

**Feast of St Anthony of Padua:** The Franciscans warmly invite you to Mass and the traditional blessing of bread and lilies at the Church of Mary Immaculate, 45A Victoria St, Waverley on Mon. 10<sup>th</sup> May at 10am.

**On noticeboard:** ★An introduction to Franciscan Spirituality: Various talks; ★Guided Meditations on the Scriptures by the Sisters of St Joseph.

**Are you interested** in helping couples to understand and appreciate their gift of fertility? The next course over 2 days of the Billings Ovulation Method is on Fri 21<sup>st</sup> & Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> June at East Burwood. For more details, please ring 9802 2202 or 1800 335 860.

**Free e-book entitled *Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year C-1*** may be downloaded to one's computer or to one's e-reader from [www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/](http://www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/). The book carries the Imprimatur of Bishop Anthony Fisher OP of Parramatta and can also be used for any C-1 Liturgical Year.

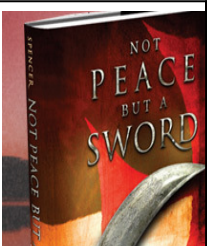
**Volunteer Married Couples wanted:** Catholic Engaged Encounter is searching for couples who are passionate about Marriage to join them. For more details please contact Kylie & Damian Fawkner on 0431 737 557 or [kylie@thefawkners.com](mailto:kylie@thefawkners.com).

**Pope Francis will lead a worldwide hour of Eucharistic adoration** on Sunday, June 2, the Vatican has announced. On that date, cathedrals all across the world will hold an hour of Eucharistic adoration at the same time, inviting the faithful to pray for the Pope's intentions. The worldwide session of adoration will take place from 5 to 6 Sunday afternoon in Rome, and cathedrals worldwide will synchronize their vigils to match that time. The Pope has asked the universal Church to pray for two intentions during the hour of adoration: 1. For the Church spread throughout the world and united today in the adoration of the Most Holy Eucharist as a sign of unity; 2. For those around the world who still suffer slavery and who are victims of war, human trafficking, drug running, and slave labour; For the children and women who are suffering from every type of violence.

## Adoro te devote



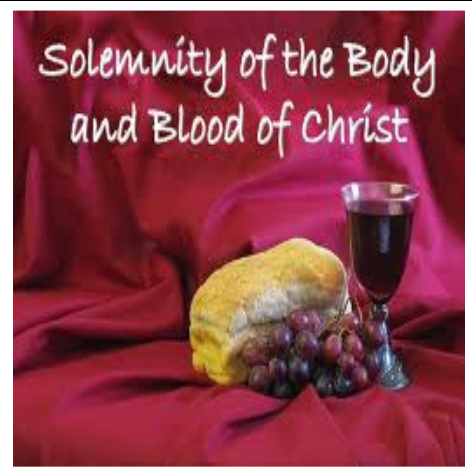
**Prostrate I  
adore Thee...**



( Glebe Bookshop ) Robert Spencer has written many books on Islam, on Islamic law, scripture, and tradition, but this may be his most significant book yet because of its potential to alert us to a dangerous gap in our knowledge of Islam. [\*Not Peace but a Sword\*](#) asks questions about the relationship between Christianity and Islam that few others are asking, even though they are questions that beg for answers.

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2013 (C)

### The Body and Blood of Christ

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING:** Genesis 14:18-20

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchisedek.

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING:** 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

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

**GOSPEL:** Luke 9:11-17

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood will live in me and I in him, says the Lord.

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES:**

Sat. Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 8am, 9:30am & 5pm

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:**

Mon, Tues & Thurs: 7:30am

Wed: 6pm

Fri: 9:15am

Sat: 9:15am (Stn Cross Apts)

**HOLY HOUR:** Wed: 5pm

**RECONCILIATION:**

Wed: 5:15 – 5:45pm

Sat: 4:15 – 4:45pm

**BAPTISMS:**

Sundays 9:30am Mass

**BAPTISMAL PROGRAMME &**

**WEDDINGS:**

By appointment

**ANOINTING MASS:**

Quarterly: 1<sup>st</sup> weekend

**1<sup>ST</sup> SAT OF EACH MONTH:**

11am Mass in honour of Our Lady.

