

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary time - YB

19th August 2018

Entrance Antiphon: Turn Your eyes O God, our shield, and look on the face of Your anointed one; one day within Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

First reading : from the book of Proverbs 9: 1 - 6.

Responsorial Psalm : Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Second Reading : from letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians 5: 15 - 20.

Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia, alleluia! All who eat My flesh and drink My blood live in Me and I in them, says the Lord . Alleluia!

Gospel : according to John 6: 51 - 58.

Communion Antiphon : With the Lord there is mercy; in Him is plentiful redemption.

Sydney Archdiocese News



'How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news...!' In Hakha, a remote town in the mountainous north of Myanmar, St John's School is educating local children with a child-centred methodology. Three of the teachers at St John's have been trained through the Pyinya Sanyae Institute of Education (PSIE) in Yangon, and have been posted to this school to help children learn in a modern way that maximises their potential. Your support through Catholic Mission can enable PSIE to continue training teachers and help improve education across the country. You can also help St John's School add grades to ensure continuity of education, and become economically sustainable. You will have an opportunity to become an integral part of this inspiring work by joining as a monthly giving partner. This regular contribution will directly support education in Myanmar. Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/Myanmar

Plenary Council

Did you know that the 2020 Plenary Council is different to Parish 2020? Parish 2020 is an Archdiocese of Sydney project looking at how parishes can continue to operate and collaborate together. The 2020 Plenary Council is a national project providing a platform for a broad scale discussion among parishes and Catholics across the country concerning the future of the Church in Aust and what you think God is asking of us at this time. If you are interested in getting actively involved to discuss the 2020 Plenary Council, speak with your parish priest or contact us directly at plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org

Memorial Mass for the Unborn

Please see flyers at the back of the Church regarding this special Mass on 29th Aug.

St Christopher's Parish Holsworthy

*We are a community striving for growth, unity, equality,
love and commitment*

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St Christopher's Catholic School — *Through faith and love we serve*

Principal: Mr. Tony Boyd



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Wisdom invites us to her banquet. Since she is the way to God, those who accept her invitation will feast on the things of God. This is not a paltry meal that meets only our basic needs. It is a lavish banquet with delicious food and exhilarating drink. The banquet of wisdom is an apt symbol of the generosity of God, open to all, enriching all. This is in sharp contrast to the kind of feasting that is depicted in the epistle. Fools succumb to the temptations of the evil days in which they live and they feast on selfishness, ignorance and debauchery. Two banquets are set before us. Both of them are tempting. Which one will we choose?

The banquet that Jesus offers is like the banquet of Wisdom. However, it far exceeds even Wisdom's table. At Jesus' banquet, we feast on his body and his blood. If we feed at the table of the Lord, we will have life because of him, and we will be raised up on the last day to live forever. This is truly a bold claim and a hard saying. We are told that the food we eat is his body, and what we drink is his blood. We are told that his body, not merely his teaching, is the true bread that came down from heaven. We are told that only if we eat and drink what he offers will we have eternal life.

He makes the claim and extends the invitation.

How will we hear it?

How will we respond?

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Parish Collections : 12/8/2018 - First: \$1,152.70 **Second:** \$1,139.20

Parish News

Liturgy Changes

There will be no Adoration or Holy Hour on Thursday 23rd August

Fete / Fundraising

The Committee would like to thank the very generous support of all parishioners who assisted at our Bunnings BBQ on Saturday. In response to local calls for relief, it was decided to join the Bunnings initiative to support the Farmers of NSW. On behalf of St Christopher's Parish Holsworthy, our net profit of approx. \$2,000 will be sent to the Parish Priest of Dubbo and then directly to the families of Gilgandra and Condobolin through SVDP and the CWA.

We will shortly begin preparing for our next fete to be held on 14th Sep, 2019. For any further information please contact Helen Carter on 0418 403 842.

