BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

The Ascension of the Lord

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Manning Parish

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Sunday Reflection by the late Fr John Thornhill sm



From the moment of his resurrection triumph, the Saviour was living in the bosom of the Father. The faith of the Church had it beginnings in meetings with the Risen Lord — in which he 'showed himself alive' and 'told them about the kingdom of God' - preparing them for the great mission that would be theirs. Today's celebration reminds us that these meetings finally came to an end — after 'forty days', as Luke puts it in our reading from

Acts. Luke is preparing us for what will occur after 'not many days': at the Pentecostal celebration, fifty days after the Passover.

Jesus is not abandoning his friends. On the contrary, he tells them to look forward to 'what the Father has promised'. When they are 'baptised with the Holy Spirit' – the Spirit who is the very expression of the life he shares with the Father – he will be with them in all that they are called to be and do. The Lord's new presence will fill with new life the Church which is about to

be launched forth on its mission - to bring the power and blessings of the Lord's Paschal Mystery 'to the ends of the earth' (Luke), 'to all creation' (Mark).

According to the Gospel of Luke the angels tell the disciples not to seek the Lord 'in the sky', but to take up the mission they have received, to be his 'witnesses' throughout their world. The era of the pilgrim Church that is about to begin — the angels tell them - will end when Jesus returns, and the Church's life in faith and sacraments gives way to the absolute fulfilment of the final Kingdom.

Our readings describe the task of the Church as it journeys through history towards the final Kingdom, bringing the 'Good News to all creation'. Its life together - in the power of the Resurrection - should be a living sign, confirming the message it brings. 'Charity, selflessness, gentleness and patience' should be an expression of the 'unity of the Spirit' – the unity which only God can give, the unity of the 'one Body' of Christ, the unity of those who know that they are called together by the 'one God who is Father of all'.

United, through their 'baptism', in the blessings of the Paschal Mystery, Church members should share the many gifts they receive from 'the one who rose higher than all the heavens to fill all things'. Doing so they will show their world the pattern of authentic human fulfilment, in 'the fullness of Christ'

On Ascension Day we celebrate our Christian hope - where Jesus, our brother and our Lord has gone we shall follow. The pilgrim Church must bring to our struggling world the Good News that, through his Paschal Mystery, the Saviour calls the whole of the human family to live forever with him in the bosom of the Father

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Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday 9am to 12 noon

Safeguarding Officers

See Names Below

SCHEDULES

Confession
Saturday 5.00 to 5.30pm
Or anytime by appointment

Normal Weekend Masses

Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass Sunday 7.30am, 9.00am Mass & 11.00am Chinese Mass

Normal Weekday Masses

Monday 8.00am Communion Service Tuesday to Saturday 8.00am Mass (Check Parish Calendar for Variations)

Sacrament of Baptism

Welcoming & Naming
First Sunday at 9.00am Mass
Baptism outside Mass
Second Saturday at 10.30am
No Baptism during Mass in Lent
Third Sunday during 9.00am Mass
Other Time

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SPX Safeguarding Officers

To ensure the safety of children, young people and the vulnerable in the Catholic Church 6pm Vigil Mass – Ryan Gonsalves 0423 708 777 7:30am Mass – Jeevan Joseph 0434 038 353 9am Mass – Barbara Thompson 0408 955 859

11am Chinese Mass Gregory Lo 0435 383 417, Augustine Lai 0402 185 248, Juliana Tseng 0438 864 689 Email: safeguarding@manningparish.org.au



Manning Parish Youth - Quest Youth Ministry

Guiding our youth on a Quest to know, love and serve the Lord.

The youth ministry for the parish is open to youth aged in High School or
University, and meet every second Saturday after mass.

Get in touch with us by finding us online at https://www.facebook.com/youth.manningparish/



