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## The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

6th & 7th June 2026

### Corpus Christi

The Feast of Corpus Christi invites us into the deepest mystery of God's love—a love so complete, so self emptying, that Jesus gives not only His teachings, not only His miracles, not only His compassion, but **His very Body and Blood**. In today's Gospel, Jesus proclaims, *"I am the living bread that came down from heaven."* These words are not poetry. They are not symbolic. They are the heartbeat of our faith. In the Eucharist, heaven bends down to earth, and God becomes our food.

Every earthly food nourishes the body, but the **Eucharist nourishes the soul**. Earthly food gives temporary strength, but this divine food gives eternal life. Earthly food is consumed, but in the Eucharist, **we are the ones consumed by God's love**, drawn into His life, His holiness, His peace. When Jesus says, *"Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you,"* He is revealing that true life—spiritual life, divine life—flows only from Him.

The Eucharist is not silent bread. It is **the living Christ**. It hears the cry of our hearts. It knows our wounds. It carries our burdens. It loves us with a love that never grows tired. When we kneel before the Blessed Sacrament, we are not kneeling before an object—we are kneeling before the One who created the stars, who formed us in the womb, who carried the Cross for our salvation. In His Eucharistic presence, we are held, known, and embraced.

Sin often steals our joy, our peace, and our sense of direction. But the Eucharist restores what sin destroys. It is **life renewing, soul cleansing, hope awakening**. When we receive Jesus with a humble heart, His mercy flows into the hidden corners of our soul. He heals the wounds we hide from others. He strengthens the places where we feel weak. He rekindles the hope that life's struggles try to extinguish.

There are moments when life feels heavy—when disappointments crush us, when relationships break, when sickness frightens us, when loneliness surrounds us. But the Eucharist becomes our anchor. It whispers to our hearts that God is still with us, still working, still loving. In this sacred mystery, Jesus enters the storms of our life not from the outside but **from within us**. He becomes our courage, our peace, our endurance.

Jesus promises, *"Whoever eats this bread will live forever."* The Eucharist is not only nourishment for today; it is a seed of eternity planted in our souls. It prepares us for heaven by shaping us into people of compassion, forgiveness, and holiness. It transforms us into living tabernacles—places where Christ dwells, loves, and shines.

Greetings and prayers to the Christmas Creek community for their Sacred Heart Feast celebration this weekend.

Prayers and blessings,

Father Tomi Alexander



**Readings for this week** (6th & 7th June)

***The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ***

**First Reading:** Deut 8:2-3, 14-16

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

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

**Second Reading:** 1 Cor 10:16-17

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

**Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

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

**Alleluia!**

**Gospel Reading:** John 6:51-58

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

**Readings for next week** (13th & 14th June)

***Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time***

**First Reading:** Exodus 19:2-6

*You will be a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation.*

**Responsorial Psalm:**

We are his people: the sheep of his flock.

**Second Reading:** Romans 5:6-11

*We have been reconciled to God through the death of his Son; we are saved by his life.*

**Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

The kingdom of God is near: repent and believe the good news.

**Alleluia!**

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 9:36-10:8

*He summoned his twelve disciples, and sent them out.*

**Thursday 11th June**— St Barnabas, apostle (Memorial)

**Friday 12th June**— The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Solemnity)

**IMPORTANT! Parish Census**

Throughout the month of June, we will be conducting a Parish census. Data forms will be made available during all masses. It would be appreciated if you could please take one, fill it out and return it before June is finished. A box will be available at the back of St Mary's church, or you are welcome to pop them into the collection plate at any of the other Masses throughout June.

Even if you believe we have your current details, we ask that you still complete a form as some information may be missing on your profile.

Having everyone's information updated is important in ensuring that we can use the information provided to go towards our Parish strategy planning for the next 5 years. It also helps for us to provide accurate pastoral care.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you in advance for your assistance with this.

**Please pray for our sick brothers and sisters**

Pam McGrath, Leanne Deerain, Jan Dore, John Breckon-Thomas, John & Therese Hagan, Nereza Don, Marie McIlhatton, Rev Geoffrey Reader, Marie Harkin, Fae Eyears, Scott Murphy, David Murchie, Tony Torre, Dave & Lori, Janet Young, Rosie, Lauraine Ward, Katrina Foster, Moya Mitchell, Michael Gough, Andrew Gough, Liz Murray, Josie Buffalino, Sebastian Randall, John McCormack, Damian McCormack, Janette Escreet, David Ward, Denice Ward, Holly Anne, Nathan Craze, Heather Neeson, Bernice Mahoney, Bernadette Fitzgerald, Olwin Wendt, Caroline Gee, Lorelle Benyon & Moyla Shannon.

