

A warm welcome to all our parishioners and visitors who are celebrating the Eucharist with us at Pittwater Parish -

Sacred Heart Church and Maria Regina Church



Thoughts of Blessed Francis Jordan
Cast all your cares to the Lord and soon you will
discover that the Lord directs all things to
the best outcome!

Anima Christi

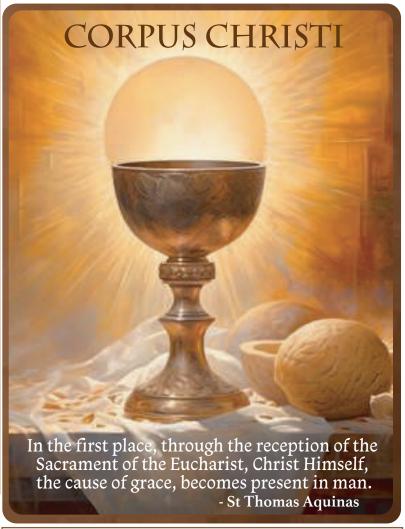
Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesus, hear me.
Within your wounds conceal me.
Do not permit me to be parted from you.
From the evil foe protect me.
At the hour of my death call me and bid me to come to you.
That with your saints I may praise you forever and ever. Amen.

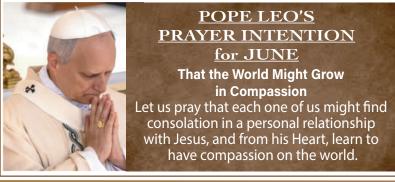




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MASS TIMES

Sacred Heart Church

1 Keenan Street, Mona Vale WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9.30 am
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament,
Adoration, Reconciliation
and Benediction from
8.30 am followed by Mass

Wednesday 9.30 am

Thursday 7 pm
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament,
Adoration, Reconciliation
and Benediction from
7.30 pm to 9.00 pm

Friday 9:30 am
First Friday of the month,
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament,
Adoration, Reconciliation
and Benediction
from 9:30 am,
followed by Healing Mass/
Anointing of the Sick
at 10.30 am

WEEKEND MASSES Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm Sunday 8.00 am, 10.00 am & 6.00 pm (SOUL)

RECONCILIATION Saturday Vigil 4.00 pm to 4.30 pm

BAPTISM 4th Sunday of the Month 11.30 am

Maria Regina Church

7 Central Road, Avalon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 8.00 am

Wednesday 8.00 am

Thursday 10 am 9.00 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration and Benediction at 9.45 am

Friday 8.00 am
First Friday of the month,
Healing Mass/
Anointing of the Sick
at 8.00 am

WEEKEND MASSES Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm Sunday 9.00 am

RECONCILIATION Before Vigil Mass on Saturday

BAPTISM 3rd Sunday of the Month 11.00 am

We Pray for

Deceased Anniversary
Mate Spadina
Mile Spadina

May all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Prayer for the Sick

Anna Śmigowska Lily Janosik Trish Newman Giannina Amore Therese Keane **Maureen Larios Elaine Boyes** Pauline Chipman Ron Clarke Barbara Clarke Anna Katanec **Mother Pauline** Angela Miller Philip Khalifeh Joseph Khalifeh Heidi Taylor **James** Jacinta Purnell - Major Garry Gleeson Kathy Geach Nenita Roque Marie Celine Roque- Maca Ma Lourdes Espino-Ng Jesse Cathersides Liam Gavin

BOOK REVIEW

St John's Gospel Navarre Bible



This edition provides more footnotes to what St John has said in his writings making it easier fot he reader to appreciate.

Train yowiself to find the blessing in everything.

Liturgy for the Week

23/06 Monday, Ordinary Time 12 Gen 12:1-9; Mt 7:1-5

24/06 Tuesday, The Nativity of St John the Baptist Is49:1-6; Lk 1:57-66

25/06 Wednesday, Ordinary Time 12 Gen 15:1-12, 17-18; Mt 7:15-20

26/06 Thursday, Ordinary Time 12 Gen 16:1-12, 15-16; Mt 7:21-29

27/06 Friday, The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Ezek 34:11-16; Lk 15:3-7

28/06 Saturday, Ordinary Time 12 Gen 18:1-15; Mt 8:5-17

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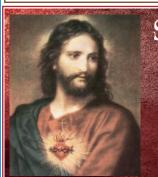
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Donations can be made weekly, fortnightly,monthly or one-off.

