

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

COMMITMENT STATEMENT

The emotional, physical and spiritual safety, well-being and dignity of Children and Adults is an integral part of the teachings and values of the Catholic Church. The Archdiocese is wholly committed to ensuring the safety, well-being and dignity of all Children and Adults at Risk, and acknowledge its important legal, moral and spiritual responsibility to create a safe and nurturing environment for those Children and Adults.



CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE IS A CRIME. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the Police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the Police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on phone (02) 9390 5813 or via email SafeguardingEnquiries@SydneyCatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest. The Archdiocese of Sydney has a legal obligation to report crimes to the Police.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK CLEARANCE

You must keep your personal details up to date so that you can be contacted about your Working with Children Check (WWCC). Go to <https://ocg.nsw.gov.au/working-children-check/apply-wwcc/update-or-upgrade-your-wwcc-details> for more information. Please provide the Parish office with a copy of your WWCC. Thank you.

The Catholic Weekly

IN THIS WEEK'S EDITION

- Chaldean Patriarch calls for renewal.
 - Archbishop urges Eucharistic devotion.
 - Poker machine losses soar in Sydney.
 - Universities face identity challenge.
 - See Vatican scholar Dr Mary Healy in Sydney.
- Copies available at the entrances for \$2.00. Proceeds to St Vincent de Paul.

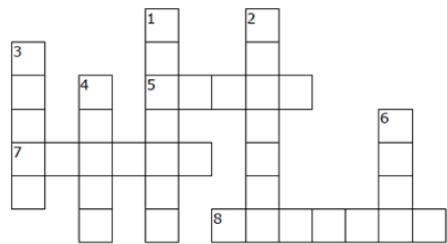
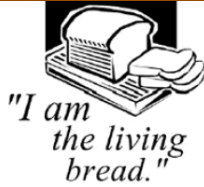


KIDS CORNER

Heavenly Bread

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world." John 6:51 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on John 6:41-51



ACROSS

- To gain knowledge through experience or study
- To make an effort to hear something; to pay attention
- A person who speaks for God; Isaiah, for example

DOWN

- To accept as true or real
- For everlasting time; eternally
- The earth with its inhabitants
- The Son of God
- To continue to be alive

LIVE	BELIEVE	FOREVER	PROPHET
LEARN	LISTEN	WORLD	JESUS

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FEAST DAYS OF JUNE

MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

- MON 1 JUN—St Justin
- TUE 2 JUN—Sts Marcellinus & Peter
- WED 3 JUN—St Charles Lwanga
- THU 4 JUN—St Aldegryn of Baume
- FRI 5 JUN—St Boniface
- SAT 6 JUN—St Norbert;
St Marcellin Champagnat



- SUN 7 JUN—THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)
- MON 8 JUN—St Calliope
- TUE 9 JUN—St Ephrem
- WED 10 JUN—St Faustina of Czycus
- THU 11 JUN—St Barnabas
- FRI 12 JUN—THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS
- SAT 13 JUN—St Anthony of Padua
- SUN 14 JUN—Elisha the Prophet

Five First Saturdays

- * Make a good Confession to be in a state of grace.
- * Receive Holy Communion with the intention of Reparation for the sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Communion of Reparation is the central act in making the Five First Saturdays.
- * Pray the five decades of the Rosary with the intention of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
- * Keep Jesus and Mary company for 15 minutes while meditating on one or more mysteries of the Rosary.

In the End, My Immaculate Heart Will Triumph

Guest Speaker
Dr. Mary Healy
Renowned International Speaker & Author

6:00 PM Wednesday, June 17, 2026
Rosehill Gardens, Sydney

tfo.org.au

HEALING MASS

SUN 14 JUN, 6:00PM, ST JOSEPH BELMORE

Fr. Justin Torres, a priest of the Oblate Apostles of the Two Hearts of Jesus and Mary, will celebrate a Healing Mass here in our church.

Fr. Justin has established a place in the hearts of many Australians as he shares his ministry of Discernment and Healing from Jesus, through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and emphasises the Love of Jesus and Mary for all. We urge you to bring your family and friends to experience this beautiful occasion.



We are called to reach out to everyone with the Love of God.

