

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH KELLYVILLE

Under the Pastoral Care of the Friars Minor Conventual

Fr. Christopher Shorrock, OFM Conv., Parish Priest, Deacon N Tan, Fr. Paschal Corby, OFM Conv., Shrine director Fr. David Blowey OFM Conv., Delegate to Australia



New to the Parish! Welcome. Please write to us here and we'll send you a Census Form to complete so we can find out how to serve you

Dear Parishioners, This weekend we celebrate the feast of the Ascension as

Jesus returns to the Father in order to send the Holy Spirit in the feast of Pentecost which is next Sunday. We commemorate Mother's Day this Sunday. Let us pray for all our mothers, both living and deceased, and give thanks for all they do or have done in our lives. Let us also continue to pray for our children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion - we will

include a special prayer for them at the end of each Mass. We welcome Fr. Paschal who will take on the role of Shrine Director (amongst his other responsibilities). Let us continue to pray for another and our Parish community.

Fr. Christopher Shorrock, OFM Conv.

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 Friday of each month)

CONFESSION TIMES

10am-10.30am on Saturdays and 7.30pm on Mondays

TAIZE - We will continue to offer our Taize Prayer evening either on the 3rd or 4th Wednesday of the month. The next being the 15 May 7-8pm Join us for prayer, reflection and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Have your credit card details changed?

Please call the parish office to let us have your updated details, or to update your donations to the Parish or the Friars, by writing to us here. Would you like to receive our weekly bulletin via email? Write to us here.



HANDYMAN: The Friary and Shrine are looking for a handyman who could be called upon when work needs to be done to fix small things etc. If you know of anyone could you let Fr. Chris know. [This need not necessarily be on a voluntary basis]

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Office Tel.: 9629-2595

Open 9am-4pm, Tuesday - Friday 8 Diana Ave (PO Box 21), Kellyville, NSW 2155 Parish Website: olorparishkellyville.org.au Parish Email: admin@olorparishkellyville.org.au

Office Manager and Secretary: Angela Barlow

Happy Mother's Day to all our precious mothers Prayer for mothers

Holy God, we thank you for our mothers, grandmothers and godmothers. Please give them the graces they need to cope each day. Heal them where they most need it. Fill their homes with peace and surround them with Your loving presence. We thank you for sharing your own mother with us. Teach us to love her more dearly. Amen.

BNP Hills District Fatima Devotion Prayer Group 29th Anniversary

Please join us on Saturday 25 May for the Holy Rosary at 5.30pm, followed by 6pm Mass which is followed by a 7:00 pm procession from church to old hall, followed by fellowship and a light supper. Please bring a plate to share.



Holy Hour for Vocations: 17 May

Please pray for more vocations to the priesthood. Join us at St Thomas Aquinas Parish, Springwood with Fr Chris del Rosario, on Friday 17 May from 7pm. If you are interested in becoming a priest or would like more information, please contact our Director for Priestly Vocations, Fr Galbert Albino on (02) 4773 4321, 0450 821 812 or email here (galbert.albino@parracatholic.org)

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

Individual and couple counselling is available at the Parish Office. Other reasons for counselling include addictions (alcohol, drug and gambling), grief and loss or general counselling. All counselling is strictly confidential. Please contact Sylvia on 0411 546 953 and leave a message. Alternatively, call the Parish office on the telephone number below, Tuesday to Friday only.

Finance and Assistant Secretary: Catherine Bareham Sacramental Coordinator: Angela Rosero Sacraments: sacraments@olorparishkellyville.org.au Parish Facebook page: www.facebook.com/OLOR.Parish.Kellyville The parish needs a choir to sing at some Saturday Vigil Masses as well as some Sunday Evening Masses. Are you able to sing or would you like to join a choir? Please write to us here or call the parish office.

Adult Faith Formation opportunities in 2024

Are you looking to learn more about the Bible, spirituality, theology or practical skills for ministry? Or are you searching for encouragement and growth by listening to life and faith stories from adults in their 20s, 30s and 40s? Perhaps you're preparing for marriage or know couples who are. View and share a copy of the 2024 adult faith formation calendar here (https://shorturl.at/grLV3) OR get in touch with the team to learn about more formation opportunities here OR (met@parracatholic.org)

A Prayer for children receiving their First Holy

Communion Dear Lord, We pray for families and children who are preparing to receive You in the sacrament of the Eucharist. May their minds and hearts be prepared to receive Your grace in this Holy moment. We humbly ask you to give our sacramental team Your wisdom, knowledge and faith to deliver Your message. Through your Holy Spirit, make us all understand that the price of your death was to give us the opportunity to be reunited with you one day. Meanwhile, let us feel the joy of being a tabernacle of you immeasurable Love. Amen

Let's Pray for the Sick - Dante Reyes, Patricia Barry, Carmen Mizzi, Rodrigo Tandingan John, Romeo Susi, Eugene, Maureen, Aureen, Helen, Frankie Fernandez, Pravani, Janice Larsen, Teodora Postaski, Michelle Nickols, Andrew Lack, Prylani, Franca Masciotra, Lynette Mary Crowley, Michael Sampedro, Michael Bright, Thomas Abrahams, Marita Sicat and all those who are suffering illness in our community. Please write to us here. to let us know the name of someone who is ill and we will include their names on our list for Prayer.

St Angela's Primary

Our Lady of the Rosary Primary 8 Diana Ave, Kellyville NSW 2155

40 Harrington Ave, Castle Hill 2154 Tel: 9407 6400 Tel: 8664 7800 stangelaschill.catholic.edu.au olorkellyville.catholic.edu.au

Talk: Encountering the Divine: The Incarnation and St. Francis of Assisi

All men, over the age of 18, are invited to join us for our May gathering with guest speaker, Fr. Christopher talk, we'll delve into the profound implications of the Incarnation, exploring its transformative effect on St. Francis of Assisi and its significance of Francis of Assisi and its significance for our own spiritual journey.



