

Year A  
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ  
7th June 2026  
Liturgical Colour: White



ST. WILLIAM'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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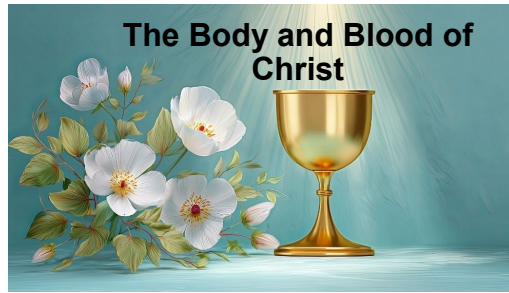
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PLEASE TAKE YOUR NEWSLETTER WITH YOU, DON'T PUT IT BACK!



On today's feast, we are inviting you to remember your First Communion: the place, the preparation, the feelings that unfolded, the people, the dressing up, and the celebration. What do you remember? If you are of a certain age, you may recall

the twelve-hour fast in preparation, with mothers making food the night before; hungry children's eyes were reminded that eating that Sao with tomato and cheese now would render you ineligible for your First Communion the next morning.

There was, and is, a seriousness about First Communion, and about encouragement to make visits in adoration to the Blessed Sacrament in the church, often beside the Catholic school.

How has my relationship with the Lord I receive in Communion developed in the years since? Do I seek to feel the deep compassion Jesus has for me? Stay a while with this...

The Body of Christ we receive is also a definition of the people who gather at this time. As Brendan Byrne, S.J. writes on the Australian Catholics parish life website, the reading from 1 Corinthians 10 declares that "sharing in the Eucharistic bread and cup creates for believers 'communion' in two 'directions', so to speak: 'horizontally' with each other, 'vertically' with Christ."

The first reading from Deuteronomy 8 tells of the manna in the desert that enabled the survival of God's People, led by Moses. But, whereas they died, Jesus promises in the Bread of Life passage from John 6 that those who eat this Bread - Himself, the One who has come down from heaven - will live forever. It is the Risen Christ we receive in the Eucharist.

For Paul in 1 Corinthians 10, partaking in the Eucharistic meal is inviting us to be a community who have come together for this purpose. We share this desire for unity and spiritual nourishment. We are enabled, given the grace to listen to each other and those we encounter, as we go out to participate in the mission work of the Kingdom.

So, on this feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ, we are invited by Jesus into being one with Him, bathed with the Father's love and enlivened by the Holy Spirit. What does it mean to share this life of God? In what ways are our lives renewed by receiving the body and blood of Jesus? By our faith, we believe in the grace (God's gift) of this sacrament. This is because a sacrament is an effective sign of grace, it is something material which symbolises and brings about a spiritual reality.

Finally, on special feasts in the Church, we are given a traditional hymn, called a Sequence. Here is a segment of today's Sequence:

"Very bread, good shepherd, tend us,  
Jesus, of your love befriend us.  
You refresh us, you defend us,  
Your eternal goodness send us  
In the land of life to see".

## Peter and Christine Webb

*We, the parishioners of the Catholic Parishes of Grovely and Samford, acknowledge the Turrbal People who are the Traditional Custodians of this land. We pay respect to the Elders past, present, and emerging, and extend that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People present.*

## LITURGY TIMES

8th June to 15th June

### Grovely

### St William's

Wednesday: 7:30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday: 9:00am St. William's School Mass (Prep & Yr.6) St. Barnabas

Friday: 9:00am St. Andrew's School Mass (Yr.5) St. Andrew's School

#### Next Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 5:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:00am Mass

9:00am Mass  
incl. Children's Liturgy

5:00pm Mass

### Samford

### Sacred Heart

Thursday: 6:00pm Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion

#### Next Weekend:

Sunday: 8:00am Mass

## FUTURE CELEBRATIONS

Sunday, 21st June 9:00am Family Mass

Monday, 22nd June 9:00am Mt. Maria College Lavalla House Mass  
*Our Lady of Dolours Church*

Thursday, 25th June 9:00am St. William's School Feast Day Mass

Monday, 29th June 9:30am Fr. Nigel 15 year Celebration Mass

## EVERGREENS

### Trivia Morning

Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> June – 10.00am

Test your general knowledge and enjoy good company and a cuppa with parishioners at **Arana Leagues Club**.

