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**June 9 – 10th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B)**

**Santissimo Corpo E Sangue Di Cristo (Anno B)**

Gli scribi, accecati nella loro opposizione al Signore, diffondono la voce che Gesù ha potere sui demoni perché egli è sottomesso a Beelzebul. Davanti a tali dicerie, il Signore vuole insegnare ai suoi discepoli l'importanza della comunione: il regno che è venuto a stabilire sulla terra non vacillerà e non perderà la sua virtù, se essi rimarranno uniti. Approfittiamo di questo insegnamento per esaminare il nostro atteggiamento di fronte alle azioni del prossimo, e in particolare se si tratta di membri della Chiesa. Pensiamo per esempio che i giudizi inutili - e talvolta temerari -, i dubbi senza motivo o i commenti negativi sulle intenzioni degli altri infrangono l'unità e la comunione della Chiesa. Noi dobbiamo avere, al contrario, un grande amore per l'unità, nella diversità legittima che si riscontra nel popolo di Dio. Anche se siamo tutti molto diversi, il nostro amore per la Chiesa saprà passare sopra questa diversità. Se ci orientiamo veramente verso la santità, lottando nel cammino che Dio stabilisce per ognuno di noi, perché non dovremmo essere uniti? E, se vediamo dei difetti negli altri, il nostro atteggiamento sarà di comprensione piena di misericordia, cercando di aiutarli a superarli. Abbiamo quindi bisogno di una grande rettitudine e umiltà, per evitare la posizione di coloro che - come quelli che accusano il Signore di essere posseduto da uno spirito immondo - interpretano male l'opera degli altri e rifiutano per principio di riconoscere l'azione di Dio nelle iniziative altrui. *(lachiesa.it)*

Rarely ever does the scriptural offering appear to go in so many directions as it does today. The **Gospel** itself (Mark 3:20-35) offers a fast-moving account of a complex episode in Jesus' ministry. It sets that ministry within two sources of misunderstanding: one from his family, the other - much more deadly - from the scribes, who are now emerging as his chief and potentially murderous critics. In an arrangement typical of his Gospel, St. Mark has "sandwiched" the latter controversy within two outer episodes - at the beginning and end-both having to do in some way with "family".

We have to accept the fact that Mark's Gospel is not the best place to look for a positive theology of the family in the New Testament. In seeking to recapture and restrain him at the beginning of this episode, Jesus' natural family show themselves to be on the side of the old age that Kingdom is supplanting. He is not "out of his mind", as they fear. Rather, his teaching about the offer of his Father's unconditional forgiveness and love taps into a deep longing in people's hearts. Hence the enthusiasm that it stirs up among the crowds.

*Brendan Byrne)*

**Vinnies Food Appeal  
(8th/9th June)**

Parishioners are asked to support the work of St. Vincent de Paul Society by donating non-perishable food items.

Donated items can be placed in the basket at the front of the church. These items will be passed on to the Fawkner Conference of St. Vincent de Paul.

Please help provide this most basic essential to those in need.

*(Please note food donations can be made at anytime).*

**Sacrament of Confirmation**

Any students from government schools wishing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in 2024, please contact Anna Proud on 0402741258.

**The sick in our parish:** Teresa Lamonaca, John and Miriam Markis, Panfilo Ambrosini, Carmela Renda, Angela Barto, Sonia Taranto, Evelyn McDonough, Laurence, Floriano Pivetta, Joe and Monica Zahra, Cathy Taviane, Josie, George, Maria Mallozzi, Aiden Agius, Maryanne, Adam Peric, Meldon Richardson, Susanna, Luise, Andrew, Patrick, John Bussutil, Vicenzina, Mark, Elda Taranto, Alfredo Pannunzio, Anna Taylor, Bill McAllister, Joe Ranno, John Pannunzio, Donato Di Tella, Lina Cerra.

**Upcoming funerals:** Michelina Villela, Friday, June 14 at 11.00 am.

**Recently deceased:** Michelina Villela, Phillip Debono, Luciano Di Girolamo, Giuseppina Mengato, Grazia Cisternino, Cesare Inchincoli, Aldo Angelino, Cath Jenkins.

**Anniversaries:** Giannina Quattrocchi, Vincenza Cavalli, Giuseppe Cavalli, George Abdallah, Giovanni and Giovanna Beltempo, Rosa Di Guglielmo, Giovanni Cilia, Blossom and Aaron Weerasinghe, Myrtle and Herbert Eliyathamby, Mary Rode

*Si pregano i parrocchiani di notare che i nomi per l'elenco degli anniversari dovrebbero essere inseriti nel bollettino solo UNA VOLTA all'anno, nella data/settimana dell'anniversario.*

**Mass times**

**Weekday:**

Tuesday-Friday: 9.30 am. Wednesday: 6.00 pm Novena mass

**Weekend:** Saturday Vigil mass 5.30 pm Sunday 9.00 am ; Sunday 10.30 (Italian mass)

**Reconciliation:** Saturday: 5.00 pm. Bookings are essential. Contact the Parish Office

**Joke of the Week**

A middle-aged man took his dog to the vet and asked him to cut off the dog's tail.

'Why do you want to do that?' asked the vet. 'His tail is perfectly healthy'.

'I know', said the man. 'But my wife's great-Aunt Gladys is arriving tomorrow and I don't want anything to make her think she is welcome'.

*(The book of senior jokes)*

**Rosters for weekend masses (June 15/16)**

**Lectors:**

Saturday 5.30 pm.: J. Manovella

Sunday 9.00 am: J. Butera

10.30 am: M. Costa

**Bus driver:** P. Capasso



**Propagation of the Faith Appeal (15th/16th June)**

Social stigma, poor access to services, and the harsh Mongolian winter mean that the most vulnerable people will often struggle to access the support they need to help them get back on their feet. Recognising this need, the Church has begun work on the House of Mercy. When complete, the House of Mercy will provide shelter to first aid services.

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*Please donate to this appeal*

**Preghiera di San Matteo Dio nostro**

Padre, ti ringraziamo per tutti i doni che hai conferito sulla nostra famiglia parrocchiale. Concedici la Sapienza per cercare la tua volonta' in ogni cosa. Circonda le nostre famiglie con la tua protezione amorosa.

Dona salute e gioia ai nostri genitori, sapienza e coraggio ai nostri giovani e fede ed allegria ai nostri figli.

Per intercessione di San Matteo, benedici perche' diventiamo una famiglia piu' fedele ed amorosa e di cuore e mente unici. Amen

**St. Matthew's Prayer**

God Our Father, we thank you for all the blessings you have bestowed upon our Parish Family. Give us the wisdom to seek Your Will in everything. Encircle our families with Your loving care.

Give good health and happiness to our parents; wisdom and courage to our youth; faith and cheerfulness to our children.

Bless us, through the intercession of St. Matthew, to grow stronger in faith and love, as a family of one heart and one mind. Amen

St. Matthew's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

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