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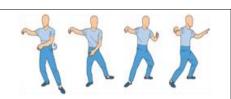
| ROSTER | | Weekend 15/16 May | Weekend of 22/23 May |
|-------------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Special Ministers | Sat 6.00pm | Suspended temporarily | Suspended temporarily |
| | Sun 7.30am | Suspended temporarily | Suspended temporarily |
| | Sun 9.00am | Suspended temporarily | Suspended temporarily |
| Readers | Sat 6.00pm | Pam Vincent | Krystyna Henderson |
| | Sun 7.30am | Br Basil Hickey | Tom Sweeny |
| | Sun 9.00am | Giselle Shankar | Emma Gallagher |
| Altar Servers | Sat 6.00pm | Volunteers | Volunteers |
| | Sun 9.00am | Volunteers | Volunteers |
| Counters | | Colleen & Pat Lowry | Joanne Agar, Arthur Moy |

| PARISH CALENDAR | | | | |
|-----------------|-------------|--|--|--|
| May Sat 15 | 6.00pm | Vigil Mass (Ascension Sunday) Church | | |
| Sun 16 | 7.30am | Sunday Mass (Ascension Sunday) Church | | |
| | 9.00am | Sunday Mass (Ascension Sunday) Church | | |
| | 11.00am | Chinese Mass (Ascension Sunday) Church | | |
| Mon 17 | 8.00am | Communion Service (Seventh week of Easter) Church | | |
| Tue 18 | 8.00am | Mass (Seventh week of Easter) Church | | |
| Wed 19 | 8.00am | Mass (Seventh week of Easter) Church | | |
| | 9.00am | School Mass (Pentecost Celebration) Church | | |
| Thu 20 | 8.00am | Mass (Seventh week of Easter) Church | | |
| Fri 21 | 8.00am | Mass (Seventh week of Easter) Church | | |
| Sat 22 | 8.00am | Mass (Seventh week of Easter) Church | | |
| | 5.00-5.30pm | Confession - Church | | |



Line Dancing Classes

Every Wednesday 10am - 12noon \$5 per session All proceeds go to the Parish This is a community building initiative to keep you fit and active with the help of Francis & Hellen Tay All are welcome; no age limits!



Tai Chi Group

In Manning Parish Hall Every Monday except holidays Starts 7:30pm and finishes at 8:30pm

All parishioners are most welcome. For more information, please contact or text Stephen on 0403167838.







2021 Sacraments

Here are the Schedules for the celebration of the sacraments for 2021. Parents, if your child/children are attending State Schools you need to enrol for the Sacramental programs. Please contact the parish office to obtain an Enrolment Form or visit our website to get one - manningparish.org.au/ sacraments - so that we can organise the preparation for them.

Confirmation Workshop 6pm Thursday 20 May 2021 Confirmation

6pm Saturday, 29 May 2021 Commitment Mass Done

First Holy Communion
9am Sunday, 5 September 2021
Commitment Mass 6pm 24 July 2021

First Reconciliation

Saturday, 30 October 2021

Commitment Mass 6pm 11 Sept 2021



Seniors Gathering

on Thursday 27 May 2021 - 12 to 2pm Third Time LUCKY!

If you are interested please put your name and contact on the list provided in the foyer.

Thanks - Social Committee

Divine Mercy Hour

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy prayers, Rosary and Benediction every third Sunday of the month at 3pm.

Please join us this Sunday at 3 pm.



The Rosary

Every Friday, during the month of May, the Holy Rosary will be recited in church at 7 pm.

Please join us in praying the Rosary.

5 first Saturdays Devotion

At Fatima, Our Lady pleaded with us to offer this Devotion as an Act of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
See Notice Board in the foyer.
For additional information contact Mignonne Goes on 0409 688 594 or Tony Pitchford on 0407 387 493

Old or New Readers

If you wish to volunteer to be a reader at Sunday Mass from July to December 2021 please put your name down in the List provided near the Holy water urn.

If you have not read before and would like to join this ministry there will be training before we roster you

First Reading

Acts 1:1-11

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 to 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.'

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.
- 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.)
- 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.)
- 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

Ephesians 1:17-23

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 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.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 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

Mark 16:15-20

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven and said to them, 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised is saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.'

And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.

Reflection for Young People

By Greg Sunter



Francis of Assisi is credited with saying, 'Preach the gospel at all times and when necessary, use words!' In every interaction we have we say so much about who we are, what we think of the other person and what we believe — even without opening our mouth. Our actions and attitudes proclaim our beliefs more powerfully than our words ever do. If we claim to be concerned about justice and

yet behave unjustly then it is our actions, not our words, that will be heard! When we are called to 'proclaim the Good News' we are called to do this first and foremost in action.

Q. Who do you know who really lives their beliefs and in that way proclaims the Good News?

Next Sunday Readings

Pentecost Sunday 23 May 2021

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11 Second Reading: Galatians 5:16-25 Gospel: John 15:26-27

CHILDREN'S CORNER



How many words can you make from the letters in the word ASCENSION?