Embark on a transformational and spiritual journey in this year of Jubilee



# THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (YEAR C)

## 22 JUNE 2025

# WELCOME TO ST CHRISTOPHER'S You are INVITED!



St Christopher's is a Missionary Parish of Intentional Disciples, passionate about being Christ to all, through our witness of God's love in action.

### **REFLECTIONS...**

What Is the Feast of Corpus Christi?

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The Feast of Corpus Christi, also known as the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, is a Catholic celebration of the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist—and thus a sacred reminder that, in every Mass,

### Jesus' one sacrifice of Calvary is sacramentally made present and offered anew for "the forgiveness of the sins we daily commit".

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-notyet 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

thanksgiving banquet with him present.

### MASS TIMES

Next Week's Mass Times Saturday Vigil 6 pm, Sunday 8.30 am & 10.30 am Livestream Sunday 10.30 am

Weekdav Masses Tues, Thurs & Sat 9.15am

Priest available for Confession on Saturdays after mass

anticipatory celebration of his coming, and a



### New to St Christopher's? Connect with Us

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**PARISH SECRETARY/VENUE HIRE:** T.98028538 E. secretary@syndalcatholic.org.au

**ACTING SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: MR PATRICK GREEN** 

### Parish Office Opening Hours:

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9am - 4pm Fridays 9am - 4.30pm

**Elevate: Louis Shu** E. elevateyouthminister@gmail.com

Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals: T. 98028538 E. secretary@syndalcatholic.org.au

### **READINGS THIS WEEK (YEAR C)**

1st Reading: Genesis 14:18-20 Melchizedek blesses Abram.

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

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 When you eat the bread and drink of the cup you proclaim the death of the Lord.

### **Gospel Acclamation:**

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

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

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

### **READINGS NEXT WEEK - SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES (YEAR C)**

1st: Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11 Resp Psalm: Ps 33:2-9. R. v.5 2nd: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 Gospel: Matthew 16:13-19

**RCIA: Alison Trudgett** E. atrudgett@hotmail.com

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St Vincent de paul:

T. 1800 305 330 (M-F 10am-3pm)

### St Christopher's website

We welcome you to browse through our new website ... there is so much to see! *Link:* https://www.stchristopherssyndal.com.au

# PARISH MINISTRIES AND NOTICES

### CHARISMATIC Prayer Group

### Wednesday 2 July

@ 7:30pm - Cenacle Room

All are welcome ...

Rosa: 0447 111 270 / John: 0407 182 916



**ST CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH** 

FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup> JULY: 7.30PM-9PM



St Christopher's Church Sunday 6 July at 3pm with Fr Joby

Anointing Mass @ St Christopher's Parish Wednesday 9 July at 11.30am followed by lunch in the fellowship hub

> All are welcome ! Contact Lorraine T. 9802 3183 \*\* there will be <u>NO</u> 9.15am Mass \*\*

# Archdiocesan Corpus Christi Procession

on Sunday, 22 June 2025,

beginning after the 11am Mass at **St Patrick's Cathedral** making our way through the CBD and concluding at **Federation Square**.

\* This is a special and meaningful opportunity for our entire Archdiocese—Parishes, Schools, Migrant groups, and families—to come together in joyful witness to the **real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.** 



Bible Study: Book of Revelation



Facilitated by Gwen O'Brien

Thursdays at 7.30 pm in St Christopher's Cenacle.

June			
days			
25			

July		
Thursdays	*Saturdays	
3/7/25	5/7/25	
24/7/25	26/7/25	
31/7/25		

(\*Zoom repeat sessions (online) on Saturdays at 10.00—11.30am) : June: 28; July: 5, 26

### Zoom link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81708433156? pwd=aTYwN0N1cTVQZzJI25hWkZ6aDNoQT09

Login Code: 08433156 / Pass Code: 803022 For more info: 0423643813 gwendolineobrien@yahoo.com.au



## FIRST EUCHARIST 2025

Congratulations to our First Eucharist candidates who are receiving the sacrament for the first time at 2pm this Sunday 22 June at Holy Saviour Parish.

Thank you to the teachers and families who have helped prepare the children for this occasion.



Now available for St Christopher's Parish - on your device wherever you are! **Sign up is FREE ...** You will find online faith formation resources for all ages such as videos, movies, Bible Studies and much more available at your finger tip. To create an account follow the prompts : https://formed.org/signup

# **OTHER NOTICES**



**2025 Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee** will be a significant time for us Catholics offering us opportunities for spiritual renewal. It provides a period for believers to reflect, embark on pilgrimages, and receive special indulgences sanctioned by the Church.

