

St. Peter's Hamilton
Corpus Christi Sunday (A)

7th June 2026

Our Parish Mission

All are welcome in this place
Behold Love's amazing grace
All are welcome
Bring your hopes, bring your dreams
Mercy flows and love redeems

It is 5.51am

It was great to have the Bishop in our parish yesterday. He visited both our schools and he really was impressed by both assemblies on the Good Samaritan. The children did us so proud. I want to take this opportunity to thank the staff of both schools for all the hard work. And for the children they were amazing. So the rehearsing for confirmation will begin shortly. Please keep them in your prayers.

Confirmation 2026

St. Peter's & St. Mark's
18th June 2026 7pm
Bishop Toal

The Corpus Christi Processions will take place after each

Sunday Mass this weekend. Weather permitting. More details to follow.

This Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a

Moses tells the people to remember how God delivered them from slavery in Egypt.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 147:12-15, 19-20

Praise God, Jerusalem!

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Though many, we are one body when we partake of the Body and Blood of Christ.

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.

Next Weeks Mass Programme

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday : 10am Mass

Wednesday: 10am Mass

Thursday: 10am Mass

Friday: 10am Mass

Saturday: 10am Mass

This Week's Rota

Readers

4pm Vigil: B. Cornes

9.30am: T. Kennedy

11am: P. McKeown

Eucharistic Ministers

4pm Vigil: S. Boyle, M. Kilpatrick & A. Conway

9.30am: K. O'Neill, M. Devanney & C. Bonnar

11am: H. Govers, S. Cunningham &

Weekday 10am Mass Readers Rota

Tuesday: P. Davies

Wednesday: B. Cornes

Thursday: P. McKeown

Friday: J. McCluskey

Saturday: A. Devlin

Please pray for the following:

Sick:

Margaret Callaghan Doreen Cleary, Neil Boyle,
John Rielly Molly Strang, James Clark,
Fr. Michael McLaughlin, Patricia Henderson,
Joanna Maier (Connecticut USA), Therese Gilgunn Tressy
Callaghan, Suzanne McMurray,
Mary Coyle, Lesley Watson (Spain) Maureen McHugh,
Margaret Burke, Marie White, Kathleen Daly,
John McGuire, Jill Brown, Karen Pritchatt,
Louise Newton, Faith Lyndsey, Jill Brown,
Marie McGuire, James Morton, Paul Kearney,
Thomas Daly, Andrew McCluskey,
Premature Baby Vincent McDowell,
Bill Allan, Gudren Berk (Germany),
Jaqueline McReynolds, Mary Morrison, Helen Howarth
(Easterhouse), Margaret Loan, Avril McCluskey,
Carol Corr, Thomas Kennedy, Eileen Brown, and all our sick.

Recently Dead:

Stephen Sweeney, Paul Grant, Cathie Lennon,
Maureen Bennett, Sheena Cadden (Bothwell),
Charles Devlin

Month Minds & Anniversaries:

John O'Donnell, John Heard, Dunstan Kennedy, Pat &
Agnes McGuire

Please if you could make sure all month minds and anniversaries are handed in no later than Wednesday Night. If they come in after that they will be read out at Mass on Sunday. If the recently dead come in after the Wednesday deadline they too will be read out at Mass on the Sunday.

Funeral Arrangements

Maureen Bennett

Thursday 11th June 10am Funeral Mass

Paul Grant

No arrangements as yet

P7 Leavers Masses

St. Peter's 17th June

St. Mark's 19th June

A parishioner Cara Quigley is volunteering in a Catholic School in Kenya. She is looking for donations of the following:

1. Story books.
2. Flash cards (Alphabet, Numbers & Shapes).
3. White Board Pens.
4. Educational Toys (Building Blocks etc).
5. Sensory Materials.
6. Pencils (Normal & Coloured).
7. Crayons.

8. Skipping Ropes.

She leaves on the 18th June 2026

Last pick up date is Sunday 12th July 2026

Powerpoint Remote Control:

I am also looking for Volunteers to move the power-points on during the Sunday Masses, Vigil 4pm, 9.30am & 11am.

It is very easy to operate, if we get enough volunteers for each Mass we would put a wee rota together. It would take a wee bit of pressure off me.

Gift Aid

If you wish to sign up for Gift Aid. It is a great way to help the parish financially, costing you absolutely nothing. If you wish to sign up contact myself or Doreen Lee and we will give you the form and hand it back as you can and we can get it organised. As I said it costs you nothing, but helps the parish so much.

Baptism/Wedding Meetings: THURSDAY 6pm & 7pm. JUST
TURN UP

The Bulletin is available by email

I can't thank you enough for your generosity to the Parish. I really appreciate it. Please keep it up, Once again Thank You.

Fr. Frank

