



# Corpus Christi

## June 7

### What is Corpus Christi?

Corpus Christi, Latin for "Body of Christ," is a Christian feast day that celebrates the Eucharist. It is observed on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday, which falls on the eighth Sunday after Easter. This places Corpus Christi typically in late May or early June, depending on the date of Easter in a given year. This year it is celebrated on May 30th.

The celebration of Corpus Christi originated in the 13th century in Belgium, where a nun named Juliana of Liège, had a vision in which she saw the Church as a full moon with one dark spot, symbolizing the absence of a liturgical feast celebrating the Eucharist. Following this vision, she petitioned the Church to institute a feast day dedicated to the Body and Blood of Christ. Eventually, Pope Urban IV established the feast of Corpus Christi for the entire Latin Church in 1264, following the miracle of Bolsena in which a priest, while celebrating Mass, witnessed the bleeding of the consecrated host.

Corpus Christi is celebrated by special church services, processions, and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. In many places, especially in Catholic-majority countries, elaborate processions take place, with the consecrated host (the bread transformed into the body of Christ during Mass) displayed in a monstrance and carried through the streets. These processions are often accompanied by hymns, prayers, and decorations, and they provide an opportunity for public worship and expression of faith.

The feast of Corpus Christi serves as a reminder of the central belief of Christians in the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. It's a time for believers to reflect on the mystery and significance of the sacrament of Holy Communion, where they believe they partake in the body and blood of Christ, receiving spiritual nourishment and grace.

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## Quotes

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## Prayer

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit;

Heavenly Father,

Amen.





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**FEAST DAY:  
June 7**

**SCHOOL LOCATION:  
Richmond Hill, ON**

*"Whoever eats my flesh  
and drinks my blood has  
eternal life, and I will  
raise them up at the last  
day."*

*-John 6:54*

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