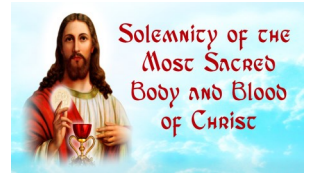




St Patrick's Parish Emerald Welcomes You

*The Most Body and Blood of Christ (Year A)
10th & 11th June 2023*

We, St Patrick's Catholic Parish, welcome all into a personal relationship
with Jesus Christ through *Community, Service, Spirituality and Faith Formation.*



SUNDAY CONNECTIONS

Gospel Reading

John 6:51-58

Jesus says, "I am the living bread."

Background on the Gospel Reading

This Sunday we celebrate a second solemnity during this period of Ordinary Time in the liturgical calendar. Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This day was once called *Corpus Christi*, which is Latin for "Body of Christ." In the revised Lectionary the name for this day is expanded to reflect more completely our Eucharistic theology.

Today's Gospel is taken from the Gospel according to John. The reading is part of a discourse between Jesus and a crowd of Jews. The discourse comes shortly after the miracle of Jesus' multiplication of the loaves and fishes. In John's Gospel, miracles such as this are identified as "signs" through which people come to believe that Jesus is the Son of God. These signs are followed by dialogue, or discourse that interprets and explains the miracle. In John's Gospel, Jesus' multiplication of the loaves is said to have occurred near Passover, thus linking it to the Exodus story and God's saving action toward the Israelites.

Having seen Jesus multiply the loaves and fishes, the crowd pursues him, perhaps seeking more food but also looking for another sign. Jesus tells the crowd that he is the bread of life. He explains that just as God gave the Israelites manna to sustain them in the desert, so now God has sent new manna that will give eternal life. It is in this context that Jesus repeats those words in today's Gospel and tells them again that he is the living bread that came down from heaven.

Jesus' words are not well understood by the crowd; they argue that Jesus is not from heaven but born of Mary and Joseph. The crowd also has trouble understanding how Jesus could give them his flesh to eat. Jesus tells them that when they eat his flesh and drink his blood, they will remain forever connected to him. These are difficult words, but they are important because they seek to show us our intimate connection with Jesus.

This is the mystery that is at the heart of our Eucharistic theology. In the elements of bread and wine, Jesus' Body and Blood are truly present. When we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, Jesus himself comes to dwell within us. This communion with the Lord makes us one body, brings us eternal life, and sends us forth to be Christ's Body in the world.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/most-holy-body-and-blood-of-christ-a-sunday-connect/>

Dear Visitor,

Welcome to Emerald. Please take one of our prayer cards wishing you every blessing for an enjoyable and safe journey.

June - Emergency Weekend Relief -
Presbyterian Church - 0400 387 522
Weekday support The Neighbourhood
Centre, P: 4982 1896



Containers for Change
St Patrick's Catholic Church
Member Account No: C11067581

Marist College

Celebrating St Marcellin Champagnat

Free Sausage Sizzle
Sunday 11th June

Parish gathering after Mass. All are very welcome.

Bishop's Pastoral Visit
July 21st to 23rd
Confirmation Ceremony |
Multicultural Mass | Combined
PFC, PPC Meeting

*Please Pray for our RCIC candidates as they
continue on their faith journey .*

RCIC Catechumens: Sebastian, Emma,
Hannah, Amelia, Maggie, Wayne and Eric.

Wild Goose Series
Discovering a Deeper Relationship with
the Holy Spirit

Sunday 11 June @ 4pm to 5.30pm at
St Patrick's Church. Final Series



**We acknowledge the Gayiri People,
Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather today,
and pay respects for their Elders, past and present.**

Please Especially Pray For

Sick: Marjorie Millard, Peter Mahony, Mary & Gerard Pearce, Shelley Herwin, Nancy Mooney, Myra Stanton, Vinita Allix, Mike Burns, Margaret McCormack, Shirleen Piltz, Rita Ross, Dane Tappenden, Mary Horner, Lawrence McNamee.

Deceased: Gabriele (Elly) Tree, Bill Tinknell, Cathy Bedford

Anniversaries: John Crossan, Valma Burrige, Jojo Elardo, Allan Esmond, Leeroy Aupouri, Graham Barraclough, Robin McCosker, Maria McLaughlin, Alan Cozens, Stephen Chapman, Glen Ogden, Annette Rossendell, Bev Hales.

Please contact the parish office if you are aware of people or families within our community requiring our prayers and/or support.

