

Sacred Heart Parish

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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD YEAR B – 12 May 2024

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Fr John Pham

Parish office hours: Tuesday-Friday

9. 00am to 4.30pm

Parish Secretary: Quyen Le Phan Accountant:

Mary Pankiw (Fridays)

Weekday Mass Times: English:

7.00am Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 6.30pm Wed 9.00am Sat

Vietnamese:

6.30pm Tues & Thurs 7.00am Wed

Weekend Masses English:

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm

Sunday: 8.30am; 10.00am;

6.00pm

Polish: Sun 11.30am

Vietnamese:

Saturday Vigil: 7.30pm: (Chaplain) Sunday:

7.00am; 7.30 pm 4.00pm (Chaplain)

Exposition:

Saturdays: 8.00am

Reconciliation:

Wed: 6.00pm Sat: 8.10am - 8.50am 5.30pm - 5.50pm

Convent/Pastoral Care

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Baptism/Wedding

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When God Made Mums

By the time the Lord made mothers, he was into his sixth day of working overtime. An Angel appeared and said 'Why are you spending so much time on this one'? And the Lord answered and said, 'Have you seen the spec sheet on her? She has to be completely washable, but not plastic; have 200 movable parts, all replaceable; run on black coffee and leftovers; have a lap that can hold three children at one time and that disappears when she stands up; have a kiss that can cure anything from a scraped knee to a broken heart, and have six pairs of hands.'

The Angel was astounded at the requirements for this one. 'Six pairs of hands! No Way!' said the Angel. The Lord replied, 'Oh, it's not the hands that are the problem. It's the three pairs of eyes that mothers must have!' 'And that's just on the standard model?' The Angel asked.

The Lord nodded in agreement, 'Yes, one pair of eyes are to see through the closed door as she asks her children what they are doing even though she already knows. Another pair in the back of her head is to see what she needs to know even though no one thinks she can. And the third pair is here in the front of her head. They are for looking at a naughty child and saying that she understands and loves him or her without even saying a single word.'

The Angel tried to stop the Lord. 'This is too much work for one day. Wait until tomorrow to finish.'

'But I can't!' the Lord protested, 'I am so close to finishing this creation that is so close to my own heart. She already heals herself when she is sick AND can feed a family of six on a kilo of mince and can get a nine year old to stand in the shower.'

The Angel moved closer and touched the woman, 'But you have made her so soft, Lord.'

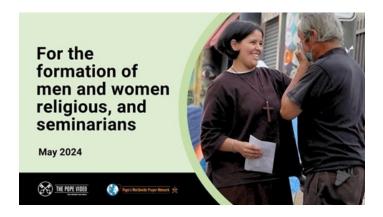
'Yes, she is soft', the Lord agreed, 'But I have also made her tough. You have no idea what she can endure or accomplish.' 'Will she be able to think?' asked the inquisitive Angel.

The Lord smiled and replied, 'Not only will she be able to think, she will be able to reason, and negotiate.' The Angel then noticed something and reached out and touched the woman's cheek. 'Oops, it looks like you have a leak with this model. I told you that you were trying to put too much into this one.' 'That's not a leak.' The Lord objected. 'That is a tear!' 'What's the tear for?' the Angel asked. The Lord said, 'The tear is her way of expressing her joy, her sorrow, her disappointment, her pain, her loneliness, her grief, and her pride.'

The Angel was impressed. 'You are a genius, Lord. You thought of everything! Truly, you do all things well... Mums are truly amazing!'

"When God created mothers" by Erma Bombeck

Pope Francis Intention for May



Thank you CWF APPEAL

Thank you for generosity of CWF Appeal last week. May God richly bless you and your families.

Happy Mother's Day

I said a Mother's Day prayer for you, to thank the Lord above for blessing me with a lifetime of your tender hearted love.

I thanked God for the caring you've shown me through the years, for the closeness we've enjoyed in time of laughter and of tears.

Annual Babies Mass

The event will be held on Sunday 19/05/2024 at 10.00am Mass.

First Holy Communion Lessons

Please keep our children, catechists, helpers and parents in your prayers.

