## St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Parish Moonah-Lutana



St Therese of Lisieux Church
In the care of Missionaries of the Sacred Heart (MSC)

### Sunday, 24th May, 2020 THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - YEAR A

ST THERESE OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC PARISH MOONAH LUTANA IS COMMITTED TO PROVIDING A SAFE AND NURTURING CULTURE FOR ALL PEOPLE IN OUR PARISH.

### 70 BE ON EARTH THE HEART OF GOD



Dear friends, this weekend we remember Jesus' ascension into heaven. About 40 days after the resurrection, Jesus physically leaves the earth, and His followers witness this departure. Today's readings therefore give instruction and hope to those who must continue to thrive and build the community of faith without Jesus physically with them. In the Gospel, we hear Jesus commissioning the disciples, giving them authority to make disciples, baptise and teach, and assuring them in the period of uncertainty of the early church, He will be them always to the end of time. We also hear Luke's account in our first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, where he connects Jesus' ascension with the promise of the Holy Spirit. The apostles inquire whether it is the right time to restore the kingdom of Israel and Jesus asserts that it is not for them to know what is within God's control. Instead, He tells them to look forward to the time when they would receive the Holy Spirit as He promised, whose descent is celebrated on Pentecost (next weekend). The presence of the Holy Spirit enables the disciples to be witnesses throughout the world in Jesus' absence: 'You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and then you will be my witnesses...'

We are challenged by this feast of Ascension to overcome our fear of the unknown and to discover the God of life and love beyond familiar patterns, known boundaries and limited horizons. As we look to a world after the pandemic, we are reminded that things can and need to change. We are not meant to remain safe and comfortable but look outwards where the needs of the people and the planet are. Pope Francis calls this going out to the 'peripheries' [*The Joy of the Gospel* 3 64.] where we can hear both the cry of the poor and the cry of the earth [*Laudato Si* #49]. The poor are in our faces but we will not see them if we just stand and look up to the heavens as the disciples did when Jesus ascended. Instead as

church, we are called to break new ground and continue the mission of Jesus even in the face of uncertainty. Instead of the term 'new normal' that is being used loosely and commonly now, the better term to use that refers to Jesus (thanks to our office team) is the 'Way forward' as we rebuild and re-open the parish.

We continue to ask for any volunteers who are healthy and available to come forward to help us out. We have enough now to get stage 1 started next week, but more will be needed as we go into stages 2 and 3 with the celebration of Masses. Volunteers are needed to oversee the booking system, the signing in and out of people, social distancing and hygiene requirements, and the cleaning of the church after each liturgical service. Training will be provided. I am grateful for Michael who has taken a lot of time this week to develop our Covid-19 safety action plan and cleaning procedure, as well as set up the church to be a Covid-safe and clean worship space. In summary, and mindful of the health of many of our parishioners, we are re-opening St Therese parish in stages as follows:

## Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Stage 1: Opening the church for personal/group prayer and meetings

These will have to be booked online <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/BJSHE">https://www.trybooking.com/BJSHE</a> or by phone (9412 8477 or 9412 8479, 10am-12pm on Monday, Tuesday or Friday) so we can adhere to the tight limit of **10** people. There will **not** be any public weekday or weekend Masses. The schedule below is determined by the availability of our volunteers, whom I am so thankful for.

Weekday	Opening hours	Prayer available
Monday	11:00am-1:00pm	Rosary at 12:00pm
Tuesday	3:00pm-5:00pm	
Wednesday	11:00am-1:00pm	Meditation at 12:00pm
Thursday	3:00pm-5:00pm	
Friday	11:00am-1:00pm	Adoration at 12:00pm
Saturday	11:00am-1:00pm	Reconciliation 11:00am-12:00pm
Sunday	11:00am-1:00pm	Adoration at 12:00pm
Sunday	3:00pm-5:00pm	

#### Monday 15th June - Stage 2: Opening the Church for Weekday Masses

Bookings by phone or online are again **essential** for weekday Masses up to **20** people at a time or we will not be able to keep to the numbers. We will have both English and Polish Masses on weekdays.

#### Weekend of 17th/18th July - Stage 3: Opening the Church for Weekend Masses

Bookings by phone or online are again **essential** for weekend Masses for **60** people at a time. The Church will be set up according to social distancing requirements for seating. Additional Masses will be made available later. Mass will also be live-streamed for those who continue to watch from home.

