

Fr. Christopher Shorrock, OFM Conv., Parish Priest
Fr. Leonides Mateo, OFM Conv., Associate Priest
Deacon N Tan

Dear Parishioners, This weekend we begin our round of First Communion masses over the next 4 weekends. Let us keep these children in our prayers as they receive the Blessed Sacrament for the first time and hope that parents will bring them to Mass regularly. We also thank Catherine Bareham and Rocco Bombardiere who have completed their ministry courses and will be commissioned on Friday night at St. Patrick's Cathedral. This week we celebrate on Wednesday, the Solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians. Let us continue to pray for Australia and ask Our Lady to intercede for us.

The statue of Our Lady of the Rosary has arrived and will be officially blessed after the 9am Mass this Sunday. May she watch over our Parish. Let us continue to pray for one another. Fr. Christopher Shorrock OFM Conv.

Added hours of Adoration in our Parish Fr. Chris is offering a further couple of hours of Adoration in our Parish, namely on Thursday mornings between 6.45am Mass and 9.30am Mass beginning on 1 June which is the First Thursday of June. Adoration will begin at 7.15am until 9.15am. The Holy Rosary will be recited after 9am Mass on Thursdays instead of before 9am Mass. Everyone is, of course, most welcome. Adoration is held also on Monday nights after 7pm Mass when there are devotions with Adoration during Confession time.

The Bishop's Winter Appeal will be collected this weekend at all Masses. Please be generous, as usual.

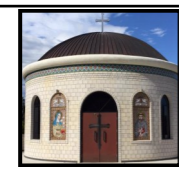
Would you like your home consecrated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus? Call Br. Louis: 0422 028 647.

Wednesday 24 May: Solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians. There will be devotions at 6.30pm and Holy Mass at 7pm in the Parish Church followed by a presentation by Br Bernard on Our Lady's Assumption, at the Shrine of the Holy Innocents.



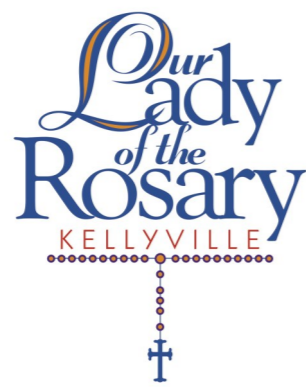
FRANCISCAN SHRINE OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

Come visit and pray in quiet beauty. The Chapel is open every day from 6am - 6pm.



Br. Bernard Fonkalsrud OFM Conv., Director
For booking inquiries please visit our website [here](http://olorkellyville.org)
(franciscanfriarsaustralia.org/shrineoftheholynnocents)

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Br. Bernard Fonkalsrud, OFM Conv., Shrine director
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Meet our WYD pilgrim:

Daniel! Daniel (23) is taking WYD as an opportunity to share his faith with the Parish and broader global community. He also hopes the pilgrimage will allow him to discover God's purpose for his life!



Support Daniel and our other 13 pilgrims by purchasing lamington trays or raffle tickets after all Masses this weekend. You can also donate through the Parish Office, online [here](http://olorkellyville.org) or using the QR code!



Our Lady's statue has arrived. Join us for the blessing after 9am Mass this Sunday.

Movie Night In for all high school students is this Sunday, 21 May in the old hall from 7pm-8:45pm! Keep up with OLOR Youth Group by mailing [here](mailto:olor@olorkellyville.org) to be added to the mailing list, and follow @olorkellyvilleyouth on Facebook and Instagram!

BNP Hills District Fatima will celebrate 28 years of devotion to Our Lady on Saturday 27 May, beginning with the Rosary at 5pm followed by Holy Mass at 6pm then a Procession of Our Lady of Fatima from the Church to the old hall. Fellowship in the hall will be from 7.30pm until 9pm. Everyone is welcome.



