



# Our Lady of Mount Carmel

## Wentworthville

## Carmel Bulletin

Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026

### The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)



#### Reflections for this week's readings

<b>First Reading:</b>	Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b>	Psalm 147:12-15, 19-20
<b>Second Reading:</b>	1 Corinthians 10:16-17
<b>Gospel:</b>	John 6:51-58

Today's gospel (John 5:51-58) begins with a powerful message of Jesus to the crowd (us). He said, **"I am the living bread which has come down from heaven (V.51)."** Jesus describes himself that **'he is the living bread'**. The word **'Living Bread'** leads me to distinguish between the **'living bread and the ordinary bread'**. Ordinary bread is any bread that I could get from a Woolworth/Coles to satisfy the physical needs. But **'Living Bread'** couldn't be found anywhere, except in Jesus Christ who has come down from heaven.

Jesus gives us very clear point that when we receive him, we are in him and he is in us. we will not die because we are in communion with him and with one another to be the living Christ.

To be the living Christ is not by choice, but by sacrificial Body and Blood through the suffering, death, and hanging on the Cross as the perfect love to us as his sisters and brothers for eternal life.

Eternal life in heaven is our hope for ultimate destination. And to highlight that there is the food for journey to reach the eternal destination, which is called **"the Eucharist"**, the real Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. As he said, "for my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink".

These spiritual food and drink of Jesus in the form of the **holy host and wine** which have been consecrated to give

us courage, strength, blessed, joy, faith, holiness in the present time and leading us to the eternal life.

May we become a blessing of the living Christ to others in our daily life...

*Alby - Assistant Parish Priest*

#### Lectio Divina – Weekly Sessions

**You are most welcome** to join us every Wednesday evening at 6:00pm in the Red Room for the weekly *Lectio Divina*, a prayerful reflection on God's Word.

As we listen, reflect, and pray together. For more information, please click on the link [Lectio Divina](#)



#### Parish News

##### Arise Youth Group News

Corpus Christi is a special celebration that reminds us of the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist. Through His Body and Blood, Jesus remains with us and continues to guide and strengthen us in our daily lives. This feast is not only about remembering the Last Supper but also about recognising that Christ is present with us today.



In Psalm 147:14, we read, "He grants peace to your borders and satisfies you with the finest wheat." This verse reminds us of God's care for His people and connects beautifully with the Eucharist. Just as God provides the "finest wheat," Jesus gives Himself to us as spiritual nourishment, helping us grow in faith and love.

For young people, Corpus Christi is a reminder that our faith should be lived out every day. Through small acts of kindness, compassion, forgiveness and service, we can share Christ's love with others. As a youth group, we are called to support one another and build a welcoming community where everyone feels valued. Corpus Christi invites us to grow closer to God and become living examples of His love in the world.

*Mary Trinita*

##### Holy Communion for Less Mobile Mass Attendees

For attendees of the congregation who are less mobile, we will come to you to offer Holy Communion at the end of the general procession.

##### Safeguarding at OLMC Parish

###### SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

It ensures that children, young people, and vulnerable adults are safe, respected, and protected in our parish community. All volunteers and ministry members are required to complete safeguarding training.

This can be completed online - <https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding/> for access to the online modules. Face-to-face training sessions are also

available at the following link: [Find An Event Near Me | Diocese of Parramatta](#)

For more information, please visit the Diocese of Parramatta Safeguarding website: <https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding/>

Thank you for keeping our parish safe and a welcoming place for all. We are dedicated to creating a safe and nurturing environment for all members of our community, especially children and vulnerable adults, in line with the "Parramatta Way."

The Parramatta Way of Safeguarding is to... Act with justice, and state that we have a zero tolerance for any form of abuse or harm to children or any person; Act with justice, and ensure that laws and obligations are upheld, and safety is paramount.

