



ST. PAUL PARISH



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SCHOOLS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS.
Church Bank Account details: National Australia Bank BSB: 083 - 347, Account number: 5531 76372
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Many of our parishioners and friends have recently become sick with covid or the flu, please be considerate of others and look after yourself if you are showing signs of these illnesses.

CRC Sydenham is inviting past staff and students to their 40th Anniversary Mass at St Patricks Cathedral on Wednesday 22nd of June at 10.30am. Please RSVP to parisoffice@crs.vic.edu.au by 11th June 2022.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of:
Catholic Development Fund – East Melbourne
<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

Executive Manager, Client Experience Parish Secretary, St Mark's Catholic Parish, Fawkner/Parish Secretary, St Luke's Parish, Lalor/Parish Secretary, Preston East/Parish Finance Officer, Nazareth Parish, Grovedale/Parish Secretary, Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St Joseph's Parish, Middle Park & Port Melbourne/Parish Secretary,

Our Lady of the Nativity Parish, Essendon West
Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

The Sunday after the Feast of the Ascension is the Feast of Pentecost. As we look forward to the coming of the Spirit, there is an online conference this week which asks us to consider how we are 'Alive in the Spirit'. Participants have access for a whole month to a rich range of workshops in the areas of faith and spirituality. Mission and evangelisation, community engagement, as well as care and outreach. The conference caters for lay and clergy, those who serve on pastoral councils or work in pastoral ministries, volunteers and those who work in education, aged care and chaplaincies, or for anyone who wants to be Alive in the Spirit. There are still a number of packages available – for either individuals, or small groups. For more information, check out the aliveinthespirit.com.au website.

WE PRAY FOR: For Healing: Sue Hurt, Josephine Bezzina, Ruby Hurt, Sonia, Agnes

Bonner, John Bennet, Steven Martin, Anne Martin, **Recently Deceased: Shane Hill, Joseph Aquilina, Jason Micallef, Pauline Vella, Apolinario Bunda, Carolina Muscat, Our Dear Departed:** Iginio Zanni, Freddy Brockdorff, and family, Michael & Paula Galea and Family, Natu Portelli, Liberrata, Carmelo, Mikelina, Cikku, Carmena, Guzeppi, Mathew & Gloria Montebello, Tereza, Guzeppi & Carmenu Mifsud, Nina, Carmenu & Savu Portelli, Sam & Vicky Cassar, Grace Avelino, Joe Caruana, Emy Saffarese, Joan & Carmelo Micallef, Patricia Smaize, Cleur & Dougherty families, and all souls.



Church Diary (Week beginning 29th May 2022)
Saturday 28th/29th May Baptism: Kai Daily
Saturday Mass 8.00am English Mass
9.00am Vietnamese Mass
6.00pm Vigil Mass + Mary Calleja, Calleja & Grima families, + Carmelo & Charlie Cutajar & Denise Brown, + Joe & Bill Zahra
Sunday Masses (Confession half an hour before all Masses on Sunday)
8.00 am English Mass + Joan & Carmelo Micallef,
9.30am English Mass + Joan & Carmelo Micallef,
11.30am Vietnamese Mass
1.00pm Spanish Mass
6.00pm Youth Mass

Monday 30th May

8.00am English Mass + Josephine Aquilina
9.00am Vietnamese Mass
11.00am Lady of Knots
7.00pm Choir Practice
8.00am English Mass + Vietnamese Mass

Tuesday 31st May

9.00am Vietnamese Mass
10.00am Italian Prayer Group
6.45pm Benediction, Novena, Adoration
8.00am English Mass + Vietnamese Mass

Wednesday 1st Jun

9.00am Vietnamese Mass
8.00am English Mass + Vietnamese Mass

Thursday 2nd Jun

9.00am Vietnamese Mass
9.30am Legion of Mary (English)
7.30pm Spanish Prayer Group
8.00am English Mass + Iginio Zanni & Katerina Recek
9.00am Vietnamese Mass

Friday 3rd Jun

8.00am English Mass + Iginio Zanni & Katerina Recek
9.00am Vietnamese Mass

Saturday 4th/5th Jun Baptism: Sebastiao Micallef, Selena Quina, Christian Grusa, Oscar Briffa, Maia Castillo

Saturday Mass 8.00am English Mass
9.00am Vietnamese Mass

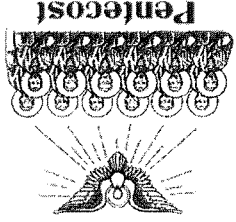
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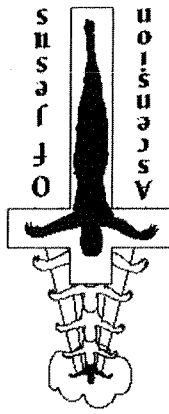
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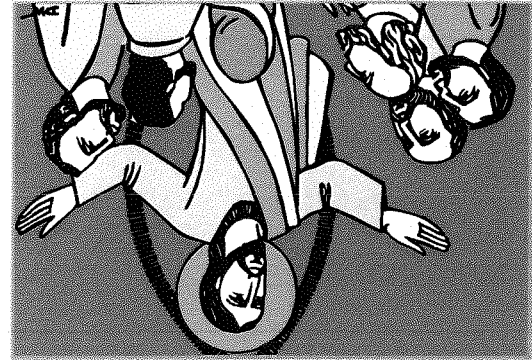
6.00pm Youth Mass



Pentecost



A S C E N S I O N



RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 46:2-3, 6-9 R v 6

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a blast of trumpets for the Lord. (or Alleluia)

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. 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

Eph 1:17-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.

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

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD / C

THE SAVING WORD

FIRST READING Acts 1:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

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 of 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.

Breaking Open the Word

REFLECTING ON OUR CALL

As we celebrate the feast of the Ascension the words of the angels to the disciples can serve as a useful reminder of the meaning of this feast: 'Why are you standing here looking up at the sky?' The disciples had just witnessed the departure of their Lord and while their immediate reaction was natural there was work to be done; a mission had been entrusted to them. It was no time for standing still but getting down to the work at hand.

Firstly, the Lord had given them the mission of preaching the salvation that Jesus offered to the whole world. Secondly, they had to prepare for the gift of the Spirit which would enable and empower them to undertake their task. As the Gospel of Luke concludes we find the disciples in prayer in the temple waiting for the gift of the Spirit, joyfully pondering on what they had experienced.

The reading from the letter to the Ephesians calls us to share in that journey of reflection into the meaning of not only the life of Jesus but our own life as Christians. As Paul reflected on Jesus' life, death and resurrection, he came to see that it was truly a cosmic event. Jesus was not just Lord of death but all creation. The Ephesians are invited to reflect on the richness of the gift they have all received as Christians. Today's feast of the Ascension calls us to rejoice in, and reflect on, our call and mission.

Christopher Monaghan CP

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 Mt 28:19, 20

Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Lk 24:46-53

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

White blessing them, he was taken to heaven. Jesus said to his disciples: 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.' Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

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