/Germaine	Helen H
2 July	Geoff	Cathy F	Wendy M-B/Ann T	Helen H
9 July	James	Geraldine	Michael/Cathy F	Helen H

Ministries of Service:	24 June	1 July	8 July	15 July
Altar Decorating:	Margaret	Joy	Helen P	Cathy F
Cleaners:	Bunny & Ella	Wendy M & Pauline		

Please advise if you are unable to fulfil your roster, so alternative arrangements may be made.

Keep warm and take care of each other,

Helen Hart