I know there is quite a bit of hassle needed for us to get through before we can physically gather again as a parish community. It is part of the new protocols that are present everywhere as more businesses re-open. The main reason for this is that we are safe, we feel safe and we can still enjoy what matters: the Eucharist and each other's company. There are limits to our affection at this time of course, but we have come a long way already and let's keep going, being safe for one another. I am reminded through the 'Ascension blessing' below that even as we keep our distance now and into the future, absence can make our hearts grow fonder, of Eucharist, of community, of what is lifegiving. I pray this blessing will speak to you as we all do our part to make the best of our re-opening.

#### **Ascension Blessing**

It is a mystery to me how as the distance between us grows, the larger this blessing becomes.

As if the shape of it depends on absence, as if it finds its form not by what it can cling to but by the space that arcs between us.

As this blessing makes its way, first it will cease to measure itself by time.

Then it will release how attached it has become to this place where we have lived, where we have learned to know one another in proximity and presence.

Next this blessing will abandon the patterns in which it moved, the habits that helped it recognise itself, the familiar pathways that it traced.

Finally, this blessing will touch its fingers to your brow, to your eyes, to your mouth; it will hold your beloved face in both its hands and then it will let you go, it will loose you into your life, it will leave each hindering thing until all that breathes between us is blessing and all that beats between us is grace.

In the heart of Jesus, Krish

#### Laudato Si corner

Chapter 3 of the encyclical is titled 'The Human roots of the Ecological Crisis'. Having described the symptoms of the climate crisis in chapter 1, the Pope dives more deeply into the human origins of the crisis here. Technology has allowed us to be creative and improved the quality of human life. Yet this growth in power has not been accompanied by a development in human responsibility, values and conscience (LS #105). This is because we can be caught up in the dominant technological paradigm of infinite growth that encourages human exploitation, profit at all costs, consumerism and manipulation of nature. We can fail to see the deepest roots of our present failures have to do with an adequate spirituality around the goals, meaning and social implications of work, technology and economic growth (LS #109). This can be attributed to an excessive anthropocentrism (the belief that humanity is the centre of the universe) which declares independence from reality and behaves with absolute dominion over the universe,

instead of cooperating with God in the work of creation and exercising responsible stewardship. There can be no renewal of our relationship with nature without a renewal of humanity itself that involves healing all fundamental human relationships, especially with the most vulnerable (LS #118-119).

With gratitude, I have also included below articles found by Margaret Henderson and Peter Flint in response to *Laudato Si* week from 16 to 24 May.

## <u>The Australian Jesuit Province Reconciliation with Creation (RwC) Committee</u> <u>recommends</u>

#### Seven ways to live Laudato Si' in 2020.

- 1. Become familiar with Laudato Si'. Read and meditate on it.
- 2. Learn from the Healing Earth website (<a href="https://healingearth.ijep.net/">https://healingearth.ijep.net/</a>)
- 3. Meet God in creation a walking meditation, silent residential or online retreat etc.
- 4. Walk with First Peoples Read the Uluru statement and take action
- 5. Create your virtual environment walk Create a creation prayer space in your home or garden
- 6. Commit to being an Earth Healer Share a photo of the wonder and awe in nature, live simply, reduce your ecological footprint, work on one aspect in your life as a daily challenge
- 7. Work with others to become an Earthcare community (<a href="https://catholicearthcare.org.au/">https://catholicearthcare.org.au/</a>)

#### On Earth Day, Pope says Nature will not forgive our Trespasses

By Phillip Pullella, Reuters

22nd April 2020

Pope Francis made an impassioned plea for protection of the environment on Wednesday's 50th anniversary of the first Earth Day, saying the coronavirus pandemic had shown that some challenges had to be met with a global response. Francis praised the environmental movement, saying it was necessary for young people to "take to the streets to teach us what is obvious, that is, that there will be no future for us if we destroy the environment that sustains us."

Recounting a Spanish proverb that God always forgives, man sometimes forgives but nature never forgives, Francis said: "If we have deteriorated the Earth, the response will be very ugly." "We see these natural tragedies, which are the Earth's response to our maltreatment," Francis said. "I think that if I ask the Lord now what he thinks about this, I don't think he would say it is a very good thing. It is we who have ruined the work of God." Saying the Earth was not an endless deposit of resources to exploit, he said: "We have sinned against the Earth, against our neighbour and, in the end, against the creator."

Last year, after a synod of bishops from the Amazon region, Francis said he was considering adding a definition of "ecological sins" in the Roman Catholic Church's Catechism, a compendium of teachings and rules. Francis has likened the response to environmental dangers to that of the coronavirus. "Only together, and looking after the most fragile [members of society] can we win global challenges," the Pope said.

