



ST THOMAS MORE PARISH, HADFIELD

69 North Street, Hadfield 3046

*St Thomas More Parish is committed to the safety,
wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.*

Our Child Safe Standards policies and information can be viewed on our website



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MASS TIMES

Mon: Church closed
Tues: 9.00am Mass
Wed: Communion Service
Thur: 9.00am Mass
Fri: Communion Service
Sat: 5.00pm Mass
Sun: 9.00am Mass

MASS & EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

1st Friday of the month at 6.30pm

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.30pm-4.50pm

BAPTISM

2nd Saturday of the month at 10am

For bookings contact Claudia on 0414 308 019

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

As requested

WEDDING

Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance.

MASS INTENTIONS

SICK: Pamela di Giorgio, Carl & Michael Ceddia, Goretty Soares, Iris Dixon, Jules Sauzier, Margaret de Bono, Pat John, Alex Baglin, Luigi Bianchi

RECENT DEATH: Chris Rizzo (Funeral Wed 19 May 2021 at 10.30am)

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:

Saturday Vigil Mass: Anna Sepe (1 month), Maryanne Furnari, Paola & Pasquale Macri

Sunday Mass: Caterina Mandanici (1 month), Teresa Colombo (1 month),
Giovanni, Francesco, Stefano, Anna & Luisa di Giorgio, Giuseppe Carbone

CHAPLAINCY APPEAL THIS WEEKEND

This weekend is the Chaplaincy Appeal. Donations from our parish community will help the Chaplaincy programs to support the most vulnerable people in our community.

Your support and generosity will ensure that Catholic chaplains can continue to faithfully meet the emotional and spiritual needs of the vulnerable, isolated and marginalised in our community by providing pastoral and spiritual support.

Chaplaincy Services include Hospital Chaplaincy, Prison Ministry, Youth Justice Chaplaincy and HIV/AIDS Ministry.

Parishioners are encouraged to offer prayers and a financial donation to help provide continued spiritual and emotional comfort to individuals and families in Victoria facing loneliness, illness, pain, grief and death.

You can donate via a third collection, using the envelopes available or online at www.ccam.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513

The Ascension of the Lord – 16 May 2021

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R: *God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.*

All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!

For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth. **R.**

God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R.**

God is king of all the earth.

Sing praise with all your skill.

God is king over the nations;

God reigns on his holy throne. **R.**

Second Reading

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel.

I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

16:15-20

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven, and said to them, ‘Go out to the whole world, proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised will be saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.’

And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it. *The Gospel of the Lord.*

Today's readings describe the Ascension of the Lord Jesus into his Heavenly glory after promising his disciples the Holy Spirit as their source of Heavenly power and commanding them to bear witness to him by their lives and preaching throughout the world. But the ascended Jesus is still with us through his indwelling Holy Spirit as he has promised, "I am with you always; yes, to the end of time."

Today's feast is a celebration of Jesus' final glorification after his suffering, death and Resurrection – a glory in which we also hope to share.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THESE IMPORTANT NOTICES



QR CODE
REGISTRATION



Last Friday (7 May 2021) the Victorian Government announced that it is moving to a single QR Code Covid 19 check-in system. This means that ALL parishes must use the **Victorian Government QR Code Service**. This is now in place and we ask ALL parishioners to use the QR Codes

provided at various points at both entrances to the Church. **Manual registration is only for those who do not have access to a mobile phone.** Thank you for your cooperation with this



CHILD SAFEGUARDING IN OUR PARISH...

All organisations in Victoria that provide services or facilities for children are required to comply with Child Safe Standards, to ensure that the safety of children is promoted, child abuse is prevented and allegations of abuse are properly responded to.

They constitute a framework which articulates the requirements for organisations including Catholic entities to promote the safety of children through implementation of policies and activities to prevent, respond to and report concerns regarding child abuse.

STM is committed to providing a safe and nurturing environment for all children, young people and vulnerable adults. Please note our Child Safeguarding Policy, Code of Conduct information and Reporting Procedures and other documents are available to be viewed on our website at pol.org.au/hadfield.

A hard copy is now available at the side entrance to the Church at our Child Safeguarding Noticeboard. Code of Conduct Declarations are being handed out this weekend to all volunteers and we ask that you read and understand all the relevant documentation and return the signed copy of the declaration to the Parish Office ASAP. Please contact the Parish Office if you have any queries or wish to make any comments or provide feedback. More updates and information to follow in coming weeks. Thank you.

JOKE OF THE WEEK....



Two little boys were known troublemakers, stealing everything they could get their hands on, even from the church.

One day a priest stopped one of the boys and asked, "Where is God?" The boy shrugged and the priest repeated, "Where is God?"

The boy ran out of the cathedral crying to his home where he hid in a wardrobe.

Eventually his brother found him and asked, "What's wrong?"

The crying boy replied, "We're in trouble now! God is missing and they think we took him!"