WE PRAY FOR THE SICK Maureen Hinton, Andrew Foley, Tracy Capdor, Giuseppina Rossi, Stephanie, Christopher Anthony, Peter Prizas, Leo Keutman, Helen Lewis, Winnie Smith, Robin Banks, Ricardo Patane, Michael Dimech, Chris Ransom, Avelina Iberra, Saja Derbas, Nigel Napoli, Arnel Galeng, Andrea Bioco, Vitaliana Terrado, Antonino Pull, Betty Muldoon, Carmelo M Ortea, Josephine Murphy, Floralba Gonzalez, Maria Glinka, Doreen and Dudley Fernando, Wieslawa Kielich, Cosimo, Mary Arrowsmith, Sarah-Jane Baillon, Jo Fuller, Peter Crocker, Angelique Vanjour, Michelle Climpson, Matthew Francis Crowley, Miguel Cayari, Julie Windle, Marie Milligan, Scarlett Lizano, Daniella Gularte, Monty Roughe, Garry Robinson, Ona Hobs, Christopher Dean, Charlene Lucre, Janae Winpe, Joelle Fameli, Nancy Margaret Courtney, Janis Murphy, Theresa Ally, Paul Karam, Marie Adolphe, Iolanda Giannetta, Lucy Farrugia, Clement, Joseph Vella, Angela Vasta, Roy Fimmano, Rose Carroll, William and Lesley McEnally, Jacky Charles, Nelson Yupangco, John Killelea, Marija Jukic, Nissaka Gunawardena, Paul Opollito, Myra Fagel, Estella Odtojan, Dolores Carreon, Matthew Nazariat, Negin Safae, Norma Webber.

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The parish office is closed on Mondays.

Are you an existing volunteer who has not yet completed 6 points of mandatory (and free) Safeguarding Course? All volunteers in parish ministry are Mandatory Reporters and are required to complete their Safeguarding Training. The Office of the Children's Guardian expects all volunteers in parish ministry to meet this Standard. In the Diocese of Parramatta we have a zero tolerance of abuse. We therefore commit to keeping children safe as well as all adults at risk. All Acolytes, Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Readers and anyone who volunteers in the parish is expected to comply with the above. Join us in the Undercroft of the Shrine of the Holy Innocents on Saturday, 15 July from 10.30am until 3.30pm. Call the parish office to register or email [here](mailto:olorkellyville@catholic.edu.au).

Join the Parramatta Synod Over the next five weeks, Bishop Vincent will travel throughout the diocese listening to people's stories and suggestions about our Church. Join him at one of four locations to have your say. Events start at 6.30pm with dinner until 7.30pm:

1. Saturday 20 May at St Columba's Catholic College, Springwood.
2. Saturday 3 June at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta.
3. Saturday 17 June at St Andrew the Apostle Primary School, Marayong.
4. Saturday 24 June at Holy Spirit Primary School, St Clair.

Would you enjoy a monthly 'date with our Lord'?

Come and join the all-night Vigil Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Shrine of the Holy Innocents every LAST Saturday of the month. There you will enjoy the intimacy of having one-on-one time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament at an hour of your choosing. Adoration begins after 7pm Mass at the Shrine on Friday night (26 May) and continues to 11am Mass on Saturday morning (27 May). If you would like to commit to a regular hour each month, please call or text Cecille who will return your call to arrange a mutually convenient schedule. You can reach Cecille at 0415 253 771



Altar Server Training will commence in the coming weeks. If you are interested in being an Altar Server you should have made your First Communion. Please pick up a form from the Sacristy or contact the parish office [here](http://olorkellyville.org).



Thank you for last week's donation to the parish of \$2,070.80
Online donations are accepted through our parish website [here](http://olorkellyville.org).

REGULAR PARISH MASS TIMES

Saturdays: 9:30am and 6pm Sunday Vigil
Sundays: 7am, 9am, 11am and 6pm
Mondays and Tuesdays: 6.45am and 7pm
Wednesdays, Thursdays : 6.45am and 9.30am
Fridays: 6.45am, 9.30am
(and 7pm on First Fridays of each month)

CONFESSION TIMES
10-10.30am on Saturdays and 7.30pm - 8pm on Mondays

For emergencies only, call 9629-2595 and select 4 to leave a message and a priest will return your call.

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MASS & MINISTRIES - 20/21 MAY, 2023		
Sat. 6pm	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Ramon Rendon Erlinda Rendon and Leona Alphonso Ruth Hyland and Natalie Guerlin
7am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	John Huber Kath Harding and Gillian Pacheco Sandra Huber
9am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Allen Fernandes Sally Sianghio and Carol Caswell Margaret Rodrigues & Annette Tan
11am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Rodolfo Susi Rachel Calisura and Del Galang Felicia Borgona and Princy Benny
6pm	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Arul Arulthasan Daniel Norman and Bon Amam. Br Louis and Elvira Tandingan

MASS & MINISTRIES - 27/28 MAY, 2023		
Sat. 6pm	Acolyte Lectors: EM	George Ekstrom BNP Fatma Group Ponciana Pastorfide & Ruyh Hyland
7am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	John Huber Winnie Farrugia & Nancy Comito Sandra Huber
9am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	John Caswell Carol Caswell & Joseph Terrel Sean Finucane & Margaret Samuels
11am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Alex Cecilia Maria Remiendo & Tracy Capdor Rachel Calisura & Felicia Borgona
6pm	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Ferdinand Villanueva Violy Whiting & Nadine Koehler Br Louis & Elvira Tandingan

