

## A Joyful Corpus Christi

“In an ever changing world  
the Holy Eucharist  
is a constant reminder of the  
great reality of  
God’s Changeless Love.”

~ Mother Teresa ~

Living Catholic



## PLYMPTON MASS TIMES:

**Weekday Masses** 9.30am  
*Mon, Wed, Thurs & Friday*  
**Saturday Vigil** 6.00pm  
**Sunday** 8.30am & 10.00am  
**Confession** Saturday 11.30am  
**Baptisms** Sunday 11.30am  
*(by appointment)*

*St John the Baptist Catholic Church  
Plympton Parish  
342 Anzac Highway, Plympton SA 5038  
The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ  
7th June 2026*

## OUR LITURGY

### FIRST READING Deuteronomy 8: 2-3, 14-16

Moses addresses these words to the people as a reminder of how God lavished his love on them. This is especially notable in the sending of manna, the bread from heaven, in anticipation of the Eucharist.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 147:12-15, 19-20

**R:** Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

### SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 10: 16-17

St Paul reflects on the communion shared in the body and blood of Christ. We form a single body because we share one bread, one cup.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION John 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

### GOSPEL John 6: 51-58

These are the solemn words of John’s presentation of the discourse of Jesus on the Bread of Life. The bread he gives is his flesh for the life of the world.



## SYNOD PRAYER



God of the Journey,  
Our companion and our guide.  
You call us to be a pilgrim people,  
Who listen, discern, and walk together on the way,  
Sharing in the life and mission of your Son, Jesus.  
Bless our local Church, the Archdiocese of Adelaide,  
As we prepare for our Synod.  
Make us ready for the work at hand.

**Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our hearts,** that we may be filled with compassion, courage and love.

**Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our minds,** that we may receive your wisdom, dream new dreams, and be open to new ideas.

**Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our eyes,** that we may see you in one another, perceive the need of our neighbour, and envision new horizons.

**Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our ears,** that we may hear your voice, listen deeply to the other, and attend to the voice within.

**Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our mouths,** that we may speak on behalf of the voiceless, cry out for justice, and bear witness to your love.

**Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our feet,** that we may walk in the footsteps of Jesus, go to the peripheries, and accompany one another on the way.

**Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our hands,** that we may embrace our sisters and brothers, heal wounds, and build bridges of peace.

**Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our community,** that we may be your one body, eliminate borders of exclusion, and welcome all into your love.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR



### Recently Deceased:

Imelda Tan Poh Leng, Christopher Harman, Helen Muscat, Dr Chris Sullivan, Vivien Vallesteros, Anas Abali, Thelma Robertson, Lucrezia De Palma, Adrian Hanrahan, Eric Thomas, George Trotta, Lilia Borlagdan.

*May they rest in peace!*

### Anniversaries:

Caroline Suk Migallen, Loreta Achesta, Raymundo Achesta Jr, Mary & Phil Connell, Frank Loren, Ian Windibank, Cristina Guerrero, Zygmunt Zyczko, Paolo Caltabiano, Carmine Monopoli, Mary Cunningham.

### The Sick:

Nick Canny, Irene Hann, Marilyn Jolly, Annabelle Nguyen, Richelle Pelagio, Anna Maria Marin, Bert Anstey, Mary Lawley, Michael Harman, Mark Kelly, Edson Carlos De Lira, Gabriella Persefoni Nicola, Margarita McMahan, Edward Siau, Brenda Pearl, Sam, Andrew Chivel, Minda Robles, Radek, Maciek, Anzie Candasse, Biebie Mouri, Maxime Djoko, Djoko Eugene, Cendrine Aybo, Julie Anguande, Aissatou Martha, Mpfoun Carine, Tim Woods, John Culkin, Oliver Power, Dulce Juco and all sick children.

**We also pray for the sick in our parish,  
in nursing homes, hospitals and the housebound.**

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

We are having Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday and this is a wonderful opportunity for us to be with the Lord in silent adoration. It will be after Friday mass from 10.00am till 11.00am. Benediction is at 11.00am—11.15am.