Please book with Bernie Madden—[bmmadden\\_56@hotmail.com](mailto:bmmadden_56@hotmail.com)

0421 400 696

### This Week's Readings: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16  
1 Corinthians 10:16-17  
John 6:51-58

### Next Week's Readings: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 19:2-6  
Romans 5:6-11  
Matthew 9:36 - 10:8

## GROVELY

### Faith Circle

We meet on Monday at 9:30am for a 10:00am start. Join us for fun, friendship, and a cup of coffee while we discuss the Sunday gospel. Come and see what we are about. All welcome!

### Anointing and Communion Service

Tuesday, 9th June, 10:30am, at Bellevue Aged Care, 53 Linkwood Drive, Ferny Hills.

All are welcome.



### Christian Meditation Group

All are welcome to join us at every Tuesday at 7.00pm in the Church. Enquires to Bob on 0428 813 483

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 7:30-8:30pm St. William's



### Mothers Prayers

We invite you to delight in the vocation of motherhood as we pray in surrender to the Lord. We have you, your children, and grandchildren covered in prayer.

Wednesday, 9:30am, Daley Centre.

### Working Bee

We are seeking able-bodied volunteers to assist in the clean-up and rearrangement of the Parish storeroom under the Daley Centre.

Saturday, 20th June, 2026  
8:00am to 12:00pm or any part thereof.

Please contact the Parish Office.

### Family Mass—Sunday, 21st June

We meet before Mass at 8:00am to practise, all are welcome! Please join us for 9:00am Mass at St. William's followed by hospitality afterwards. If able, bring a plate to share!



## SAMFORD

### 'Where Wonder Dwells'

An exhibition of Hope and Renewal  
Every Saturday and Sunday through June

### ARTIST TALKS ON

Sunday 14th, 21st and 28th June: 2.30pm - 3pm  
Sacred Heart Church, 2 Camp Mountain Road, Samford



### Samford Rosary Circle

When: Wednesday at 10:00am  
Where: Sacred Heart Church

Come and pray with us.

## COMBINED COMMUNITIES

### Notice of Community Consultation for Major Building Works Program

Parishioners would be aware of the recent Expression of Interest to form a Steering Committee for a proposed major building works program, which has raised a great deal of interest and questions from both church communities.

Fr. Nigel therefore wishes to have a parish consultation meeting to further inform and respond to questions around the project. The meeting will take place on –

**Monday, 22nd June 2026, at 6:00 pm**

**St. William's Church, Grovely.**

Fr. Nigel will present the background to this major building program and outline the strategic direction for the future of the parish, in line with the *Community Building* pillar of the Parish Mission Statement.

We strongly suggest you come along to the meeting to fully understand the building concepts and future strategy for our parish communities.

The buildings included in the proposed project are the presbytery, parish administration offices, library, and Daley Centre, with the development of an under-cover precinct adjoining Lourigan Place with pathways and gardens.

We welcome your attendance at the meeting where there will be a presentation of plans and draft drawings of the works program.



## Faithful Departed

**Recently Departed:** Charlie Morton (husband of Anne), Victor Florida, Bob Finch, and Nestor Ramos

**Anniversary:** Keith Frieslaar



## We pray for the Sick

**We pray for:** Jane Fraser, Kathy Malcolm, Anne McKenna, Richard Lee, Maureen Campbell, William Lane, Deb Lewis, Hamish Needham and Fr. Denis Scanlan

**Please note** All requests to have a Mass offered for someone, or newsletter requests for the name of recently deceased family members, prayers for the sick and anniversaries, need to be given to the Parish Office in writing. Forms and Mass request envelopes are available from the sacristy at all three churches, or from the Parish Office. Completed forms/envelopes can be given to the priest or handed in at the office.

