

Parish Notices

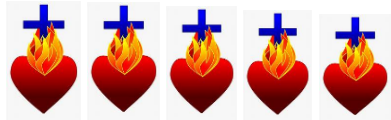
1. Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal this weekend. After Communion we will have the 3rd collection. Donate for the Seminarians' formation and our future priests.
2. Finance Committee Sunday 29th May at 7pm.
3. Fete meeting next Sunday 5th June at 7pm in the Parish Hall. FETE on **SUNDAY 11th September 2022**. Please contact Therese Samuels via the office if you would like to assist in the preparation.
4. Young Adult Formation on the 5th June from 7-8.30pm. Topic: Biblical Typology by Andrew Wood. Suggested donation of \$5.00.



We are updating the list of people who would like to have the statue of Our Lady at home. Please put your name down, address and phone number on the list at the back of the Church.

Dates for your diary:

Pastoral Council Meeting on Sunday 19th June at 7pm



Feast of the SACRED HEART FRIDAY JUNE 24th

Program:

9.10am MASS followed by ADORATION.

7PM MASS Main celebrant: **BISHOP VINCENT LONG** followed by Supper (bring a plate please)

PRAYERS FOR THOSE in our COMMUNITY

SICK: Maria Belisario, Alice Cassar; Stella Edwards, Maria Llave, Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Marjorie Tonks; Fara Vargas.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Summer Abawi; Said Antonius; Doreen Austin; Virginia & Galonel Capili; Mary Catania; Josephine Cortis; Ma Luisa & Mamerto Cui; Mamerto Cui Jr; Paulose Chittayath; Annie Agnes Doherty; Ferdinand Dolleton, Malcolm Farquharson; Raddy Ferreira; Carlos Funelas; Maynard Galam; Leandro Hernandez; John Holmes; Alice Iglesias, Rita Mah Puay Lan; Maria Lugod; Remy Lunar, Peter & Clyde McLeod; Luke McCourt; Charbel Macklouf; Neville Menezes; Edgardo Moya; Franchita Rebosura; Ma Lina de Rueda; Safiya Saipova; Margaret Saldana; Eligio Solomon; Rhoda & Roguesa Recto; Andrew Rylewski, Trifon Triantopoulos; Maria & Saturnino Ventura; Alejandro Ventura;

Names submitted to Parish for prayers will show for 4 weeks at a time.



SACRED HEART PARISH

SOUTH MT DRUITT

9 Ropes Creek Road Mt Druitt NSW 2770 tel: 98323896

Ascension Sunday of EASTER (C) 29th May 2022



Ascension: Mystery of Presence



What do we mean when we profess the article of faith that Jesus ascended into heaven and now seated at the right hand of the Father? There seems to be a notion that when Jesus ascended, he has gone afar from this world, went beyond the cosmos and will be back on his second coming at the end of times. This notion may have been based on the ascension account (Lk 24,51; Mk 17,19) where it is written that the disciples saw Jesus was being taken up to heaven and then not anymore physically present. But the reaction of the disciples is puzzling. Unlike during the crucifixion and death, they lamented for the loss, after the ascension they were joyful and confident of Jesus' presence with them (cf. Lk,24,51-53 and Mk 16,20). The ascension event was indeed an unusual departure. Jesus bade them farewell and blessed them, but in reality, He did not leave and abandon them.

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI beautifully explained this mystery in his book Jesus of Nazareth as he wrote, "the departing of Jesus does not make his way to some distant star. He enters into communion of power and life with the living God, into God's dominion over space. Hence, he has not 'gone away', but now and forever by God's own power he is present with us and for us." (Jesus of Nazareth: Holy Week, p. 283). We then understand that the Ascension is a mystery of presence not of absence or abandonment. The Ascension is a transition from incarnated presence to presence in power and spirit. His presence in power is evident in the healing stories of the disciples in the Acts of the apostles (e.g. Act 3,1; 4,22;5,12-16,207-12). His assuring presence in spirit has been the source of joy and confidence of the disciples as they went to different places proclaiming the story about Jesus. Consequently, unrestricted by time and space, Jesus' presence has been simultaneously experienced by the disciples in different instances, in different places and in different times.

