

# Sacred Heart Catholic Parish

Yarra Junction & Warburton



## Mass of the Lord's Supper

9 April 2020

### Readings

#### Today

Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14  
Psalm 115  
2 Corinthians 11:23-26  
John 13:1-15

### in a nutshell

In the Sacred Triduum, the Church solemnly celebrates the greatest mysteries of our redemption, keeping by means of special celebrations the memorial of her Lord, crucified, buried, and risen. The Paschal Fast should also be kept sacred. It is to be celebrated everywhere on the Friday of the Lord's Passion and, where appropriate, prolonged also through Holy Saturday as a way of coming, with spirit uplifted, to the joys of the Lord's Resurrection.

### we pray for

all who are sick or suffering and those parishioners unable to be among us this weekend. For those who have died recently and whose anniversary occur at this time.

### of special note

Adoration (Holy Hour)  
is available on Thursdays  
(First Thursdays at Warburton)  
At 6:00pm  
Confessions available too!

## Raise Your Voices

### Entrance Antiphon

We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.

### Responsorial Psalm

*Our blessing-cup is a communion with the blood of Christ.*

How can I repay the Lord  
for his goodness to me?  
The cup of salvation I will raise;  
I will call on the Lord's name. (R.)

O precious in the eyes of the Lord  
is the death of his faithful.  
Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;  
you have loosened my bonds. (R.)

A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:  
I will call on the Lord's name.  
My vows to the Lord I will fulfil  
before all his people. (R.)

### Gospel Acclamation

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
I give you a new commandment:  
Love one another as I have loved you.  
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

### Communion Antiphon

This is the Body that will be given up for you; this is the Chalice of the new covenant in my Blood, says the Lord; do this, whenever you receive it, in memory of me.

### The Parish of Sacred Heart

Parish Priest  
REV. MICHEL G CORRIVEAU

Parish Secretary  
Janine Meades

Parish Office Hours  
Thursday  
9:00am-4:00pm

### Weekly Schedule

#### Sunday Mass

Warburton: Saturday—4:30pm  
Yarra Junction: Sunday—8:30am

#### Weekday Mass

Wednesday—9:00am

#### Reconciliation

Thursday 7:00pm-7:45pm  
*Thursdays at Yarra Junction*  
*First Thursday at Warburton*

#### Exposition

Thursday at 7:00pm  
*Thursdays at Yarra Junction*  
*First Thursday at Warburton*

### Weddings

*Please contact the office*

### Baptisms

*Please see Father after Mass*

### Parish Primary School

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# Why do we adore, or worship, Christ in the Blessed Sacrament?

(NOTE: Adoration every Thursday night at 6pm. First Thursday at Warburton. Confessions available too!)

A great multitude which no man could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits upon the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God. (Rev 7:9-11)

Christ is present to us in many ways, as in the assembled faithful or the Word of God; however, his presence in the Eucharist is unique and qualitatively superior in that he is present truly, really, and substantially in his Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity.

When the bishop or priest repeats the words of consecration during the Mass, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. Only the appearance of bread and wine remain. This mystery of Faith is known as the "Real Presence" of Christ in the Eucharist. "This presence is called 'real' not to exclude the idea that the others are 'real' too, but rather to indicate presence par excellence, because it is substantial and through it Christ becomes present whole and entire, God and man" (Bl. Paul VI).

It became the custom in the early Church to set aside some consecrated hosts when the Mass had ended; today, every Catholic church has a tabernacle where the Body of Christ is reserved. The Eucharist is thereby available to distribute to the sick who could not attend Mass. Since Christ is truly present, an act of reverence is made toward the tabernacle; in the Western Church a genuflection, by which the right knee is touched to the ground, is normally used.

The Real Presence of Christ invites us also to the adoration of the reserved Blessed Sacrament; this has led to the development of many Eucharistic devotions. Eucharistic adoration before the tabernacle is one such pious practice. Many churches also have periods of adoration when a consecrated host is displayed, or exposed, in a monstrance. Eucharistic processions are conducted when the Eucharist is placed in a monstrance, which is then carried around the church and even through the streets of the town or city.

When, therefore, the Church bids us adore Christ hidden behind the Eucharistic veils and pray to Him for the spiritual and temporal favours of which we ever stand in need, she manifests living faith in her divine Spouse who is present beneath these veils. (Pope Pius XII)

Ah yes, brothers and sisters, but where did the Lord wish to be recognized? In the breaking of bread. We're all right, nothing to worry about—we break bread, and we recognize the Lord. It was for our sake that he didn't want to be recognized anywhere but there, because we weren't going to see him in the flesh, and yet we were going to eat his flesh. So if you're a believer, any of you, if you're not called a Christian for nothing, if you don't come to church pointlessly, if you listen to the Word of God in fear and hope, you may take comfort in the breaking of bread. The Lord's absence is not an absence. Have faith, and the one you cannot see is with you. (St. Augustine)

The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease. (St. John Paul II)

*From the Didache Bible*

**2709** What is contemplative prayer? St. Teresa answers: "Contemplative prayer in my opinion is nothing else than a close sharing between friends; it means taking time frequently to be alone with him who we know loves us."

Contemplative prayer seeks him "whom my soul loves." It is Jesus, and in him, the Father. We seek him, because to desire him is always the beginning of love, and we seek him in that pure faith which causes us to be born of him and to live in him. In this inner prayer we can still meditate, but our attention is fixed on the Lord himself.

**2715** Contemplation is a gaze of faith, fixed on Jesus. "I look at him and he looks at me": this is what a certain peasant of Ars in the time of his holy curé used to say while praying before the tabernacle. This focus on Jesus is a renunciation of self. His gaze purifies our heart; the light of the countenance of Jesus illumines the eyes of our heart and teaches us to see everything in the light of his truth and his compassion for all men. Contemplation also turns its gaze on the mysteries of the life of Christ. Thus it learns the "interior knowledge of our Lord," the more to love him and follow him.

*From the Catechism of the Catholic Church*