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

Mt 28:16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

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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Breaking Open the Word



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD / A

21 May 2023

PRESENT IN ALL CREATION

The resurrection of Jesus was clearly a moment of healing victory and the basis of hope for the early Church. While the victory over sin and death had been won a whole new set of questions arose for the first generation of Christians. Where do we go now? What does the Risen Lord ask of us? How will the Lord continue to be present among us? The early Christians reflected on Jesus' Ascension and used this moment of transition to address these questions for themselves and to instruct future generations of Christians.

Much had already been achieved but the time had come for the Risen Lord to entrust the next stage of the mission into the hands of the disciples. Having been schooled for forty days by the Risen Lord they were now entrusted with the mission of bringing the message of Jesus to the world around them. While they would not have looked forward to the day when Jesus would pass from their midst, they were nonetheless reminded that while the quality of his presence had changed, he would never leave them.

While the letter to the Ephesians does not speak explicitly of the Ascension it does reflect on how the Pauline communities saw this change in Jesus' presence among them. Christians are encouraged to see that by being exalted to God's right-hand Jesus is now able to be present throughout all of creation, no longer limited by space and time. They are called to see that he is not absent but is now even more powerfully present.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING

Acts 1:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

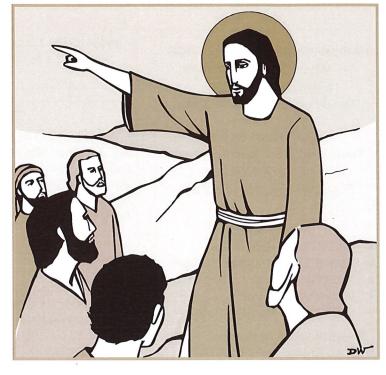
Why are you standing here looking into the sky? *Jesus has been taken into heaven.*

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



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MASS TIMES

- Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass
- Sun: 8.00am,10.00am,6.00pm
- Tuesday: 5.30pm
- Wednesday: 8.45am
- Thursday Saturday: 8.30am

Seventh Week of Easter - YR A

21 Sun: Ascension of the Lord

22 Mon: No Mass

23Tues: 7th Week of Easter **24 Wed:** Our Lady Help of

Christians (Yr 5)

25 Thu: 7th Week of Easter

26 Fri: St Philip

27 Sat: 7th Week of Easter/Vigil

Pentecost Sunday

SACRAMENTS & PRAYERS

- Reconciliation: Sat 9am-9.30am
- Rosary: Sat 8am
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Fri 9am-5pm
- Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wed 6.30pm

For Baptisms & Weddings
Please call the Parish Office

PARISH FAITH FORMATION

- Bible Studies: Tuesday @6pm in the Parish Centre All welcome.
- RCIA: Tuesday @7.15pm.
- Children's RE/Sacrament Prep: Thursday @4.30pm during school terms.

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WELCOME TO MASS! A very warm welcome to all, especially to new visitors. Remember to hand sanitise on entry, face masks are optional wear whilst in church. Thank you for your cooperation.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - YEAR A

I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS. When Christ ascended into heaven he did not abandon his disciples. Matthew's gospel begins with the angel's words that Jesus will be called Emmanuel, which means God-is-with-us, and it ends with Jesus' promise: 'Know that I am with you always, yes, to the end of time.' In a special way Emmanuel is with us in this Eucharist for 'where two or three are gathered in my name, I shall be there with them.'

MASS COLLECTIONS

Dear Parishioners, the COVID-19 crisis has impacted our liturgies and church celebrations. However, we still want to provide you with spiritual support, and we must continue to pay the bills. Please continue your monetary support to the Parish. Sign up to our Planned Giving program or you can use direct debit (contact Parish Office for details). Thank you.

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	LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER							
Mass	Acolyte	Commentator	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers			
Saturday 27 th May 6.00pm	Robert Lam Nguyen		I Iwansantoso T Khoo	M Jackson T Khoo	G Iwansantoso			
Sunday 28 th May 8.00am	Ashley Rebeiro	R Bennett	J Joji D Gaskell	S Robinson L Turuva	N Nolan			
Sunday 28 th May 10.00am	Renato Gomes	Ranjit Ratnayake	V Erskine T Gomes	J Jong T Seputro	C & C Empleo J Nofal			
Sunday 28 th May 6.00pm	Pedro Borja		N Barker S Irene	T Doan J Manning	S Barker M Lanarolle			

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Parish Events

Masses in the Parish

As of Friday 4th November 2022, the State Government announced that WA was no longer in a State of Emergency, however some restrictions will still apply. *Sunday 4th September 2022, 'The Sunday Obligation'* for the faithful was re-instituted by Archbishop Timothy Costelloe. This means that you are required to attend Sunday Mass, unless you are unwell. Although Maskwearing is no longer mandatory in places of worship, it is your right to exercise common sense. If you wish to continue to wear a face mask while attending Mass, you are free to do so. Please hand sanitise as you are entering the church. If you are unwell or have a cold, please stay home until feeling better.

