



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST YEAR C

SUNDAY 19 JUNE 2022

### REFLECTION By Sr Veronica Lawson rsm

The gospel for today brings together elements that have traditionally formed part of Christian worship. In the first part of the story, Jesus welcomes those who follow him. He then speaks to them of God's kin-dom and heals those in need of healing. In the second part, he takes the loaves, blesses them, breaks them and puts them before the disciples who distribute the bread to the assembled people. All eat and are satisfied.

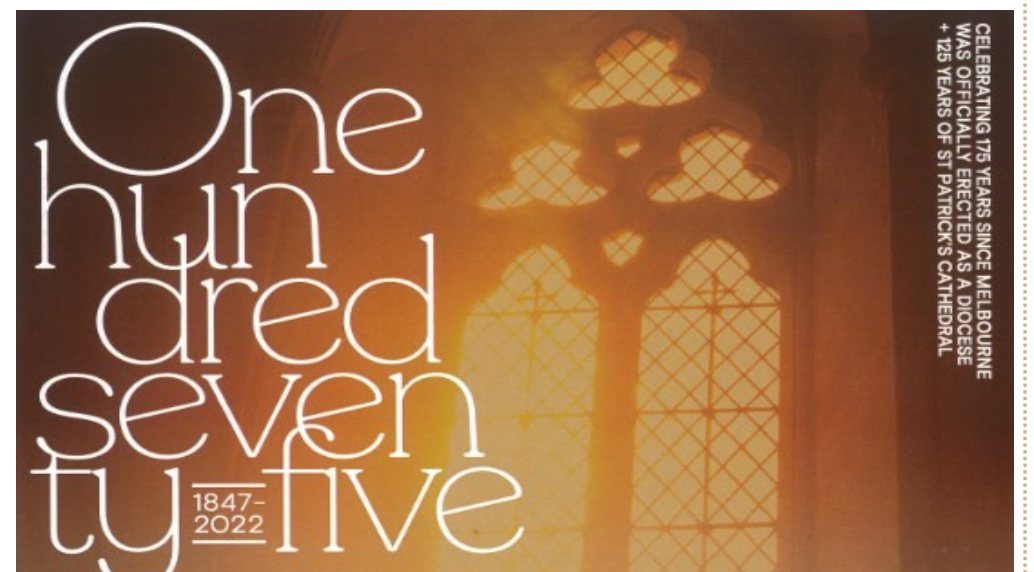
The second part of the story is full of eucharistic symbolism. The setting is a "desert" place, recalling the wanderings of the Israelites in the desert of Sinai. The hunger of the people recalls God's care of Israel in the wilderness. God feeds God's people in the deserts of life, but only if those called to be disciples recognise their responsibility to be the hands of God. "Send them away" is one solution, clearly not the one preferred by Jesus. Rather, he says, "You give them something to eat". They are said to number "five thousand men (*andres*)". The women and children are simply not counted. When the people sit down in circles and share their food, they find there is more than enough for everyone. They gather up the broken pieces, just as we must remember to gather up the pieces that so often go to waste.

Jesus' actions and words over the bread [and the fish] are echoed in the account of his final meal with the disciples: the bread broken and shared becomes his body broken and "given" for them. In the celebration of Eucharist, bread broken and wine poured out change their meaning. While all analogies fall short, we might begin to understand this mystery by thinking of the Eureka flag. The flag is constructed of fabric and thread, but it is no longer simply the sum of its material parts, precious as they are. The restored flag is housed in a special place and protected with the utmost care. Because of its associations with the Eureka rebellion and what that stands for in Australian history, it has taken on a meaning other than the goodness of the materiality of fabric and thread. In the celebration of Eucharist, the God-given gifts of bread and wine likewise become more than their material parts. They are life for us, the shared life of the Risen Christ. Eucharistic life is covenanted life. Recognition of another level of meaning does not discount the integrity and goodness of the underlying material reality, but rather affirms it.

Sharing in Eucharist means giving life for the sake of the many, sometimes to the point of heroism, sometimes simply by sharing our resources or our left-over pieces with others in need. Finally, it is important to remember that the healing is the prelude to the sharing of the bread. We are called to ensure there is a place at the table for those so often excluded from community by disability, ill-health or any kind of prejudice.



Oh Lord Jesus Christ,  
we come before You today,  
we thank You for the gift of Your  
Holy Body and Blood  
through which we get  
strengthened body, soul and  
mind.  
We solemnly pledge that we will  
offer You our undivided Love  
and also service to our  
brothers and sisters  
as it is Your Holy will.  
We pray this in the Name of  
the Father, and the Son and the  
Holy Spirit.  
Amen.



