**Note: Please leave this on the ambo, thanks.**

**SUNDAY 3RD JUNE**

**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

**(CORPUS CHRISTI) - YEAR B**

**Introduction:**

Good morning / evening we welcome our parishioners and visitors to Mary Immaculate Quakers Hill/Schofields Parish.

The Eucharist is the source and summit of our Christian life. In this sacrament, Jesus gives his body and blood to be our food unto eternal life. With this living bread, we experience Jesus’ salvation and God’s peace, receive power to give ourselves in loving service, and gain strength for our spiritual journey. When we gather in Jesus’ name at the Eucharist, we proclaim that we are truly God’s people.

Our Mass will be celebrated today by

**Sat 5.30pm Vigil –**

**Sun 7.30am-**

**Sun 9am-**

**Sun 10.30am –**

**Sun 12.30pm-**

**Sun 5.30pm-**

Please stand and join in singing the Entrance Hymn

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**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**FIRST READING**   **Ex 24:3-8**

**A reading from the book of Exodus**

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, ‘We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.’ Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel.

Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar.

And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, ‘We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.’

Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. ‘This’ he said ‘is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.’

*The Word of the Lord.*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 115:12-13. 15-18. R. v.13**

***(R.) I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.***

1. 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.)***

1. 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.)***

1. 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.)***

**SECOND READING  Heb 9:11-15**

***A reading from the letter to the Hebrews***

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by men’s hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

*The Word of the Lord.*

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;

whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL   Mk 14:12-16, 22-26 (Proclaimed by Celebrating Priest)**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew**

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, ‘Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?’ So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, ‘Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, “The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?” He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.’ The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. ‘Take it,’ he said ‘this is my body.’ Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, ‘This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.’

After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

*The Gospel of the Lord*

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**GENERAL INTERCESSION**

**Priest:** Let us pray to God, our Father that our Eucharistic celebration may truly be a sign of unity, brotherhood, and sharing in Jesus’ name.

**Reader:** May the Holy Father Pope Francis, our bishops, priests, and deacons proclaim by their lives the meaning of the sacred mysteries they celebrate.

We Pray:

**R — Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** May the Body and Blood of Christ heal all the divisions among the Christian Churches and bind them together in love and service, so that one day all may sit as one at the Eucharistic table.

We Pray:

**R — Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** May consecrated men and women grow in faith through their service and be credible signs of God’s presence to others.

We Pray:

**R — Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** May the hearts of believers respond generously to the hungry and may governments and corporations work to bring food to those who need it most.

We Pray:

**R — Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** For our young people making their First Communion this weekend, that they may find nourishment and strength in the Eucharist throughout their lives.

We Pray:

**R — Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader:** May all our departed brothers and sisters especially those mentioned in our parish bulletin, come to share the joy of everlasting life.

We Pray:

**R — Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader: Together we now pray the Prayer for the Parish**

**Community.**

**All:** God, our Father, bless this parish Mary Immaculate so that we may love you more.

Help the parents to be good examples to the children and our youth to grow in love and strength as good Christians.

Encircle our families with your loving care. To the sick grant health, to the aged bring serenity and to those in sorrow joy.

May we grow stronger in faith and may our love for one another become deeper in our daily living.

**Priest:** God our Father, you have called us together in this Eucharist. We thank you for this sacrament of our salvation. Help us to worship you with lives poured out in loving service for the sake of our brothers and sisters.

Through Christ our Lord.

**All:** Amen.