

# CORPUS CHRISTI & ST THOMAS MORE



132 Melbourne Ave, Glenroy

*Our Parishes are committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and vulnerable adults. We respect and value their diverse cultures and unique identities.*



69 North Street, Hadfield

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### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues: 9.00am St Thomas More  
Wed: 9.00am Corpus Christi  
Thur: 9.00am St Thomas More  
Fri: 9.00am Corpus Christi

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4.30pm St Thomas More  
6.00pm Corpus Christi  
Sunday: 9.00am St Thomas More  
10.30am Corpus Christi

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9.00am-9.20am Corpus Christi  
4.00pm-4.20pm St Thomas More

### BAPTISM

Corpus Christi: 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month at 10.00am  
St Thomas More: 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 10.00am

**For booking, please contact Claudia on 0414 308 019**

### WEDDING

By appointment

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Sick:** Renee Kough, John & Paul Lynam, Bob Nicholls  
**Recent Deaths:** Elena Purificato (Funeral STM Tues 23/5 at 11.30am)  
Margaret Patricia Fletcher (Funeral CC Tues 23/5 at 12 noon)  
Lucy Caruana  
**Anniversaries:**  
**4.30pm:** Stanley Cheerlips, Maggie Kough, Manuel Mallia,  
Joseph, Lucy & Bernice Mifsud, Angelo, Rose, Sam & Jonah  
Caruan, Emilio, Teressa & Mario Borgueno,  
**9.00am:** Emilia Pisani, Sebastiano Lazzara  
**10.30am:** Giovanni Belanti, Alan Campbell, Olive Nasalio

## Child Safety Reminders & Important Notice for Parents

Please accompany your child if they need to leave the building  
Please ensure you know where your child is if not beside you

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# The Ascension of the Lord - 21 May 2023

## 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

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians*

1:17-23

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 Matthew*

28:16-20

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

Today's readings describe the Ascension of the Lord Jesus into his Heavenly glory after promising to send the Holy Spirit to the Apostles as the source of Heavenly power and commanding them to bear witness to Him through their lives and preaching throughout the world. But the ascended Jesus is still with us because of His promise, "*I am with you always; yes, to the end of time*" (Mt 28:20).

The Ascension and Pentecost, together, mark the beginning of the Church. The feast of the Ascension tells us that the Church must be a community "in mission," guided by the Holy Spirit and confident of God's protection even amid suffering and in the face of death. Today's liturgy communicates the Ascension's significance for us: "he ascended, not to distance himself from our lowly state but that we, his members, might be confident of following where he, our Head and Founder, has gone before" (Preface I of the Ascension of the Lord).

THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - STM			THIS WEEKEND ROSTER - CORPUS CHRISTI		
Time	Readers	Ministers	Time	Readers	Ministers
4.30pm	Ben C	Annette P-Carolyn W	6.00pm	Min K-Marilyn M	Rosemary O-Noel De S
9.00am	Lia S	Bill & Margaret W	10.30am	Geeta S-Lucy M	Carmela R-Reg S



### ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND

**(Donations of Money only please)**

Envelopes are available in the Church Foyers if you wish to give a donation (requesting a receipt). Please take one and return next week, **otherwise there will be a THIRD COLLECTION next weekend**

**27 & 28 May. Thank you for your continued support of the Vinnies and the help they provide to needy families in our area.**

### Solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians - Patroness of Australia - Wed 24 May (Mass at CC at 9am)

The feast day to Mary Help of Christians has been celebrated in Australia since 1844 but the history to this day dates back to the start of the 1800's. The infant church in Australia had a special reason for turning to Mary. No priests were sent to the colony in its early days and Mass was not allowed except for one brief year until 1820. It was largely the Rosary in those early days that kept the faith alive.

Catholic Australia remained faithful to Mary and was the first nation to choose her under the title Help of Christians, as principal Patroness. Australia also became the first country to have a cathedral dedicated in Our Lady, Mary's name. St Mary's Cathedral in Sydney was dedicated in her honour by the Irish pioneer priest, Fr John Therry who arrived in Sydney in 1820.

#### **Mary Help of Christians patroness of Australia and of the Military Ordinariate**

Almighty God, deepen in our hearts our love of Mary Help of Christians. Through her prayers and under her protection, may the light of Christ shine over our land. May Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace. Grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens.

Bless especially the men and women of the Australian Defence Force and their families. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

***Mary Help of Christians, pray for us.***

