

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Lavington: Sat. Vigil 6 pm; Sunday 8, 9, 10 am

Jindera: Sunday 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 pm, 5:30 pm

Weekday Mass Times:		Lavington	Jindera
Mon	25	Mary H. Christ 7 & 9 am	7 am
Tues	26	St Philip N 7 & 9 am	7 am
Wed	27	St Augustine C 7 & 9 am	8:30 am
Thurs	28	Eastertide 7 & 9 am	8:30 am
Frid	29	St Paul VI 7 & 9 am	9:25 am
Sat	30	Eastertide 9:15 am	8 am

This Weekend: 24th May: Ascension

6 pm Lect: HS School Cant. volunteer

8 am Lect: volunteer Cant. volunteer

9 am Lect: volunteer Cant. volunteer

10am Lect: volunteer Cant. choir

Offert: 6pm, volunteer 8am, volunteer 10 am

Lavington Cleaners: family

Jindera Cleaners: Stewart, Green, Wright

Next Weekend: 31st May: Pentecost Sunday

6 pm Lect: volunteer Cant. volunteer

8 am Lect: volunteer Cant. L. Amaranth

9 am Lect: volunteer Cant. volunteer

10am Lect: volunteer Cant. choir

Offert: 6pm, volunteer 8am, volunteer 10 am

Lavington Cleaners: Katalinic family

Jindera Cleaners: Woods, Barnes, Hayward

ADORATION / NOVENA Saturday morning

• 8:00 am: Holy Rosary

• 8:20 am: Confessions

• 9:00 am: Novena & Benediction

• 9:15 am: Holy Mass

O'CONNELL GARDENS VILLAGE

Adoration: in the chapel every Monday 10-4 pm

Craft Work: Wednesdays at 1.30 pm.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL alt. Monday 5.30 pm

MOTHER'S GROUP meets to pray on Mondays

at 7.30 pm - contact 60401690

LEGION of MARY - lay missionaries meet on

Tuesday 1 pm, Wednesday 3.30 pm.

MAJELLAN for MUMS - on Tuesdays at 10:45

in Presbytery.

CATECHESIS of the Good Shepherd - Monday

Angela tel. 0427063934.

SACRAMENT PENANCE / CONFESSIONS

Saturday 8:20 - 9am, 5 - 6pm

and before all Masses.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Behold I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.

✠ **FOR THE SICK** that they may be comforted and helped by God's healing power, let us pray to the Lord - Lisa Chandra, Harold Black, Annie Gosstray, Reg Perry, Kay Duel, Jan Szakacs, Lorraine Mullavey, Greg Jackson, Pat McCormack, Linda Wilson, Margaret Smith, Joan Sattler, Stan Lechmere, Kateri Byrnes, Jimmy Gavin, Carol Collins, Tony Ratcliffe, George Rowe, Amye Moriarty, Bruce Allworth, Helen Hurst, Kym Salt, Norma Oates, Andrew Ryan, Jeffrey Dean, Cathy Jones, Jovit Genato, Barbara Skiba, Sheleagh Walker, Gary Harris, Matthew Mander, Anne Weisner, Suesanna Trevaskis, Jim Edmondson, Mary Cooper, Brian Cooper.

✠ **FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED & those whose anniversaries occur about now that they may be granted eternal peace, let us pray to the Lord** - Tony Ratcliffe, Ella Pallot, Gerard Sullivan, Joan McLaurin, Shirl Kirley, Nikolo Jovanovic, Oder Mucchi, Jessie Versa, Sr Stephanie Duck, Bart Harte, Christa Slapinski, Kerry Rohrich, Brian O'Connor, Paul Hay, Gwen Fenwick, Monica Kaiser, Margot Murray

✠ **ANNIVERSARIES:** Antonio Guffrida, Mona Parker, Mona Bohr, Robert Nicholson, Rose Packer, Andrew Scammell, Damian Wright, Harold Dean, Leslie Logue, Angelina Davis, Mitchell Stiler, Moya Hesford, William Smith, Michael Ryan, Hilda Ryan, Fr Croese, Stephanie Kal. Donald Collins, Frank Fealy, Maria Guffrida, James Carew, Shannon Knobel, George Davern, Des Plunkett, Kevin Wilson, Daniel McMahon



May is when we pray the Rosary



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24th May 2020 - Ascension Sunday



Mass parts in Hymn Book - page 128.

