

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. 6-7. 8-9. R. v.6

(R.) God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Second Reading Eph 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.

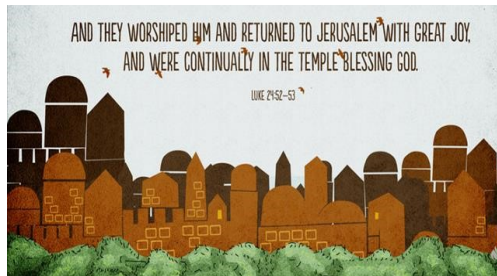
Gospel Acclamation Mt 28:19. 20

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel.
I am with you always, until the end of the world.
Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this. 'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.' Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.



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St. John the Baptist

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St. Monica

28–29 May 2022, The Ascension of the Lord - Year C

Dear Friends,

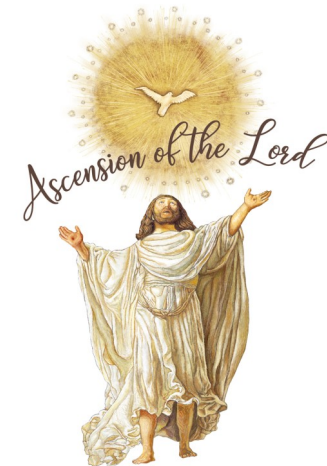
The Ascension is the feast of Jesus' return to the Father. It marks the time when He was no longer with the apostles in a physical way.

"Christ the mediator between God and man judge of the world and Lord of all, has passed beyond our sight, not to abandon us but to be our hope. Christ is the beginning, the head of the Church; where he has gone, we hope to follow." (Preface)

These words fill us with joy and hope. In the meantime, He is still with us through the Sacraments of the Church, especially the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. These Sacraments set us free from sin and eternal death.

Jesus' final appearance was not the end but a new beginning. It was the beginning of the new era of the Holy Spirit. It is the Holy Spirit who will guide the apostles and all believers after them in their mission to be Jesus' witnesses to the ends of the earth (v.8). Therefore, the Ascension is not a goodbye but a closer presence of Jesus in our lives.

Through this and every Mass the risen Christ is present in a real way. Jesus is also with us as we welcome a new member into our faith community through the Sacrament of Baptism.



Water Event: at the beginning of May water came into the church. We are working with our Insurance Company to fix the church building from the water damage done.

Today we welcome Polly Kate Di Felice to our parish community through the Sacrament of Baptism.

Today, after Mass there will be the interment of Irene Van Der Hoek RIP in our Church Niche wall. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

Provincial Visitation: 6-8 June: Our Salesian Provincial, Fr Will Matthews will be visiting the Salesians. Please pray for our Salesian presence here in Glenorchy.

Parish Youth Group meets every Friday night from 6pm - 8pm in the Parish Meeting Room. Students from year 6 - 12 welcome.

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PARISH DIARY	
May 2022	
28 Saturday	
• 9.00am Mass at St John's	
• 6.00pm Vigil Mass-St John's	
29 Sunday, The Ascension of the Lord	
• 8.30am Mass-St Monica's	
• 10.00am Mass-St John's	
30 Monday	
• 9.00am Mass-St John's	
31 Tues., The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
• 9.00am Mass-St John's	
June 2022	
1 Wed., St Justin, martyr	
• 9.00am Mass-St John's	
2 Thurs., Sts Marcellinus & Peter, martyrs	
• 12noon Mass at St John's	
3 Friday, Charles Lwanga & Companions, martyrs	
• 9.00am Mass-St John's	
4 Saturday	
• 9.00am Mass at St John's	
• 6.00pm Vigil Mass-St John's	
5 Sun., Pentecost Sunday	
• 8.30am Mass-St Monica's	
• 10.00am Mass-St John's	

Parish 50/50 Club Winners
1st prize \$150 - Jo Elliott, 2nd prize \$100 - Maria Chan, 3rd prize \$50 - Maria Chan. Thank you to all those who contributed. We will commence the next 50/50 club Fundraiser at beginning of June.

The Seven gifts of the Holy Spirit
When: 11.00am Saturday 25 June. Where: St John's Church. Who: Dr Drasko Dizdar. Free Entry: All welcome.

Have you ever wondered why there are seven sacraments? or noticed that the sacrament of Confirmation is about the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit? What role does Confirmation play in this seven-fold schema? How do the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit "confirm" our initiation into the mystery of God's love that Baptism begins and Eucharist fulfils? These are some of the questions we will be exploring as we ponder the deeper meaning of the mystery of Confirmation.