NEWSLETTER

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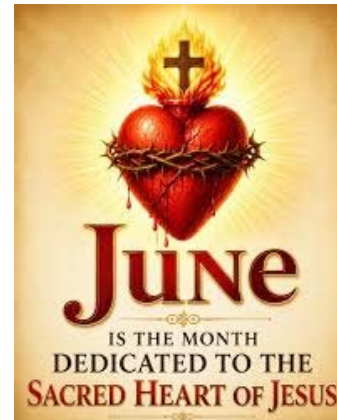
Mon–Sat: 9:00am
Sat: 5:30pm Vigil Mass
Sun: 8:00am & 10:00am
Youth Mass: 7:00pm
(First Friday of the Month)
Tongan Mass: 2:00pm
(Last Sunday of the Month)
Filipino Mass: 3:00pm
(First Sunday of the Month)
RECONCILIATION: Wed 6:00pm–6:45pm,
Sat 4:00pm–5:15pm
ADORATION & BENEDICTION:
Wed 6:00pm–7:00pm
Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals by
appointment, please contact the office.

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ST JOSEPH BELMORE NEWSLETTER

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

—MyCatholic.life

REFLECTION FOR TODAY

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi originated with Saint Juliana of Cornillon who was born near Liège, Belgium around 1191. Orphaned at the age of five, Juliana and her sister were entrusted to the care of Augustinian nuns. Within the convent, Juliana grew in her faith, participated in Eucharistic adoration, and frequented Holy Communion. Eventually, she joined the Augustinian order.

At age sixteen, Juliana had a mystical vision during Eucharistic adoration in which she saw the moon with a dark stripe. By divine intuition, she understood that the moon symbolized the Church's life on earth, and the dark stripe symbolized the absence of a feast dedicated to the Body and Blood of Christ. Though she had the same vision several more times, she kept it to herself for twenty years.

Around age thirty-six, Juliana shared her vision with two holy women. Together, the three grew in their love of Christ in the Eucharist, adoring His hidden presence and receiving Holy Communion frequently. After sharing her vision with the bishop, he reluctantly approved an annual feast to honour the Blessed Sacrament; other bishops followed. As word spread about Juliana's visions, her superior and some clergy opposed her. She took refuge in various Cistercian monasteries for ten years.

Juliana died at the age of sixty-seven while adoring the Most Blessed Sacrament in her cell. A local Archdeacon in Liège, Jacques Pantaléon of Troyes, who was familiar with Juliana and her visions, was elected Pope Urban IV in 1261. He believed that a universal Corpus Christi feast was God's will.

In 1263, a Eucharistic miracle took place in Bolsena, Italy. A German priest named Father Peter of Prague stopped at the local church to offer Mass during a pilgrimage at the tomb of Saint Christina, a fourth-century martyr. Father Peter was struggling to believe in the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist. During the consecration, blood flowed from the host he was holding onto his hands and the linen corporal on the altar. He immediately went to Pope Urban, who was staying nearby, to reveal the miracle and his lack of faith. The pope absolved him and sent a delegation to investigate. The delegation brought the corporal to the cathedral in Orvieto, where it remains enshrined today.

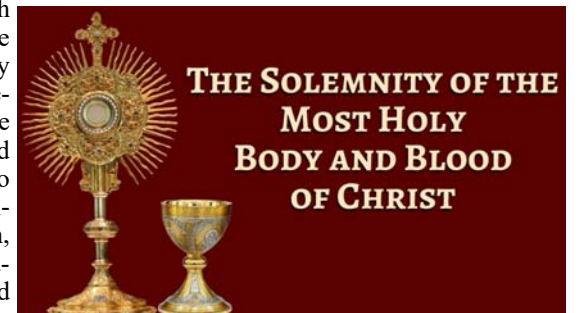
In 1264, Pope Urban instituted the universal Solemnity of Corpus Christi on the Thursday after the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, in honour of the day that the Eucharist was instituted. He asked the renowned theologian Father Thomas Aquinas to compose the liturgical texts for the feast. Among the texts the future saint and Doctor of the Church composed are the revered hymns, "Pange Lingua," "Tantum Ergo," "Panis Angelicus," and "O Salutaris Hostia."

