

**Holy Family Parish  
Registration (Census)**

Dear friends,

For those who were away or missed out on the Registration weekend, forms are available on the back table or contact Audrey in the Office on getting a form. Completed forms can be handed in to the Parish Office or placed in the collection plate. Thank you for your time last weekend in filling up the form.

Many blessings,  
Monsignor Peter Meneely

**Weekly Diary : 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023—18<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

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| <b>Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>: 9.30am. NO MORNING MASS</b>  |   |
|                                  | <b>: 10.00am. Funeral Service—Bernard Toohey</b>                            |   |
|                                  | <b>1.00pm. Requiem Mass—Mary Margaret Tudor</b>                             |   |
| <b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup></b> | <b>: 9.30am. Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group-Parish Meeting Room</b> |   |
| <b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup></b>  | <b>: 9.30am. Communion Service</b>  |   |
| <b>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup></b>  | <b>: 4.30pm. Confession</b>   | <b>: 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A/I</b> |
|                                  | <b>5.00pm.</b>  |   |
| <b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup></b>    | <b>: 7.00am. + 9.00am.</b>  | <b>: 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A/I</b> |
|                                  | <b>: 10.00am.</b>   | <b>: Baptisms</b>   |

**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:** Mary Margaret Tudor, Bernard Toohey, Colin Goldup, Frances Moira Hill

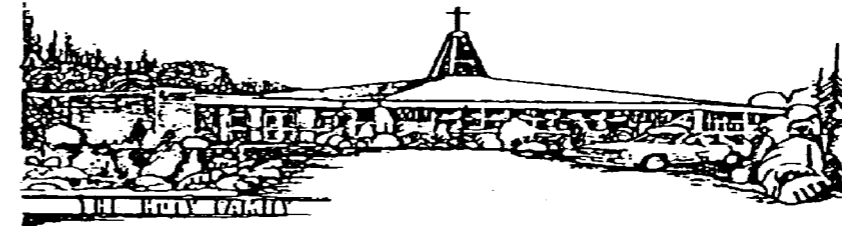
**ANNIVERSARIES:** Carol Martin, Raymond Atama, Harley Edward Kropp, Elli Fachin, Maurice & Mary Lawson, Peg Lyon, Eric Crowe, Marguerite Giles

**SICK LIST:** Peter Lawson, Gay Frazer, June Molloy, Angela Byron, Renee Wood, Gerard Brennan, Jan Dodds, , Gabriel Cabral, Keith Murphy, Victoria Scotchford, Michael Murphy, Ryder Forbes, Alan Robinson, Geoffrey Eaborn, Margaret Cotton, Frank Balinas, Lavinia Azucena, Marta Szysz, Riley Dodds, Kayden Chong, Ruth Stretton, Peter O'Rourke, Fr. David Wilson S.M., Sasha Whelan, Ann Daly, Marie Roberts, Orazio Smeralda, Darren Pascoe, Peter Smith (Ashmore), Joe McAloon, Madeline Hodgetts, Marie Turnbull, Christine Kyriakides, George Kyriakides, Morris Lynch, George Docherty, Christina Ang, Sofia Bean, Sonia D'Angiolo, Riany Chandler, Jean Di Benedetto, Marie Dupois, Abigail O'Donell, Terry Owsnett, Ronald Sincock, Dolares Kelly, Mary McDonnell, Courtney Blount, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Dolores Kilian, Mary Ann Boeheme, Maureen Currie, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Bernie Pack, Elizabeth Norris, Ken Hannam, Gail Callaghan

**Acknowledgement of Country - This is Kombumerri Country - The Traditional Custodians of this region.**

We respectfully acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the First People of this country. We pay our respects to the Kombumerri people, who are the traditional custodians of these sacred lands that we live and work upon. We acknowledge Elders, past and present and emerging, as they hold the memories, traditions, culture and hopes of our Indigenous people.

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY**



**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Year A/I**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

**PARISH PRIEST**  
Fr. Marty Larsen (on leave)  
**ADMINISTRATOR**  
Monsignor Peter Meneely

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

**Reconciliation:**  
Saturdays 4.30pm

**Baptisms**  
Every 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
after 9am Mass  
Please contact the Parish Office.

