PARISH TEAMS

Parish Council Tony Summers **Finance Committee**

Michael Winters

Liturgy Committee

Iwona Kazmierczak

Social Committee

Veronica Scully

Youth Ambassadors

Vacant

LITURGICAL COMMITTEES

Errol Raftos Acolytes Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Communion to the Sick & House-bound Michele Pierre Readers

Kathy McGurk **Tony Summers** Altar Servers

Gail Finch **Ambience Group** Shirley Blackwell

Music Liturgy

Munashe Chaita

Saturday Night Choir

Paulette Pettitt (6pm Sat)

St Andrew's Angels Choir

(9am Sun) Munashe Chaita Cathy Leon

Cantores Christi Choir Edward Amante (5pm Sun)

Marilyn Ball

Eucharistic Adoration Beryl Rahman

PARISH GROUPS

African Community Group Christine Dominic

Children Classes (PREP) Tammy Sparks

Children's Liturgy

Tanya Vandermark

Church Cleaning

Ney Enriquez

Gail Finch

Sunday Morning Tea Group

Veronica Scully

St Vincent de Paul Society

Tony Ratcliffe

Craft Group Bev Macri **Piety Stall** Ronnie Oborn

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Fr Darek Krzysztalowicz SDS, PP & Fr Marian Brzozowski SDS, APP



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD; YEAR A 20/21 May 2023

Mass Times

WEEKEND

6.00pm Saturday

Sunday 7.30am, 9.00am, 5.00pm

WEEKDAYS

Mon. Tues. Wed. Fri. Sat 8.00am

THURSDAYS

4 & 18 May 10am - RAAFA Estate Chapel (Hughie Edwards Dr, Merriwa) 10am - Cambrai Village Chapel 11 & 25 May

(Hester Ave, Merriwa)

Anointing of the sick

1st Thursday of the month at Mass.

RECONCILIATION Sat 5.00 - 5.45pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday 8.30am - 4pm followed by Benediction.

Contact Us

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Email: pp.clarkson@perthcatholic.org.au Web: www.clarkson.perthcatholic.org.au

HOUSE BLESSING OR IN CASE OF EMERGENCIES

Please contact Fr Darek and Fr Marian on

(08) 9407 7512.

BAPTISM, MARRIAGE*

Please contact the Parish Office. *Marriage: 6 months notice

PARISH SECRETARY

Mrs Tanya Vandermark

9407 9815 / clarkson@perthcatholic.org.au Office hours: Tues & Wed: 9am - 1.30pm

Fri: 9am - 12pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

The Ascension of the Lord - Sunday 21 May

Christ's Ascension marks the definitive entrance of Jesus' humanity into God's heavenly domain, whence He will come again. This humanity in the meantime hides Him from the eyes of men. Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, precedes us into the Father's glorious kingdom so that we, the members of His Body, may live in the hope of one day being with Him for ever. Jesus Christ, having entered the sanctuary of heaven once and for all, intercedes constantly for us as the mediator who assures us of the permanent outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Today's Gospel is taken from the conclusion of the Gospel of Matthew, Matthew's Gospel quickly moves from the disciples' discovery of Jesus' empty tomb, to Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, to the commission that Jesus gives his disciples in today's Gospel. The Final Commission, as this Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop. Throughout Scripture, the most important events happen on the mountaintop, and Matthew has used this motif throughout his Gospel. Earlier in Matthew's Gospel, Peter, James, and John had seen Jesus transfigured on the mountaintop (Matthew 17:1-8). Also in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus taught the crowds from the mountaintop in what we now call the Sermon on the Mount. Here we are told that the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in



Galilee, as Jesus had instructed through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary (cf. Matthew 28:9-10). They see Jesus, and both worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach, "to make disciples of all nations." It is a task which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples for; recall that Jesus had sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal (cf. Matthew 10:1-15). However, earlier the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this Final Commission, the eleven are told to go to "all nations." The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people; the task now is to baptize and to teach. Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity, one of the clearest attestations found in Scripture for baptism in the name of the Trinity. In the Acts of the Apostles and in the Letters of Paul, baptism is more frequently offered "in the name of Jesus." The ending of Matthew's Gospel can be understood as the beginning of the Church. Jesus commissions his disciples to continue to teach in his name and to bring others into the community of disciples through baptism. The Gospel ends, as it had begun, with the promise that Jesus will continue to be Emmanuel, "God with us" (cf. Matthew 1:23), for all eternity, (www.loyolapress.com)

