

***PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED***

**PRAYER:** O Lord Jesus Christ, rest your weary ones, bless your dying ones, soothe your suffering ones, pity your afflicted ones, shield your joyous ones, and all for your love's sake. Amen. (St Augustine)

Prayers have been requested for the following :

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Peter Hegarty

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

**SICK LIST:** Christina Ang, Colleen Waddel, Jake Bartley, Sofia Bean, Vivienne Mitchell, Shingo Sawabe, Sonia D'Angiolo, Riany Chandler, Juliet Wee, Jean Di Benedetto, Marie Dupois, Abigail O'Donell, Sophia Ding, Terry Owsnett, Ronald Sincock, Dolares Kelly, Mary McDonnell, Irene Warde, Ron Sincock, Val Mai McErlean, Bill Walker, Courtney Blount, Reginald Cox, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Letty O'Sullivan, Tony Collett, Ben Cebuliak, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Dolores Kilian, Mary Ann Boeheme, Maureen Currie, Harry Hunter, Margaret Wiersma, Madeline Hodgetts, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Baby Charlie Shirran, Bernie Pack, Elizabeth Norris, Stephen Deshaies, Ken Hannam, Kelly Blount, Gail Callaghan, Pistang Retute, Vanessa Pritchard, Carol Johnston



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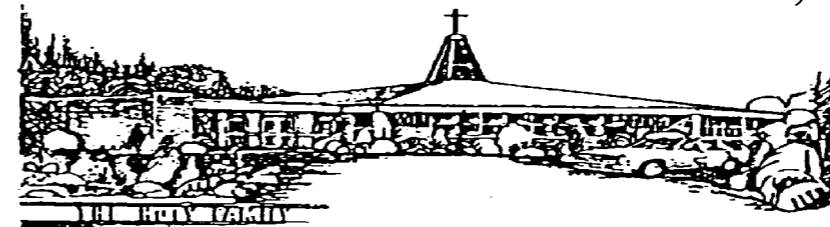
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**HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY**



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2020

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**Hours:**  
8.30am—3.00pm  
Monday—Tuesday  
8.30am-1.00pm  
Wednesday-Thursday  
(closed FRIDAY)

**Reconciliation:**  
4.50pm on Saturday

**Baptisms**  
Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday & Sunday at 11am.  
Please contact the Parish Office.

**St Francis Xavier School:**  
Principal : Kathy Fuller  
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**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)**

**14<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

1st Reading : Deut 8:2-3,14-16

2nd Reading : 1 Cor 10:16-17

Gospel : Jn 6:51-58

**12th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**21<sup>st</sup> June 2020**

1st Reading : Jer 20:10-13

2nd Reading : Rom 5:12-15

Gospel : Mt 10:26-33

**Date claimers!**

July 9 : Church will be deep cleaned.

July 10: Fr Marty's birthday and STAGE3 restrictions eased.

July 14: Second Rite of Reconciliation. (Must book to attend.)

July 16: Private Prayer 10am-11am only.

July 18: 4.30pm Mass. You must book for this from now on.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> of June, 2020**

*While Fr Marty is away on holidays, he has left some reflections for you to consider. Each week there will be a thought about an issue and how he sees it playing out in the world today.*

Corpus Christi Sunday

Celibacy and the Eucharist



I wanted to give a small insight into what it means to be a celibate Catholic priest in the context of celebrating Eucharist. As we ponder Corpus Christi Sunday, what does this all look like for Fr Marty.

**Fr Marty:** In short: It is a demanding privilege. *(I am also mindful that as I write this, there are many people who live in a celibate state.)*

There are aspects of celibacy that sit comfortably with me. Firstly, if you were to see the state of my room, you might consider living with me somewhat challenging. The floor (in my mind) is a perfectly acceptable place to store clothes and books. In fact, any space which is clean, spare chair, table, washing machine is a perfect place to leave clothes.

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There are times when I am happy to be by myself and to be comfortable with my 'alone time'. Netflix is a great time to be alone. Not lonely. Yet to be comfortable in my alone time. It took me ages, yet, I am now comfortable to go to the movies by myself. I still haven't mastered that with restaurants yet. I still like the idea of actually sharing a meal with someone.