Here are 13 designated pilgrim places in our Archdiocese:

- St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne
- St Mary Star of the Sea (Archdiocese Shrine of the Holy Family), West Melbourne
- St Mary MacKillop, Keilor Downs
- ♦ St Luke's, Lalor
- St Mary Magdalene's, Trentham
- Polish Marian Shrine, Aberfeldie/Essendon
- ◆ St Dominic's, Camberwell East
- St Francis Xavier, Mansfield
- Sacred Heart, Croydon
- Divine Mercy Shrine, Keysborough
- Our Lady of Lavang, Keysborough
- St Patrick's, Mentone
- St Macartan's, Mornington

### Did you know?

### Points of interest and Catholic lore

- The actions of our eucharistic celebration are based on Jesus' actions in this gospel text and later during the Last Supper. These actions involve the priest taking the bread, blessing it, breaking it and distributing it to all who come to the table.
- The twelve baskets full of remaining food signify that the Eucharist can meet all our needs. The abundance of the Eucharist is enough—indeed, more than enough—to fill and sustain us.
- The abundant feast is an image associated with the coming of the Messiah and the advent of God's kingdom. In this gospel text, Jesus brings an experience of God's reign in the present time to those whom he fed in such abundance.

# PIETY 🕀 STALL

St Christopher's Piety Store : We have an eclectic range of religious items to purchase. Available after mass in the Narthex.

Thank you for your kind support ...

### St. Vincent De Paul Society

The St. Vincent De Paul Society would appreciate your kind donations of items such as pasta, sauces, soup, noodles, coffee, tea, tinned/canned tuna, corned beef etc., tooth paste, tooth brushes, detergent, household cleaning products. Thank you for all your support and generosity.

### **!! FOOD DONATION NEEDED !!**

#### Acknowledgment of Country -

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land of the Kulin Nation. We pay our respect to them and their cultures.



# **PARISH MINISTRIES & NOTICES**

### **1ST COLLECTION - PRESBYTERY**

### May 2025 : \$ 8,813.95

This collection supports Fr Ralph and other priests in our Parish

# ROSTER

2ND COLLECTION - THANKSGIVING OFFERING

### May 2025 : \$ 15,733.30

This collection goes towards the running costs of the Parish and supports all the Ministries

### THANKSGIVING CONTRIBUTION TO ST CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH

Your kind donation helps support our community



### Week Beginning Monday 23 June 2025

Prayer Leaader	Reader	Prayers of the Faithful	Counters	
Tuesday 9.15am	Louise Pagliaro	Anne & Fred Choy	<u>Ashley D Silva,</u> David Whalan, John Corin	
Thursday 9.15am	John Hackett	Flowers		
Saturday 9.15am	Marquetta Manokaran	Natalia Tjahjono	John Cohn	
Duty	6pm	8:30am	10:30am	
Sacristan	David & Erlin Tenggara	Susan Lee	Chris De Silva	
Altar Server	Shaina Chaugule, 2 x Volunteers	Amy Thomas, Malone De Silva	CHILDREN'S CHOIR	
Commentator	Andy Lim	Jon Chavarria	CHILDREN'S CHOIR	
Reader	Gwen O'Brien	Phil Green	CHILDREN'S CHOIR	
Eucharistic Minister	Tony Hough, Christine Sorbello	Shivanthi & Gerard Chitty	Genny Leeworthy, Catherine Drake, Cheryl Hackett	
Welcome Desk	-	-	Loretta Stapleton	
Greeters	Edna Louzado	Mina Ierufi	CHILDREN'S CHOIR	
Ushers	Volunteer	Eunice Wong	CHILDREN'S CHOIR	
Videographer	-	-	Phil Eales	
Music	GRAE'S GROUP	RECORDED MUSIC	CHILDREN'S CHOIR	
Morning Tea	-	Shivanthi & Gerard Chitty	CHILDREN'S CHOIR	

### In Faith, Hope and Love, let us pray for repose of the souls of ......

### **Recently Deceased:**

**Death Anniversaries:** Nicola Di Sario, Marjorie Deegan, Franciszek Jaskola, Mary Carmelita Bourke, Paul Owczarek (Of-char-ek), Kathleen Canavan, Wah Cheung, Cath Hallam, Richard Logan, Mary Neville, Timothy Chong, Verna Clark, John Molloy, Frank McManus, Edmundo, Aquino, Olga Kunning, Paul D'Unienville, Marija Grabar, Audrey Donovan, Tom Fogarty, Fr John Hennessy SAC, Anthony Claxton, Priscilla Pruna, Regi D'Souza, Geraldine Cross, Agustinus Agoes Purnomo.