**SACRAMENTS AT  
OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL  
WENTWORTHVILLE**

**1<sup>ST</sup> RECONCILIATION**  
(applications close Fri, 3 July)  
**TUES 18 AUG 6PM**

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**1<sup>ST</sup> HOLY COMMUNION**  
(applications close Fri, 14 Aug)  
**SAT 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPT 11AM & 2 PM**



FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING  
ENROLLING YOUR CHILD PLEASE GO TO LINK  
<https://olmcwenty.org.au/sacraments-for-children/> OR CONTACT OUR PARISH OFFICE ON  
9631 8302

## Parish Finances

**Your generosity and kindness are truly appreciated!**

**Donations to the Parish for the week of Monday, 25 May to Sunday, 31 May totalling \$3,847.00**

**Planned Giving (cash/c cards):** \$1,095.00

**Loose cash:** \$970.00

**Direct Deposits:** \$645.00

**Tap & Go:** \$1,137.00

**Parish Online Banking:** If you would like to pay fees or to donate, our online banking details are:

**BSB:** 067 950 **Account Number:** 000 00602

**Account Name:** Wentworthville Catholic Church

**Reference:** [Your Surname] PURPOSE OF YOUR DONATION

**Please remember in your prayers.....**

**Recently Deceased:** Nga Tran, Rev. Sr Veda Mery (Immaculate Convent of India), Maria Rueda.

**Deceased (including RIP, anniversaries and memorials):**

Joyce Cini, Mary & Frank Teuma, Tony & Antonia Cini, Doris Vella, Fr Martin Weatherall, Rosemary Marsh, Fred Said, Marcel Salama, Shayne & George Vouz.

**Those who are sick (in need of healing and peace), especially:** Victoria (Vicky) Borg, Norman de Luca, Margaret Norton, Vincenza (Vivian) Sultana.

**Special Intentions /Thanksgiving:** Thuy Tran, Ngoc Tran.  
**(Note: If you wish for your mass intention to be published in the Carmel Bulletin, please indicate your agreement by circling "yes" or "no" on the envelope.)**

## Celebrating our Catholic Calendar



**Baptisms:** Xavier Gangemi 7 June, Lucas Robert Westerweller and Chelsea Manca 14 June.

**May they grow in faith, love, and the grace of God!**

**Feasts:** St Anthony of Padua June 13, Birth of St. John the Baptist June 24, Sts Peter and Paul June 29

## OLMC Church Calendar:

Lectio Divina	Wed, 10 June 6.00pm
SVdP Meeting	Thur, 11 June 10 am
Church cleaning	Thur, 11 June 9.30am
Baptism Preparation	Thur, 11 June 6.00pm

## Diocese of Parramatta Notices Bishop's Good Works Appeal



Across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains, people turn to the Church for care, hope, guidance and belonging. Through the Bishop's Good Works Appeal, our Diocese supports vital ministries including Holy Spirit Seminary, Catholic Care, the Ephpheta Centre and the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine.

Over the coming weeks, this Appeal will support Holy Spirit Seminary at Harris Park, helping form the future priests our Diocese will need in the years ahead. Your generosity provides education, spiritual formation, pastoral training and safe accommodation for seminarians as they answer God's call. Will run from weekend 9-10 May to 13-14 June.

Please give generously at [parracatholic.org/appeal](https://parracatholic.org/appeal)  
**All donations over \$2.00 are tax deductible.** Thank you for supporting the future priests of our Church.

## Nominations Open for the 2026 Papal & Diocesan Awards

Nominations are now open for the 2026 Papal and Diocesan Awards, recognising individuals - both religious and lay - who have made outstanding contributions to the Catholic Church and its community. *Do you know someone who deserves to be recognised?* Nominations close at midnight on 30 June 2026. For more information or to submit a nomination, visit [parracatholic.org](http://parracatholic.org)



## Positions Vacant

**Housekeeper Supervisor** – Holy Spirit Seminary, Harris Park.

**Parish Secretary** – St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta  
For further details and to apply: [parracatholic.org/jobs](http://parracatholic.org/jobs)

**Confraternity of Christian Doctrine**

**Please join us for a fun and interactive day with John Burland**

John Burland is an accomplished world-renowned Catholic composer, musician and educator who has been writing and recording religious music for children and adults for over twenty years. His music is approved for use in the classroom by CCD

**Where:** Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall, Seven Hills  
**When:** Wednesday, 8 July, 2026  
**From:** 9:30am to 2:30pm

Morning tea and lunch will be provided  
Free resources on offer from John

RSVP to [ccd@parracatholic.org](mailto:ccd@parracatholic.org) by Friday, 3 July

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## Refugee Week 14 - 20 June

**We will celebrate Refugee Week with the theme "A Million Stories"**

[Our Stories: Refugee Leadership Exhibition 2026 - JRS Australia](#)

Join us to celebrate Refugee Week 2026! This year, leaders from JRS Australia's Refugee Leadership Program will be exhibiting artwork and stories on the Refugee Week theme 'A Million Stories'.

