Parish Notices.

- 1.Death Anniversaries for May can begin to be added to the Remembrance Book, located at the back of the church.
- 2. The Caldean community will be celebrating a Mass in our parish every day during the month of May at 5PM. All are welcomed.
- 3. On Monday and Thursday evenings for 6 weeks starting on the 29^{th of} April, The Neocats will be holding their annual Catechesis at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall. All parishioners welcome.
- 4.**MOTHERS DAY** volunteers needed to help run our Mother's Day stall in the parish hall after each Mass starting the weekend of the 4th/5th May and Mother's Day weekend (11th & 12th May) Please see Deacon Rod if you can help.

CONFIRMATION THIS WEDNESDAY 15th MAY at 7PM Celebrant: Bishop Vincent Long



SICK: Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Fara Vargas; Maria Llave; Jolanda Pavlovic; Stella Edwards & Maria, Belisario; Mila Moser; Dalveno Bronsan; Dorothea Leah Sheen;

RECENTLY DECEASED: Sheila Glennon; Fracia A. Florido; Manuel Escaro; Roy Stephens; Francisca Fronda; Antonio Lapuz; Vesna Demark; Teresita de Guzman; Savio Francis; Baby Faith; Teodora Luna Liwanes; Rowena Cacanindin; Sr. Emanuela Betham; Fr. Bill "'Vilo'" Betham; Eufrogino Caguioa Jnr; Nathan Gopaio; Jasmine Stanborough; Fr William 'Bilo' Hansell SM; Annie Miller; Hon. Tony Bleasdale

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Sister Sausa; Malcolm Farquharson; Edwin Grable; Leslie Heft; Carlo Funerlas; Lorna Miranda, Karen Bartollo; Eduvigis Canilao; Fr Ben Macajes SVD; Josip Blazevic; Bernardo Osbual; Paulina Osbual; Felumena & Pedro Mendania; Jose Cordorilla Descalzo Jnr; Salvador Daria Toledo; Pastora Bala; Eddie Llave; Doreen Austin; Amado; Guilmimo Deza Sala; Estilita Deza Sala; Mamita Tomale; Rorello Tomale; Maria Lina de Rueda; Berna Undan; Peter & Clyde Mcleod; Neville Menezes; Raju Nair; Alex Monteiro; Cresintina & Francis Monteiro; Mandy Untalan; Myrna Jane Mesina; Lorraine Barr; Manuel Tionloc; Valerie Weatherall.

Death anniversaries remain on the bulletin for max 4 weeks.



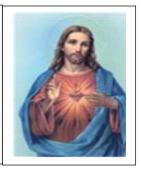
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Ascension Sunday (B)

12thh May 2024



From Deacon Rod's desk....... Not upward but forward.

The New Testament is not interested in the mode by which the risen Jesus was transferred to the realm of glory. Luke uses assumption language from the Old Testament (Enoch and Elijah) as an image for the reality of the final withdrawal of the risen Jesus' physical presence from the assembled disciples.

It is instructive that Luke can present the same event in two different ways. In one place (Acts 1:6), it occurs on Easter night and is described simply as being taken up into heaven; whereas in another this final withdrawal occurs forty days later, with an array of what one scholar has called "apocalyptic stage props"—movement upward into the heavens, a cloud as vehicle, and interpreting angels. (Lk: 24:1).

This language recalls the transfiguration, looks forward to Pentecost, recalls Elijah, and points toward the Parousia. In a third account, in the appendix to Mark at Mk 16:19, it is pictured as happening on Easter Sunday, at an indoor setting ("while they were at table"). Each account is a way of affirming that Jesus' final physical departure was a transition leading from the glory of the resurrection to the mission of the Church empowered by the Holy Spirit.

The accounts urge us not upward but forward.

Sunday Masses	<u>Saturday</u> <u>Sunday</u>	6.00 pm Ascension Sunday (B) 7.30 am & 9.00am <u>.</u>		
Weekday Masses Confessions	Monday Tuesday Wednesday <u>Thursday</u> <u>Friday</u> Saturday Saturday:	9.10 am 9.10 am 7.00pm 9.10 am 9.10pm 6.00pm 5.00-5.30	Mon 6 th Week of Easter Tues 6th Week of Easter Wed 6th Week of Easter Thu 6 th Week of Easter Fri 6th Week of Easter Sat 6th Week of Easter O PM	

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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.

