

THE PAULINE AND OLIVERIAN

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

The Ascension of the Lord Year A

21st May 2023

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MASS TIMES

Tuesday & Thursday 10.00am

Saturday 5:00pm (Vigil)

Sunday 8:45am & 10:30am

FAMILY MASS – 1ST WEEKEND EACH MONTH

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 10.00am to 10.30am



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MASS TIMES

Wednesday & Friday 10:00am

Saturday: 6:30pm (Vigil)

8:00pm (Neocatechumenal way)

Sunday 9am (English)

10:30am (Italian)

FAMILY MASS – 2ND WEEKEND EACH MONTH

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 7:15pm

PASCOE VALE & COBURG

FACEBOOK PAGE:



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SACRED SPACE

The Ascension is part of what we call the Paschal Mystery. There are four interrelated parts: suffering and death; resurrection; ascension; and the sending of the Spirit. They are closely interlocked as one reality. If the resurrection says that the crucified Jesus is alive, the Ascension says that the living Jesus has entered into glory, sharing on an equal level the glory of his Father.

Today's feast is a celebration of Jesus' glory after his suffering and death – a glory in which we also hope to share. At the same time, we celebrate the ongoing presence of the Risen Jesus among us through the Holy Spirit, a presence which calls on every one of us to be living witnesses to that presence here in our own community and to the ends of the earth.

PARISH MISSION DISCUSSION

**Our next meeting is in St Oliver's Parish Centre
on Tuesday May 23 from 7.00 – 8.30pm.**

There is still time to catch up with these discussions and everyone is invited to share your thoughts, so come along and join in the productive – and informative sessions!

Very soon we will advertise an afternoon session and some at school drop off time for the school parents. Fr James is keen for all parish groups to gather to share their thoughts and maybe to come on board as volunteers to make it all happen!

INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

DO YOU FEEL LIKE BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers.

COME & SEE!

An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on

Saturday **3 June 2023**,

10:00 -11.45 am

at the Catholic Theological College (CTC),

278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne.

For more information:

Vocations website for the Archdiocese is now available. The links below (copy, then paste) are a source of additional information.

Watch: Melbourne's Deacons <https://youtu.be/q2RhNDbtTSO>

Watch: Pope Francis' 2020 Prayer Intention for Deacons and video

<https://youtu.be/NuG99HD1LaY>

Visit: Archdiocese of Melbourne permanent diaconate webpage

<https://vocations.melbournecatholic.org/about/what-is-a-vocation/permanent-diaconate>

Read More: Brochure <https://www.cam1.org.au/permanent-diaconate>

Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate Ph. 03 9412 3357 / Email

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good
will. We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great
glory, Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of
the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 1:1-11

A Reading from the Acts of the apostles.

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

Psalm 46

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

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.
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.
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.

SECOND READING

Eph 1:17-23

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

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 *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

Matt 28:16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

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.

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I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, *(All bow during these two lines)* who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

PARISH PRAYER

God our Father, bless this parish so that we may love you more. Bless us in ways that you know best and form us into a true community of worship and love. Deepen our understanding of your message today. Give us especially your spirit of love, so that it may touch all people with whom we come into contact. Encircle our families with your loving care and assist parents in their role as leaders in faith. To the sick grant health, to the aged bring serenity and peace, and to those in sadness joy. May we grow stronger in faith and our love for one another become deeper in our daily living. Amen.

ST OLIVER PLUNKETT'S PARISH NEWS

Please remember in your prayers the following:

Those who have died: Valentin Morales,
Annunziata Guastalegname

Anniversaries: Joe Rambaldo, Michelina Barravechio,
Rina Dmarco, Deceased Drop-In Members

Those who are ill: Genevieve Stannard, Carlos Martins, Jennifer
McMahon, Tina Guido, Anthony Xavier, Poala de Thomasis,
Dean Ross, Windsor Jones, John Moore, Oscar Ferrante,
Rosalind Vincent, Marie Virag, Dalmiro Bellio, Lamberto Cruz,
Pasquale Buonomo, Sofia Ruggiero, Giuseppe De Fazio