There are other times, especially major feast times like Christmas and Easter where it can be very lonely. Not only am I working on these big days, I am a long way from family. I had a big fight with mum over the fact that I would be missing these family moments. Mum of course was right. Mums are always right. Conversely, there is something extremely wonderful to celebrate with big crowds and to celebrate Eucharist with them. Christmas and Easter still mean so much to people. So it is a great privilege to be able to lead these celebrations.

One of the liberating aspects of celibacy is that I have been invited into some of the most precious moments of people's lives. Whether it is baptizing a child, marrying two people to each other or anointing a sick person, these are privileged moments of human encounter. I simply cannot give you words which express the intimacy of a moment like this. Being open to these moments, allows me to be completely free in offering my time. So this aspect of being celibate is really powerful. Being free for others in their time and place.

Society places a lot of importance on human intimacy and the need for people to be together. I couldn't agree more, yet at the same time, relationships for all their good, can be problematic, demanding and heart breaking for people. At times I feel I have been spared the intricate web of emotions that come with being committed (solely) to another person. I can still walk past a couple having a night out and kind of go, 'I wish I could do that'. However, when I am tempted to complain about something trivial in my life, like I forgot to put washing on this week, I hold my tongue. There is always someone doing it worse off than I am. For example; families can be way more demanding with their issues - than my little needs.

With celebrating Mass; there is an intimacy in celebrating Eucharist and this is very hard to explain. It couldn't be any more deeply personal yet also deeply communal. When I was ordained a priest, when you celebrate Eucharist for the first time, your whole body is buzzing with this great privilege. I don't want to make it a me against you, rather, *a harmonizing of what is the body of Christ*. A collective, 'yes', we agree that what I do, and what you do, is right in this space. As we say in the Eucharistic prayer: "It is truly right and just." There is a shared collectiveness that making Jesus present is the right thing to do for the community. It's a win- win. So there is something profound in giving up intimacy with another, for the sake of being able to break bread and offer this to our community - for all your needs.

Celibacy is both a demand, yet also a privilege. Like anything, it requires commitment, 'honesty' and most importantly, a trust that God will bless my body, mind and soul, so that I can be authentic in my life. Through Eucharist, I am able to do all of this and more. With the grace of God firmly in my hands and in my heart, when I say "The Lord be with you," you can confidently say, "And with your Spirit", my body, mind and soul.

Fr Marty

**St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal**

During June, the Holy Family Conference will be conducting our annual Winter Appeal. This appeal is an important source of funding for the conference as it enables us to carry out our vision of "providing a hand up not a hand out" to the people in need in our area. Due to restrictions we are unable to conduct the appeal at Sunday Masses so this year there are three ways you can donate.

1. Pick up an Appeal Envelope from the Parish Office and return it with your donation to the office or drop it in the Post. If required, please include details for the receipt.
2. Contact the Parish Office and an envelope will be delivered to your address. Return your donation to the Parish Office or drop it in the Post. If required, please include details for the receipt.
3. Direct Debit to the Conference bank account; BSB : 064-786, Account Number : 525860100, Account Name : SVDP Holy Family Runaway Bay, Reference : Winter Appeal and your name. If you require a receipt please Email your details to our conference email [HF4216@svdpqld.org.au](mailto:HF4216@svdpqld.org.au)

Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you.

Peter Fox  
President

**2<sup>nd</sup> Rite of Reconciliation**

**July 14<sup>th</sup> at 6.00pm in the Church. 100 PEOPLE. Registration is still opened.** You must book in with the Office. You will need to arrive by 5.45pm to complete the registration.

**Saturday July 18<sup>th</sup> Return**

**Mass on July 18<sup>th</sup> is booked out. Pre-register** for the next Mass held on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July** at 4.30pm. **You must book in with the Office.** You will need to arrive by 4.15pm to complete the registration.

**Office Hours and calling the Office**



Our office secretary Audrey is here to take your calls during office hours. This is a vital service for you, so that you can communicate with us. Please do not hesitate to call and touch base. We are with you at this time.

**MISSA PRO POPULO**

(The mass for the people)

As Parish Priest, one mass on the weekend is to be said solely for the people of the parish. **This mass is the 9 am. Live Streamed!**



**Live streaming- the new normal**

**Be patient and you can always check online later**



While it is important to live stream and be present to that, sometimes if it is just not working, you can always watch it later. We need to be flexible yet also practical at this time.