

# St Peter's Parish, Surry Hills

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Calendar: Feast of Corpus Christi – Sunday Year A Friday 19 June The Most Sacred heart of Jesus Saturday 20 June The Immaculate Heart of Mary

#### Mass times this week:

Tuesdays and Wednesdays:	Church will open from 4:00pm, Mass at 5:15pm
Thursdays and Fridays:	Church will open from 12noon, Mass at 1:05pm
Saturdays:	9:00am Novena, followed by Mass at 9:30am
Sundays	9:00am and 10:30am

Confessions: Before Mass for Tuesday to Saturday

#### Sequence

Ecce panis angelorum (from Lauda Sion Salvatorem)

Behold this bread of Angels which hath become food for us on our pilgrimage; it is truly the bread of God's children, let it ne'er be thrown to dogs.

Scripture announced it figuratively by Isaac's sacrifice, by the paschal lamb and by the manna given to our forefathers.

O Good Shepherd and most true bread of life, Lord Jesus, have mercy on us; feed us and protect us, bring us to the vision of eternal riches in the land of the living.

Thou who knowest and canst accomplish all things, who dost feed us in this mortal life, make us thy chosen guests, the co-heirs and companions of thy saints in the heavenly city. Amen. Alleluia.

## **Offertory Motet**

Ego sum panis vivus - G.P. da Palestrina (1525-1594)

I am the living bread. Your fathers ate manna in the desert, and they are dead. This is the bread that comes down from heaven; whoever eats of it will not die. (cf. Jn, 6: 48-50)

### **Communion Chant**

Qui manducat carnem meam

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood, abides in me, and I in him, says the Lord.  $\cancel{V}$ . Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord. (Jn. 6: 57;  $\cancel{V}$ . Ps. 118(119): 1)

## **Communion Motet**

Ave verum - W. Byrd (c.1540-1623)

Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary, having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for man, from whose pierced side water and blood flowed: be for us a foretaste [of heaven] in the trial of death! Amen.

**Open Our Churches national petition -** While it is pleasing to see progress made on the easing of restrictions on churches in NSW, our fellow Catholics in some other states and territories are still struggling to practise their faith under unfair restrictions at this time. You can voice your concerns directly with all the premiers and chief ministers by signing the Open Our Churches petition at this address: www.openourchurches.com.au

Livestreaming of Parish Masses - The Archdiocese of Sydney is regularly updating its website and social media platforms with the latest information during the Covid-19 crisis. We refer you in particular to the life streamed masses at which Archbishop Fisher, O.P. is presiding, and to his homilies, pastoral letters by clicking on the link <u>https://www.sydneycatholic.org/live-masses/</u> The crisis is also affording the people and clergy alike an opportunity to get to know better our chief pastor and his mind on various issues and topics.

**Rest In Peace** request envelopes should be placed on the collection plate with the usual offering of \$10.00. *We pray for* Frederick, Edward & Margaret M Hailwood, Margaret D Hailwood (21/9), Joyce Hailwood & Marge Heaney, Joan McEvoy, Fr William Dominic Creede, C.Ss.R, Mary Lewis (7/5), Stella Cauci (20/5), Robert May. Lawrence Macdonald (27/5), Rt. Rev. Monsignor Richard Collender, V.G (11/6) and Iris Mercirca (27/5)

**Financial support of St. Peter's Parish** - Parishioners regularly comment that because they no longer carry cash, they are not able to put money on the collection plate. Cashless financial support of the parish is now very easy via the parish website and the recently installed "Tap

& Go" (donation points) inside our church. The very top line on the website contains a yellow box which says "**SUPPORT US**".

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By clicking on this yellow coloured box at the right end of the website's headline, and following the prompts, one may donate and immediately receive an electronic or hard copy receipt. Of course, your parish still has ongoing costs and bills to pay during this time when the Sunday Mass collections are not happening.

Another new way of donating electronically is to scan the following QR Code with your mobile and then follow the prompts.



Cashless donation is also now available in the Church. For your convenience, there are



Tap and Go machines placed near the side entrance and inside the main entrance of the church. This can replace your cash donation via the collection, at a time when we are not allowed to pass around the collection plate. Each recorded tap donates \$5.

The Feast of Corpus Christi - Today marks this special feast - a time to unite in our love for the Blessed Sacrament.

We would normally celebrate the feast through our Walk With Christ procession through the streets of Sydney, but we can't gather this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP has invited the faithful to spend some time in prayer with our Lord through Eucharistic Adoration on the Feast of Corpus Christi.

Archbishop Fisher has recorded a video message ahead of this special feast day. Please click on this link to view the video - <u>https://vimeo.com/427601264</u>

This Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi which is also known as the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. On this feast day we focus our attention on the Real Presence of the Body of Christ in the Eucharistic species, i.e. consecrated bread and wine. Pope John Paul II, in his fourteenth encyclical letter, Ecclesia de Eucharistia (On the Eucharist in Its Relationship to the Church), reminds us that the Eucharist is the centre of our Catholic spiritual life.

Christ gives himself to us completely in the Eucharist or Mass. The Mass is the sacramental memorial of the complete offering of Jesus of Himself to the Father for the forgiveness of our sins and our eternal salvation.

Traditionally, the Feast of Corpus Christi has been associated with Eucharistic adoration. Time spent in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament and in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament should really be an integral part of our prayer life throughout the year.

Cardinal John Henry Newman – Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, be my sanctification; Body of Christ, be my salvation; Blood of Christ, fill my veins; Water of Christ's side, wash out my stains; Passion of Christ, my comfort be; O good Jesus, listen to me; In Thy wounds, I fain would hide; Never to be parted from Thy side; Guard me, should the foe assail me; Call me when my life shall fail me; Bid me come to Thee above, With Thy saints to sing Thy love, World without end. AMEN