



THE SAVING WORD

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD / C

29 MAY 2022

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.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 46:2-3, 6-9. R. v. 6

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare 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



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MASS INTENTIONS



Ascension of the Lord, 29 May

Saturday 6pm Mass for Owen Walsh (RIP) + Giovanna Sgro (RIP & Birthday) + Mary Egert (RIP)

Sunday 7.30am Mass for Marin Resic (RIP 1st Anniversary) + Andrew De Sousa (RIP) + Joe De Ornelas (Intentions)

Sunday 9am Mass for Idalia's Deceased Family Members + Joe Taranto (RIP Anniversary) + Tindara Pirri & Giuseppina Valenti (RIP Anniversary) + John De Ceglie (RIP 8th Anniversary) & Susanna De Ceglie (RIP) & Teresa Neate (RIP)

11am Baptism for Asher James De Abreu

Monday 30 May

7-9pm Holy Trinity Prayer Group + **7.30pm Mass**

Tuesday 31 May – Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary

9am Mass for Edward, Jason & Rebecca De Sousa (Intentions) + Bella Howard (Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Fatima)

Wednesday 1 June – St Justin

9am Mass for Immaculate Heart of Mary Honour

Morning Tea after Mass

10.30am Legion of Mary

6-7pm Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday 2 June – Sts Marcellinus & Peter

9am-4pm Church Open for Prayers

Friday 3 June – Charles Lwanga & Companions

9am Mass for Sacred Heart of Jesus Honour + Joaquim & Teresa Da Silva (RIP)

9.30 – 10.30am Eucharistic Adoration

10.45am Funeral Mass for Teresa Cortese

Saturday 4 June

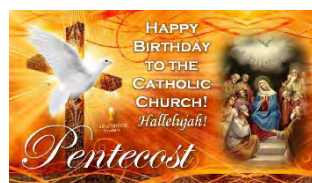
9am Mass for Maria Jose Martins (RIP)

Pentecost Sunday, 5 June

Saturday 6pm Mass for Maria Lanza (RIP) + Joao Namora (RIP 23rd Anniversary) & Feliz (RIP) & Zita (RIP)

Sunday 7.30am Mass for Andrew De Sousa (RIP)

Sunday 9am Mass for Anna & Paul Burstinghaus (Health)
2-3pm Holy Hour



WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL PARISH

If you are a new parishioner, please introduce yourself to Fr Paul. We would like to know a bit about you and your family. You can also fill in a Parishioner Registration Form and join in the Parish Planned Giving Program.



PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS

Christine Rhow, Veronica, Maria, Consiglia Ciavatta, Irwin Beachell, Isabella Da Cunha, Norma Elliott, Rudi Tassell, Steven, Davina, Elisabetta Paddon, Dermot McKernon, Edward Fortune, Lou Collova, Franca Kalat, Zdenka Mravincic, Beatrice Fernandez – Davina's Grandmother, Alex, Tonino, Desmond O'Connor, Lisa Bubb, Maria Villamagna, Romilda Marinelli, Aaron LoCicero, Denis & Mila Hogan + Jacqueline Paul ...



2022 SACRAMENT DATES

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Sunday 19 June 9am

CONFIRMATION: Sunday 4 September 9am



RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30-10am and 5.15-5.45pm
Or by appointment.



MASS INTENTIONS

Suggested Offering **\$15 per Mass**. Please give Mass Intention Envelopes to Fr Paul or Parish Office.



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Pentecost Sunday, 5 June

1st: Acts 2:1-11

2nd: Rom 8:8-17

Gospel: Jn 14:15-16, 23-26



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.

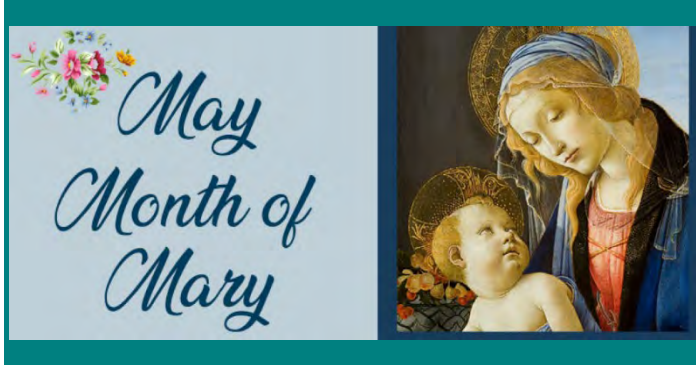




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STEWARDSHIP: Twenty Tips, Do's and Don'ts to help plan and present a **stewardship fair** – Do – Do provide some sort of food and beverage during your fair This is a must.) 🙏



2022 HOLY FATHER MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS: 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.



