

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
November 12

Divine Will Prayer Group

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

Lectio Divina

Every Friday at 10 am
(during school term)

Children's Liturgy

& Morning tea after Mass
Every Sunday at 10am Mass

Young Adults @StIves

Every Second Monday 7pm
October 26

Carmelite Conversations

Fortnightly on Thursdays
10am October 29

Parish Social Craft Group

Fortnight on Thursdays
10am
October 22 at 10am

Rose Petal Celebration

October 25 at 2:30pm

All Saints Day

November 1st

All Souls Day

November 2

First Friday of the Month

November 6

Remembrance Day

November 11

FROM OUR PARISH PRIEST

Dear parishioners,

In recent weeks it has been a joy to celebrate the Baptism of seven boys (from our Corpus Christi school) who asked to be received into the Church. (Two Corpus Christi parents are also currently in RCIA)

In 2006, Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI reminded us: "Baptism is something quite different from a slightly old-fashioned and complicated rite for receiving people into the Church. It is also more than a simple washing, more than a kind of purification and beautification of the soul. It is truly death and resurrection, rebirth, being re-born – it is transformation to a new life." (see also St Paul to the Romans, Ch. 6.3-4)

The Gospel of St Matthew ends with Jesus' command to his disciples "Go therefore make disciples of all nations, and baptise them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." The Church continues to remain faithful to that command.

In Baptism, we are brought into the life of Jesus Christ and into the life of the Church, Jesus' community of disciples. Baptism incorporates us into Christ and forms us into God's people. Baptism is the "Sacrament of Salvation".

The Church makes one further important distinction. While the guilt and stain of original sin are washed away, the natural consequences of the Fall remain. We human beings are left with an inclination, weakness or tendency towards sin, rather than respond to grace and follow completely the will of God.

In Baptism we also receive Sanctifying Grace, the very life, breath, the spirit of God enters into our souls, we are restored to Union with God, we become God's adopted Children, and we become a member of the Church.

Let us celebrate belonging to the Community of the Baptised and remember our dignity and calling as one of the Baptised.

Fr Paul



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FUNDRAISING APPEAL UPDATE FOR REPLACEMENT AUDIO-VISUAL & SOUND SYSTEM

27th October 2026

Dear Parishioners,

I wish to thank you for your generosity in support of the fundraising appeal for the new sound system launched last weekend.

I am heartened to report that your contributions and pledges have increased our available funding from \$25,000 (raised earlier in the year) to \$40,000.

While still some way short of the \$75,000 target, I am hopeful that, given opportunity for further donations this weekend, we will be able to proceed with this project to upgrade our sound system in the Church to a standard that will enhance our Masses and other celebrations.

A reminder that sponsorship of specific equipment items or general donations can be made in three ways:

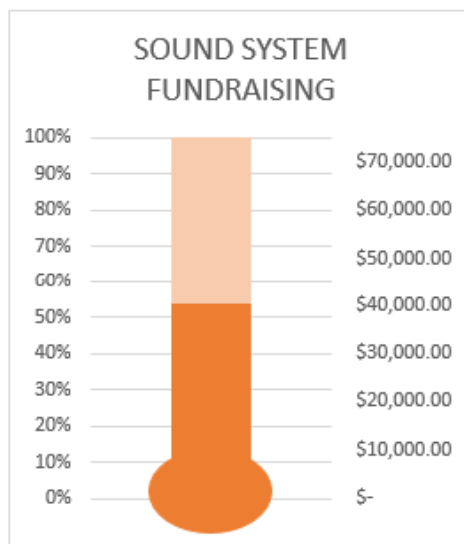
- (1) Bank transfer to the parish account: BSB 062784, A/C no. 100001798
- (2) Credit card via the parish website "Giving" page:
<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/st-ives/about-our-parish/give>
- (3) Cash to the marked boxes at each Church exit

In the first two cases, please indicate that the contributions are specifically for the sound system.

Again, I sincerely thank those who have donated generously so far, and encourage others who are yet to contribute, to please help address this vital parish need.

May God bless you.

Fr Paul



POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER INTENTION - OCTOBER

For the For mental health ministry



Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

PRAYER ZONE



Anniversary: Ophelia Oviedo, Jacoba Oviedo

Please pray for the ill: Angela Mayson, Joseph Chan, Wendy Phoa, Jan Martin, Isabelle Law, Quentin Stewart; Carmel Hadley; Patricia Chaves; Marina Albuquerque; Fr Sergio Chauira; 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.

FEAST DAYS - OCTOBER/ NOVEMBER

Oct 28th - Sts Simon and Jude, apostles - Feast

Nov 1st - All Saints - Solemnity

Nov 2nd - The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

Nov 4th - St Charles Borromeo, bishop - Memorial

Nov 9th - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica - Feast

Nov 10th - St Leo the Great, pope, doctor - Memorial

Nov 11th - St Martin of Tours, bishop - Memorial

Nov 12th - St Josaphat, bishop, martyr - Memorial

Nov 17th - St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious - Memorial

Nov 21st - The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary - Memorial

Nov 22nd - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Solemnity

Nov 24th - Sts Andrew Dung-Lac, priest, and companions, martyrs - Memorial



October: the month of the Rosary

The month of October is dedicated to the Mother of God under the title of Our Lady of the Rosary, usually celebrated by the Church on the 7th. The Rosary is prayed immediately after each weekday Mass here at Corpus Christi.