## Vinnies Winter Appeal



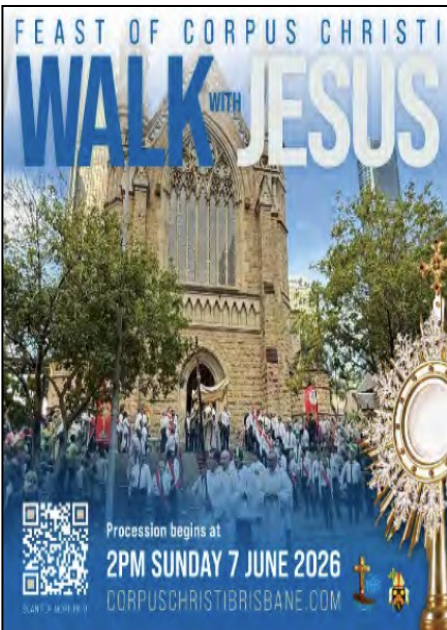
What can YOU do to help the homeless, and people who are struggling with the cost of living?

You can donate to the St. William's St. Vincent de Paul Conference Winter Appeal, and you can pray for Conference members when they make use of your donation to provide assistance to needy people.

SVDP envelopes are available at the entrance to the church. Bank transfer details are on the envelopes. For cash donations, please put the envelope in the collection baskets. If you want a receipt, please email your name, address, and amount donated to [sw4054@svdpqld.org.au](mailto:sw4054@svdpqld.org.au).

You can also donate toiletries, such as toothpaste and toothbrushes, by putting them in the basket at the rear of the church. These are included in distributed hampers.

The Conference greatly appreciates the support of parishioners.



FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI  
**WALK WITH JESUS**

Procession begins at  
**2PM SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2026**  
CORPUSCHRISTIBRISBANE.COM



## FAITH MATTERS - GS



[www.faith-matters-gsm.com.au](http://www.faith-matters-gsm.com.au)

The winter edition of the Jesuit journal *Madonna Magazine*, just out, has patience as its theme. Its editorial is always written by Fr. Chris Gleeson S.J. who is an excellent spiritual writer. He refers to Romans: 3-5.

“But that is not all we can boast about: we can boast about our sufferings. These sufferings bring patience, as we know, and patience brings perseverance, and perseverance brings hope, and this hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.”

In another article in the magazine entitled *The Gift of Patience*, the first statement is as follows: “In a world where speed and instant gratification rules, it is important to remember that patience is a fruit of the Holy Spirit.”

Major moments occur in the lives of each of us – a number of them are catastrophic and life changing. We pray so earnestly about it and yet, at times, nothing seems to happen. People tell us that God always answers our prayers, and He does - sometimes further down the track or not in the way we seek but in another way.

Patience is a virtue for all stages of our lives, especially when we seek God's help. It is often so difficult to practise in daily life but the Holy Spirit is with us in every moment of our lives until we return to God.

## Fr. Nigel Sequeira Fifteen Years of Priesthood



It's a joyful moment for our parish as Fr. Nigel marks fifteen years since his ordination to the priesthood, and we'd love for you to join us in giving thanks and celebrating with him.

Over these years, Fr. Nigel has been a great blessing to our community—through his engaging homilies, his care for families and the sick, and his joyful presence among our youth and school communities. His commitment to outreach and his willingness to journey alongside people in both the happy and the difficult moments of life have touched many hearts.

We are truly grateful for his faithful and generous ministry among us.

**Mass: 9:30am, Monday, 29th June  
St. William's Church**

Please bring a plate to share  
RSVP: Parish Office, ph.3355 3690



## Host Families Needed in August!

St. William's Primary School will welcome a group of friendly Japanese primary school students from 9th to 16th August this year, and we are currently seeking local families to host them.

### What's involved?

- Provide three meals per day and snacks
- A bed—may be in a shared room (conditions apply)
- Transport to and from school
- Weekend sightseeing/activities with your family
- All persons over eighteen to have a valid working with children (Blue Card) - we can assist in obtaining this.

A hosting payment will be provided.

For more information or to express your interest, please contact Shun from EdVenture Consulting, on 0410 962 422, [homestay@edventureconsulting.com](mailto:homestay@edventureconsulting.com)



<https://tripleygrovelly.au>

Use the link above to tune in for Meditation, Scripture, Mass over the airways, music that matters, and more!  
*Follow us on FB and Insta!*

## Faith Vibes with Fr. Nigel

4:30-5:30pm, Mondays, Daley Centre



### This Week: The Bible

Are you a youth or young adult curious about the Christian faith, or thinking about becoming Catholic? Come along.