CHARISMATIC PENTECOST MASS: On **Pentecost Sunday, 5 June 2022**, at Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament church, Gosnells, starting with **praise & worship** at **2pm**, CCR Perth is celebrating the outpouring of the Holy Spirit with praise, Mass and the 'laying on of hands' for healing and the renewing of God's Spirit working in us. **Mass will commence** at **3pm**. The service will include praying over LiSS attendees and *all* who are keen for prayer. The afternoon will conclude with light refreshments around 4:30pm. Queries to Dan 0409 849 049."



THE COUNCIL FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN PERTH - Promoting the Participation of Women in the Catholic Church: The Council for Catholic Women Perth warmly invite you to hear Dr Mary Coloe PVBM at two free events in Perth. Mary is a Presentation sister and a professor of New Testament Studies at Yarra Theological Union who has lectured at the Australian Catholic University and at tertiary institutes overseas. Through her books and teaching she is internationally renowned as a specialist on the Gospel of John. An inspiring and informative speaker, Mary explores John's positive message that affirms life and speaks to the heart of human desire. **The Passion Gospel of John - Friday 10 June 6-8.30pm** at James Nestor Hall Catholic Education Office 50 Ruislip St West Leederville. Gather at 5.30pm for



light refreshments. **Understanding The Woman at the Well Story - Saturday 11 June 9.30am -12noon** at Treacey Hall, Iona Presentation College Junior School Campus. Enter from 43 Victoria Street, Mosman Park (Next to Playing Courts and opposite Cafe). **RSVP by Thursday 9 June** to Kerry at kerrymacfarlane2@gmail.com or 0400 886 835. All welcome. Audiences can be appropriately spaced at both events.

ONLINE SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION FOR ALL CHURCH WORKERS: All church workers (volunteers or paid) are invited to attend an online safeguarding induction on **Tuesday 14 June at 7pm**. A church worker is anyone in the parish in any role, paid or voluntary. The session will cover the Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, the importance of Safeguarding in the parish and the role of the Parish Safeguarding Officer. To register please visit: www.safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au.



WINTER APPEAL – Saint Vincent de Paul Society, Hilton Conference:

On the weekend of **25-26 June 2022** we will be conducting our annual Winter Appeal, which plays a vital role each year in enabling the good works of the Society. With your support, we hope to achieve a strong result in order to sustain our many good works into the future ... Have you ever thought of joining our local Hilton group? If your spirituality has inspired you to want to help the families in the area doing it tough and you are not sure how too, then we may be your answer. We are a group of like minded individuals who put their faith into action to make a difference in the lives of disadvantaged people. Time taken? It would require attending a short meeting each Monday evening and allocating an hour or so, one day each week to visit homes, in pairs, never alone ... *God bless, Ian Digney, President of Saint Vincent de Paul – HILTON, 0428 121 152.*



A MESSAGE FROM AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA:

ACN has launched its "Helping form the Priests of Tomorrow" global campaign. For 75 years, the benefactors of *Aid to the Church in Need* have generously supported the formation of seminarians. In fact, some of these men now serve as priests in Australia today! At the current time, ACN is supporting some 15,000 seminarians on the path to the priesthood ... Please read and reflect on their stories and discern to help us, spiritually and financially, to form the priests of tomorrow. These young men never cease to pray for the benefactors who assisted them on their journey. Thank you in advance for whatever you can do. Visit www.aidtochurch.org/seminariansglobal.