How will you especially honour Mary, our blessed mother, this October?



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November

November is a month where the Church gives us the opportunity to pray for the souls of the departed, be they family members, relatives, dear friends, fellow parishioners and the souls in Purgatory.

During November, in our parish of Corpus Christi, we will have the opportunity to;

-  Write the names of those we wish the parish to pray for on our **Book of Remembrance** at the rear of the church.
-  Have Mass said for departed family, relatives, friends and anyone special to us. Envelopes will be available for parishioners to make their **Mass Offering**.
-  **Light a candle** at each Mass on the right side of the Sanctuary. A gold coin donation is encouraged.
-  Bring a **photograph** of departed relative to be placed on a stand on the right of the Sanctuary in front of the Sacred Heart Statue.
-  Attend the evening Mass on **ALL SOULS DAY**, Monday, 2nd November at 7.30pm.
-  Attend The **Remembrance Day Mass** on 11th November at 9am.
-  Attend A **Mass of Remembrance** for all in our parish who have died during the last year on Friday the 6th of November. As it is the First Friday of the month, there will be **Exposition and Benediction** at 7pm prior to Mass.

Rose Petal afternoon prayer

with St Thérèse

Through prayer and Adoration, enter into the Little Way of trust and love of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, and ask for Saint Thérèse's intercession by individually addressing and writing letters of intercession to her.

**TALK BY FR PAUL MAUNDER, OCD
THEN MASS AT 5PM
FOLLOWED BY A LIGHT SUPPER**

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OPENING LAST YEAR'S LETTERS | ADORATION
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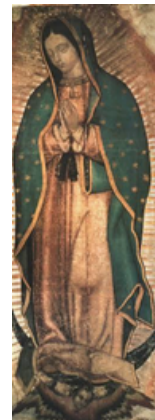
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DATE: Wed, 28 October 2026

TIME: 7:00 - 8:30pm

VENUE: Corpus Christi Parish Hall
263 Mona Vale Road
ST IVES NSW 2075



Watch the trailer



The Word

Sunday, 25 Oct 2026:
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Collect

Almighty ever-living God,
increase our faith, hope and charity,
and make us love what you command,
so that we may merit what you promise.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

First Reading

A reading from the book of Exodus Ex 22:20-26

If you are harsh with the widow or the orphan, my anger will
rage against you.

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You
must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived
as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh
with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with
them, they will surely cry out to me and be sure I shall hear
their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the
sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children
orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man
among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must
not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it
back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is
the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in?
If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R. v.2

R.) **I love you, Lord, my strength.**

1. I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my
saviour. My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield,
my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all
praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. (R.)

2. Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who
saves me. He has given great victories to his king and
shown his love for his anointed. (R.)

Second Reading

From the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians 1:5-10

You turned away from idols to serve God and await his Son.
You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with
you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to
become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the
joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of
the great opposition all round you. This has made you the
great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since
it was from you that

he word of the Lord started to spread – and not only
throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith
in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other
people about it: other people tell us how we started the work
among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were
converted to God and became servants of the real, living
God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom
he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us
from the retribution which is coming.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 22:34-40

You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as
yourself.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the
Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of
them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest
commandment of the law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the
Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with
all your mind. This is the greatest and the first
commandment. The second resembles it: you must love your
neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang
the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

REFLECTION ON READINGS

BY FR PAUL DURKIN

THE 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Reflection on the Word for - prepared by Fr Paul

First Reading (Exodus 22:20-26). God tells the Israelites that there must be no discrimination against or exploitation of the weak members of their society.

Second Reading (1 Thessalonians 1:5-10). Paul encourages the Thessalonians by telling them that their exemplary lives have become known far and wide.

Gospel (Matthew 22:34-40). Jesus tells us that the whole of religion can be summed up in two commandments of love.

By rabbinical count, 'the Law' consisted of some 613 commandments. The question as to which commandment was the greatest was one frequently discussed among the rabbis. Jesus was asked to name one, but responded by naming two. This is because, for him, the second followed directly and necessarily from the first. Love of neighbour arises out of love of God.

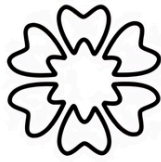
Both commandments are found in the Old Testament. What is new is not the fact that Jesus brought these two commandments together, but that he made them of equal importance.



*You must love the Lord your God with all your heart.
You must love your neighbour as yourself.*

Matthew 22:37-39

James Tissot, The Pharisees Question Jesus (1886-1894), Brooklyn Museum



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