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St Brigid's Parish Community, Coogee



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The Ascension of the Lord 28th May/ 29th May 2022

Today's Gospel in a nutshell

The resurrected Jesus is about to ascend into heaven.

He continues teaching his disciples, reminding them that his suffering and death were part of God's plan, to which they are witnesses.

With the coming of the Holy Spirit they will experience gifts of hope, perception and power.

The Holy Spirit will be with them always, and with us too, as we live as members

Readings for this weekend

Jesus is taken up into heaven. Ephesians 1:17-23 Christ will appear again to bring salvation. Luke 24:46-53 Jesus commissions the eleven, ascends to heaven.

The feast of the Ascension is the day, each year, where we remember and we celebrate that, just as Jesus was welcomed to God's right hand, so, too, shall we be welcomed to the right hand of Jesus.

Jesus taught us that where he is, so shall we be, that he was going to prepare a place for us and that, in and through him, we will have life and have it to the

This is his promise, this is our faith and this is the hope we are called to proclaim to the world. And let's be clear about the invitation. There is nothing we have ever done, are doing, or will do, that will get our name removed from the invitation list to the feast of Christ's kingdom. The challenge is accepting that we have a standing invitation and living lives worthy of the love that places our name on the list.

The feast of the Ascension announces that Jesus will faithfully accompany us no matter how far we lose our way, and that, by our fidelity to Christ, we accept or reject the standing offer.

And because the Ascension is an Easter feast it develops even further that there is nowhere, bar evil, where God does not dwell. Because of the Resurrection and Ascension we can find God everywhere we want to: in our homes, our work, our suffering, our old age, our emotional, sexual or financial turmoil – and even in our death.

Even though the writers of the New Testament are not too clear on the details of how the Ascension happened, what we initially see in this wonderful feast is not what we get.

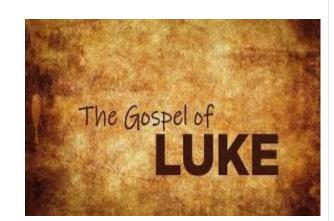
Thanks be to God, it's so much more.

Richard Leonard, SJ

Entrance antiphon: Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking in the sky? The Lord will return, just as you have seen him ascend, alleluia.

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

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



Readers

Saturday Vigil Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator)

May Radmila Lewis

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)

May

Gerry Walker & Charlie Robinson

Sunday 9.30 am Adele Cornale (Coordinator) May 29th **Dominic Sullivan and Family**

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor, Margaret & John Betros and other

volunteers

Money Counters (parish office)

May 29th: Group 1 June 12th

June 5th: Group 2 Group 3 June 19th: Group 4 **Ministers of Communion**

Vigil 5pm Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator)

Michael Zador May

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)

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Sunday 9.30 am Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Phil Docherty, Pilar Ovelar May Sunday 6pm Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

> Sacristy & Altar Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller

Altar Flowers

Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros

Piety Stall (5pm Vigil Mass) Carol Miller

Sacramental Dates 2022

Confirmation Tuesday 14th June 6pm

First Communion Sunday 11th September

Sunday 29th May - Thank you to

Eve Rodrigues for hosting morning tea after our

Sunday 9.30am family Mass.

Saturday 25th June - Feast of the Sacred Heart weekend Saturday Supper after 5pm Vigil Mass.

Mass intentions Your prayers are requested for the following:

John Tapp, Bill Parsons, Geoffrey Waldie, Francis 'Frank' Michael Curry, Shirley Bell, Recently

Deceased: Noraine Railz, Diane Gordon, Sr Patty Byron, Michael O'Sullivan,

Susan Betros, Margaret Butler, Joan O'Keefe, John Dawson, Geoff McCabe. **Anniversaries:**

Chai Balcombe, Mark Wordon, Anne-Marie Pyemont (Scotland), June Ferguson, Sean Sick:

Rive, Catherine Sharpley, Rita Baraghi, Mariana Wagei, Melinda Craig, Beverly Flint,

Rowan Tierney, Alison Elliott, John Cavanagh, Rob Williams.

St Brigid's Parish Information

Mass Times Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30am and 6pm

Morning Tea Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass. **Weekday Masses** Monday, Tuesday and Thursday — 9.30 am

Reconciliation 20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass

Sacrament of Anointing During 9.30am Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month

By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month, **Baptisms**

after 9.30am Family Mass.

Marriages Saturdays, by appointment, arranged at least six months in advance.

Parish Office: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9am to 3pm.

> Phone 9315 7562. (For pastoral emergencies, please contact Fr Phil 0420 329 731)

St Brigid's This Week and Beyond

Dear Parishioners,

This year, the theme for **Reconciliation Week** is "Be Brave, Make Change". It is to encourage all people to take action and to practice reconciliation each week and to take real action in their lives to make reconciliation real.

Sunday 29th May: We welcome our families to children's liturgy at our 9.30am Family Mass.

Baptisms this weekend - we welcome Thomas Matthew and Logan Daisy Sweeney children of Matthew and Angie, William Jake De Bry son of Jacob and Kellie and Eloise Katherine Millar daughter of Hunter and Janine.

Monday 6th June: PPC meeting at 5.30pm in the school library.

Thursday 9th June: 9.30am Parish Mass includes sacrament of anointing.

Fr Phil

The National Reconciliation Week 2022 theme, "Be Brave. Make Change." is a challenge to all Australians - individuals, families, communities, organizations and government - to Be Brave and tackle the unfinished business of reconciliation so we can Make Change for the benefit of all Australians.

Last year Reconciliation Australia encouraged all Australians to take action; not just in National Reconciliation Week but every week of the year.

We saw unprecedented response to our suggested actions for everyday and for braver action.

This year we are asking everyone to make change beginning with brave actions in their daily lives – where they live, work, play and socialise.

National Reconciliation Week - 27 May to 3 June



We would like to start a parish community knitting club on Wednesdays in our Blue Room (above the parish office).



Wrap with Love (www.wrapwithlove.org) is a non for profit organization. There are millions of people in the world

suffering extreme cold. In the past 23 years they have sent 400,000 wraps to people in 75 countries including Australia with the help of hardworking volunteers.

If you would like to join this relaxed and friendly project and knit square s of 25cm x 25cm please contact the parish office 9315 7562.

Casual part/time role

Family requires assistance a few hours a week to occupy / entertain their daughter with level 2 autism (15 years old) after school / weekends. A university student looking for a few hours work with their own ABN, who lives in the area (South Eastern Suburbs) and has a car, preferably studying psychology, occupational therapy, speech pathology or something similar.

If you're interested, please contact Paula on 0405 443 406 or Meg on 0417 083 478.

"Find happiness in making others happy"
St. Mary MacKillop



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A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sex Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you - or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest, who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police. St Brigid's Parish Coogee, Safeguarding Officer is Sharon Waller.