Since 1947, Australia has granted one million permanent humanitarian visas. Behind each journey is a person with a story: someone who left everything behind to find safety, who showed incredible strength, and who has helped build the Australia we know today. We invite you to join us in celebrating a collection of these stories through art, music, and storytelling on the night.

We will also have a silent auction on the night with lots of exciting prizes up for grabs! Light refreshments will be provided.

We hope to see you there with your family and friends! Everyone is welcome at this event.

Event details: <https://events.humanitix.com/2026-refugee-week-exhibition>

Date: Friday 26th June | Time: 6pm – 8:30pm

Venue: Canva Space, 110 Kippax St, Surry Hills

Tickets: Sliding scale tickets from \$10 for those able to contribute. For more information, please contact Refugee Leadership Officer at [refugeeleadership@jrs.org.au](mailto:refugeeleadership@jrs.org.au)

## Roster 13 & 14 June 2026

### 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS	ROLE	VOLUNTEER
6pm Saturday (Vigil)	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Elena Fernandes Angela Carlino Bob Hanna Caz Learmonth May Pepin
8am Sunday	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Cecilia Cotter Cat Paulo David Rodridges Michelle Rodridges Eric Dias
10am Sunday	Reader 1 Reader 2 Children Communion	Joachin Sathi Fiona Bylsma Janelle Touma Carmel Gauci Rosemary Chung Daphne Dominic
6pm Sunday	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Michael Williamson Jada Khadi Fran Sharpe Kim Vu Isa Urbano

## Next week's readings

**13 & 14 June 2026 – 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 99:2-3, 5

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

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

**Recycle glass, plastic and aluminium and convert to Cash!**



**Thank you for your generosity!**

**Please continue bringing bottles and cans!** In support of the ongoing mission of the East Timor Committee with financially assisting students and their families in East Timor. *Our progress has been incredible and achieving amazing goals.*



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Wentworthville

**In the care of the Carmelite Friars**

*We acknowledge the Dharug people as the original custodians of this land and pay our respects to the elders; past, present and emerging.*

*Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, together with the Diocese of Parramatta and the Carmelite Friars, are committed to safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults in our care and ensuring that they feel and are safe.*

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If you would like to stay up to date with all the news from the parish, please consider [subscribing to the Carmel bulletin](#).

**Parish Office**

**Phone:** 9631 8302

Open Monday to Thursday, 8:30am to 3:30pm

**Parish Office is closed Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays**

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Januario Pinto, O.Carm (Carmelite Prior)

**Assistant Priest:** Fr. Albino Dos Santos, O.Carm

**In Community:** Fr. Anthony Scerri, O.Carm  
Fr. John Powell, O.Carm (in Aged Care)

**Parish Secretary:** Diane Vella

**Finance Officer:** Gennie Cosgrove

**Safeguarding Officer:** Moira Peter

**Our Lady of Mt Carmel Primary School**

**Principal:** Olimpia Pirovic

**Phone:** 8832 1100

**Liturgy times**

**Sunday Masses**

Saturday: 6:00pm (*Vigil*)

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am (include Children's Liturgy of the Word), 6:00pm

**Weekday Masses**

Monday - Thursday and Saturday: 9:00am

Friday: 9:15am (except first Friday of the month)

**Reconciliation**

Saturday: after the 9:00am Mass

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

Saturday: 8am

**Rosary Group**

Monday - Friday: 8am

Saturday: after the 9am Mass

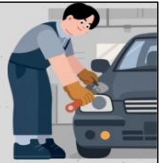
**Anointing within Mass**

First Friday of the month at 9am Mass followed by morning tea

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