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Happy Mother's Day! The Staff and friars of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish and the Shrine of the Holy Innocents wish all our mothers a very blessed and safe, healthy and happy Mother's Day! Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen. (From the Catholic Book of Blessings Para. 1728)

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Virtual Meetings:

Youth Group (High Schoolers, Year 7-12) meet each Sunday night between 7-8.30pm. For more info, contact youthgroupolor@gmail.com

Young Adults (18-30 years old) meet each Friday night between 8-9pm. For info contact our coordinator at youngadultsolor@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society meet this Wednesday between 7.30-8.30pm. For info contact the parish office. As we're locked in, consider joining the virtual meeting and see what they are all about.

Our Fun' Raising Team will meet 7 - 8pm this Tuesday, 12 May. Contact the parish office via email for the meeting ID.

The OLOR Parish Finance Committee will meet next Saturday (16 May) from 11-12 noon. Contact Fr. Alejandro via email for the meeting ID.

The OLOR Parish Council will meet on Tuesday (26 May) from 7.30 - 8.30pm. Contact Fr. Alejandro via email for the meeting ID.

Condolences to the family of Carmilina Monteiro, the mother of parishioner Tony Monteiro, who passed away this week. May Perpetual Light shine upon her and all the Faithful Departed. May they all rest in Peace.

For emergencies only call 9629-2595 and press 3. (Leave a message and a priest will return the call immediately.)

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The Catholic Weekly is available at www.catholicweekly.com.au. Call Steve 9390-5404 or Paul Desmond 9309-5406 for all enquiries.

A live-stream of our Sunday Masses is available at 11am (Sydney time) on Sunday mornings Visit www.facebook.com/OLOR.Parish.Kellyville. (You *don't* have to have a Facebook account; just click on the "not now" button when it asks if you want to "sign in" or "sign up" for an account.) The video of the Mass will also be "posted" so you can view it afterwards should you be unable to watch it "live" at 11am. Be sure to tell your friends about it. And be sure to "like" us today!

Daily Masses are also available by visiting the diocesan website at www.parracatholic.org/covid19/ Scroll down the page to the section called "Mass Resources." Click on the box for "Daily Mass."

Are you in need? Know of someone who cannot get out? Are you that person? Call the parish or leave a message. Someone will answer or return your call as soon as possible. If it is an emergency, see red box below.

Sacramental Programmes If you would like to know about the First Communion and Reconciliation programmes for children in Year 2 (or those who are older), or for a child in Year 6 seeking Confirmation, please contact Michele Newman via email at sacraments@olorparishkellyville.org.au.

No Confessions due to the epidemic except in danger of death. In the meantime, please bring sins to the Lord. Make an examination of conscience and offer an act of contrition. And then trust that the Lord forgives you and waits for you in the confessional when it becomes available anew.

Have you called mum today? Realize that much of our Faith comes to us through the hands of our mothers. They taught us the words of prayers. They brought us to church and helped us with our sacramental preparation. Please be sure to call your mum and tell her thanks. If mum is in Heaven be sure to say a prayer of thanks to our Lord, "who could not be everywhere, and so he made mothers!" (from an anonymous, sweet saying from Fr. Alejandro's youth.)