A Prayer to Mary

O Mary, my mother, I offer you my soul, my mind and my heart. Make me God's instrument. Give me a penetrating mind to discover, firm to judge, free to serve the truth; an honest mind in telling what it sees rather than what it wants to see; a tolerant mind which does not dictate to other people, but which explains what it sees clearly; a mind infused by the light and truth of your Son Jesus, patient in faith, while waiting for the vision of eternal life.

May is the **Month of Mary**

Amen

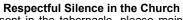
Eucharistic Adoration

Every Friday from 8.30am - 4pm, with the Divine Mercy Chaplet recited at 3pm.

Please join us to worship Jesus.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION Pre-Baptismal Class 17th June 2023 at 11am.

This class is for all parents who would like to baptise their child and whose children are younger than 7 years of age. The class will take place in the Church.



Knowing that Jesus is really present in the tabernacle, please maintain a respectful silence in the Church at all times. Also, let us be mindful that many people are making their spiritual preparation and thanksgiving before and after Mass. Thank you for your understanding.

Please take a bulletin home with you to keep informed with what is happening in the parish and for more information visit our website: www.clarkson.perthcatholic.org.au

This Weekend (20/21 May): The Ascension of the Lord; Year A

Next Weekend (27/28 May): Pentecost Sunday; Year A 4 00= 42:2 7 42-13

Acts 1:1-11 Eph		า 1:17-23	Mt 28:16-20	Acts 2:1-11 1 C		or 12:3-7, 12-13	Jn 20:19-23
20/21 May	Acolytes	Altar Servers	Readers	27/28May	Acolytes	Altar Servers	Readers
Saturday 6pm	Ivan D'Souza Errol Raftos	Nathan, Courtney & Jayden Heath	Sandy Baker Volunteer	Saturday 6pm	Wil Higo Tony Summers	Irela Atad Lara Cipriano	Des Blackwell Volunteer
Sunday 7.30am	John Vandermark	Muna Ezeonwu Merry Nguyen	Andrew Keane Jerry De Rosario	Sunday 7.30am	Ney Enriquez	Elvis Macedonio Klarissa Mendoza	Fay Stanley Sandra Long
Sunday 9am	Tony Summers Lumora Bella	Suzie Chol	Geneve Bastian Gail Finch	Sunday 9am	Tony Summers Lumora Bella	Summer Richardson Alicia Ridley	Toni D Richards Tammy Sparks
Sunday 5pm	Gordon Jansen		Meagan Reyes Volunteer	Sunday 5pm	Marco D'Ovidio		Beryl Rahman Volunteer

Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.



Aaron Augustine, Lyn Birkelbach, Roslyn Carlson, Ray Daglish, Phil Doyle, Sam & Josephine Ebejer, Jenny Grace, Mary Hosking, Angie Moore, John Mulholland, Brian O'Loughlin, David Pettitt, Maria Romanelli, Edward Pozarowszczyk, Debbie Smith & Sean Winters.

Please help keep this list up to date, contact Kathy on 0499 901 202



Baptisms

Welcome to Annie May Whearty who is being baptised this weekend into our Parish family.

Our Lady Help of Christians - Wednesday 24 May

The Feast Day of Our Lady Mary Help of Christians has been celebrated in Australia since 1844 but the history to this day, dates back to the start of the 1800s at a time when Napoleon Bonaparte had jailed Pius VI (who also died in jail). And later, when Pope Pius VII was elected he too was jailed by Bonaparte, who kept him prisoner at Fontainebleau. The Holy Father vowed to God that if he was restored to the Roman See, he would institute a special feast in honour of Mary. The military eventually forced Bonaparte to release the Pope and on 24 May



1814, Pius VII returned in triumph to Rome. Twelve months later the Pope decreed that the Feast of Our Lady Mary Help of Christians be kept on 24 May. The infant Church in Australia had a special reason for turning to Mary. No priests were sent to the colony in its early days and Mass was not allowed except for one brief year until 1820. It was largely the Rosary in those early days that kept the faith alive. The Australian Catholic community remained faithful to Mary and Australia was the first nation to choose her under the title, 'Mary Help of Christians' as principle Patroness. Australia also became the first country to have a cathedral dedicated in Our Lady, Mary's name. St Mary's Cathedral in Sydney was dedicated in her honour by the Irish pioneer priest, Fr John Therry who arrived in Sydney in 1820.