READERS: 20/21 May

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| Sat 5.00pm | W.Giacotto(L),S.Nessen(R) | A.Breen(L),A.Taglieri(R) |
| Sun 8.45am | M.Tamayo(L),B.Messina(R) | M.Tamayo(L),C.D'Orazio(R) |
| 10.30am | R.Polastrini(L),R.Robles-McColl(R) | O.Aquino(L),R.Cassidy(R) |

27/28 May

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

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| Sat 5.00pm | S. Thompson | R. Paligaru |
| Sun 8.45am | J. Mokbel | M. Carabott |
| 10.30am | N. Palmieri | B. Watts |

ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

WE PRAY FOR:

Those who have died: Tania Inserra

Anniversaries: Malivindi Giuseppa Luciassunta, Maria Inturrisi,
Carmela Cappello, Carmela & Carmine De Donato, James Zagopolis,
Peter Sortino, Charlotte Dawson, Dino Polemino, Salvatore & Vincenzo
Aparo, Carmela Accardo, Pina & Antonia Garreffa, Rosa Caruso,
Maria Antonia Veneziano, Concetta Ruggiero, Teresa Mondelli,
Teresa Santalucia, Amgela Margarone, Santa Montesano, Filomena
Bovezza, Maria Teresa Mandaliti, Maria Ceniti, Vito Montesano,
Rocco Montesano, Salvatore Montesano, Rocco Caputo, Emidio
Spagnuolo 3mths

READERS:

| | This Week | Next Week |
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| Sat 6.30pm | Phil Scardilli | Alfred Meilak |
| Sun 9.00am | Adria, Daniella, Briarna Dal Col | Angela Greig & Warren Power |
| 10.30am | Gino De Fusco & Peter Aurora | Anna D'Amato & G. Navagero |

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

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| Sat 6.30pm | Alfred Meilak | Mary De Marco |
| Sun 9.00am | Annette Barnes | Alfred Meilak |
| 10.30am | Giuseppe Schivello | Laura Scherma |

2023 PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH APPEAL



Tuberculosis, malnutrition, and maternal mortality are conditions all too familiar for the people of Timor-Leste. In two weeks' time you will learn about the work of the Salesian Sisters, including nurse, Sister Carolina, who desires to see better outcomes for her community. We will also share the story of Petrolina and her daughter's desperate need for medical attention.

You have the opportunity to partner with this life-giving work, and your prayers and generosity are crucial in ensuring this program can continue. This opportunity is a great way to commit to the missionary movement, as He reminds us in Luke 24:13-35, the fire of Christ burns within us and encourages us to take action for those in most need. Envelopes can be found at the back of the church or donate online: <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/see-our-work-in-action/passageofhope#donate>

PIETY STALL is opening at St Oliver Plunkett

The Piety Stall will open after the 5pm Saturday Mass and the Sunday 8.45am and 10.30am Mass next weekend 26/27 May. Please come and look at the range of devotional and inspiration gifts. The Piety Stall is situated near the entrance to Our Lady's Chapel as you enter the front of the Church. We will require volunteers to man the stall after each of the masses, if you can assist please call parish office or leave your name and phone number in the sacristy.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

The Catholic Charity *Aid to the Church in Need* has launched their "Nigeria: Young. Faithful. Crucified" global campaign. Did you know that in 2022 a total of 5,014 Christians were killed for their faith in Nigeria? These were not Nigerians who happened to be Christian, but rather, their allegiance to the Lord saw them face a brutal death. This is a Church being crucified with Christ. To watch testimonies and to make an offering visit www.aidtochurch.org/nigeriaglobal or scan the QR code.