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The Gardens of the Immaculate of the Franciscan Shrine of the Holy Innocents are open. We will continue to leave some Prayer Cards in the Chapel of St Anthony (also known as the Timber Chapel). (Please take any prayer cards with you to help prevent the spread of germs.) There is also a donation box for Mass intentions and for votive candles (which the Friars will lite for you in the Shrine Chapel). Information is posted in the Timber Chapel.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK Giuseppina Rossi, Tracy Capdor, Stephanie, Christopher Anthony, Niko Juanengo, Peter Prizas, Diosdado Deang, Leo Keutman, Helen Lewis, Moira Maroney, Winnie Smith, Robin Banks, Amanda Webb, Annalise Sherlock, Ricardo Patane, Michelle and Phil Nickols, Michael Dimech, Fallon Weinman, Chris Ransom, Avelina Iberra, Saja Derbas, Nigel Napoli, Denise, Antoinetta Cigolini, Amelia Williams, Kim Kenna; Leonie Hite, Arnel Galeng, David McHenry, Andrea Bioco, Lily Eyles, Dodoy Calisura, Guida Lambropoulos, Vitaliana Terrado, Antonino Pull, Winston Nickols, Betty Muldoon, Bev Swann, Carmelo M Ortea, Liam Newland, Elvie Anderson, Josephine Murphy, Fran Clarke, Barbara Higgins, David Got, Floralba Gonzalez, Caleb Peter Newland, Maria Glinka, Doreen and Dudley Fernando, Rita Terese Keogh, Wieslawa Kielich, Cosimo, Mary Arrowsmith, Sarah-Jane Baillon, Jo Fuller, Peter Crocker, Concordia Llave, Angelique Vanjour, Michelle Climpson, Therese Sergi, Matthew Francis Crowley, Miguel Cayari, Julie Windle, Marie Milligan, Scarlett Lizano, Daniella Gularte, Monty Roughe, Gary Robinson, Felicia, Ona Hobs, Monica Zachulski, Margaret Loscialpo, Christopher Dean, Mark de Vries, Susan, Bev Schnellen, Charlene Lucre, Marshall Charles, Janae Winpe, Joelle Fameli, Nancy Margaret Courtney, Janis Murphy, Eunice Ally, Andrew John Foley, Paul Karam, Marie Adolphe, Iolanda Giannetta, Brian, Lucy Farrugia, Marie Raijanayagam, Christopher Youl, Clement, Joseph Vella, Tony Weinman, Angela Vasta, Roy Fimmano, Rose Carroll, William and Lesley McEnally.

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Thank you for last week's parish donations of \$1,395.

Please note that you may drop off donations at either of the black mail boxes:

- (1) by the church doors (on the fence of the fishpond)
- or (2) the one by the parish office door.

You can also make online donations by visiting our parish website at olorparishkellyville.org.au.

(Find the red "donate" button on the top right of the screen. Click and scroll down to "online giving." Click "parish support" and a drop down box will appear. There you can choose to donate to the general parish fund (to help pay our bills and the staff salaries), the Franciscan friars (to help pay our friary bills, including food, water and electric), the parish church renovation fund, the Shrine of the Holy Innocents or "other."

Our \$10 a tap "pay-as-you-go" credit card machines are working through the glass doors of the church.

Please contact the parish office (9629-2595) with any questions during regular business hours. Thank you in advance for all your support.

Mass Intentions: 9 May 2020			
Sat. 9	All	Joseph & Netta Galea	
Sun. 10	All	(1) Joseph, Martha & Joe Mizzi	
		(2) Giovanni La Rosa	
		(3) Woei Han King, Law Gek Mie Anna and Robert Chan	
		(4) PRO POPULO	
Mon. 11	7pm	Andy Zahra & Wayne Holland	
Tues. 12	7pm	Fallil family	
Wed. 13	9.15am	Mariangela & Antonio Pupo	
Thur. 14	9.15am	Intention of donor (Ferreira family)	
Fri. 15	9.15am	Deceased Friars and their families	
Sat. 16	9.15am	Emanuel Caruana & family	
	6pm	Maximino Calangi	

The above Mass Intentions will be honoured by our friars when they celebrate Holy Mass daily at the Friary.

If you would like Masses to be offered for a loved one who is still alive or family and friends who are deceased, please call the office or send us an email.