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Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Our Church's Feast Day
Friday, 27th June

9:30 am Mass with the School Community and 7 pm Mass
Sacred Heart Church, Mona Vale



The 4th of July might be a holiday in America but in Avalon we will be wearing Hats to help Goibada

I'm known for liking hats – and many of my friends often look for a chance to wear one too. I want to invite you to a very special event, Hats on for Soibada! It's been over ten years since we had a good hat party – so it is time! There will be a prize for the best hat, raffles and a lucky door prize. Money generated will support education and health projects in our sister village Soibada, Timor Leste.

Come along, have a fun night and support a very worthy cause. Nibbles will be provided, and drinks can be purchased from the bar. We will be entertained by the incredibly talented Barrenjoey High and Sydney Vocal Arts student, Sophia Julius. Tickets are only \$25 - when you think that amount is one week's wages for a teacher in Soibada you can see what a difference you make! I look forward to seeing you there,

Tamara Gloper Harding OAM President, Friends of Soibada



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WHAT'S HAPPENNING AT MARIA REGINA? Week 8

Calling all prospective parents!

Mark your calendars - Wednesday 25th June Join Maria Regina Avalon for our 2nd and final Open Day for 2025 and gain an insight into school life at Maria Regina.

- *Meet our Principal, Ms Kirsty Thorpe
- *Experience a student-led tour
- *Hear about our Kindergarten -Year 12 Journey with Mater Maria, Warriewood and St Paul's, Manly
- *Learn about how we value our students as individuals

Register at the link to find out more: https://bit.ly/3BdbBaN Enrolling now for Kindergarten to Year 6!





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Your donations to Pastoral Works help us achieve our mission to help our two key charitable works of the Diocese - the Confraternity of Christian **Doctrine or CCD and our Hospital Chaplaincy** and Pastoral Care Program. Monetary gifts over \$2 is tax deductible. Your help is greatly appreciated. You still have time until the 30th June 2025 tp put in your

Monetary Gifts.





THE SIGNIFICANCE OF CORPUS CHRISTI From: Catholic Online

The Church's celebration of the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, known as Corpus Christi, holds great significance due to the centrality of the Eucharist in the life of the Church. Described by the Catechism of the Catholic Church as the "sum and summary of our faith," the Eucharist is considered the source and summit of the Christian life according to the Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on the Church (Lumen Gentium, No. 11). It is these truths about the Eucharist that inspired Saint Juliana of Liege, a medieval saint, to advocate for the establishment of this yearly solemnity.

Saint Juliana, a Norbertine canoness from modern-day Belgium, dedicated her life to promoting a feast that would honor and celebrate Christ's real presence in the Eucharist and its profound significance for the Church. Her devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, coupled with private revelations she received, led her to advocate for the establishment of a liturgical feast to commemorate the sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Initially, she felt powerless to bring about this feast due to the cultural limitations of the early 13th century. However, with the support of her confessor, John of Lausanne, and her confidante, Blessed Eva of Liege, the feast was eventually approved by their diocesan bishop in 1246.

Blessed Eva played a crucial role in expanding the celebration of Corpus Christi beyond its local origins after Saint Juliana's death. She reached out to Pope Urban IV, who had prior knowledge of Saint Juliana's visions and their significance. In a providential turn of events, Pope Urban IV declared Corpus Christi as a universal feast in 1264, making it the first obligatory feast imposed by a pope. He assigned the renowned theologian Saint Thomas Aquinas to compose new liturgical texts for the feast. During a time when scholars debated the nature of Christ's presence in the Eucharist, Saint Thomas defended the doctrine of transubstantiation, providing a philosophical foundation for the Church's understanding of the

A significant aspect of Corpus Christi is the Eucharistic procession, which holds biblical, liturgical, and pietistic importance. Processions involving sacred elements have a long history, such as the processions with the Ark of the Covenant in the Old Testament and Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday in the New Testament. Eucharistic processions, which emerged shortly after the establishment of Corpus Christi, serve to reaffirm the Church's belief in the real presence of the Blessed Sacrament. In medieval times, these processions were grand events involving entire towns and cities. They were particularly splendid in European Catholic monarchies, with sovereigns, nobility, civic officials, and military guards participating. The faithful would kneel in adoration as the procession passed by, a tradition still observed in certain Catholic monarchies like the Principality of Monaco.