SNAPSHOTS ON CHURCH HISTORY



We are celebrating the 75th Anniversary on 9th June 2024. Our Anniversary team has tried to recapture some memorable facts and events along our rich history from 1949-present. These are to be presented to us in booklet form on the day of celebration. Just a glimpse on it:

Our second Parish Priest was Fr D'Arcy O'Keeffe, who served for our parish from 1959 to 1974.

He addressed the parishioners on the need for a new church and for new methods of financing it.

St Vincent de Paul

Seeking Vinnies Members! The St. Vincent de Paul Society is looking for people in this Parish and local community who are interested in joining the Society as Conference Members. Vinnies has opportunities for young people (over 16 years) to get involved in providing a hand up to those in need, and opportunities for adults. As a member, you'll have the opportunity to make a difference by providing a hand up to people in need, identifying longerterm needs in the community and raising our voices for social justice. To find out more about becoming a Member speakers will be at Masses on 1/2nd June OR join us at our Vinnies Information session In Parish meeting room on Thursday 6th June at 6pm.

Raffle Tickets



Our raffle tickets are to help financially for the celebration of 75th Anniversary will be on sale from this week-

end. Please support it \$5.00 each. Thank you

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

Please bring your friends and family to support

the cancer prevention Fund Campaign. All are welcome!

Where: Mary McKillop

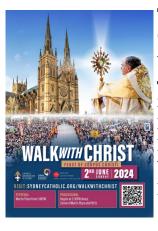
Room

When: Friday 24th May

Time: 10.30am-2.30pm



Walk With Christ-Sunday 02 June 2024



The annual Walk with Christ Procession will take place on Sunday 2 June commencing at 2:30pm from the corner of Pitt Street and Martin Place. It will be preceded by a Festival in Martin Place commencing at 1.00pm

Mass Intentions

Recently Deceased: Vincent Duong Thanh Quang (Our Catechist Coordinator Doris's Father), Maria, Martha Nguyen My

R.I.P. & Anniversaries:



Fr Patrick MacAuliffe, Ronald Robison, Ivan Puskas, Teresa, Fattheddi, Maria (18), Joseph (14), Peter (6), John (3), Dominic (2), Teresa, Joakim, Anna (6), Anthony (2), Lucia, Vincent (2), Francis Xavior, Emmanuel, Rosa,

Martin, souls of ancestors, grandparents & family members (7), for all souls (9), Martin Mai Thanh Dzu Tran, Jonathan Barbera, Anthony Nguyen Van Long, Anthony Pham Anh Kim, Grace Bannon, Agnes McAlister, Anna Tran Thi Xuyen, Mathew Nguyen Hue, Catarina Nguyen, John Trn Nguyen Thanh Huy, Maria Nguyen Thi Nhung, Rosa & Giuseppe Florio, Maria Rosa Fotea, Oliveri Maria, , Dominic Nguyen Huu Khue, Martino (2), Ine, Dominico Pham Quyen, Toma, Phaolo Cao Van Tri, Maria Le Thi Oai, Lucia Cao Thi Anh Tuyet, Martha, Gioan Pham Nhat Huy, Teresa, Giuse Tran Van Tai, Gioan Baotixita, unborn babies.

Other Intentions: For the sick (1), for the conversion of hearts (2), thanksgiving to God, Mary & Joseph (9), peace and wellbeing for family (6), for stable work, for health recovery (2), blessing for married couple

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD -YEAR B

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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 have heard me speak about: John baptised with water

Father had promised. 'It is,' he had said, 'what you 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.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

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: John 14:23

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

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.

Chúa Nhật Lễ Chúa lên trời -Năm B

Bài đọc 1: Cv 1, 1-11

Trích sách Tông đồ Công vụ.

Hối Thêôphilê, trong quyển thứ nhất, tôi đã tường thuật tất cả những điều Đức Giêsu đã bắt đầu làm và giảng dạy, cho đến ngày Người lên trời, sau khi căn dặn các Tông đồ, những kẻ Người đã tuyển chọn dưới sự hướng dẫn của Thánh Thần. Sau cuộc thương khó, Người đã tỏ cho các ông thấy Người vẫn sống, với nhiều bằng chứng Người đã hiện ra với các ông trong khoảng bốn mươi ngày và đàm đạo về Nước Thiên Chúa. Và trong một bữa ăn, Người đã ra lệnh cho các ông chớ rời khỏi Giêrusalem, nhưng hãy chờ đợi điều Chúa Cha đã hứa. Người nói: "Như các con đã nghe chính miệng Thầy rằng: Gioan đã làm phép rửa bằng nước, phần các con, ít ngày nữa, các con sẽ chịu phép rửa trong Thánh Thần".