Catholic Mission Appeal

This weekend has been dedicated to the Catholic Mission Appeal. Envelopes will be provided in the pews for this very worthy cause. Please leave your donations in the regular collection baskets or send directly to the address on the form. There is more information in the Syd Archdiocese section of this bulletin.

Reconciliation: Enrolments forms for the Sacrament of Reconciliation have been extended until next Friday 24th Aug

Confirmation: Our Confirmation candidates have just begun their lessons in preparation for receiving the Holy Spirit on 9th September. To help these young Catholics experience all of the Graces that await them, our prayers will be of great benefit. At the back of the church you will find a basket with the names of our candidates. Please take one (or more) of these home and encourage your family to keep them in your prayers.

Mary McKillop gift of education.

To coincide with the feast of Mother Mary Mackillop, the Mary Mackillop foundation has been established to help transform the lives of the underprivileged with the gift of education. Envelopes and flyers are available at the back of the church with more information.

First Holy Communion Photos

Could all persons who would like to view and / or purchase photographs from our FHC celebration in July please attend the Parish Office on Sat 1st Sep 8:30am - 10:30am or speak to Mrs. Tania Kristen directly after 3:30pm during the week on 0412 317 766.

Prayers for Community Intentions

Catholics believe strongly in the benefit for regular dialogue with our Lord. As well as having the special ability to offer Mass Intentions for the Souls, memories, thanks and good intentions of our of Loved ones, it is important to remember the tangible effects communal prayer has in the lives of those outside of our immediate circle of influence. It is for this reason that this week one of our parishioners has asked for the prayers of those affected by heavy flooding in his home town of Kerala, India. May the Lord bless and protect all peoples like these, who are in need of His care. Amen.

Mass Times / Intentions

Saturday	18th Aug	5 : 30 pm	Francesco Corsi
Sunday	19th Aug	8 : 30 am	Special Intentions
Sunday	19th Aug	9 : 30 am	Flaczynski Family
Monday	20th Aug	9 : 15 am.....	Nakia Sarkis
Tuesday	21st Aug	9 : 15 am...Iacozzi, D 'Agostino & Di Genni Families	
Wednesday	22nd Aug	9 : 15 am	Famillya Mota
Thursday	23rd Aug	9 : 15 am.....	Chakkapan Parackal (RIP)
Friday	24th Aug	9 : 15 am.....	The Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	25th Aug	11 : 00 am.....	Latin Mass

Reconciliation : Saturdays : 4:30 pm.

Baptisms : Second & Third Sunday of the month after 9:30am Mass.

Baptism & Preparation meetings by appointment only. stchris@tpg.com.au

Syro - Malabar Liturgies:

Friday	Mass	7 : 00 pm (Except on the First Friday of Month)
Sunday	Mass	11. 30 am (Third Sunday in the School Hall)

The Samoan Community celebrates Mass in the Church on the 3rd Sunday of the Month at 11.30am.

Adoration / Benediction - 7: 00 pm first Friday of the month (Samoan)

Adoration / Holy Hour - Thursday evening 7:30pm (in English) except Thursday before first Friday of Month.

Novena - Our Lady of Perpetual Help -1st Wed of month 7:00pm. No Mass.

No Morning Mass on 1st Tuesday of Month

Traditional Latin Mass - Sat 11:00am and each 2nd, 3rd, 4th (&5th) Wednesday of the Month 7pm.

Saints of the Week / Feasts

Monday 20th - St Bernard

Tuesday 21st - St. Pius X

Wednesday 22nd - The Queenship of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Thursday 23rd - St. Rose

Friday 24th St. Bartholomew (Apostle)

We Pray For The Sick : Peter Wanchalerm Srirattana,
Brian Cooney, Cyril Ferriere,
Anne Enriquez, Barbara Becroft

Recently deceased: Irene O'Neill, Cezar Ibasco, Florencio Siton Jr

Anniversary: Flaczynski Chloe Delmo, Franceso Corso, Familya Mota
Chakkapan Parackal, C. Peter, Margaret Gainsford



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