MASS INTENTIONS: 20 - 27 MAY 2023		
Sat. 20	9.30am	Intention of donor
	6pm	Jolson D'Souza
Sun. 21	7am	Nerida, Carmela & Vincenzo Bombardiere
	9am	Salvatore, Giovanna Frasca and Teresa Cruciti
	11am	Christino Giordmaina & family and Sammut family PRO POPULO
Mon.22	6.45am	Departed Priests and Religious
	7pm	Andy Zahra, Wayne Holland & Sam Bugeja
Tues.23	6.45am	Charles Dettmann
	7pm	Alafaci family
Wed.24	6.45am	Holy Souls
	9.30am	Jane Croning
	7pm	Intention of Celebrant
Thurs. 25	6.45am	Jaden Selvan
	9.30am	Intention of donor
Fri. 26	6.45am	Holy Souls
	9.30am	Intention of donor
Sat. 27	9.30am	Intention of donor
	6pm	Werner Kaiser

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mt 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 Mt 28:16-20

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

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, / born 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.

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. We offer sacrifice now in supplication, O Lord, to honour the wondrous Ascension of your Son: grant, we pray, that through this most holy exchange we, too, may rise up to the heavenly realms. 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 OR II OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Mt 28:20

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Almighty ever-living God, who allow those on earth to celebrate divine mysteries, grant, we pray, that Christian hope may draw us onward to where our nature is united with you. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

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 forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD**PRESENT IN ALL CREATION**

The resurrection of Jesus was clearly a moment of healing victory and the basis of hope for the early Church. While the victory over sin and death had been won a whole new set of questions arose for the first generation of Christians. Where do we go now? What does the Risen Lord ask of us? How will the Lord continue to be present among us? The early Christians reflected on Jesus' Ascension and used this moment of transition to address these questions for themselves and to instruct future generations of Christians.

Much had already been achieved but the time had come for the Risen Lord to entrust the next stage of the mission into the hands of the disciples. Having been schooled for forty days by the Risen Lord they were now entrusted with the mission of bringing the message of Jesus to the world around them. While they would not have looked forward to the day when Jesus would pass from their midst, they were nonetheless reminded that while the quality of his presence had changed, he would never leave them.

While the letter to the Ephesians does not speak explicitly of the Ascension it does reflect on how the Pauline communities saw this change in Jesus' presence among them. Christians are encouraged to see that by being exalted to God's right-hand Jesus is now able to be present throughout all of creation, no longer limited by space and time. They are called to see that he is not absent but is now even more powerfully present.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD / A

21 MAY 2023

I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS. When Christ ascended into heaven he did not abandon his disciples. Matthew's Gospel begins with the angel's words that Jesus will be called Emmanuel, which means God-is-with-us, and it ends with Jesus' promise: 'Know that I am with you always, yes, to the end of time.' In a special way Emmanuel is with us in this Eucharist for 'where two or three are gathered in my name, I shall be there with them.'

INTRODUCTORY RITES**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** Acts 1:11

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.

GREETING

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

R. Amen.

P. The Lord be with you.

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. Lord Jesus, you are the image of the unseen God: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You are the first born of all creation: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are the head of the body, the Church: 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. Gladden us with holy joys, almighty God, and make us rejoice with devout thanksgiving, for the Ascension of Christ your Son is our exaltation, and, where the Head has gone before in glory, the Body is called to follow in hope. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD**FIRST READING** Acts 1:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

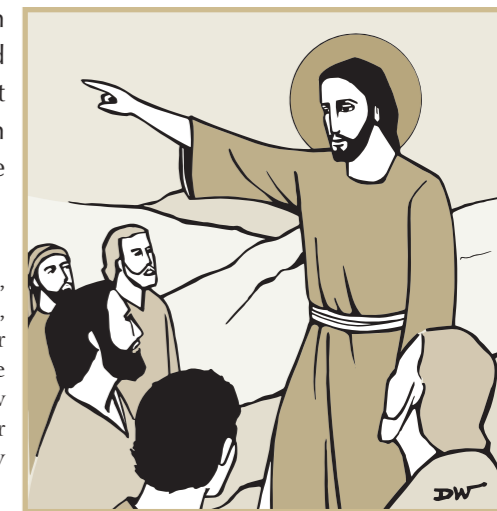
In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for 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 of 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.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

**RESP 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. (or Alleluia!)

1. 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.**
2. 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.**
3. 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 Eph 1:17-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.

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.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.