## GS Parish 8th June-12th June

Monday	9:30am	Faith Circle	Daley Centre
	4:30pm	Faith Vibes	Daley Centre
	7:00pm	RCIA	Daley Centre
Tuesday	9:30am	Playgroup	Daley Centre
	10:30am	Anointing & Communion	Bellevue Aged Care
	7:00pm	Christian Meditation	St. William's Church
Wednesday	9:30am	Mothers Prayers	Daley Centre
	10:00am	Samford Rosary Circle	Sacred Heart
	11:00am	Evergreens Exercise	Daley Centre

### Sacramental News

Faith formation for our First Holy Communion program has commenced! Next weekend the children journeying to First Holy Communion are invited to their **Rite of Enrolment** ceremony, at all Masses save 7:00am at St. William's.

On the weekend of 20th/21st June we have the **Our Father Masses** where the children learn the significance of the most beautiful prayer we have been given. At these Masses the children will give **Prayer Partner** letters to members of our parish. The families know being a prayer partner is a privilege, committing to pray for the child as they journey towards the source and summit of our faith.

Thank you, dear parishioners, for keeping our children and their families in your prayers and on your rosaries.

### The Gift of Living Bread

Corpus Christi Year A is a feast that helps us remember the gift of the Eucharist. It is a day to focus on Jesus as the bread of life. The readings remind us that God provides what we need, not only for our bodies but also for our souls.

This celebration points us back to the desert, where God gave manna to His people. It shows us that we depend on Him for life itself. The Eucharist is the new manna, given through Jesus, who offers Himself so that we may live forever with Him.

Corpus Christi Year A also reminds us that we are one body in Christ. When we share the bread and cup, we are united as His people. It is a gift that nourishes us, strengthens us, and draws us closer to God and to one another.

## LAUDATO SI'

The Laudato Si' Movement calls on all people of good will to accept as a special gift the new encyclical *Magnifica Humanitas*. LSM and the Dicastery sees human, organic and digital 'ecologies', including AI technology, through the eyes of integral ecology <https://laudatosimovement.org/news/magnifica-humanitas-a-call-to-discern-technology-through-integral-ecology/> They ask key questions like: who benefits from digital technologies, who is forced to bear the cost, who gains from certain applications, how can it serve the common good? LSM points us to the Pastoral Resource Kit from the Vatican Dicastery for Integral Human Development practical ways to discern what prayer, forethought, and action which might flow from this encyclical particularly as regards the pervasive and in some instances devastating pernicious uses of artificial technology (e.g. aiding and arming wars) <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1o4VnjbQodHjSlsqnOltfKFI-60BeJYin/view>). Even the attendant energy cost to our planet also must raise our social justice teachings and learnings. We magnificent humans don't necessarily need to grant social licence for the use of ever increasing and polluting energy production or the often massive water consumption for data centres. "We must restore to the poor what belongs to them" (MH 66 and Evangelium Gaudium EG189)

## RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN


**VOICE, TREATY AND TRUTH**  
in the post-referendum landscape

HONOURING OUR ELDERS

# SPEAKER EVENT



Featuring Guest Speaker **Scientia Professor Megan Davis AC**

## THURSDAY 18 JUNE 2026



Scan QR or visit [ti.nyurl.com/HoE-SE-1](https://ti.nyurl.com/HoE-SE-1) by **12 June** to Register

- **6pm to 8:30pm, \$20pp**
- **Hanly Room, Cathedral Precinct**
- A key architect of the Uluru Statement from the Heart, **Scientia Professor Megan Davis AC** will reflect on the Voice referendum, Australia's democracy and how faith-based communities can
- continue supporting the Uluru Statement with
- courage, hope and commitment.

  
Strong Mind - Compassionate Heart

## YOU ARE INVITED TO

# Lavalla House Mass

**MONDAY 22 JUNE**  
Mass begins at 9.00am

**at Our Lady of Dolours Church**  
**PARENTS, FAMILY & PARISHIONERS**  
**ARE MOST WELCOME TO JOIN US**

### Pope's Prayer Intention for June For the values of sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

### A Vocation View

To share in the living bread of Christ is our core vocation as Christians. How are you called to be a representative of Jesus in sharing the Good News with others?