The 25th June 1847 marked the proclamation of the growing town of Melbourne as a City. On that same day two religious institutions were established in the new City of Melbourne. Pope Pius IX created the Roman Catholic Diocese of Melbourne, while Royal letters from Westminster Abbey founded the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne on the same day.

Next weekend we mark 175 years of the Diocese of Melbourne. In collaboration with St Paul's Anglican Cathedral we have commissioned a new Mass setting titled '*Melbourne Mass*' by Dr. Philip Matthias and a Jubilee Hymn '*Come down to earth*' by Rev. Dr. Christopher Willcock SJ and Dr. Katherine Firth. These two locally composed works draw on our rich and diverse cultural heritage, including Indigenous and many other cultural influences in the compositions.

We will be singing these new compositions' for the first time at next weekend Masses, with visiting Choirs joining the full Cathedral choir at 11.00am Mass.

Please join us for refreshments after Mass in the Cathedral grounds.

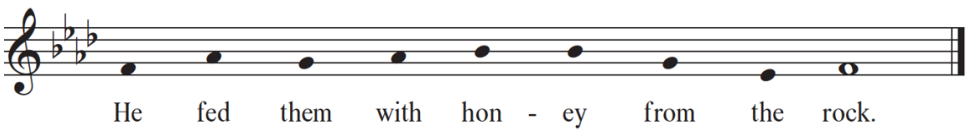
All most welcome.



TODAY’S LITURGY—YEAR C

Entrance Antiphon

He fed them with the finest wheat  
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.



Entrance Hymn CWBII 397  
*Jesus in your heart we find*

Antiphon: *Jesus in your heart we find  
love of the Father and mankind;  
these two loves to us impart,  
divine love in a human heart.*

May we stand within the fire  
of your Sacred Heart and raise  
to our God, in joyful choir  
all creation’s song of praise. Antiphon

In our hearts from roots of pride  
deadly growths of evil flower;  
but from Jesus’ wounded side  
streams the sacramental power. Antiphon

To the depths within your heart  
draw us with divine desire,  
hide us, heal us and impart  
your own love’s transforming fire. Antiphon

Text: James Phillip McAuley 1917-1976 Music: SANCTA SOPHIA 77.77  
and antiphon Richard Connolly b. 1927 - 1976. By arr. with the Licensor.  
The James McAuley Estate c/- Curtis Brown (Aust) Pty. Ltd.

1st Reading Genesis 14:18-20  
*Melchizedek brought bread and wine.*

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a  
priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing:  
‘Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven  
and earth,  
and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies  
to you.’  
And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 109:1-4  
Response: **You are a priest for ever,  
in the line of Melchizedek.**

1. The Lord’s revelation to my Master:  
‘Sit on my right:  
I will put your foes beneath your feet.’ (R.)
2. The Lord will send from Zion  
your sceptre of power:  
rule in the midst of all your foes. (R.)
3. A prince from the day of your birth  
on the holy mountains;  
from the womb before the daybreak I begot you. (R.)
4. The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.  
‘You are a priest for ever,  
a priest like Melchizedek of old.’ (R.)

2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

*Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are  
proclaiming the death of the Lord.*  
This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on  
to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord  
Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it,  
and he said, ‘This is my body, which is for you; do this as a  
memorial of me.’ In the same way he took the cup after  
supper, and said, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood.  
Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.’  
Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread  
and drink this cup, you are proclaiming to his death.

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

Gospel Luke 9:11-17  
*They all ate and were filled.*

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about  
the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of  
healing.  
It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said,  
‘Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and  
farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a  
lonely place here.’ He replied, ‘Give them something to eat  
yourselves.’ But they said, ‘We have no more than five loaves  
and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for  
all these people.’ For there were about five thousand men.  
But he said to his disciples, ‘Get them to sit down in parties  
of about fifty.’ They did so and made them all sit down.  
Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes  
to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke  
them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among  
the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the  
scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

COMMUNION HYMN  
Sunday 11.00AM - Ave verum - Saints - Saëns  
Sunday 6.30pm - Benedicimus Deum

Hymn after Communion/Recessional Hymn CWBII 164  
Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast,  
Body of Christ, be Thou my saving guest,  
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in Thy tide,  
Wash me with water flowing from Thy side.  
  
Strength and protection may Thy Passion be,  
O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;  
Deep in Thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me,  
So shall I never, never part from Thee.  
  
Guard and defend me from the foe malign,  
In death's dread moments make me only Thine;  
Call me and bid me come to Thee on high,  
Where I may praise Thee with Thy saints for aye.