Mass at Home available on CH10 6am Sunday morning or go www.massforyou.com.au

Pilarim Statues

If you wish to have one of 'Our Lady's statues visit your home for a week, please contact Sandra Robinson on H: 9277 2872 or M: 0405 117 138.

May 20th: Madden Family 29 Belvidere St, Belmont & Ratnayake Family 27 Goodall St, Cloverdale.

Footy Tipping AFL Season 2023 Round 9

1st: 60pts: P McLean 2nd: 58pts: C& E Grieves, 3rd: 56pts: C Smith, K McLean & S Grant. No one selected 9 winners this week but a few got 7's & 8's. See notice boards for Top Tipsters.

Holy Water - Now Available

Holy Water is now available from the church over the next few weeks. Please bring a small bottle or jar and it will be filled for you.

Silent Auction – Framed Crucifix

Please place your name and contact phone number on the sheets provived at either entrance if you are interested in placing a bid for the 'Decorative Octagonal 60cm Framed Crucifix with glow in the Dark Cross' which is on display at the front of the Church.

Holy Name Carlisle – Fundariser Sunday May 21st
Autum Food Festival – Asian Foods, Mohinga, Fried
Noodles ect, Assorted Sweets, Plants, books ect...
9.45am – 12.15pm in their Church Hall. All proceeds to
Airconditioning Carlisle Parish Hall. See Noticeboard for

Music Reading Course, Part 1 –3 Session Course Thursday 25th May 7pm to 8.30pm. Cost free Workshop. Please note the Workshop is offered in two formats simultaneously i.e., in person with a maximum of 6 people and on-line via Zoom. Registration is essential for the workshop. To register please visit www.liturgy.perthcatholic.org.au.

Further info: cfl@perthcatholic.org.au or 08 9207 3350

Smile for You

full details.

Smiling is infectious; you catch it like the flu, when someone smiled at me today, I started smiling too. I passed around the corner and someone saw my grin, when he smiled I realised I'd passed it on to him. I thought about that smile then I realised its worth, a single smile, just like mine could travel around the earth. So, if you feel a smile begin, don't' leave it undetected, let's start and epidemic quick, and get the the world infected!

Around the Archdiocese

Pope Francis – Prayer Intention for MAY
For Church movements and groups. We pray that
Church movement and groups may rediscover their
mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own
charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Safeguarding Induction Training Online Course Safeguarding Induction Training Level 1, Online, 29th May @ 7pm; 8th June, 10am, 20th June 2pm. Or attend at Our Lady of Grace, North Beach *Thursday 8th June* @ 7pm or Sacred Heart Thornlie *Thursday 29th June* @ 7pm. This is for all church workers, paid or volunteers who have not attended the course in the last 3 years. For more information Ph: 08 9221 7762 E: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/.

Bowra & O'Dea Cannington – Open Day Sunday 21st May, 10am – 2pm: Newly refurbished, modern purpose-built premises.

Employment Opportunities Archdiocese of Perth

The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth has a number of employment opportunities for suitable qualified persons to join its team and continue the good work of the Church. For details refer to:

https://www.perthcatholic.org.au/Employment.htm.

Notre Dame Community

Containers for Change

The parish has registered for the Containers for Change Scheme. Take your cans, bottles & plastics to 'TOMRA RECYCLING CENTRE' 41 - 43 Abernethy Rd Belmont (just past Wheeler St) scan the bar code and follow instructions. All monies will be paid into the 'Parish Building Fund Account'. Flyers available with all details on including the 'barcode' to scan.



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In Our Prayers...

In Memoriam

We commend to the Father's love all our faithful departed especially: Raymond Joseph Kesler, Ivy & Harry Klass, Sharon Fletcher, Denis & Margaret Saldana, Victoria, John & Ralph Jackson, Victor

D'Souza, Jennifer Paine, deceased members of Kim Nguyen's family, recently deceased Eileen Forbes, Emilia lovine and all souls in Purgatory.

Parishioners who are unwell:

Peter Butcher, Deacon Al & Aileen Atkinson, Anne Redmond, Maureen Daly, Ravi Ratnayake, Fran Carter, Marjorie Williams & Glen Arathoon.

Baptisms:

Welcome to our Catholic Faith Community; Stayla & Lydia McCandlish and Matteo Jose & Rafael Craig Dos Santos.