**PLANNED GIVING PROGRAMME:**

**70%** tax deductible. Please join by contacting parish office.

**FAITH FORMATION:**

Sundays 3:30pm (in presbytery)

**OFFICE HOURS:**

Mon, Wed & Fri 9am to 2:30pm

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

**Sat Vigil:** Thanksgiving for finding work  
**Sat 8am:** Pro Populo  
**Sun 9:30am:** †George Torok  
**Sun 5pm:** †Don Campbell  
**Mon 7:30am:** †Beatrice Campbell

**OUR SICK:** *Marie Busuttill, Pat Raby, Maria De Andrade, Mollie Burgess, Alan Sargeant. and Josephine Helback ...*

**Accommodation still available in Foley Gardens. Please call Fr. Jerzy on 93491292 or 0411125357 and you will be referred for further details to Mr. Robert O'Shea, the manager.**

**Happy Belated Birthday to: Robby Lan Kam.**

**We welcome Emma Yuko Takada to her Baptism this Sunday at the 9:30am Mass.**  
**Please pray for His Eminence, George Cardinal Pell as he celebrates his birthday on Sat 8<sup>th</sup> June.**

**ANOINTING MASSES will be held this weekend (1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> June).**

**SVdP Winter Appeal will be held next weekend (8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> June): Specially**

**Parish School News: 1) Class Mass:** Fri 7<sup>th</sup> June: Yr 3; Fri 14<sup>th</sup> June: Kind & Yr 6.  
**2) Family Mass:** Sat 15<sup>th</sup> June: Kindy-Yr 2.

**REMINDER: Annual Corpus Christi Procession is on this Sun (2<sup>nd</sup> June) from 2:30pm to 4pm.** The Procession will begin from St Patrick's Church Hill and will take about 1 hour to reach St Mary's Cathedral. (In the event of rain, the procession will proceed unless the rain is heavy). Our Holy Father, Pope Francis has asked the Catholic world to give an hour of Adoration on this Feast of Corpus Christi and all parishioners are urged to attend as a way of responding to his request.

**URGENT REQUEST:** Motorised wheelchair urgently required. Please contact Fr. Jerzy for further details.

**Catholicism,** The Journey with Fr. Robert E. Barron. 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. at 3:30 pm presbytery. Next session: **Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> June.**

**The Great Adventure:** Bible Study, 3rd Sundays of the month, 3:30pm presbytery. Next session: **Sun 16<sup>th</sup> June**

**This weekend: Vigil:** Volunteer (A) A Wojciechowski, T Haglund (R) F & G Hogan (C)  
**8:00am:** J Heaney (A) A Brinck, J Rapusas (R) A Burke, Sr Betty (C) P Low (M)  
**9:30am:** A Varghese (A) E Widjaja, H Widjaja (R) S Pedisich (C) A Burton (M)  
**5:00pm:** R Yang (A), Volunteers **Counters:** G Hage, V Hage

**Next weekend: Vigil:** Volunteer (A) G Chin, T Chin (R) F Doherty, G Hage (C) G Guerrero (M)  
**8:00am:** J Heaney (A) P Tjuigito, A Burjke (R) M Alimaro, G Gates (C) P Low (M)  
**9:30am:** Volunteer I Lie, J Lie (R) C Findlay (C) A Burton (M)  
**5:00pm:** R Yang (A), Volunteers please **Counter:** G Hogan (Wed 12<sup>th</sup>)

**Jesus chose to give us the Eucharist, the sacramental sign of his union with us.** Starvation -- even for a limited time -- convinces us of how dependent we are on food. Physical hunger, with its debilitating effects when prolonged, is a vivid sign of what it is like not to have God in our lives and thus to be separated, "excommunicated" from the community of believers. Just as a meal is the perfect relief from hunger, union with Jesus and the community of believers is the perfect relief for our spiritual ills. The multiplication of the loaves described in the gospels reminds us to ask Jesus for our daily bread. In doing so, we express solidarity with the poor and a desire to receive Christ in the Eucharist. The Eucharistic meal is the perfect sign of the satisfaction for which we hunger. This is the reason why the fast before communion is retained as a part of the ritual action. The Catholic tradition is that we approach the Holy Mysteries with the most profound reverence and in a spirit of recollection -- that is, an intense focus on what we are doing, into Whose presence we are coming. We have the absolute duty to prepare properly for each and every reception of Holy Communion. Many of us have neglected this duty in our lives. We have tarnished God's image within us through acts of impurity, injustice and disobedience. Hence, there is always need for repentance, and a need for the sacramental confession of **grave sins** before we receive Holy Communion. We should remember the warning given by St. Paul: "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord. Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For all who eat and drink without discerning the body, eat and drink judgment against themselves." [1 Cor. 11:27-9]. Hence, let us receive Holy Communion with fervent love and respect -- not merely as a matter of routine. If we are struggling with sin, especially habitual **GOD IS LOVE** sin, let us remember always to ask Jesus to strengthen us through this sacrament. He is God of Divine Love without any determination. He is Love Himself forgiving before we ask to be forgiven, restoring broken relationships before we make our first steps to do it. Today, then, we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body of Christ. Last Sunday, we had Trinity Sunday, and the week before we celebrated Pentecost. Both Pentecost and Trinity honour an invisible and untouchable God. But today's feast is different. Jesus is here, to see and to embrace.