## **NOTICES**

#### **OFFERTORY GIVING**

Thank you to those parishioners who are keeping up with their Offertory Giving contribution. There are a number of options available for you to consider for your Offertory Giving:

1. Direct debit can be made through the Commonwealth Bank quoting the information below:

BSB 067-000 Account Number 1031 5759

Account Name CDF – Moonah/Lutana

Parish

Reference Surname/Envelope

number

2. Cash donations or Offertory Giving envelopes can be received at the Parish Office between the hours of 9:30am to 4:30pm on Monday, Tuesday and Friday or placed into the mail slot on the left hand side of the front door of the Presbytery (Residence).

If you are unsure please call the Parish Office on 9412 8471.

#### **KEEPING IN CONTACT**

The Parish wishes to keep in contact with all parishioners. If you are **not** receiving our bulletin via email, please let us know and we can add your email address to our database of parishioners. If you would like to just have a chat please let us know. Please contact the Parish Office on 9412 8471.

#### **MASSES ON-LINE**

The parish will be providing a recording of Sunday Mass which will be available each Sunday Morning on the Parish Website <a href="http://cdtas.org.au/moonah">http://cdtas.org.au/moonah</a> or our Parish FaceBook Page StTherese OfLisieux or the Parish YouTube Channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCOVWp5dkjeawjkxg4FaUZtA. If you don't have access to the internet but have a computer we can provide you with a USB version of the Mass. To arrange for this please contact the Parish Office on 9412 8471.

The Sunday principal Mass at St Mary's Cathedral (10:30am) will be live-streamed. It will be available through the Archdiocese of Hobart's YouTube channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCBzten6uVS-Ymf-7KVUEepQ/featured.

Channel Ten airs "Mass for you at home" at 6:00am on Sundays and then online via TenPlay. Mass on Demand can be streamed at <a href="https://cathnews.com/">https://cathnews.com/</a>.

## RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN Spiritual Comfort for Troubled Times

https://www.emmausproductions.com/ special-feature/spiritual-comfort-fortroubled-times-holy-week-2020/

#### How to help Children

G - Get Quiet;

R - Read God's Word;

O - Open Your Heart (What did I learn about God? What does He want me to do? And talk to him about it);

W - Worship God.

#### **RESOURCES FOR YOUNG ADULTS**

The Archdiocesan Office continues to offer a number of events online for young adults. if you're keen, click on the links below.

#### Illuminate

This will be a group discussion and reflection on the coming Sunday Gospel. We'll read through one of the readings, hear a short



reflection, and then have the opportunity to share our own insights on the passage. **Day:** 

Wednesdays; Time: 12-12:30pm;

Frequency: Weekly; Age: 16-35; Medium:

Zoom <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">https://www.facebook.com/</a> events/317885575846343/

#### The Meet-Up

These sessions will be an opportunity to check in with each other, hear a talk from a guest speaker, discuss the topic in small groups and pray together.



Day: Tuesday; Time: 7-8:30pm; Frequency:

Weekly; Age: 16-35; Medium: Zoom

https://www.facebook.com/events/799849847205695/

## RESOURCES FOR ADULTS AND FAMILIES

#### **Resources**

https://steubenvilleconferences.com/
theupperroom/

#### **Divine Renovation**

A number of resources are available at <a href="https://divinerenovation.org/">https://divinerenovation.org/</a>

Formed (please use Chrome browser).

IF YOU JOIN NOW THIS SERVICE IS FREE.

Now might be a good time to join **formed** visit <u>www.formed.org</u>. If you have any issues please contact Deacon Michael.

#### LiturgyHelp

LiturgyHelp.com is providing for free resources for personal and family prayer. Go to <a href="liturgyhelp.com/aus/hobart/">liturgyhelp.com/aus/hobart/</a> pray, and follow the prompts under "Register for LiturgyHelp Personal and Family Prayer".

#### **Shalom World:**

https://shalomworld.org/watchon

#### **Archdiocese of Hobart**

The following website:

<u>www.hobart.catholic.org.au/faith/page/lent-and-holy-week</u> provides online content for you and your family.

#### **Liturgy Brisbane**

Liturgy Brisbane has developed a resource Sunday Readings and family prayer. Go to <a href="https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/">https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/</a>
<a href="prepare/">prepare/</a>

#### Pray.com.au

If you are looking for some more prayer and reflection you could try this link for a 14day Retreat at Home <a href="https://www.pray.com.au/with-jesus-in-the-desert-a-retreat-for-a-time-of-isolation/">https://www.pray.com.au/with-jesus-in-the-desert-a-retreat-for-a-time-of-isolation/</a>. This site has many other resources you might find useful as well.