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi has grown and become an important annual celebration, often including Eucharistic processions, adoration, and Mass. Where it is not a holy day of obligation, the solemnity is moved to the following Sunday so as to extend the celebration to the entire people of God. In 1869, Pope Pius IX canonized Saint Juliana of Liège, adding greater credence to her miraculous visions and solidifying the importance of this holy solemnity.

My Eucharistic Lord, please instil in me a profound love for You truly present in the Most Holy Eucharist. May I always adore You, believe in You, hope in You, and love You. I pray that my faith and devotion to You in this Most Holy Sacrament will more fully unite my soul to Yours and will be a source of reparation for the indifference with which You are so often treated. Jesus, present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar, I trust in You.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to find ways, centred on the love of God, to provide a welcoming Parish, a place of spiritual nourishment, and a home to a community that supports everyone and encourages them to contribute their gifts.



THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

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READINGS OF THE DAY

FIRST READING

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY

8:2—3, 14—16

He gave you food which you and your ancestors did not know.

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and to know your inmost heart — whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known'.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Dan 3:52—56

R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

1. O praise the Lord, Jerusalem! Zion, praise your God! He has strengthened the bars of your gates, he has blessed the children within you. R.
2. He established peace on your borders, he feeds you with finest wheat. He sends out his word to the earth and swiftly runs his command. R.
3. He makes his word known to Jacob, to Israel his laws and decrees. He has not dealt thus with other nations; he has not taught them his decrees. R.

SECOND READING

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF ST PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

10:16—17

Though we are many, we form a single body because we share this one loaf.

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

The word of the Lord.

SEQUENCE

Sing forth, O Zion, sweetly sing...

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

6:51—58

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

Jesus said to the Jews:

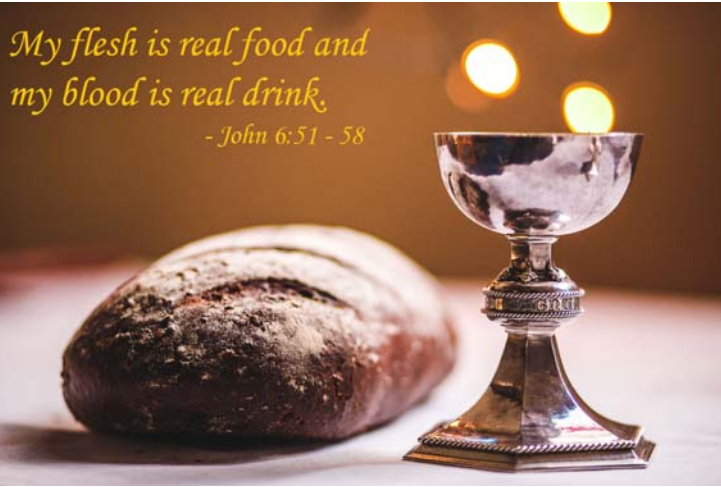
'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world'.

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever'.

The Gospel of the Lord.

My flesh is real food and
my blood is real drink.
- John 6:51 - 58



NEXT WEEK: 14 JUN 26—ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR A

READINGS:

Reading 1: Exodus 19:2—6

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 99:2—3, 5

Reading 2: Romans 5:6—11

Gospel: MATTHEW 9:36—10:8

The Word of the Lord



PARISH / LOCAL NEWS

Volunteers Needed

CAN YOU HELP?

We need your help especially during our Sunday liturgies. If you're able to, please send your details to the Parish Office via email: admin@StJosephBelmore.org.au stating which ministry you'd like to help—Collector, Lector, Choir, Eucharistic Minister etc. Thank you for your support and God bless you.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION—REMINDER

During Holy Hour (Adoration & Benediction) from 6:00pm to 7:00pm every Wednesday evening, Father will also be available for confession. All Welcome.