Responsorial 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.

Readers	6.00pm	7.30am	9.00am
18 th /19 th May Pentecost	Wendy Farquharson Edna Gemzon	Joaquim Mendes Thomas Merjudio	Mark Buhagiar Aloysius Wong
25th/26th May Most Holy Trinity	Jeric Salazar Luisito Villarica	Phil Tonks Vinod Nagarajan	Matthias Wong Mary Zore
1 st /2 nd June The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ	Herminia Villiarica Gloria Cardoza	Elijah Merjudio Thomas Merjudio	Agnes Polu Fadi Antown
8 th /10 th June 10 th Sunday in Ordinary time	Pio Vergara Wendy Farquharson	Joaquim Mendes Vinod Nagarajan	Jovita Bugayong Bethany Buhagiar

Mount Schoenstatt Marian May Devotions

Everyone is invited to the Schoenstatt Shrine to pray, sing and honour the Blessed Mother daily in the month of May. All are welcome to join the sisters for half hour May Devotions in the Shrine on Sunday to Friday at 5.30pm and Saturdays at 5.15pm. Learn more about the May devotions on their website https://schoenstatt.org.au/ or Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/MtSchoenstattMulgoa/.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA NOTICES

Free English and Citizenship Classes

Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains are offering English and Citizenship classes at Mamre House, 181 Mamre Rd, Orchard Hills, on a Tuesday and Wednesday from 10am to 2pm during school terms. Free childcare is available. If you are interested in enrolling, please contact Mamre Crèche on (02) 8843 2506 or Nepean Community College (02) 4724 9000

Intensive Retreat: 17 - 22 May

Join the MGL Sisters for Pentecost 2024 as we discover the depths of God's love through our Banquet Intensive and accept the invitation to radical intimacy with the Trinity. The retreat will be held from Friday 17 to Wednesday 22 May at Carmel House, Varroville. Feast on God's powerful love for you, open up to the gifts of the Spirit, savour times of powerful input, prayer, and practical workshops, and find the charismatic generosity of God unleashed in your own life of mission and discipleship. To register, please visit

http://www.trybooking.com/CN SXA. For Enquiries, please contact

mglsisters.sydney@gmail.com

CHURCH CLEANING: 18th May: Ingrid, Irene & Nirmala

Catholic Care Mamre Supported Playgroup

Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains are offering a free supported playgroup which operates on Thursdays from 10am to 12pm during school terms at Mamre House, 181 Mamre Rd, Orchard Hills. If you are interested in enrolling, please contact Mamre Supported Playgroup on (02) 8843 2506.

Expression of Interest: Ministry to the Sick in Hospitals

Are you interested in bringing Communion to the Sick in the Hospitals of the Diocese? You will receive formation and information necessary for this ministry. Note you will not be required to do this every week but will be placed on a roster. For more information, please contact bernard.ellis@catholiccarewsbm.org.au by 15 June 2024.

"The Eucharist is essential for us: it is Christ who wishes to enter our lives and fill us with his grace." - Pope Francis

St Patrick's Cathedral Mozart Concert: 17 May
Let the full force of River City Voices carry you through
Mozart's Requiem in D Minor – a testament of power, faith,
awe and hope as the choir joins for the first time with the
dynamic young Western Sydney Philharmonic at St
Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta, on Friday 17 May from
7.30pm. Tickets are \$60 for general admission and \$45 for
concessions. To purchase ticket, please visit
https://events.humanitix.com/mozart-s-requiem/tickets

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Pentecost Eve Gathering: 18 May

Please join the Catholic Charismatic Renewal NSW in celebrating Pentecost Eve "Anointing" on Saturday 18 May at the Servants of Jesus Centre, 15 Park Road Seven Hills, for an afternoon of Praise & Worship, Testimonies and Prayer Ministry from 4–7pm hosted by youth from different streams. Booking is essential, so please register via

https://www.trybooking.com/CPMXQ?qr=true. Any enquires, please email email@ccrnsw.org.au