Today, many parishes continue the tradition of Eucharistic processions, adapting them to their local customs and culture. Altars adorned with flowers and candles may be set up in front of homes along the procession route for the faithful to stop and adore the Eucharistic Lord. Processions can span several blocks or even miles, culminating in a different church. The Ceremonial of Bishops provides guidelines for the organisation of the procession, including the order of ministers. Various groups and associations within the parish, such as the choir or fraternal organisations, often participate, showcasing the diverse gifts within the mystical Body of Christ. Hymns, chants, litanies, and prayers accompany the procession, and it typically concludes with Benediction before reposing the Blessed Sacrament.

The celebration of Corpus Christi and its Eucharistic procession provide a joyful opportunity to honor and praise God's gift of the Eucharist. By proclaiming their faith and expressing gratitude for being nourished by Christ's love, the faithful can bear witnes's to the profound mystery of the Eucharist in their daily lives.

Peter's Pence Collection

On Sunday, 29th June, we join with other parishes across the world in taking up the Vatican's annual Peter's Pence Collection. This provides for the charitable works of mercy identified by His Holiness, Pope Leo XIV, including emergency assistance to those in need due to natural disaster, war, oppression and disease.

Your generosity allows the Holy Father to respond to those suffering with love and compassion.

You can make a gift using the Peter's Pence collection envelope available in the pews next Sunday.





Parish Bulletin - Term 2, Week 8

This week, we welcomed parents and students of Years 8, 9, and 10 to the Parent-Teacher-Student Evening. We focused on fostering growth for all students and staff, discussing student learning engagement, effective communication, the importance of attendance, and the robust support provided through pastoral care. Our mission is to help each student flourish and grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ.

Students attended the Year 8 Italian Day, participating in cultural activities like Italian trivia, tombola, gelato, pizza and soccer to develop their understanding of how language connects with cultural practices and values.

Year 11 Hospitality students showcased their skills in the annual Battle of the Chefs competition at St Peter's College, Tuggerah, competing with dedication against other students from the Broken Bay Diocese. Senior students attended a Venio Retreat at St Joseph Spirituality and Retreat Centre Kincumber, opened by Bishop Randazzo. They experienced rich moments of prayer and reflection, sharing their faith with peers from other schools in the Diocese.

Students visited the Jarjum family at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School, Forestville, exploring Aboriginal culture and history through interactive experiences.

Environmental Action Day, our version of "Clean Up Australia Day," was led by our Stewardship Prefects and the SRC. The event brought the Mater community together to do something good for our local environment.

Our Pre-Loved Uniform Shop opened this week, offering parents wearable uniform items at a 70% discount, with all proceeds donated to charity. MWBA Basketball, NSWCCC Opens Basketball Championship, Peninsula Cup Soccer for the U14s and U16s, and Peninsula Cup Netball Competition were some of the sports events this semester. Year 9 PASS students also refereed at a primary school gala day to develop their leadership skills.

Every Friday, our prefects lead Faith Fridays, a special time of reflection, music, and community in the Chapel and Courtyard. All students are warmly invited to join. Applications are now open for Year 2028 and 2029. Please note that waitlists are currently in place for Year 7, 2026 and 2027. For more information, visit: http://www.matermaria.nsw.edu.au/enrolments

THANK YOU

From Three Springs Primary School WA



In July 2012 the Meditation Group of Pittwater Parish had a visit from Reg Maher, a parishioner, explaining to us the work of Sister Anna Warlow. Sister Anna is a Good Samaritan sister, and she was working with Aboriginal communities in Northeast WA. The focus of the mission of the Good Samaritan Rural Outreach, as it is called, was community building and especially the encouragement of children to stay in school. After Reg's presentation to our group, we decided to support Sister Anna's work with our donations

Then in March 2013 we received permission from Father George to hold monthly Coffee Mornings and to leave out a donation basket for parishioners to make a donation if they wished. Thus began, in a very quiet way, the support of Pittwater Parish to the work of the Good Samaritan Rural Outreach.