Beanie and Blanket Drive

Now the weather is cooling down, we think of those who are less fortunate and perhaps homeless. For some years as a Parish, we have collected Beanies for Louie's Van and Blankets which we give to St Vincent de Paul for distribution. so for the month of May, get the knitting needles out and bring us your Beanies, and also new polar fleece blankets, any size, any price. (Roberta & Mary)

Evangelium – a Church on Mission

On Wednesday, a group of parishioners met to share a time of prayer, a talk by the Archbishop and then joined in a discussion around the question "Can I identify a moment when I felt God call me?" Our group meets on Wednesday evenings at 7pm in the Parish meeting room. The programme will be delivered in three modules: Heart: 25 May - 22 June; Head: 20 July - 17 August and Hands: 21 September - 19 October and comprises a time of prayer, a teaching by the Archbishop, a moment of personal reflection and a short time of group sharing. You are welcome to join. For more information visit: www.evangeliumproject.com or Parish contact: Marie 0472 545 919. Please pick up a copy of the flyer on the table at the back of the church.

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and applications forms are available on our website closing date 29 July 2022. <https://pallotline.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-forlayministry.html>.

Service of Prayers for Healing

There will be a service of prayers for healing at the Holy Spirit Church, Duke St, Sandy Bay at 7:00pm on Thursday 9th of June. If you know someone who needs healing bring them along. "Jesus came down and a great multitude of people came to hear Him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all." (Luke 6:17-19)

St John's Parish Fundraiser

5th June Take away meals Duck puffs, Dimsums, Stirfry Noodles with chicken by courtesy of Hai. If you want to pre-order call Kay Grainger (62 72 9024). (will also provide vegetarian meal but for pre orders only)

Fatima Statue

"In the present day we need Our Blessed Mother and the Rosary in our lives more than ever. Would you like to have the Fatima Statue in your home for a month? Legion of Mary members can bring the Statue to your home on (usually) Sunday mornings following 10am Mass. We encourage people to recite the Rosary with Legion members where possible. For further information, you can contact: Francisca 0400906514. John 0434998180. Helen 0408394347"

A Message from Fr Brian Nichols

Dear Fathers and parishioners,
Thank you for your prayers and expressions of concern since I was diagnosed with cancer of the bladder some months ago. Please know that I am deeply grateful to know that so many people are praying for me. I ask that you do not make contact with me over these next few weeks so that I don't feel the pressure to reply. A message will be sent through the Archdiocese to inform you of my progress. With thanks for your continued prayerful support. Fr Brian Nichols

Annual Diaconate Mass

The annual Diaconate Mass will be celebrated at St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday the 11th of June at 11:00am. At this Mass, the deacons of the Archdiocese will renew their diaconate promises to Archbishop Porteous. Any parishioners who wish to are welcome to attend to offer their support to the ministry of deacons in the Archdiocese. There will be light refreshments provided afterwards.

Footy Points Margin

No-one has claimed yet for round 9 (48 points) or round 10 (15 points). Check your tickets!

Bequests

Have you updated your will recently? If you are updating your will, you may wish to think about bequeathing part of it to St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish, Glenorchy.

Please remember in your prayers our sick

Alida Beric, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Fr Bob Curmi, Monique Matzner, Amy Matzner, June Webb, Vince Mele, Barbara Campbell, Les Williams, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman, Marj Direen, Zofia Dzierbicki, Cecile Valenzuela, Jan Leslie, Philip Percy

Prayers for the Deceased

Bill Oakley, Betty Direen, Frances Direen, Peter Crane, Sr Carmel Hall, Minka Busch, Ron Nilsson, Stan Brach, Kerris Direen, Michael Percy, Luigi Valdarchi, Georgette Thomas, PK Varghese, Esterina D'Onofrio, Dino Di Benedetto, Luis Escobar, Doreen Street, Fr Peter Rankin, Gavin Direen, Gloria Valenzuela, Linda Gonzales. Palmerino di Santo. Margaret Gough, Patricia Leamey, Pauline Fitzallen, Lucy Williams, Derek Cate, Alan Tabe, Alvin Walker, Ruby Markham, Mietek Szukielojc, Judy Kingston, Antonio Palmese, Mary Dowd
Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

St John the Baptist Catholic Parish: Glenorchy/Chigwell Covid-19 Safety Action Plan

The parish Covid-19 Action Plan is in place to meet government regulations. A copy of this plan is available on the churches' noticeboards.

WEEKEND MASSES St John's, Glenorchy

- 6.00pm Saturday
- 10.00am Sunday

St. Monica's, Chigwell

- 8.30am Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.00am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday
- 12.00pm Thursday

ROSARY At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 8.30am every Wednesday and Saturday

RECONCILIATION At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 9.30am-10.00am & 5.15pm-5.45pm Saturday

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT At St. John's, Glenorchy

- 8.00am - 8.50am Wednesday
- 9:00am - 11.50pm Thursday

LEGION OF MARY at St. John's, Glenorchy

- 6.45 pm Every Tuesday

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUP at St. John's, Glenorchy

- 1st Wednesday of the month at 9.30am

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP at St. John's, Glenorchy

- Every Friday at 3.00pm

COUNTERS' ROSTERS

This Week:	30 May
Bridget Hayde	
Next Week :	6 June
Mary Parsissons' Team	

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$652.80
Quest Tap & Go:	\$190.00
Loose Plate:	\$662.20
Direct Deposit:	\$640.00
TOTAL:	\$2,145.00
<u>Weekly Budget: \$2500.00</u>	
Difference:	-\$355.00