PARISH CHILDREN

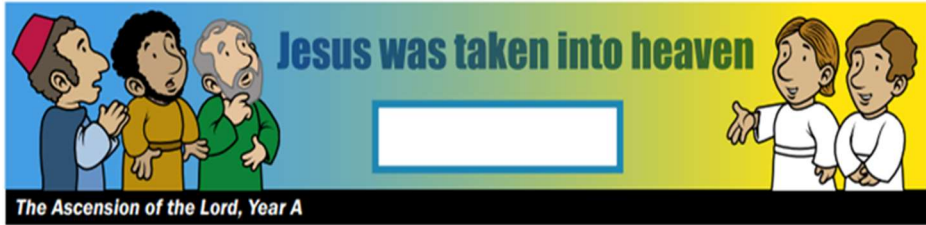
Please remember in your prayers the children who made their First Reconciliation on Saturday 20th May from St Oliver's Parish. Also the children receiving their first holy communion Sunday 21st May from St Paul's and the following Sunday 28th May from St Oliver's. We bless these children and their families with this prayer:



““The LORD bless you
and keep you;
the LORD make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn his face toward you
and give you peace.””

Numbers 6:24-26





Jesus was taken into heaven

The Ascension of the Lord, Year A

Draw Jesus ascending into heaven.



Even though Jesus ascended into heaven he is always with us. Complete the sentences below.

Jesus is with me when....

Jesus is with me when....

Jesus is with me when....



How many words can you make from the letters in the word ASCENSION?

CASHLESS PAYMENTS St Oliver's
 CDFPay for Parish:
<https://bit.ly/CDFpayPascoeVale>
OR DIRECT DEPOSIT:
 St Olivers Church A/C:
BSB: 083-347 ACC: 55158 7979
 Presbytery A/C:
BSB: 083-347 ACC: 53102 0158

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:
1st Collection Thanksgiving \$1581.00
2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 533.85

We are very grateful for your support.

CASHLESS PAYMENTS St Paul's
 CDFPay Online Payments:
<https://bit.ly/CDFpayCoburg>
OR DIRECT DEPOSIT:
 St Paul's Church A/C Presbytery A/C
 BSB: 083-347 BSB: 083-347
 Acc.: 67541 0884 Acc: 5310 20158

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION:
1st Collection Sacrificial \$ 618.00
2nd Collection Presbytery \$ 446.30

We are very grateful for your support.

Safety of Children & all Vulnerable People We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people, as a central and fundamental responsibility, of our parishes. The Parish Statement of Commitment and the Reporting Process, are on display in all churches, and all Parish Policies are available, on the website: cam.org.au/Coburg

PROGRAMS

ST PAULS PARISH

ADORATION:

First Fri of month: 10.30am-12pm

BAPTISMS:

2nd & 4th Sunday's of the Month at 12pm

COMMUNION TO SICK:

Thursdays & Fridays

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

2 times a year (Lent & Advent).

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sundays 10am

ITALIAN PRAYER GROUP: Wed 10.30 am

Legion of Mary:

Monday mornings at 10.30 am.

ANNUAL ITALIAN FEASTS: 2023

St Anthony Feast Day Sun 11 June 10.30am

St Lucy Feast Day 12 Dec 2pm

ST OLIVER PLUNKETT'S PARISH

BAPTISMS:

2nd & 4th Saturday's of the Month at 12pm

(By Appointment)

MARRIAGES:

By appointment with at least

6 months notice

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Sundays of the month during the 10.30am Mass (except during school holidays)

PARISH ACTIVITIES:

MONDAY:

Christian Mediation- Chris Rowland

7-8pm Parish Centre – 0411 440 746

TUESDAY:

Italian Ladies Prayer Group

10am Meeting Room

St Vincent de Paul

5.30pm Parish Centre

(last Tuesday of the month)

Charismatic Prayer Group

7.30pm Parish Centre

WEDNESDAY:

Drop-In Centre

A WARM WELCOME TO NEW PARISIONERS

Please let us know that you have joined our community and if there is anything we can do for you. Are you new to our Parish? _____

Need Thanksgiving envelopes? _____

Would like a home visit and house blessing? _____

Please complete the details below and place in the collection plate at Mass or send to the Parish office.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

To existing parishioners: if you would like to contribute on a regular basis using the envelopes,

please complete the above. Thank you.