#### **PARISHIONERS' CORNER**

To allow us to keep in contact with each other, we are offering this corner to you, to say a few words or offer hello's to your fellow parishioners. If you would like to add something to this part of the bulletin please provide these to the Parish Office before 9:00am Friday morning. These can either be emailed, phoned through or dropped at the Parish Office.

#### **SCHOOL NEWS**

We are thankful people. This week our Grade 6 students made cards and posters to say thank you to the essential workers around the Moonah area and then they delivered these. The staff from Woolworths were so overwhelmed they dropped in a small gift bag to school for each student. Kindness matters...we want to be the "I" in kind and have an attitude of gratitude!





#### Nowa rzeczywistość naszej codzienności.

**Drodzy Parafianie!** 

W ostatnich dniach australiski rząd rozpoczął łagodzenie restrykcji dotyczących kontaktów socjalnych. Te złagodzenia dotyczą również naszej wspólnoty kościelnej.

Wszyscy mówimy, że czekamy na powrót do normalności. Musimy jednak pamiętać, że sytuacja musi ulec zmianie i nasza normalność będzie trochę inna. Pragnę zachęcić wszystkich do zapoznania się z nowymi zasadami używania kościoła, a co ważniejsze zastosowania się do nowych regulacji, które są wymagane przez prawo stanowe Tasmanii.

Kościół św. Teresy będzie otwarty tylko w wyznaczonych godzinach. W poniedziałek, środę, piątek i sobotę w godzinach 11:00 – 13:00 wtorek, czwartek od 13:00 – 15:00. W niedzielę kościół będzie otwarty dwa razy od 11:00-13:00 i 15:00-17:00

Każdego dnia do kościoła może wejść nie więcej niż 10 osób niezalenie od długości trwania ich modlitwy.

Aby móc wejść do kościoła na prywatną modlitwę należy najpierw dokonać rezerwacji w biurze parafialnym przez internet lub telefonicznie (osoby, które nie zrobią wcześniej rezerwacji, a będą chciały wejść do kościoła muszą się liczyć z tym, że nie będą wpuszczone. Rezerwacje przez internet lub telefon są zarządzeniem ks. Arcybiskupa.)

Przy wejściu do kościoła należy zdezynfekować ręce i stosować się do poleceń wolontariuszy. (są to wymaganie rządowe.)

Wejście do kościoła będzie przez kawiarenkę, natomiast wychodzić będziemy głównymi drzwiami, by zachować przepisy dystansu socjalnego. W samym kościele niezależnie od tego, w którym miejscu lubimy siedzieć będziemy mogli korzystać tylko z tych ławek, które są zaznaczone. Część kościoła pozostanie wyłączona z użytku.

Zdaję sobie sprawę, że dla wielu z nas nowe przepisy mogą zaskakiwać i budzić nawet pewien sprzeciw. Pragnę jednak zachęcić wszystkich do stosowania się do nowych zasad ponieważ są one ustalone dla naszego dobra i zabezpieczenia przed zarażeniem się koronawirusem. Miejmy na uwadze dobro i bezpieczeństwo swoje i innych, a także to, że niestosowanie się do nowych zasad może spowodować nałożenie kary na kościół w wysokości 16 tysięcy dolarów.

## Poniedziałek 25 maja - Etap 1: Otwarcie kościoła na osobistą modlitwę i spotkania.

Wszystkie decyzje są podejmowane w zależności od porad władz zdrowia publicznego i mogą ulegać zmianie. Ponownie otworzymy kościół na osobistą modlitwę i spotkania, które będą musiały być zarezerwowane przez Internet lub telefon, abyśmy mogli przestrzegać ścisłego limitu 10 osób. Nie będzie zadnych publicznych Mszy w dni powszednie i weekendowe, ponieważ limit 10 osób na Mszy nastręcza wiele trudności organizacyjnych. W kościele będą obowiązywały przepisy dotyczące dystansu społecznego, nowe zasady wchodzenia i wychodzenia z kościoła, higieny osobistej i sprzątania kościoła po każdym jego użyciu.

#### Rezerwacje na osobistą modlitwę w kościele pod numerem 9412 8477 lub 9412 8479.

Każda osoba może dokonać tylko jednej rezerwacji w tygodniu.

Rezerwacje będą przyjmowane przez wolontariuszy, a wszyscy, którzy chcą dokonać rezerwacji muszą odpowiedzieć na poniższe pytania:

Dzień dobry, zadzwoniłeś do parafii św. Teresy z Lisieux, mówi.......jak mogę pomóc. Kościoła na Msze weekendowe. Poproszono mnie o przeprowadzenie następującego protokołu dla twojego uczestnictwa w modlitwie w kościele:

Czy masz COVID-19?