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CARITAS UKRAINE CRISES APPEAL:

In a matter of weeks, millions of people have fled the conflict in Ukraine. Our long-standing partner, Caritas Ukraine, is on the ground, supporting people in need during this unfolding humanitarian crisis. **Help provide urgent humanitarian assistance including shelter, food, clean water, medicine and psychological support to people affected by this crisis. Donate today at www.caritas.org.au/ukraine or call 1800 024 413 toll free.** Keep up to date on the latest activities by Caritas agencies on the ground - www.caritas.org.au/ukraine-news.



"Let us try all the harder to reach the things ahead of us. Don't turn to things behind you like Lot's wife. For the Lord said, "No man, having put his hand to the plough, and turning back, is fit for the kingdom of heaven." This turning back is the feeling of regret and becoming worldly minded again. But don't be afraid of righteousness or be intimidated by it. It isn't far from us."

- ST. ANTHANASIUS

*Doctor of the Church
(Life of St. Antony, 20)*

CORONAVIRUS PRAYER.

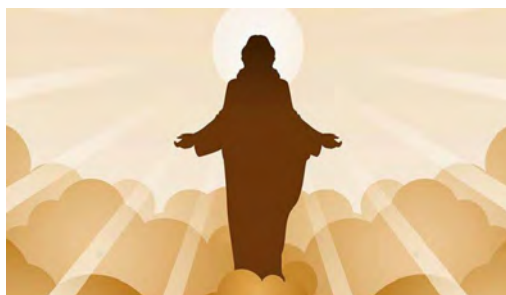
(Adapted from Saints Peter & Paul Church, Portlaoise, Ireland.)

Mighty and Eternal God, our refuge in every danger, to whom we turn in our distress. In faith, we pray that you look with compassion on the afflicted; grant eternal rest to the dead; comfort to mourners; healing to the sick; peace to the dying; strength to healthcare workers; inspiration to scientists and wisdom to our leaders. Give us the courage to reach out to all in love, so that together we may give glory to your Holy Name. Amen.



REPENT – PRAY – SAY CONTINUALLY

Jesus, I Trust in You.
Thy Will be Done.
I give you my will;
Please give me Yours in return.
Let Your Kingdom come!
Let Your Will be done;
On earth as It is in Heaven!



*I will come back to you and
your hearts will rejoice.*






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OUR LADY of MT CARMEL NOVENA: God our Father, prompted by Your Spirit the order of Carmel has from the beginning dedicated itself to the Mother of Your Son. As she unites her prayers with ours, look with favour upon us and bless our families, keep each of us from harm And bring us to the joy of heaven. We ask this through Jesus the Lord. **Amen.**



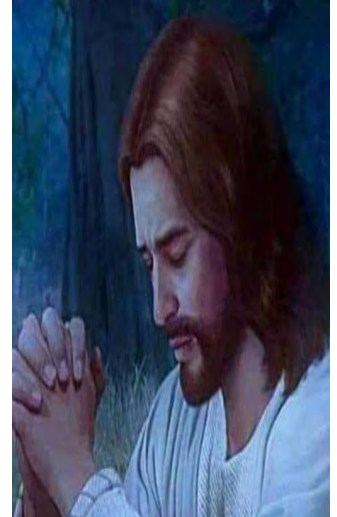
SOULS in PURGATORY PRAYER: Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, for those in my own home, and in my family. **Amen.**



OUR LADY of ALL NATIONS PRAYER: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now Your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disaster and war. May the Lady of All Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate. **Amen.**

WEEK 5 28-29 MAY ASCENSION OF THE LORD	COMMENTATOR	READER	ACOLTYE
Sat 6pm	Martha Kalat	Sjonny Walker	Enrico D'Alessandro
Sun 7.30am	Diane Richards	Nicolas Lim	Gerry Miller
Sun 9am	Toni Kalat	Helen Le Cordier	Ken Hla
WEEK 1 4-5 JUNE PENTECOST SUNDAY	COMMENTATOR	READER	ACOLYTE
Sat 6pm	Martha Kalat	Susie Poleschtschuk	Joe De Ornelas
Sun 7.30am	Diane Richards	Jenny Troy	Gerry Miller
Sun 9am	Kendall Diaz	Franca Kalat	Ken Hla

Through Him, with Him, in Him
 In the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 All glory and honour is Yours,
 Almighty Father,
 Forever and ever.
 Amen.





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.

While 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.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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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