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Week Day Mass Times:

Tuesday 12noon. *
Wednesday 7am
Thursday 8am
Friday 9am
*Anointing Mass 4th Tuesday Monthly

Weekend Mass Times:

Emerald: Saturday 6pm | Sunday 8am
Gemfields: 2nd & 4th Sunday monthly
10.30am | Anakie Community Hall
All Welcome

Church June Roster

Ground Maintenance: Lachlan, Tony, John

Church Linen: Marie Mahony

Church Cleaning:

16th: Marsha, Carmen, Grainne

23rd: Volunteers please

30th: Marissa, Kellie, Tesa

THIS WEEKEND 10/11 June

Sacristan:

6pm: Volunteer please

8am: Peter Agius

Commentators:

6pm: Morag Hyslop

8am: Damian Cole

Readers:

6pm: Donna Lennon, Kevin Bickhoff

8am: Marist College

Communion Ministers:

6pm: Morag Hyslop, Volunteer please

8am: Sharon McDonald, Peter Agius

Altar Servers:

6pm: Lexie and Pippa Duncombe

8am: Fakatava Family

Children's Liturgy:

6pm: Meaghan Tucker, Georgia Holzberger

8am: Eamon O'Hanlon, Luka Hill

Holy Goods:

6pm: Elma Devlin

8am: Juliana McCosker

Musicians:

6pm: Jun, Kevin, Lorraine M, Richard

8am: Rebekah, Mila

Need Your Help

We are in need of more people to volunteer to do church cleaning. Volunteers work in groups, to share the work and are placed on a roster. If you can help contact the parish office 4982 1066

Equipping your parish in its mission to help people encounter Jesus

Alpha is a tool for evangelisation that creates a space, online or in person, where people are excited to bring their friends for a conversation about Jesus.

Alpha is just the beginning. Once guests experience Alpha, they understand who Jesus is and can start to explore their relationship with him.

Come , Join Alpha ,Invite a friend , Starting in mid July. Phone the parish office to register your interest or

Phone Bill & Marie
0427575032 www.alpha.org.au



**FAITH JOURNEY CONVERSATIONS
TUESDAY 13th June
9.30AM**

17 BAKER STREET

Topic: "To Shine Like The Stars "

ALL WELCOME

For more information contact

Peg Layton M: 4982 2370

Elma Devlin M: 4982 2414



Wedding Congratulations

Julie Smith (younger daughter of Marg and Peter Smith) marrying Adrian Smith (Yes!! same surname!!) son of Greg & Ruth (deceased) Smith at Kele Park Rockhampton on Saturday 10th June, 2023. Father Peter Tonti officiating.

Julie has so many fond memories of growing up in Emerald, being School Captain at St Patrick's School and attending Marist College before furthering her studies in Brisbane, and asks you all to send her and Adrian blessings.

Julie and Adrian many blessings from the St Patrick's Parish community.

Fundraising Ideas

We are looking for new ideas for a raffle to run in conjunction with our Catholic Community Fair. A reminder our Fair is November 4th. The raffle is a very successful fundraiser and for the last two years the raffle prize has been a trailer filled with Christmas gifts. It has proven very successful, but it was thought may be a new idea might raise more interest. We are looking for new ideas, any suggestions more than welcome. Please contact the parish office.

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL EMERALD PRESENTS...

STAR THE UMPIRE STRIKES BACK WARTS

Tuesday 20th June 2023 - 1pm & 6.30pm

Tickets available now - <https://www.trybooking.com/CHTNK>



**Youth Gathering
Saturday, 17th June
10.30am - 11.30am
at the Church.**

Open to children 9 years and older.



PLANNED GIVING

	February	March	April
Envelope	\$3900	\$4565	\$3030
Loose	\$3488	\$4341	\$4253
Average	\$1847	\$2226	\$1456

Holy Places Collection \$690.70

Caritas Project Compassion \$2619.20

Holy Spirit Seminary Appeal \$613.40

Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Date Claimers

3rd Sunday of the month | morning tea and baptism preparations

4th weekend of the month | wedding anniversary blessings| baptism blessings

June Marist College Sausage Sizzle after Mass **11th** @ 9.15am

Faith Formation "Wild Goose Series" **11th** @ 4pm. Final Series.

Rosary at the Grotto **11th** @ 5pm

Cluster 4 Confirmation **12th** @ 3.15pm St Brigid's

Legion of Mary **12th** @ 5.15pm Church

Cluster 4 Confirmation **13th** @ 3.15pm Church

Mothers Group **14th** @ 9am Church

Good Shepherd Group **14th** @ 7pm Church

PPC meeting **15th** @ 6pm

Eucharistic Adoration **16th** @ 5.30pm

Youth Gathering **17th** @ 10.30am

Rosary at the Grotto **18th** @ 5pm

Priest's In-service Rockhampton **19th-23rd**

Legion of Mary **19th** @ 5.15pm Church

Mothers Group **21st** @ 9am Church

Good Shepherd Group **21st** @ 7pm Church