Text: Anima Christi attr. Pope John XXII 1249-1334

## THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
*and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.*  
***For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,***  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.

## Communion Hymn

CWBII 533

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,  
and with fear and trembling stand;  
ponder nothing earthly minded  
for with blessing in his hand,  
Christ our Lord to earth descendeth  
our full homage to demand.

King of Kings, yet born of Mary,  
as of old on earth He stood,  
Lord of hosts, in human vesture,  
in the Body and the Blood.  
He will give to all the faithful  
His own Self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven  
spreads its vanguard on the way.  
As the light of light descendeth  
from the realms of endless day.

Text: from the Liturgy of St James c.4th cent; trans  
Gerald Moultrie 1829-1885 alt.

**Communion: 11.00am - Ave verum - Colin Mawby  
6.30pm - Hoc corpus**

## Recessional

**Sunday 6.30pm - Cathedral Singers  
Rockingham - Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)**

## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

**Tuesday 21 June - St Aloysius Gonzaga (Memorial)**  
**Wednesday 22 June - Sts John Fisher & Thomas More (Memorial)**  
**Thursday 23 June - St Paulinus of Nola**  
**Friday 24 June - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Solemnity)**  
**Saturday 25 June - The Nativity of St John the Baptist (Solemnity)**

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Each Friday at the conclusion of the 1.00pm Mass,  
in the Sacred Heart Chapel  
**COMMENCING FRIDAY 24 JUNE**  
Exposition until 2.15pm.

## EXTRAORDINARY FORM LATIN MASS

WILL RECOMMENCE ON **WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE at 5.30PM**  
IN THE SACRED HEART CHAPEL  
AT ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

## PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN UKRAINE

God of peace and justice,  
who change the hardened heart  
and break the power of violence,  
we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril;  
let them know not death but life,  
not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all;  
we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength  
to live that truth in love,  
choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

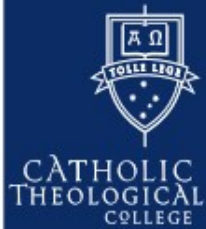


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## INTERCESSORY PRAYER

**We pray for the sick of our parish and for all who have asked for our prayers.**  
**We pray for all those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries we remember at this time, especially Nellita Olleta.**  
**May they now share in the banquet of God's eternal kingdom.**





# CTC Open Day June 2022



Live online session via zoom Tuesday 21 June 7pm (AEST)

Have you thought about studying? Want to know more?

Join us at our 2022 Online Open Day session and learn about course study options at Catholic Theological College.

Areas covered will include:

- Study Options
- Courses:
  - Audit
  - Undergraduate
  - Postgraduate
  - Minor Thesis and HDR

During this information session, you will have the opportunity to ask questions of the speakers.

## Presenters



(left to right)

- **Rev. Dr Simon Wayte MGL**  
Academic Dean
- **Rev. Dr Phillip Gleeson SDB**  
Postgraduate Coordinator
- **Rev. Dr Max Vodola**  
Associate Dean (Research)

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## A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:

ACN has launched its "Helping form the Priests of Tomorrow" global campaign. For 75 years, the benefactors of *Aid to the Church in Need* have generously supported the formation of seminarians.

In fact, some of these men now serve as priests in Australia today! At the current time, ACN is supporting some 15,000 seminarians on the path to the priesthood. Please read and reflect on their stories and discern to help us, spiritually and financially, to form the priests of tomorrow. These young men never cease to pray for the benefactors who assisted them on their journey. Thank you in advance for whatever you can do.

Visit [www.aidtochurch.org/seminariansglobal](http://www.aidtochurch.org/seminariansglobal)



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**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY ASSISTING REFUGEE STUDENTS MERCY CONNECT MELBOURNE/ Mercy Works Ltd.** Is currently recruiting volunteers to academically support Refugee and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese and also adult centre.

Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. The training day is in July. **Email:** [somml@bigpond.com](mailto:somml@bigpond.com) (preferred for contact)

**Website:** [www.mercyworks.org.au](http://www.mercyworks.org.au) or **Tel:** 9326 1895



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## SAFEGUARDING.

## Child Protection Officer:

## Rev Alexander Chow

We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility for our community. Commitment Statement display at the Cathedral's entrance & parish office.

Further information refer to website (<https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding>).

## St Patrick's Cathedral Young Adult Group (SPYAG)

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at Albert Room, CKC Centre, 383 Albert St, East Melbourne.

Last Sunday of each month:  
6pm Rosary, 6:30pm mass,  
followed by meal.

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