Exposition of the
Most Blessed Sacrament
Every Sunday after 8:00am Mass
Please join us as we prepare for Eucharistic 2028

Solemnity of the
Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ
Corpus Christi
Eucharistic Procession &
Holy Mass
9:30am, Sunday 7 June
St Joseph Parish Belmore

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION PROGRAM 2026

DATE	EVENT
Sat 13 Jun – after Vigil Mass	Session Two
Sat 20 Jun – after Vigil Mass	Session Three
Sat 27 Jun – after Vigil Mass	Session Four
Sat 25 Jul – 9:00am – 12:00pm	Reflection / Rehearsal
SUN 2 AUG – 12:30PM	CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, SYDNEY

NOTE: It is a requirement for all candidates along with at least one parent / guardian attend and participate in ALL sessions, except the Parent Information Evening.

Prayer Requests
& Special Intentions

Please contact the Parish Office for your prayer requests and intentions. Email: admin@StJosephBelmore.org.au Phone: +61 2 9759 1280
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



DEATH ANNIVERSARY—JUNE

1st—Michael Allen; Alan Haynes; 2nd—Tito Masejar; Isaac Clifford; 3rd—Eileen E. Coates; John Cracknell; 4th—Adea Ativa; 5th—Rogelio Jya Maria; 6th—Francis H. Dee; Lena McNally; Ivo Grdenic; Giuseppe De Fina; 7th—Margaret Oudin; Fouad Horkos; 8th—Anthony Pensabene; Beatrice I. Dowe; William B. Michael; Kevin E. Brown; Kata Grdenic; William J. Knight; Josephine El Kadi; 9th—Boutros Deeb; Thomas Michael Rolls; 10th—Iris Dorrington; Charles Thomas Orr; Mary Keatings; 12th—Honnorah C. O'Brien; Henry McNally; John Phillpot; 13th—Iris Beauchamp; Andrew Fisher; Joseph George Abi-Nader; 14th—Gladys M. Acret; James B. Salmon; 15th—Christine Power; Ford Monsour; Lillian A. Spratt; 16th—Bernard K. Ewing; 17th—Maria Camelotti; Colin Sipple; Tony Eid; 18th—Henry C. Salmon; 19th—Mickey Attard; Cliff Crockett; 20th—Carmelo Gauci; Mary A. Toohey; Najib Ramya; Joe Pieris; Sylvia J. Downers (Metcalf); 21st—William Geale; Cedric J. Ewing; 23rd—Eileen Feeney; Frank Lodge; Ken Rees; Albert Thring; Michael Moses; 24th—Ivy E. Hennessy; Natalina Vespa; Leo Nagawa; 25th—Mary Walsh; 26th—Irene F. Allan; Kenneth S. Thomas; Antoine Comarmond; Ulado Krsnik; 27th—Hazel E. Neate; David Marcus; Carmelo Cilia; Joan Auan; Frank Mercuri; 28th—Jennifer Boulis; Louis G. Norrette; Augustin J. Norrette; 29th—Mary A. Brady; Giovanni Romeo; 30th—Dorothy N. Ewing; Alice MacDonald; James Smith; Margaret Steward.

LET'S KEEP OUR CHURCH CLEAN

Our church is cleaned by volunteers

Please place any rubbish you have into the bins at the entrances, or take them home with you. Please contact the office on 9759 1280 or email admin@StJosephBelmore.org.au if you can help. Thank you for keeping our church clean.



NOTICE
NO FOOD OR DRINKS
ALLOWED IN CHURCH

2026 NATIONAL COUNT OF ATTENDANCE
Mass attendance counts will be conducted at each of our Masses from this weekend for three weeks. Please remain until the end of Mass to get our count correct. Thank you.

Children's Liturgy
ST JOSEPH BELMORE PARISH HALL
Every Sunday during 10:00am Mass, in the Hall. All children and parents welcome. Children under 3yrs MUST be accompanied by an adult (parent/guardian). Sharing the Gospel in a child-friendly way.

Solemnity of the Most
Sacred Heart of Jesus
Mass – 7:00pm, Friday 12 June
All welcome!

St Joseph Parish Belmore
SISTINE CHAPEL
REVELATIONS
AN IMMERSIVE EXHIBITION
MVSEI VATICANI
Bus trip to St Mary's Cathedral.
Saturday 27 June, 11:00am.
Bus leaves at 10:00am & returns at 2:00pm. Contact Fred 0417 220 305 for more details.