

PARISH MASS TIME:

Monday to Friday: 9:00am

Saturday: 9:00am, 6:00pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:00pm

Public Holidays: 9:00am

Family Mass: Once a term

BAPTISM: Third Sunday of each month by appointment

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 9:30am to 10:30am

ANointing OF SICK: every 2nd Thursday of the month @9am or by request

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Saturdays 9:30-10:30 & 1st Friday of the Month @7pm

MORNING PRAYER: Monday - Friday: 8:30am

WEDDING: Contact Parish Office at least 6 months prior notice

Parish Calendar

Anointing of the Sick

Second Thursday of
the Month 9:00am Mass
October 8

Divine Will Prayer Group

Mondays 10-11:30 am
Tuesdays 7-8.30 pm

Lectio Divina

Every Friday at 10 am

Children's Liturgy

Every Sunday at 10am
Mass
Morning tea after Mass

Young Adults @StIves

Every Second Monday at
7pm *September 21*

Carmelite Conversations

Fortnightly on Thursdays
10am *September 17*

Parish Social Craft Group

Fortnight on Thursdays
10am
September 24 at 10am

FROM OUR PARISH PRIEST



Dear Parishioners,

On Tuesday, 8th September Fr Tan and I celebrated a whole school Mass in honour of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was also a Mass of Thanksgiving and farewell for Mrs Jayne Wheen, who is finishing as Principal of Corpus Christi school after eight years.

Students introduced the Mass by welcoming Jayne's family, about 20 visiting Principals and former colleagues, and parents and parish staff.

At the end of the Mass, Assistant Principal Mrs Liz Williams and REC Mrs Penny Delmarge offered a moving tribute to Jayne on behalf of staff, students and families.

This was followed by a visual tribute to Jayne, reflecting her achievements as a community builder, a faith leader and a leader of teaching and learning.

It was an occasion for deep gratitude, shared memories, and a celebration of all that Jayne had contributed to Corpus Christi. Jayne offered a heartfelt speech of farewell, reflecting on how much she has loved working with the staff, students and families of Corpus Christi.

Jayne wished the community all the best for the future, and Mrs Anna Montgomery (newly-appointed Principal) and me (as new parish priest) well as leaders of the parish-school community.

We wish Jayne every blessing for her future and pray God's blessing for the future of Corpus Christi parish and school.

Fr Paul

photos: RIGHT: Fr Paul offers a blessing to Jayne on behalf of the Corpus Christi community. LEFT: Jayne with assistant principle Mrs Liz Williams



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DINNER & A MOVIE AT CORPUS CHRISTI

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DATE
FRIDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2026

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6:30PM FOR DINNER

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FEAST DAYS - SEPTEMBER

Sept 14th—The Exaltation of the Holy Cross—Feast

Sept 15th—Our Lady of Sorrows—Memorial

Sept 16th—Sts Cornelius and Cyprian—Memorial

Sept 21st—St Matthew—Feast

Sept 23rd—St Pius of Pietrelcina—Memorial

Sept 29th—Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael—Feast

Sept 30th—St Jerome—Memorial

PIETY STALL

The Piety Stall will be pre-ordering the **Daily Mass Book 2027**.

If you would like to order a copy, the cost is \$40. Please let the Parish Office know by Monday, 12 October.

Thank you!

Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather and show our respect to the Elders past and present. We also wish to pay our respects to all Aboriginal people.

WHY WE DO THE THINGS WE DO

First things first

The initial part of the Mass (the Introductory Rites) is an important time of gathering and preparation. The entrance song helps to open the celebration, unite us as a body and lead our thoughts towards the mystery of God's love which we have come to celebrate. The priest's greeting (e.g. 'the Lord be with you') and the congregations response ('And also with you') affirms that Christ is present in our midst. This is a time for focusing on the importance of the opportunity for worship that lies before us.

APPEAL FOR RETIRED PRIESTS

We are deeply grateful for your generous support of last week's **St Joseph's Appeal**.

For those who have not yet had the opportunity to contribute - it's not too late and it takes just a few minutes. Simply scan the QR code on the envelope or complete the details and bring it back next week. A reminder that all donations are tax deductible.

Thank you for your generosity towards our priests.

PRAYER ZONE



Anniversary: Bonnita Alphonso

Please pray for the ill: Joseph Chan, Wendy Phoa, Jan Martin, Isabelle Law, Quentin Stewart; Carmel Hadley; Patricia Chaves; Marina Albuquerque; Fr Sergio Chauria; Jessie Chang; Amy O'Connell;

James Frederick Riley; Tom Brewer; Sylvia Fishburn; Nicolette Harris; Marshall O'Brien; Helen McCarthy; Rob Sanders; Anne Jardane; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Thi Nguyen; Fergus O'Brien; Michelle Soumier; Gracie Spencer; Brendan Stone.

'We are still waiting for the volunteers to sign up to welcome new families in our Playgroup to our parish and come have a cup of tea with them. We hope to hear from you soon. Please help us be an invitational parish.'

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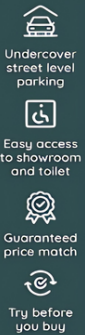
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The Word

Sunday, 13 Sep 2026:
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Collect

O'God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. Through our Lord Jesus hirst, you Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

First Reading

From the book of Ecclesiasticus Sirach 27:30 – 28:7

Forgive your neighbour's faults and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.
Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 102:1-4. 9-12. R. v.8

(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. (R.)

2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. (R.)

3. His wrath will come to an end; he will not be angry for ever. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults (R.)

4. For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. (R.)

Second Reading

From the letter of St Paul to the Romans 14:7-9

Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord.

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 18:21-35

I tell you that you forgive not seven times but seventy times seven.

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time," he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me", he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said. "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

REFLECTION ON READINGS

BY FR PAUL DURKIN

THE 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 27.30-28.7 “Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.” In refusing to forgive those who have sinned against us, we exclude ourselves from receiving God's forgiveness for our own sins.

Second Reading: Romans 14.7-9 The entire existence of a Christian is for Christ and for others. Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 18.21-35 In today's Gospel reading, the owner of the vineyard (representing God) says to the first servant: “Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?”

If someone has had pity on me out of love, then my authentic reaction will be deep appreciation. I will want to pass the gift of forgiveness on to others. Especially if it is God who has forgiven me, I will want to pass on to someone else the liberation I have received.

Mahatma Gandhi once famously declared:

“ ‘an eye for an eye’ will send the whole world blind!”

When we are hurt, we may wish to take revenge on others, to “get even” and to hold onto resentments, Jesus' command is to forgive. We rely on the grace of God to help us do this.

As we receive Christ this Sunday in his Word and in the Eucharist, let us be open to his forgiving love expressed so deeply in this sacrament. Let us allow our gratitude and forgiveness to flow in the same way toward others.