***We remember and pray for those who have recently died,***

*Carol Stainkey (a private funeral has been held) and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.*

*Mick Cahill (19th May)*

*Nuala McCormack (8th June 2024)*

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.*

**Parish Newsletter Sick List**

We are looking to make sure our parish sick list is current and contains accurate information.

If you would like a name removed or added please contact our parish office via email or phone so that we can ensure this happens.

**Feast of the Sacred Heart**

Friday 12th June we will be celebrating the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. At 8:15am we will have a consecration to the Sacred Heart.

Saturday 13th June we will have the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. At 8:00am there will be prayer and consecration. All are welcome.



**Money Counters**

1st June—Colleen

8th June—Trish

15th June—Peter

22nd June—Colleen

**St Mary's Parish  
Multicultural Celebration  
26<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

Free Food stalls  
Cultural  
Dancing & music

*Come and share your culture with your local community*

If you would like to contribute food, dance, music or just your time on the day. Please call Sam on 0409 592 010 or see Peta in the school office.

**Parish Strategy Planning Meeting**

All are welcome to the Mercy Hall on **Saturday 25th July from 9:30am** to meet and discuss our Parish Strategy Plan for the next 5 years.

Members from each church community are encouraged to come to ensure that our whole Parish community comes together as one with one common goal. We welcome all ideas for how to help our Parish to grow and succeed for years to come.

**2026-2027 Giving Envelopes**

New giving envelopes have arrived. These will be located at the back of the churches to be picked up.

New envelopes have been created only for those who have used them regularly in the past 6 months. If you believe yours are missing, please contact us. Alternatively, if you see that yours are there and you no longer use them, please reach out so we can change our records to reflect this.

**Scenic Rim Toy Library– Volunteers Needed**

The Scenic Rim Toy Library located at the Beaudesert Baptist Church, is seeking volunteers for up to 2 hours a fortnight on a Tuesday . For more information, please contact Carla on 0400 454 444, or burescarla@gmail.com

**Holy Baptism**

We welcome to our Parish, Harrison Grant Williams and Hamish Noel Leo Kane who will be Baptised into the Catholic Faith this weekend. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

**Family Mass—14th June**

Next weekend 5:30pm Sunday June 14th we will be celebrating family mass. All families are invited to join us in celebrating mass. All are welcome!

**St Mary's School Gala ———>**

To reserve and book your tickets, please call Peta at St Mary's School (5541 2005)

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		<b>TABLE OF 8 \$1200</b>

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**Are you, or someone you know, wanting to know more about the Catholic Church or join our faith community?**

Would you just like to talk about it without having to commit?

RCIA is a group of believers in the parish who meet regularly, and are ready to talk about any questions you may have! To begin a conversation, call the Parish Office 07 5541 1068, or email:

[stmarys@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:stmarys@bne.catholic.net.au)



**Mass Times: 8th - 14th June**

*Divine Mercy Devotion: Every Sunday 3.00pm — 3.15pm, St. Mary's Church, Beaudesert. All Welcome.*

*Reconciliation—before weekday Masses. Please call (07) 5541 1068*

<u>Monday 8th</u>	<u>Tuesday 9th</u>	<u>Wednesday 10th</u>	<u>Thursday 11th</u>	<u>Friday 12th</u>	<u>Saturday 13th</u>	<u>Sunday 14th</u>
Beaudesert 5:00pm	Beaudesert 5:00pm	Tamborine Mt 9:00am	No mass	Beaudesert Sacred Heart Devotion 8:15am Mass 8:50am Adoration 9:45am	Kerry 4:30pm Beaudesert Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Blessed Virgin Mary 8:00am Mass 6:30pm	Tamborine Mt 7:30am Beaudesert 9:30am Canungra 9:00am Beaudesert (Family Mass) 5:30pm

**Our Mission**

'Guided by the Holy Spirit, we aim to be an evangelising, listening and faith-filled parish; underpinned by the values of compassion, inclusivity and love of neighbour.' Our mission is: **evangelisation** of our parish and wider communities; **liturgy and prayer opportunities** that form, inform and transform our faith; **pastoral support** through initiatives that invite people to share their gifts and talents; and **leadership** that supports life-long faith formation and promotes responsible stewardship of our resources.

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