Czy polecono ci poddać się kwarantannie? (Jeśli tak, czy nadal przebywasz w 14dniowym okresie kwarantanny?)

Czy czujesz się dobrze i nie masz gorączki (lub nocnych potów / dreszczy) ani objawów oddechowych, np. duszność, kaszel, ból gardła?

Czy zgadzasz się podpisać rejestr obecności po przybyciu do kościoła św. Teresy?

Czy zgadzasz się na odkażanie lub mycie dłoni po przybyciu do kościoła św. Teresy?

Czy zgadzasz się postępować zgodnie ze wskazówkami pracowników/ wolontariuszy koścoła św. Teresy?

Czy zabierasz ze sobą dziecko?

Twoje imię, nazwisko, numer telefonu komórkowego lub numer telefonu domowego

Wnadchodzącym tygodniu którym dniu i godzinie chcesz wziąć udział w modlitwie:

#### Poniedziałek 15 czerwca - Etap 2: Otwarcie Kościoła na msze w dni powszednie.

Wszystkie decyzje są podejmowane w zależności od porad władz zdrowia publicznego i mogą ulegać zmianie. Będą ponownie odprawiane Msze święte w dni powszednie dla maksymalnie 20 osób jednocześnie. Zaczniemy od mszy angielskiej i polskiej w dni powszednie. Te same wymagania dotyczące dystansu społecznego, wpisywania się do książki, wchodzenia i wychodzenia, higieny i sprzątania kościoła będą obowiązywać przy kazdej liturgii.

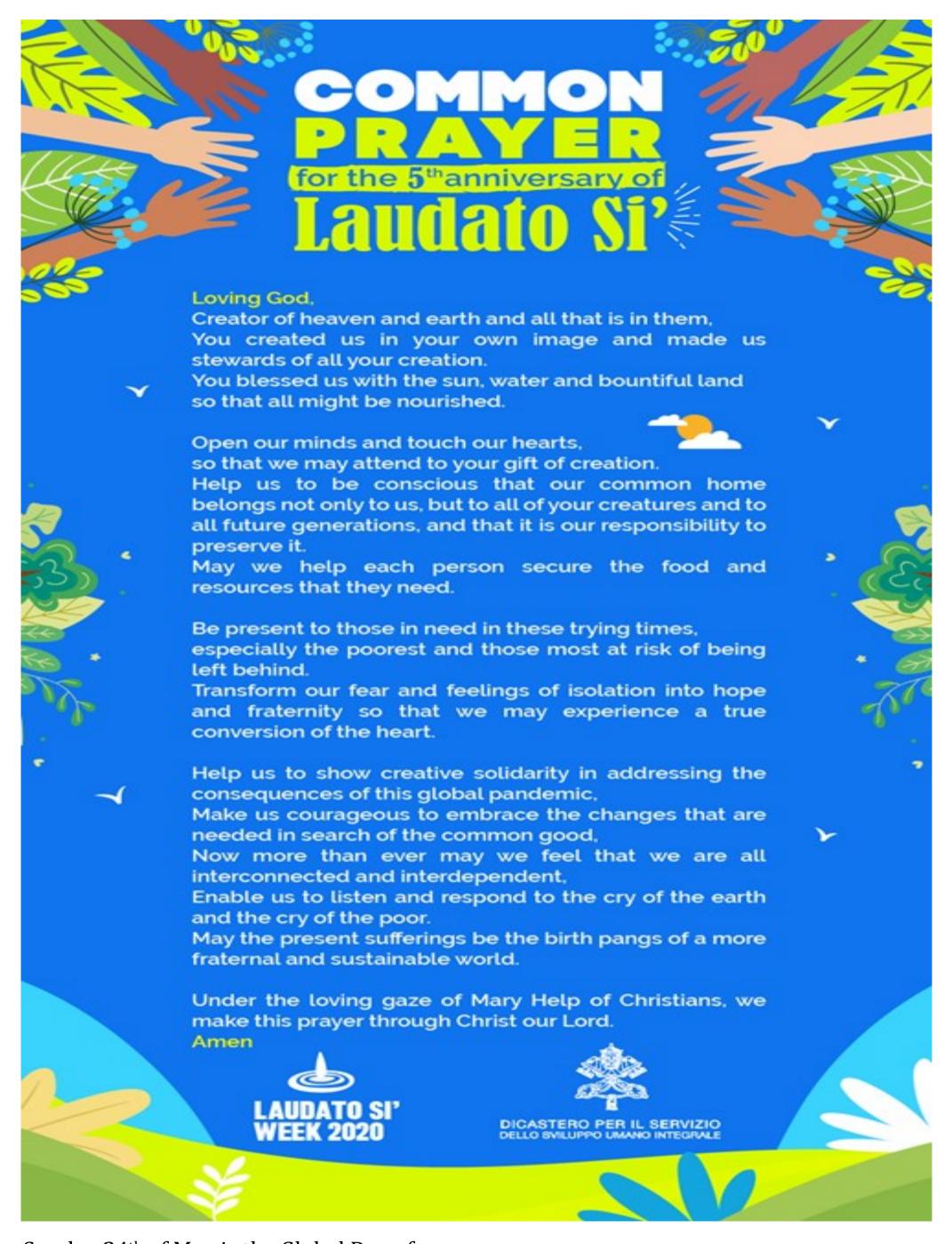
## Weekend 17-18 lipca - Etap 3: Otwarcie

