# The Ascension of the Lord

# National Reconciliation Week

Acknowledgement of Country



St. Brendan's Community pay our respects to the traditional owners of the land, the Gulidian people and pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.

We will respect the land, animals and waterways, from the roots of the earth to the tops of the trees. Through the example of our first Australians, we understand that if we look after the country, then the country will look after us.

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### 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 Alleluia, alleluia! the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a I am with you always, until the end of the 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**

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

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.

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.

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: Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23

It is not as though Christ has entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

In other words, brothers, through the blood of Jesus we have the right to enter the sanctuary, by a new way which he had opened for us, a living opening through the curtain, that is to say, his body. And we have the supreme high priest over all the house of God. So as we go in, let us be sincere in heart and filled with faith, our mind sprinkled and free from any trace of bad conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us keep firm in the hope we profess, because the one who made the promise is faithful.

# **Gospel Acclamation:**

Go and teach all people my gospel. world. Alleluia!

# **GOSPEL:** Luke 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 heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

# Welcome Parish of Cororooke

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St Brendan's: 9.30am Sunday/

5pm 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

St Joseph's: 10:30am Lay-led /

Mass 1st Sunday

St Brendan's: 5th June, Lay led@9:30am

Minister: M Finn Commentator: B Allatt Reader: M O'Shea

Lay Leaders: J Miller & L Darcy

St Joseph's 5th June Mass @10:30:

Family: Mason / Everett

**ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES: May** 

St Brendan's: H Holland & J O'Dowd St Joseph's: A Convery & A Oborne

**Counters:** 5 June: P O'Shea

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Frank Garner,

Pat Whytcross, Roy Quigley, Agnes Hickey, Bernard Leahy, Bill Mahoney, Thomas Russell, Poter Finn

Peter Finn

# Those seeking our prayers for healing and well being.

Leah Spokes, Geraldine Finn, Goldie Elsum, Doug Swanson.

Mass at Thomas Carr...
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Jung 11.00am All Welcome

# **Calendar for Ordinary Time**

There are a number of feast days during this part of the Season of Ordinary Time. These feasts are:

- Trinity Sunday (June 12)
- Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ Corpus Christi (June 19)
- Feast of the Sacred Heart (Friday, June 24)
- The Nativity of St John the Baptist (Saturday, June 25)
- The Transfiguration of the Lord (Saturday, August 6)
- Feast of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop (August 8)
- Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Monday, August 15)



### What is National Reconciliation Week?

The dates for NRW remain the same each year; 27 May to 3 June. These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey— the successful 1967 referendum, and the High Court Mabo decision respectively.

Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

We all have a role to play when it comes to reconciliation, and in playing our part we collectively build relationships and communities that value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories, cultures, and futures.

# Pope's intention for May:

For faith-filled young people: We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest. May they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates and the dedication to service.

# A Christian Prayer for Unity

One only Holy Spirit of Father and Son in whom all are baptised, one giver of many gifts, one tree of many fruits one speaker of every tongue, renew in our day the wonders of Pentecost, grant that people of every race and nation may understand one another, and as one, proclaim the praises of God. Grant that all may be one as you, Spirit, with the Father and the Son are one God, one Lord. Grant unity to the Body of Christ; grant unity to the human family. Sole breath of every living thing, may all be one who, in you, live and move and have their being. - Carl K. Moeddel, From Jesuit Resources

## Advance Notice: Ordinations to the Priesthood

Deacons Matt Restall and Bill Lowry will be ordained priests for the Diocese of Ballarat on Friday, July 22, 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 7.00pm. All welcome to attend. For those not able to attend the Mass will be livestreamed at <a href="https://youtu.be/gnpY6nMKz3M">https://youtu.be/gnpY6nMKz3M</a>

# Walking in the Spirit

The People of God are invited to make a prayerful journey towards the Second Assembly of the Plenary Council through the "Walking in the Spirit" prayer campaign. "Walking in the Spirit" began on April 17 and runs until the Second Assembly, which opens on Sunday, July 3. Resources have been created for use by individuals, families, schools, parishes and other Catholic communities. Find out more at <a href="https://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthe-spirit/">www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthe-spirit/</a>

# Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
We pray for the people of Ukraine.
We pray for peace and the
laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
That your Spirit of comfort would
draw near to them.
We pray for those with power of war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your
precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus,
the Prince of Peace. Amen