God Bless

Fr Flor

Sunday Masses Saturday 6.00 pm **The Ascension of the Lord (C)**
Sunday 7.30 am & 9.00am;
Weekday Masses & Communion Services
Monday 9.10 am Mon 7th Week of Easter *communion service*
Tuesday 9.10 am The Visitation of Mary
Wednesday 7.00pm St Justin
Thursday 9.10am Thurs 7th Week of Easter
Friday 9.10am Saint Charles Lwanga
7.00pm **First Friday of the month devotions.**
Saturday 6.00pm Sat 7th Week of Easter *communion service*
Confessions Saturday: 5.00pm Fr. Florito Apalias

Pastoral Director: **Deacon Roderick Pirotta**
Resident Priest: **Fr Florito Apalias**
Parish Chairperson: **Mark Buhagiar**
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Baptisms & Weddings: By arrangement

Support our seminarians to become beacons of Christ's light



Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal



Readers	6.00pm	7.30am	9.00am
28th/29th May Ascension Sunday	Hermina Villarica Pio Vergara	Jerome D'Rosario Nathan McKenzie	Matthias Wong Mary Zore
4th/5th June Pentecost	Shirley Fernandez Montana Farquharson	Elija Merjudio Joaquim Mendes	Fadi Antown Jevita Bugayong
11th/12th June Trinity Sunday	Wendy Farquharson Edna Gemzon	Thomas Merjudio Grace Bandoc	Marvin Bugayong Herbie Cruz

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.

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!

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

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal for our Holy Spirit Seminarians

Our Holy Spirit Seminary in Harris Park is preparing men who have been called by God to be good shepherds and beacons of Christ's light. Will you be their extended formation community and support these faithful men to be formed as priests after the heart of Christ? Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal or scan this QR code. **Thank you for accompanying our seminarians on their spiritual journey to becoming priests.**



Pentecost Scripture Evening: 1 June

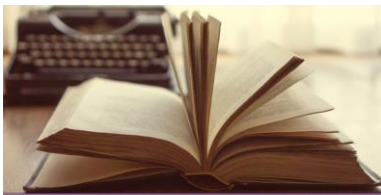
You are invited for a night of prayer, scripture and reflection on the theme of Pentecost. The evening will be held on Wednesday 1 June at 6.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown, and led by Dr Michele Connolly rsj. To RSVP, please email Tanya at met@parracatholic.org

Interfaith Dialogue Workshop: 24 June

Join the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine as Fr Patrick McInerney from the Columban Centre for Christian-Muslim Relations presents a workshop on Interfaith Dialogue on Friday June 24 from 10am to 12 midday. All are welcome, but please register by contacting Maree on (02) 8838 3486 or email maree.collis@parracatholic.org

Catholic schools across the Diocese are enrolling now.

Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Parramatta are enrolling now for 2023. To learn more please contact your local Catholic school or visit our website www.parra.catholic.edu.au/our-schools/find-a-school.



Join Andrew Wood for a talk and discussion on Scripture and **Biblical Typology** followed by fun, fellowship and pizza!

YOUNG ADULTS FAITH FORMATION

For adults 18-35 SUN 5TH JUNE
7:00-8:30
The Hustle Unit 4
4-6 Purdy St Minchinbury Suggested donation: \$5

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL PENTECOST SUNDAY

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal NSW will be celebrating Pentecost Sunday on 5th June 2022 at OLQP Church Greystanes. The theme is "We are one in the Spirit", with Prayer & Praise at 1.30pm followed by Mass celebrated by Fr. Brian Steele MGL and then Prayer Ministry concluding at 4.30pm. Enquiries email@ccrnsw.org.au or 0411404090 or 0431778476.

Blessings
Neville Fernandes
0431 778 476

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER:

1st week of the Month:

Eric & Paul

2nd Week of the Month

Loretta & Gloria

3rd Week of the Month

Nirmala & Ingrid

4th Week of the Month

Legion of Mary (Juniors)

5th Week: Rebecca Armour.

CHURCH CLEANING THIS WEEK:

4th June: **ERIC & Paul**