**St Francis Xavier School:**  
Principal : Ronan O'Mahony  
Tel: 5537 2633

**St. Vincent De Paul Helpline**  
1800 846 643

**Stoplevel Service**  
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**Parish Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR)**  
Michael Nicholson  
**Tel : 07 5537 4320**

**BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST - YEAR A**

*John 6:51-58*

**Context Connection**

This Sunday's Gospel is best understood within the whole context of chapter six and within the larger context of the Jewish understanding of Passover. Chapter six begins with Jesus's feeding a crowd of five thousand from the humble gift of five barley loaves and two fish offered by a boy. In essence, this chapter states John's theology on the Eucharist, as John's Gospel does not contain a story of the Last Supper. In John's Gospel, it is the day following the feeding of the five thousand when Jesus meets up with the crowd again in Capernaum and declares that he is the bread that has come down from heaven. This Sunday's Gospel is a portion of that "homily."

John tells us that all these things happen near the time of the celebration of Passover, a central feast for the Jews, similar to the way Easter is central for Christians. For Jews, Passover not only celebrates passage out of Egypt and freedom from Egyptian slavery but also recalls reception of the Ten Commandments at Sinai and the manna in the desert. After the Israelites are freed from slavery, Yahweh continues to sustain his people through the Law and manna. God does not abandon the Jewish people in the desert. Jews understand that both the Law and manna are life giving.

In the synagogue during Passover, Jesus announces there is now new bread from heaven that is greater than the bread from heaven that sustained the Israelites in the desert: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh" (6:51). Jesus speaks of this new bread of heaven as being greater than the manna given by Yahweh—the great "I AM"—and he also claims to be the "I AM." It is not surprising that the next verse says the Jews "disputed among themselves" (6:52). It was only after Jesus's death on the cross, his Resurrection, and the descent of the Spirit at Pentecost that his disciples fully understood what Jesus was saying. The cross was the instrument God used to reveal a new, never-failing source of nourishment given through broken flesh and spilled blood. In the celebration of the Eucharist, we encounter the flesh and blood of Jesus the Christ.

**Tradition Connection**

Through the Eucharist, Jesus makes present to us today the Paschal mystery, his death and Resurrection. Through the offering of the bread and wine, and through the words of consecration, these simple gifts from the earth become the body and blood of Jesus. At Passover, the Israelites ate unleavened bread, as they do today, as a reminder of the hasty departure that liberated them from Egypt; bread reminds us of the manna in the desert and the belief that Israel lives by the bread of the Word of God; daily bread for the Israelites was a sign of God's faithfulness to his promises. The wine, too, has a special meaning: the Passover meal ends with a "cup of blessing" representing the joy of the messianic expectation of the rebuilding of Jerusalem. Jesus gave a new meaning to the blessing of the bread and the cup. Each time we celebrate the Eucharist, we give thanks to God for God's superabundant blessings. The sacrament helps us recall that all we have is this gift, including life itself.

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#### Wisdom Connection

John tries to help his first-century community come to a fuller understanding of the nature of the Eucharist. This new bread from heaven, a gift from God the Father, is given to sustain the community as the manna had done in the past. However, there is a difference. This new bread, which is the body—the flesh—of Jesus, has the ability to give Jesus's followers eternal life. For Catholics, Jesus gave of himself totally on the cross and continues to give of himself in the Eucharist. Each time the Eucharist is celebrated, Jesus sustains and nurtures the assembly through the gift of his body and blood.

Resources—Youth - Scripture Reflections

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### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING Deut 8:2-3,14-16 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.'

#### RESPONSORIAL Ps 147:12-15,19-20 : R. 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. **R.**

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. **R.**

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. **R.**

#### SECOND READING 1 Cor 10:16-17 : 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.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

#### GOSPEL Jn 6:51-58 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.'

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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.'

### St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal

24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> June 2023

At the weekend masses on 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> June 2023, 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.

If you are not attending Mass that weekend and would like to donate you can do so in the following ways :

- Pick up an Appeal Envelope from the Church or the Parish Office and return it with your donation to the office or put it on any of the collections at Mass. If required, **please include details for the receipt.**
- Direct Debit to the Conference bank account; BSB : 064-786, Account Number : 100025973, 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