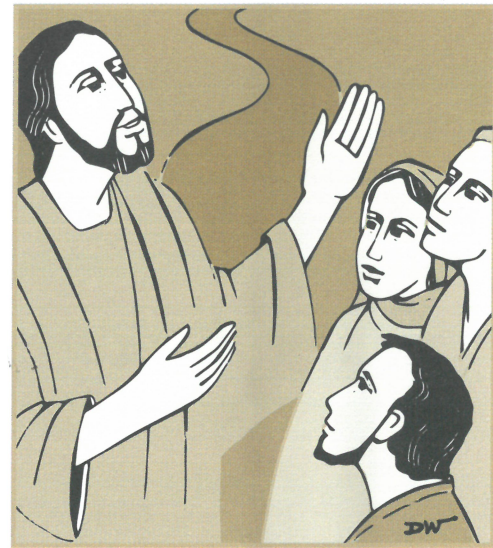
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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / A

10 MAY 2020



I AM THE WAY. In every age there are people who claim to know the way to a full and happy life. Often their ideas flourish for a while and then fade. But there is one way to the fullness of life that has stood the test of time – and that way is Jesus. If we follow Jesus, the Way, we will come to the fullness of life and truth, and communicate this life to others.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 97:1-2
O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries. P. You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.


COLLECT

P. Almighty ever-living God, constantly accomplish the paschal Mystery within us, that those you were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism may, under your protective care, bear much fruit and come to the joys of life eternal. Through our Lord Jesus Christ,

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son,  and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go in peace.

R. Thanks be to God.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

‘IT IS BETTER THAN I GO AWAY ...’

Today’s Gospel comes from the long instruction that Jesus, according to the Fourth Gospel, gives to his disciples at the Last Supper. He reflects upon his return to the Father and what his absence will mean for the disciples.

Jesus’ ‘departure’ seems to operate on two levels. The setting of the supper on the night before he dies makes it natural to understand ‘going away’ as a reference to his imminent departure in death; his ‘coming back’, then, would refer to his appearance on the third day as risen Lord.

At another level, however, Jesus addresses a more permanent ‘going away’ when, following his appearances to the disciples as risen Lord, he finally ascends to the Father (see John 20:17). From this perspective, his ‘coming back’ would refer to his return at the end of time.

At this level the instruction Jesus gives does not bear upon the short space between Good Friday and Easter, but upon the indefinite ‘time of the Church’ that will follow.

During this time – which remains our time – the disciples will not enjoy his physical presence. But Jesus insists that it will be a better time in fact. His death on the cross will defeat the grip of sin and death upon the human race, and open up for us the gift of eternal life.

Jesus is ‘the Way, the Truth, and the Life’ in the sense that his death supremely reveals the ‘truth’ about God (that God is love) and opens up the ‘way’ to human sharing in God’s (eternal) ‘life’.

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R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. O God, who by the wonderful exchange effected in this sacrifice have made us partakers of the one supreme Godhead, grant, we pray, that, as we have come to know your truth, we may make it ours by a worthy way of life. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I-V OF EASTER

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour’s command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven ...

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray...

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said...

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON cf. Jn 15:1, 5
I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord, and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries to pass from former ways to newness of life. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.’

Thomas said, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?’ Jesus said:

‘I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

If you know me, you know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him.’

Philip said, ‘Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.’ ‘Have I been with you all this time, Philip,’ said Jesus to him ‘and you still do not know me?

‘To have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say, “Let us see the Father”? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself:

it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work.

You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me;

believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.

‘I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES’ CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / Aorn of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 14:6
Alleluia, alleluia! / I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; / no one comes to the Father, except through me. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL Jn 14:1-12
P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

I am the way, the truth and the life.

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Trust in God still, and trust in me.

There are many rooms in my Father’s house; if there were not, I should have told you.

I am now going to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place,

your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 6:1-7

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

They elected seven men filled with the Spirit and wisdom.

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, ‘It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.’ The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 32:1-2, 4-5, 18-19. R. v. 22
R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (or Alleluia!)

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; / for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. / Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, / with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. **R.**
2. For the word of the Lord is faithful / and all his works to be trusted. / The Lord loves justice and right / and fills the earth with his love. **R.**
3. The Lord looks on those who revere him, / on those who hope in his love, / to rescue their souls from death, / to keep them alive in famine. **R.**

SECOND READING

1 Pet 2:4-9

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood.

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him;