### PARISH ROSTERS: 13th & 14th June 2026

#### Saturday 6.00pm

**Readers:** David Leydon, Raizel Jurie & Victoria Smith.

**Eucharist Ministers:** Russel Jurie, Joel & Nel Tuazon, Margaret Turner.

#### Sunday 8.30am

**Readers:** Julia Gregory, Kathryn Whittlesea & Nicole Laube.

**Eucharist Minister:** Valerie Webb & Alma Daehn.

#### Sunday 10.00am

**Readers:** Kath Melbourne, Joshy Peter & Nancy Nwabugwu.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Paul Melbourne, Richard & Helen Konieczny, Anne Murphy.

### THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The **June** edition of the Southern Cross is now available in the church porch.

Thank you for supporting your local Catholic Newspaper.



**PLAY 2 GROW ST JOHN'S PLAYGROUP**  
Now on **Fridays** 9-11.00am in the School Hall  
**Entrance on Mornington Street** 0-5 Year Old's  
Gold Coin Donation Everyone Welcome  
Enquiries: St John's School— Ph: 8218 3300.



### Collections for Weeks of 18th - 31st May 2026

1st Collection \$2,585.00

2nd Collection \$4,412.70

(Incl loose plate - \$1,501.70)

Direct Giving App May 2026 1st Collection \$875.00

2nd Collection \$785.00

Planned Giving \$700.00

### PLYMPTON PARISH & SCHOOL COMMUNITY LUNCH



We are having a community shared lunch on **Sunday 5th July** from 11.30am in the John the Baptist Centre for a 12.00noon start.

Everyone is invited as we bring together families from the many diverse cultures that make up our parish & school community.

It will be a BYO shared lunch, and we ask you to bring a plate of food to share from your own cultural background or a family favourite.

*Tea, coffee, soft drinks, plates, serviettes and cutlery will be provided.*

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

### CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM (CLP)

#### Every Sunday until 28th June 2026

*Couples for Christ Australia (CFCA)* cordially invites you to a series of inspiring talks about living your Christian faith!

**For 7 Sundays from 17th May until 28th June 2026, 2:00pm – 4:30pm** at St John the Baptist Church, 342 Anzac Highway, Plympton, South Australia.

This is **FREE** for everyone seeking peace and a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ!

We invite couples, widows and widowers, separated, divorced, single matured men and women, and young adult singles.

For more info, call/text: Ben Sioson – 0421 136 934  
Bodyet Reyes – 0403 803 535.

### FEAST DAY OF ST CHARLES LWANGA, ST KIZITO & COMPANIONS

#### Celebration— Sunday - June 7, 2026

You are invited to join the **African Catholic Community** to celebrate the feast of **St Charles Lwanga, St Kizito & Companions Mass**- on **Sunday 7 June 2026 at 2.30pm**, at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral.

St Charles Lwanga (24) is the Patron Saint of Youth and St Kizito (14) is the Patron Saint of Primary School Students!

**Attention: Young People:** Please come to this Mass and **feel free to wear Yellow Red or Green – colours** to embrace both of these amazingly brave and courageous saints. **All are Welcome!**

**YOUTH FOR CHRIST  
FUNDRAISING  
BBQ SAUSAGE SIZZLE**



Next weekend 14th June after the 8.30am & 10.00am Masses the Youth for Christ will be hosting another BBQ Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser, to raise funds for the Youth for Christ, July National Conference.

Your support is very much appreciated.

**MORNING TEA**



Please join us for morning tea and a chat after the 8.30am & 10.00am Masses, in the church foyer.

**BAPTISM - THIS WEEKEND**

*Congratulations and welcome to:*

**Harriet Tuazon** and her parents Emily & Gilbert.

May God's blessing be with Harriet as she will receive the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.