Vậy các kẻ có mặt hỏi Người rằng: "Lạy Thầy, có phải đã đến lúc Thầy khôi phục Nước Israel chăng?" Người bảo họ rằng: "Đâu phải việc các con hiểu biết thời gian hay kỳ hạn mà Cha đã ấn định do quyền bính Ngài. Nhưng các con sẽ nhận được sức mạnh của Thánh Thần ngự xuống trên các con, và các con sẽ nên chứng nhân cho Thầy tại Giêrusalem, trong tất cả xứ Giuđêa và Samaria, và cho đến tận cùng trái đất". Nói xong, Người được cất lên trước mắt các ông, và một đám mây bao phủ Người khuất mắt các ông.

Đang khi các ông còn ngước mắt lên trời nhìn theo Người đang xa đi, thì bỗng có hai người mặc áo trắng đứng gần các ông và nói rằng: "Hỡi người Galilê, sao các ông còn đứng nhìn lên trời? Đức Giêsu, Đấng vừa lìa các ông mà lên trời, sẽ đến cùng một thể thức như các ông đã thấy Người lên trời"

Đáp Ca: 46, 2-3. 6-7. 8-9

Đáp: Thiên Chúa ngự lên giữa tiếng tưng bừng, Chúa ngự lên trong tiếng kèn vang.

Bài đọc 2: Ep 1, 17-23

Trích thư của Thánh Phaolô Tông đồ gửi tín hữu Êphêxô.

Anh em thân mến, xin Thiên Chúa của Đức Giêsu Kitô, Chúa chúng ta, là Cha vinh hiển, ban cho anh em thần trí khôn ngoan và mạc khải, để nhận biết Người, xin cho mắt tâm hồn anh em được sáng suốt, để anh em biết thế nào là trông cậy vào ơn Người kêu gọi, thế nào là sự phong phú gia nghiệp vinh quang nơi các thánh, và thế nào là quyền năng vô cùng lớn lao của Người đối với chúng ta, là những kẻ tin, chiếu theo hành đông của sức manh quyền năng Người, công việc mà Chúa đã thực hiện trong Đức Kitô, tức là làm cho Ngài từ cõi chết sống lại, và đặt Ngài ngự bên hữu mình trên trời, vượt trên mọi cấp trật, các lãnh thần, quyền thần, dũng thần, và quản thần, vượt trên moi danh hiệu được xưng hô cả đời này lẫn đời sau. Chúa khiến mọi sự quy phục dưới chân Ngài, và tôn Ngài làm đầu toàn thể Hội Thánh là thân thể Ngài, và là sự sung mãn của Đấng chu toàn mọi sự trong mọi người.

ALLELUIA: Mt 28, 19 và 20

Alleluia, alleluia! – Chúa phán: "Các con hãy đi giảng dạy muôn dân: Thầy sẽ ở cùng các con mọi ngày cho đến tận thế" – Alleluia

BÀI PHÚC ÂM: Mc 16, 15-20

Tin Mừng Chúa Giêsu Kitô theo Thánh Thánh Gioan

Khi ấy, Chúa Giêsu hiện ra với mười một môn đệ và phán: "Các con hãy đi khắp thế gian, rao giảng Tin Mừng cho mọi tạo vật. Ai tin và chịu phép rửa, thì sẽ được cứu độ; ai không tin, sẽ bị luận phạt. Và đây là những phép lạ đi theo những người đã tin: nhân danh Thầy, họ sẽ trừ quỷ, nói các thứ tiếng mới lạ, họ đặt tay trên những người bệnh, và bệnh nhân sẽ được lành mạnh".

Vậy sau khi nói với các môn đệ, Chúa Giêsu lên trời, và ngự bên hữu Thiên Chúa.

Phần các ông, các ông đi rao giảng khắp mọi nơi, có Chúa cùng hoạt động với các ông, và củng cố lời giảng dạy bằng những phép lạ kèm theo.