Franciscan Shrine of the Holy Innocents
8 Greyfriar Place, Kellyville | Beginning with 6.30pm Holy Hour 7.30pm Dinner | 8.15pm Talk, followed by discussion and Q&A

Young Adults (18-35) will be joined by a special guest speaker TONIGHT! Join us on Friday 10 May at 7pm in the Shrine undercroft for a meal and a reflection on Our Lady by Fr Tom Green.

Youth Group celebrates Pentecost on Sunday 19 May after the 6pm Mass! Join us in the old hall for Holy Spirit themed faith, fun and fellowship until 8:45pm!

Mass, Mercy and Maccas #MMM for Young Adults is back on Monday 20 May! Join us for 7pm Mass, Divine Mercy devotions and opportunity for Confession, followed by dinner at North Kellyville McDonalds.

> Safeguarding Face-to-face Training Opportunities The next session of face-to-face Mandatory Safeguarding Training will be held on Saturday 27 April at Our Lady of the Way Parish, Emu Plains, for Modules 4 and 5. More training opportunities will be available throughout May. Please register directly for this training or for other convenient dates and locations by clicking on the training event here or https:// parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguardingtraining. For more information, please email here or safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

MASS INTENTIONS: 11 - 18 MAY 2024

Sat. 11	9.30am 6pm	Concetta Psaila & Antoinette Fassilis John & Mary Cini
Sun. 12	7am 9am 11am 6pm	Joseph, Martha and Joe Mizzi Nick and Joshua Caruso Giovanni La Rosa <i>PRO POPULO</i>
Mon. 13	6.45am 7pm	Zobeil & Jacquelin Capdor Andy Zahra, Wayne Holland, Sam Bugeja
Tues. 14	6.45am 7pm	Margaret and Allan Shorrock Fallil family
Wed.15	6.45am 9.30am	Intention of donor (Cecilia Williams) Ron and Gwenny Sinclair
Thurs.16	6.45am 9.30am	Edward D'Souza Ben Cassar
Fri. 17	6.45am 9.30am	Intention of donor (Owen Woods) Maximino Calangi
Sat. 18	9.30am 6pm	Antoine Hakme Ma. Regina Gapchalian

Shrine of the Holy Innocents

Tel: (02) 9672-6513

8 Greyfriar Place, PO Box 21, Kellyville, NSW, 2155 kellyville.shrine@franciscanfriarsaustralia.org

GOSPEL Mk 16: 15-20

- P. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with your spirit.
- P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

The Lord Jesus was taken into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God.

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 will be 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.

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

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

WHAT DOES THE ASCENSION **MEAN FOR US?**

The ascension of the Lord is the pivotal link between Luke's Gospel and Acts the story of Jesus and the story of the Church. The accounts of the ascension at the end of Luke's Gospel and the beginning of Acts are not exactly the same but the message is clear: 'they' (the apostles/witnesses) are to stay in the city/ Jerusalem until clothed with power from on high/receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and, then 'he' (Jesus) was carried up to heaven/lifted up, and a cloud took him out of sight (Luke 24:49-51 & Acts 1:4, 8-9).

The letter to the Ephesians contains the plea 'to make every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit' and to build up the body of Christ. This is essential as the one who came down is the same one who ascended, who is calling all, whatever their gift, to work together in their ministry until they become mature in Christ.

Mark's account is thought to be a later addition to the Gospel. 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News', - reminiscent of Matthew's account of the commissioning of the disciples - 'to all creation' (v. 15). This message is vital for us to hear in these times of global ecological crisis. After speaking to the apostles, Jesus was taken up and assumed his rightful place at the right hand of God. In every way the ascension affirms the resurrection, Jesus' return to God and the launch of our mission guided by the

DR ROSEMARY CANAVAN

A SERVICE OF THE SOCIETY OF ST PAUL



Unauthorised reproduction of this bulletin prohibited. Published with ecclesiastical approval by ST PAULS PUBLICATIONS, PO Box 906, Strathfield NSW 2135. Tel 02 9394 3400 Fax 02 9394 3444. Scripture readings from the Jerusalem Bible, published and © 1966, by Darton, Longman and Todd Ltd and Doubleday & Co. Inc. are used by permission of the publishers. Psalm text from The Psalms, A New Translation, © 1963, The Grail (England), HarperCollins. New translation of the Order of Mass from The Roman Missal © 2010, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved. Artwork by Sr Dorothy Woodward rsj Layout, commentaries and illustrations © St Pauls Publications, 2024. No 661. Website: www.stpauls.com.au

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD / B

12 May 2024

TAKEN UP INTO HEAVEN. The feast of the Ascension assures us that the risen Jesus, who was taken up to heaven, is still very close to us. We are called to recognise the signs of his presence in the goodness, love and forgiveness of the community, in the healing of souls and bodies and in the great and small miracles of life. The ascended Jesus is not an absent Jesus.

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.

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.

Glory to God in the highest, / and on

R. Amen.

GLORIA

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. /

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Jesus has been taken into heaven.

Acts 1: 1-11

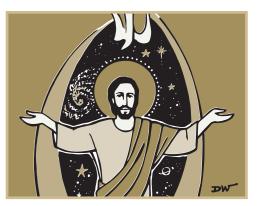
A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Why are you standing here looking into the sky?

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 Ierusalem. 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

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 Iesus to sit at his right hand in

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.

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!