Wszystkie decyzje są podejmowane w zależności od porad władz zdrowia publicznego i mogą ulegać zmianie. Kościół zostanie ponownie otwarty na Msze św. weekendowe dla 60 osób jednocześnie. W kościele będą obowiązywały przepisy dotyczące dystansu społecznego, nowe zasady wchodzenia i wychodzenia z kościoła, higieny osobistej i sprzątania kościoła po kazdym jego użyciu.

Dodatkowe Msze zostaną udostępnione poza ustalonymi godzinami, szczególnie dla osób starszych w języku angielskim i polskim. Terminy zostaną określone później. Msza będzie również transmitowana na żywo dla tych, którzy nadal będą chcieli uczestniczyć w niej przez transmisję internetową w swoim domu.

Niech Pan Bóg wszystkim błogosławi na uczenie się nowej rzeczywistości. Pozdrawiam.

Sr Elżbieta Czernicka MChR



Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> of May is the Global Day of Prayer for the Fifth Anniversary of *Laudato Si'*. I invite you to pray this with us this weekend at home or in your small group:

#### **READINGS**

24th May, 2020

The Ascension of the Lord

#### **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.

#### **FIRST READING:** (Acts 1:1-11)

Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

#### **PSALM**: (Psalm 46:2-3, 6-9)

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

#### **SECOND READING**: (Ephesians 1:17-23)

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

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Matthew** 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**: (Matthew 28:16-20)

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

#### **READINGS**

30th/31st May, 2020

**Pentecost** 

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** (Wisdom 1:7)

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

#### **FIRST READING**: (Acts 2:1-11)

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak different languages.

#### **PSALM**: (Psalm 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34)

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

#### **SECOND READING:**

(1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13)

In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.

#### **SEQUENCE:**

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL**: (John 20:19-23)