Over the years, thanks to the generous donations from parishioners, various community projects initiated by Sister Anna were supported by Pittwater Parish. Then in 2019 our community began the support of Khyan Townsend. We supported him from Year 9 through to his graduation. This amazing young man was Head Boy of Nagle Catholic College and received a scholarship from the East Fremantle Football Club.

Then in May 2021 Sister Anna became very ill and was forced to retire back to Sydney. Before she left WA, she had formed a dedicated group of lay women to carry on the work of the Good Samaritan Rural Outreach. Called Oblates of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan, this group of women have now organised a breakfast programme for the students of Three Springs Primary School. These students travel long distances on a school bus from remote outback areas to attend school. They have to leave very early in the morning and need to have some good food when they arrive at school. Thanks to the donations from Pittwater Parish, the Oblates are now able to also supply fresh fruit for the children's lunch.

This is the story behind our Coffee Mornings as they became known. The parish now encourages us to join together for weekly Coffee Mornings, first and third Sundays at Sacred Heart and the second and fourth Sundays at Maria Regina. This is wonderful fellowship building. On the third Sunday of each month, the Meditation Group will continue to leave out a "giving bowl" beautifully made by Graham Baker. Any kind donation given is greatly appreciated and please be assured that your backing goes 100% to the educational needs of young Aborigines.





The Living Word

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 80:17

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

First Reading Genesis 14:18-20 A reading from the book of Genesis Melchizedek brought bread and wine.

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing: 'Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.' And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Ps 109:1-4. R. v.4 (R.) You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

The Lord's revelation to my Master: 'Sit on my right: I will put your foes beneath your feet.' (R.)

The Lord will send from Zion your sceptre of power: rule in the midst of all your foes. (R.)

A prince from the day of your birth on the holy mountains; from the womb before the daybreak I begot you. (R.)

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. 'You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.' (R.)

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the death of the Lord.

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation John 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 9:11-17 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

They all ate and were filled.

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets

The word of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon

John 6:57

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

REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant

This Feast combines the previous feasts of Corpus Christi and the Precious Blood of Christ. It reminds us that the body and blood of Christ were offered as a sacrifice for us, and every time we re-enact this sacrifice, we renew his sacrifice. The Body and Blood of Jesus is the interim meal for the Christian community. We are to feed on it until the Lord returns. We see again the already-but-not-yet character of Christian eschatology, for the Lord has already returned. That means that the Eucharist meal is a re-enactment of Christ's death, an anticipatory celebration of his coming, and a thanksgiving banquet with him present. The multiplication of the loaves and the fishes prefigures the eschatological banquet of fulfilment. Its miraculous bounty assures us of the abundance of that future banquet.

Its miracle of multiplication prefigures the miracle of Jesus as he changed the bread and wine into his own body and blood. Jesus handed himself over as food and drink on the very night that he was handed over by others. The banquet that he prepared was a celebration of the new covenant; it was an eschatological banquet of thanksgiving. This feast

invites us to enter through either the past, the present or the future, for each one will lead us to the mystery that we celebrate: the mystery of the sacrifice of Christ; the mystery of the sacred bread and wine of the future; the mystery of the eschatological banquet of the present.

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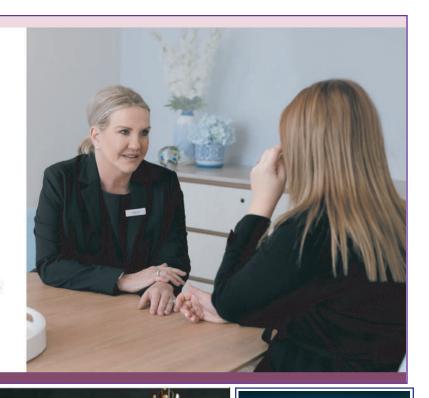
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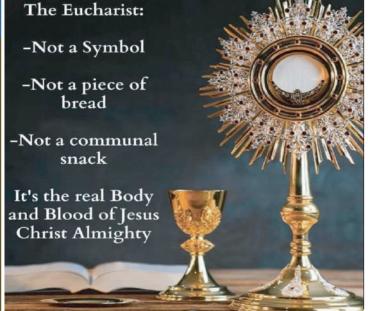
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