

An hour to spare?

On each Wednesday at 11am before the 12 midday Mass there is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during which there are prayers offered for Our Holy Father, our priests and for all the intentions of the parish. Please come if you can, even for 1/2 hour.

The gifts at Mass

In the reform of the liturgy the procession of gifts was restored to the Mass. The ancient practice of bringing gifts was so important that at times the early fathers had to admonish wealthy Christians who came to Mass 'empty handed'. In the early church Christians brought bread and wine from home. The best of each was chosen for the Eucharist and the rest was given to those who depended on the community for their material needs—especially the widows and orphans. Today the procession of gifts has lost some of its meaning. Now the bread—which actually bears no resemblance to bread—and the wine are supplied by the church. And the gift we bring is money. But somehow we don't realise the connection between the 'collection' and the bread and wine. These gifts we offer, the gift of our lives.

Sr. Carmel Pilcher RSJ

Parish Masses this week:

Monday 9:00 am

Tuesday 7:00 am

Wednesday 12 noon

Thursday 9:00 am

Reconciliation: Saturday 8:10am to 8:40am

Morning Prayer: Saturday 8:40am

Saturday 9:00am Rosary after Mass

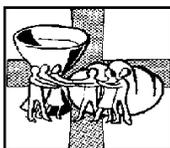
Sunday: 8am, 10:00am 6:00pm

Polish Mass 12 noon

Cardinal Freeman Village Chapel

Tuesday 4:00pm Sunday 9:00am

Friday 9:00am — Communion Service



Bethlehem Ex-Students will be joining the parish for the 10am mass on Sunday 14th June.

Reconciliation Registration Forms

Available in the Foyer Racks. If your child is 7 years or older and baptised Catholic, they are eligible to register to celebrate The Sacrament of First Reconciliation.

Although not a Sacrament of Initiation, it initiates your child into the community that rejoices in God's loving forgiveness.

For Your Diary: Tuesday 23 June
10am to 2:30pm

An E-Conference from Broken Bay Institute

Religion-Catalyst for Violence or Peace?

Probing the Abrahamic Traditions for Answers.

This promises to be a challenging discussion.

“What do I want to do in life?”

Are you a young adult Catholic (18-35) wondering what direction you want to take in life? If you are why not come along to our Vocations' Retreat at Mount Carmel Retreat Centre (SW Sydney) on July 24th-26th. If you want more information or to speak with one of the team giving the retreat contact the Centre: 02 8795 3400

Walking the Camino An 80 minute audiovisual presentation by Peter Kearney about a 700km pilgrimage walk in Spain. Q&A session at conclusion. Locations: Saturday, 27 June 12.30pm. St. Martha's Hall, Churchill Avenue. Suggested donation \$10/\$8 concession. **Limited seating.**

Registration essential:

camino@peterkearneysongs.com.au Please specify event location, session time and number of seats needed.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

FIRST READING: This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you (Exodus 24:3-8)

PSALM: I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord (Ps 115:12-13, 15-18)

SECOND READING: The blood of Christ will purify our inner selves (Hebrews 9:11-15)

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

GOSPEL: This is my body. This is my blood (Mark 14:12-16, 22-26)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.



Next Sunday's Readings

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time B

Ezekiel 17:22-24

Ps 91:2-3, 13-16

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Mark 4:26-34