As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

#### APRIL COLLECTION

\$ 9,231.20 **TOTAL:** 

**Month's Budget Collections:** 

\$ 10,152.00

**Difference** 

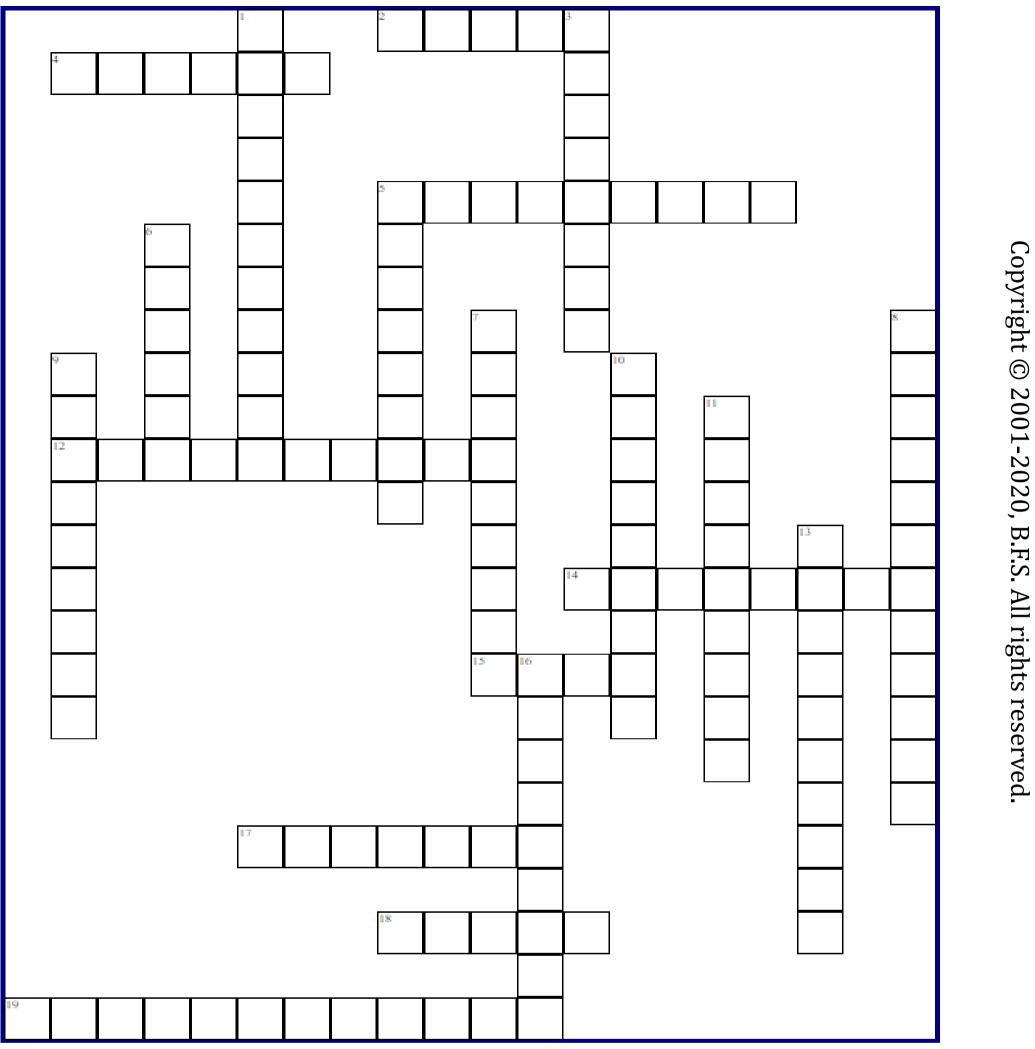
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Thank You!

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

"I am praying for them..." (John 17:9)

Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Pray in good times and in bad. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation, not just the last resort. Pray for friends and family and for those that don't treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you.



Across

- 2. Used to summon the faithful or to direct their attention to the most solemn parts of Mass
- 4. Raised place for the priest (for preaching)
- 5. Classic church shape
- 12. North or left hand side facing the altar
- 14. Direction symbolic of Heavenly Jerusalem / Return of Christ
- 15. Symbol of Noah's Ark / Barque of St. Peter
- 17. Used for kneeling
- 18. Where the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is offered
- 19. Place for Sacrament of Penance

- 1. Burn before an image
- Where priests vest
- 5. Image of our crucified Lord
- 6. Located in altar
- 7. Traditional instrument
- 8. Colorful windows containing images of Christ or the Saints
- 9. Principal altar of a church
- 10. Symbolic of Baptism
- 11. Part of church surrounding the high altar
- 13. Contains the Holy Eucharist
- 16. Traditionally separates the sanctuary from the nave

#### Our Lady Of...

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**All Graces** 

Consolation

Deliverance

Fair Love

Fatima

Good Counsel

Grace

Guadalupe

Knock

La Salette

Lourdes

**Mount Carmel** 

Perpetual Help

Ransom

Sorrows

The Miraculous Medal

The Rosary

The Snow

**Victories** 



#### Ascension of the Lord - Year A 24 May 2020

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



#### **Something to Think About**

Jesus says to the disciples, and to us, "I am with you always". Think of some ways you know that Jesus is with you in your life. Now it is up to us to continue Jesus' work on earth through our actions. The Holy Spirit will help us to show love, and let us know what to say.

#### The Story

In today's gospel, Jesus takes the disciples to a mountain in Galilee to prepare them for his return to his father in heaven. Jesus does three things for the disciples. 1. He reminds them of his power: 'I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth'. 2. He commissions them to a mission: 'Go and baptise' and make disciples! 3. He tells them that he is not deserting them: 'I will be with you always, even until the end of time.'

#### The Scriptures

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus' eleven disciples went to a mountain in Galilee,

where Jesus had told them to meet him.

They saw him and worshipped him, but some of them doubted.

Jesus came to them and said:

"I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth!

Go to the people of all nations and make them my disciples.

Baptise them in the name of the Father,

the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

and teach them to do everything I have told you.

"I will be with you always,

even until the end of the world."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Video

Click to watch the video.

Jesus" Ascension https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UcFw8pLBSIo



28:16-20

#### THINGS TO DO THIS WEEK

#### **Bedtime Prayer**



#### **Family Discussion**

Has someone you love very much gone away for a long time, maybe a holiday? Talk about how you felt when you said goodbye.

