



## ST COLUMBKILLE'S FAMILY

### THREE PARISHES TOGETHER

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### Corpus Christi

#### The Body and Blood of Christ

Today's feast helps us to contemplate the place of the Eucharist in our lives. It is, firstly, the miracle of Jesus in which we all receive. Secondly, it is a call on our lives to be something extra for others, "Give them something to eat yourselves" says Jesus. What do we have to give the hungry, the vulnerable, the suffering, the despairing of our world. We have what Jesus had when he instituted the Eucharist, we have ourselves to give. A little time given to listening to someone in trouble, a little time in praying with someone who is in need, a little time to assist with some small task, another, who is finding it hard to manage. The Eucharist, Christ's miracle to us becomes ours to others.

### Pope Francis – on getting older

Dear brothers and sisters: In our continuing catechesis on the meaning and value of old age in the light of God's word, we now consider the healing of Saint Peter's mother-in-law. The Gospel of Mark tells us that as she lay in bed with a fever, Jesus took her by the hand and the fever left her; and she began to serve them (cf. 1:29-31). The fact that Jesus wished to heal her in the company of the disciples reminds us that the entire Christian community is called to be present to our brothers and sisters in need. We proclaim Christ's salvation and the hope offered by the Gospel precisely by reaching out to those who, like so many elderly people in our communities, feel isolated and even abandoned. Peter's mother-in-law then responds with gratitude for the gift of God's mercy by getting up and immediately serving her guests. Within the Christian community, the elderly offer a precious service by their own example of gratitude for the gift of faith and the experience of the Lord's healing touch in their lives. They teach us that Christian discipleship is expressed in acts of charity, inspired by gratitude for the merciful love that touches and transforms our lives.

### Australian Plenary Council

The second meeting of the Council will take place in Sydney in July. This time, the members will be able to meet together in person.

The topics to be covered, discerned after the first session last year are:

Reconciliation: Healing wounds, receiving gifts; Choosing repentance, seeking healing; Called by Christ, sent forth as missionary disciples; Witnessing to the equal dignity of women and men; Communion in grace – Sacrament to the world; Formation and leadership for mission and ministry; At the service of communion, participation and mission : Governance; Integral Ecology and conversion for the sake of our common home. Let us pray for all the delegates as they discern a way forward for our Catholic Church in Australia.

### Next Week Readings Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time /C

1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	1 Kings 19:16, 19-21
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	St Paul to the Galatians 5:1, 13-18
Gospel -	Luke 9: 51-62