First Holy Communion Commitment Weekend



This weekend (20/21 May), the children and their families from our Parish Catholic Primary schools and PREP classes will make their commitment at all Masses as part of their preparation to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion in June this year. Please keep them in your prayers.

May Flower Crowning

Next week Sunday 28 May at the 9am Mass, we will conclude the month of May, Mary devotion with a **May Flower Crowning** celebration. All children from our Parish Schools and PREP classes are encouraged to attend to join in this special celebration. There will be a Sausage Sizzle after Mass, for all parishioners, hosted by St Francis of Assisi CPS. Thank you.



Parish Second Collection

Envelopes: \$654 Loose Money: \$644 Direct Debit: \$699

Dear Parishioners, thank you for your continued contribution and support to the Parish and Priests. Thank you for your generosity!

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Please use your full name and envelope (if you have one) as a reference for the transaction.

Fr Darek, SDS - Away Fr Darek will be away from the $22^{\rm nd}$ of May until the $29^{\rm th}$ of June, visiting his parents and family in Poland. During Fr Darek's absence, Fr Marian will oversee the Parish with the help of our Parish Secretary and the Parish Pastoral Council Members. We wish Fr Darek, a safe and enjoyable holiday and look forward to his return in June. May God bless him during his travels and time away.



May Meetings

Strategic Planning Committee - Wednesday 31 May, 7pm * This meeting will take place in the Church.

Social and Fundraising Events (June - September)

- \$ 2 Raffle Fundraiser 24/25 June & 1/2 July
- Bakeless Bake Sale 19/20 & 26/27 August
- Araluen Day Trip Saturday 2 September. Welcome in Spring with lovely day trip to Araluen
 - Spring Dinner Dance Saturday 30 September. Save the date for our major Parish Fundraiser. Come along for a night of delicious dinner and fun dancing! More details to follow closer to the date.





Piety Stall - Open (after every weekend Mass)

The Piety Stall (located in the foyer) has a variety of religious books, cards, statues and medals available to purchase. Baptism Candles and First Holy Communion gifts are also available.



Irene McCormack Catholic College Sunset Tours

Irene McCormack Catholic College warmly welcomes you to experience a Sunset tour of their wonderful campus and begin to imagine being part of their vibrant community. Tours will be held on 14 June at 4pm & 4.30pm. To register for one of the tours please visit www.imcc.wa.edu.au.

Safeguarding Induction for all Church workers

ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) are to attend a 1-hour safeguarding induction. If you haven't attended the induction in the last 3 years, please register for the upcoming in person session; Thursday 8 June / 7 - 8pm at Our Lady of Grace, 3 Kitchner Street, North Beach. Register at: https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/ training/#induction or call 9221 7762.

Flores De Mayo - Sunday 28 May at 2pm, Schoenstatt Shrine

Join as we celebrate "Our Lady" at this multicultural event. Groups from different nationalities will bring their decorated statue or picture of "Our Lady" to be set up on tables at the Shrine. National costumes are welcome to be worn and each decade of the Rosary will be led by a different group in their own language. Followed by Benediction and closing prayers. Afternoon tea to be held at Emilie House. Please bring a plate of food to share. Hot and cold drinks will be provided. Please bring an outdoor chair to sit on and share with us a Hymn or dance to Our Lady to the enrichment of all at Emilie House.

For more information contact The Legion of Mary and the Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary: 0400 234 910 email: sr.lisette@gmail.com

Church Projects - New Signage

If you would like to contribute towards any upcoming projects for the Church, a donation can be made to the following account:



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