**FEAST OF ST ANTHONY OF PADUA 2026**

The St Anthony of Padova Committee Payneham invites you to the 55<sup>th</sup> Feast of St Anthony of Padua at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church, 7 Marian Road, Payneham commencing with a Triduum from **10 to 12 June** with the day of the Festa on **Sunday, 14 June 2025**. Fr Bortolino Maistrello OFM Conv from Italy will preach the Triduum and the Festa Day Masses. There will be two first class relics of St Anthony present for veneration during the Triduum and Feast Day. Mass times are: **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday** - 10am (*Italian & English*) and 7pm (*English*). **Saturday** - 10am (*Italian & English*); 11.30am (*Croatian*); 6pm (*English*). **Sunday** - 8am (*English*), 9.15 am (*English*), 11am (*Italian*), 2pm (*Tagalog - Filipino Community*) and 4pm (*English- Indian Community*) Confession times are: **Wednesday and Friday** – 9.30am-9.50am & 6pm-6.50pm **Thursday** – 9.30am-9.50am; 6pm-6.50pm & 7.30pm-8.30pm **Saturday** – 9.30am-9.50am & 5pm-5.50pm. St Anthony's Bread will be distributed after all Masses on 13 and 14 June with a special blessing for children. Throughout Sunday afternoon there will be food, beverages and local entertainment in the parish grounds. For further information or enquiries please telephone – **08 8369 8082** or email [office@paynehamcatholic.org.au](mailto:office@paynehamcatholic.org.au)



**PLYMPTON PARISH DIRECT GIVING APP**

You can now make your donations to the **First and Second Collections** online. Direct Giving via the Archdiocesan App is cashless, fast and secure. Download the Adelaide Archdiocese Find a Mass on your mobile phone and set up Direct Giving to the First and Second collections, as well as Special Appeals. Or contact the Parish Office to set up a Direct Debit or a Direct Credit. The Website provides a direct link to your parish from a pc / laptop / tablet.

<https://adelaide.goodgiving.com.au/qr/parish/plympton>

**PARISH INFORMATION**

**PARISH ADMINISTRATOR - Fr Denis Ssemuju**  
8293 6600

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Open Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 9.00am - 3.00pm  
Thursday Closed

**Parish Secretary - Helen Konieczny**

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**Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson**  
David Leydon

**Safeguarding Contact Person**  
Helen Konieczny - 8293 6600

**ST JOHN THE BAPTIST SCHOOL - 8218 3300**  
**Principal - Todd LaForgia**  
**Deputy Principal - Matthew Min**  
**APRIM - Amanda Rego**



*Hearing assistance available Please ask for a receiver.*

**COMMUNION FOR COELIACS**

Please see Priest before Mass to arrange a  
Gluten Free Host.

**TOILETS ARE LOCATED IN THE FRONT FOYER**  
Baby change table available for use in toilet area.



**Plympton Parish**



[www.plymptonparish.com.au](http://www.plymptonparish.com.au)

**Acknowledgement of Country**

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which our parish gathers and we pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging. We recognise and honour the enduring spiritual, cultural and historical connections of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this land and commit ourselves to walking together in respect, reconciliation, and justice.

**Next Week's Readings**

**Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

First Reading: **Exodus 19:2-6**  
Second Reading: **Romans 5:6-11**  
Gospel: **Matthew 9:36 - 10:8**

**FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK**

Tuesday 9th June - St Ephrem  
Thursday 11th June - St Barnabas, Apostle  
Friday 12th June - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus  
Saturday 13th June - St Anthony of Padua

**Our Parish is a Safeguarding Organisation**

We are committed to a safe, welcoming, and respectful community. We uphold zero tolerance for abuse and are dedicated to protecting children, young people, and adults at risk.

**A Safe Environment for all.**

## Receiving the Body of Christ makes us the Body of Christ

Fr Denis Ssemuju

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. On Holy Thursday, the institution of the Eucharist is overshadowed by the events of Christ's Passion. Today, the Church invites us to focus on the gift of the Eucharist itself.

In the Gospel, Jesus says: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven." He gives us not merely a symbol, but himself. In the Eucharist, we receive the life, love, and presence of Christ.

Like a family meal that strengthens family bonds, the Eucharist forms us into one body. It does not simply express our unity; it creates it. As St Augustine said, "Be what you see; receive what you are." Receiving the Body of Christ makes us the Body of Christ.

Nourished at this altar, we are sent into the world to live what we celebrate. May the Body and Blood of Christ fill us with his life, so that we may become his presence for others.

Amen.

