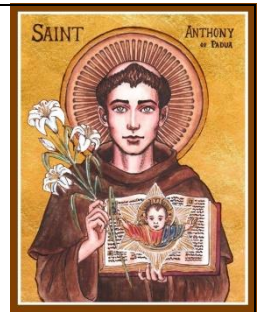


CORIO & LARA CATHOLIC PARISH

ST FRANCIS XAVIER, CORIO | ST ANTHONY OF PADUA, LARA



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Saturday 7pm Vigil (Corio) | Sunday 9am (Lara) 11am (Corio)
Holy Hour & Confessions: Tuesday 6pm (Corio)

Sunday 29th May 2022

THE ASCENSION

Entrance Antiphon

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

Communion Antiphon

Behold I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.

From a homily on The Ascension by Pope Benedict XVI

So what does the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord mean for us? It does not mean that the Lord has departed to some place far from people and from the world. Christ's Ascension is not a journey into space toward the most remote stars; for basically, the planets, like the earth, are also made of physical elements.

Christ's Ascension means that he no longer belongs to the world of corruption and death that conditions our life. It means that he belongs entirely to God. He, the Eternal Son, led our human existence into God's presence, taking with him flesh and blood in a transfigured form.

The human being finds room in God; through Christ, the human being was introduced into the very life of God. And since God embraces and sustains the entire cosmos, the Ascension of the Lord means that Christ has not departed from us, but that he is now, thanks to his being with the Father, close to each one of us for ever. Each one of us can be on intimate terms with him; each can call upon him. The Lord is always within hearing. We can inwardly draw away from him. We can live turning our backs on him. But he always waits for us and is always close to us.

*Benedict XVI,
First homily on taking up the Chair of St Peter, May 2005*

Chào mừng các anh chị em Việt Nam của chúng tôi

Welcome to our Vietnamese brothers and sisters!

The Vietnamese Catholic community in Geelong have reached out looking for a new home for their monthly mass and with great joy, we welcome them into our Parish family. A Vigil Mass will be celebrated in Vietnamese on the first weekend of each month, starting in June. The Vietnamese chaplain, Fr Anthony Hoang (based in Melbourne) and other Vietnamese speaking priests will offer the masses.

The first Vietnamese community mass: Saturday 4th June, 5pm at SFX, Corio

While the masses will obviously be in Vietnamese, all are very welcome to attend.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *A reading from the Acts of 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.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 46* God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

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.

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 Luke* (24: 46-53)

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.

Next Sunday's Readings

Pentecost

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11| Second Reading: 1Cor 12:3-13| John 20:19-23



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*We, the Catholic people of Corio & Lara Parish guided by the Spirit, participate in Christ's Mission.
With our gifts, we create a parish that welcomes all people.*

Our Parish is committed to the safety, well-being, and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Lord Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this time receive you Sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never let me be separated from you. Amen.

As a community we pray for

The Pope's Prayer Intention for May: Faith-filled Young People

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Vocations! This week is Vocation View: Jesus asks us, "Do you love me?" Show your love for Jesus in the way that you live. (John 21:1-19)

The Sick: Jessica De Grandis, Vince Marshall, John Thomas, Peter Franchina, Nicholas Francis, Bonnie Gilson, Ibi Bolyos, Dee Tetzloff, Michael Watson, Katareena Cabretti, Bridgett Bradley, Mark Tetzloff and Eva Watson, Michael Cabretti,

Anniversary: Claire Muhlebach, Mark Demicoli, David Demicoli.

Recently Deceased: Dario Marsetti, Elpedio Jala, Mary Formosa, Sr Mary King, Nick Vasilavis

Please contact the Parish Office to have the names of any loved ones who are seriously ill, recently deceased or have coming anniversaries included in the bulletin.

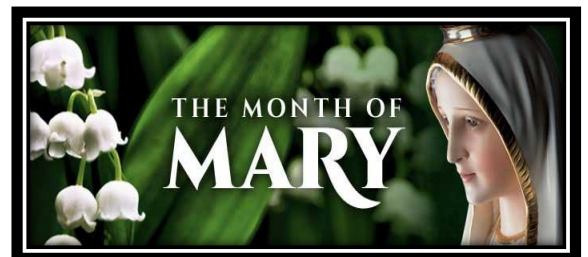
Infant Baptism: Please email us at fxcorio@inet.net.au for information regarding having your child baptised at Corio and Lara Parish. Next Baptism Preparation meeting is 14th June 2022, 7:30pm, Corio.

2022 Parish Sacramental Program: FOR CHILDREN ATTENDING NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS- If you have children attending non-Catholic schools, or know of anyone who does, who are eligible for the sacraments of First Eucharist, please be advised that enrolments are now open for First Eucharist. Should you have any queries regarding date and time please contact the Parish Office.

Parish Thanksgiving: People who reside in our parish zone, kindly register with parish and kindly join the thanksgiving to support our parish. Parishioners, who have changed their residential address or phone numbers, please contact the Parish office, as it needs to be updated. Please ring the Parish Office to register or to set up the thanksgiving by envelopes or by direct debit.

Advance Notice: The Melbourne Clergy Conference will be held From Monday 13th – Friday 17th June. Archbishop Peter has asked every priest to attend. There will be no weekday masses/liturgies during that week.

May, Month of Mary: Every Sunday in the month of May we will pray the Rosary 30 mins before Mass. All are welcome!



PARISH CALENDAR

MONDAY 30th May	TUESDAY 31st May	WEDNESDAY 1st June	THURSDAY 2nd June	FRIDAY 3rd June	SATURDAY 4th June	SUNDAY 5th June
	9:15am Mass, Corio 6pm, Corio Holy Hour (Benediction) Confessions	9:15am Mass, Lara	9:15am Mass, Corio	7:30am Mass, Corio	9.30am First Sat Mass 4pm Vietnamese Mass 7pm Vigil Mass Corio	9:00 am Mass, Lara 11:00am Mass, Corio

ROSTERS

TIME AND DATE	READER/COMMENTATOR	EUCCHARIST MINISTERS
4th June 7:00pm, Corio	F Moloney A Randall	L Pankhurst
5th June 9:00 am Lara	A Pearson- C N Meade- R	B Hyland
11:00am Corio	FAMILY MASS	M Neri M Leszyk

Parish Prayer

We, the people of Corio & Lara Catholic Parish give thanks and praise to God the Father. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we become more like Jesus: listening to the Word of God and celebrating the Eucharist; sharing each other's lives and forgiving one another; respecting creation and taking responsibility for our world.

Like St Francis Xavier, may we offer light to those in darkness, and warmly welcome all people.

Like St Anthony of Padua, may we nourish the hungry with wise words and kind deeds.

St Francis Xavier, pray for us. St Anthony of Padua, pray for us.

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