Our memories of times with the person who has gone away often help us when we are missing them. How do you think the disciples felt when Jesus told them that he was going away? Jesus knew his friends would be sad and afraid but he told them that he would be with them always.

What are some of your favourite stories about Jesus?

#### **Family Activity**

The Ascension calls us to get busy spreading the Good News of Jesus! Play the Telephone Game: the first person in the line or circle *whispers* a good news message about Jesus into the ear of the person sitting or standing to their right. Continue until the last person receives the message which they share with the whole family. Make sure everyone in the family has a chance to share their Good News message from Jesus.



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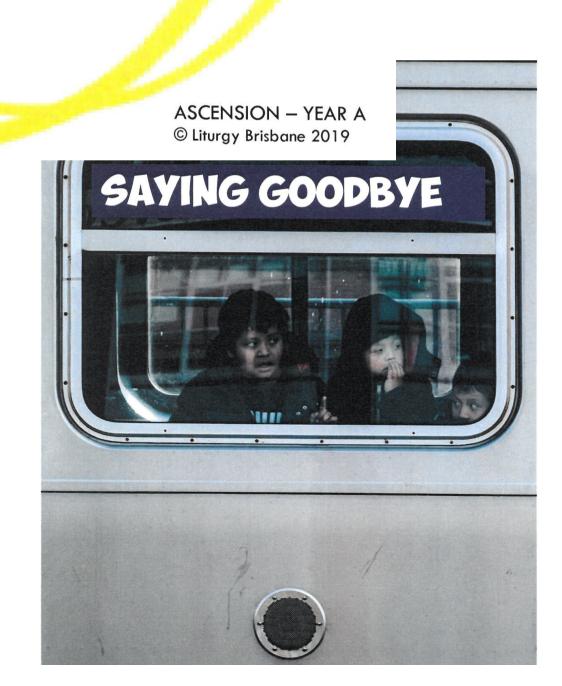




# TODAY JESUS SAYS GOODBYE TO HIS DISCIPLES HE TELLS THEM:

HE TELLS THEM: I WILL BE WITH YOU ALWAYS!

SOMETIMES OUR FRIENDS MOVE TO ANOTHER TOWN. IT IS HARD TO SAY GOODBYE. HOW DO WE KEEP IN TOUCH WITH THEM?



#### **LET US PRAY FOR**

#### The Sick

Thanh Huynh, Shirley Lehner, Olga Woods, Susan Wilson, Lise Levaque, Mary Hughes, Drina Paradzik, Jay Jennings, Tony Dalton, Elsa Bazan, Bev Murray, Kayden Edwards, Lorna Brazendale, Leo Manning, Jan Grubb, Alicia Stroud, Aileen Jones, Garry Hay, Paddi McDonald, Peter van Loggerenberg, Joe Higgins, Gracie Manson, Patricia Hangan, Lucia Werner, Helen Dennison.

#### **Anniversaries**

Eleonora Szczypior, Cedric Davey, Peter Wells, Michael Mika, Doris Kathleen Coad, Stanley Reynolds, Doris Aiken, Jozef Gawlik, Antioco Fonollera Abueva, Irena Krawczyk, Jadwiga E. Mianowski, Julia Maud Button, Noel Holloway, David Oliver, Sydney Higgins, Loreto Gabriel, Teodor Sianski, Alberts Knights, Ermanno Fidanza, Natalie Daley, Patricia Hills, Wasyl Petryk, Leon Krawczyk. Aldo Perri, Stanislawa Ozon, Dolly Webster, Saturnino Gabriel, Margaret (Peggy) Duggan, Mary Magdalene Coad, Fr Alan Guest MSC, Zofia Michalewicz, Fr Mark McGuinness MSC, Irene Jedrzejczak, Fr Thomas Whitty MSC, Shane Morrisby, Thomas Hutchinson, Hedley Tierney, Harold Blake, Fr Rudolph Lopez MSC, Edward Podolski, George Brazendale, Thomas Robinson, Fr Alfred Finch MSC, Julius Ots, Ellen Virth, Olga Smith, Eva Mary White, Dorothy Roehrs, Rosa De Cesare, Wladyslawa Belkner, Josephine M. Lockett, Gladys Bresnehan, Stanislawa Halys, Janina Z. Kopaczynski, Pelagia Rakowski, Ron Gamble, Genowefa Grzorczyk, Shelagh Sonners, Neita V. Zuchowicz, Graham Robert Williams, Aleksander Radziwon, Norman Direen.

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