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and I 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.'

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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

Second Reading: Ephesians 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.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia: Go and teach all people my Gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. **Alleluia.**

Reading from the Gospel according to Matthew 28:16-20 *Glory to you O Lord.*



The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

WHAT'S HAPPENING!

Extra Masses: Since we are allowed only ten people at Mass in addition to those who assist at Mass, we have added some extra Masses so that more people may attend. One is naturally still obliged to comply with health directives.

Mary Help of Christians: feastday is on Monday, extra Mass at 9 am.

Adoration Chapel: resumes for prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Wednesday 20th May. To book in for an hour please ring tel. 0478416635.

Virus Alert: please note the new Diocesan protocols on the parish website.

Website: please check the website for any news or changes in pastoral care.

Sunday Homilies: will be posted each week.

Vacancy: for 2 bdrm self contained unit in O'Connell Gardens, safe & secure, tel. parish.

Formed: marvellous resource at this time to feed the soul, please log on with code VJ3GHW

Missions-Palms: for overseas missionaries work experience in September at Timor Leste, contact Kevin 02 95605333.

Accounting: *Suryan* Chandrasegaran of Albury Accounting Pty Ltd for all tax and accounting needs on 60412010

Dawso's for all electrical needs; Electrical Contracting, tel. Daniel 0438732976.

Sacramental Candles: ideal as special gifts, the website: sacredcandles.com.au tel. 0403619044

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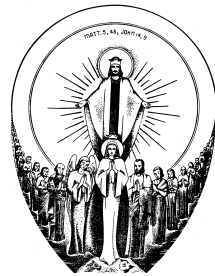
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ASCENSION of the LORD

WHERE is Christ? *Seated at the Right Hand of God the Father Almighty.* These words are a figure of speech; for he who sits at the right hand is considered to occupy the most honourable place. Being seated there means in possession of royal and supreme power in glory with the Father.

♦ **HOW did Jesus ascend?** He ascended by His own power. Whereas Elijah was carried to heaven in a fiery chariot and Mary was assumed. Christ ascended into heaven as God and Man.



♦ **WHY did Jesus ascend?**

- 1). He ascended because His mission was finished and His glorious body warranted a place of glory.
- 2). He ascended to possess the kingdom which He had merited by His blood.
- 3). He ascended to prove that His kingdom is not of this world. For the kingdoms of this world are earthly and transient, and are based upon wealth and the power of the flesh; but the kingdom of Christ is not.
- 4). He also ascended into heaven in order to teach us to follow Him in mind and heart. Though we dwell on earth, we should desire heaven as pilgrims hoping to be numbered among the his saints forever.

HOPE is a supernatural virtue of the will. It needs to be exercised, like muscles in the body need movement lest they wither, so too hope needs to be sought. How often do we make acts of hope? How often do we pray to be filled with hope? The enemies of hope are despair & presumption - depression and arrogance.

Heaven is not playing harps!

“All the scriptural imagery (harps, crowns gold, etc.) is, of course, a merely symbolic attempt to express the inexpressible. Musical instruments are mentioned because for many people music is the thing known in the present life which most strongly suggests ecstasy and infinity. Crowns are mentioned to suggest the fact that those who are united with God in eternity share His splendour and power and joy. Gold is mentioned to suggest the timelessness of Heaven (gold does not rust) and the preciousness of it.”

C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*.

Mary Help of Christians Patroness of Australia

The title "*Mary Help of Christians*" was coined after the naval battle of Lepanto. At dawn on October 7, at the entrance to the Gulf of Patras, Turkey, the Christian and Muslim fleets finally came face to face. The stakes were Christian Europe. The wind and all military factors favored the Muslims, but Don John was confident. He boarded a fast ship for a final review of his fleet. After he returned to his own position, the wind mysteriously changed to the advantage of the Christian fleet. First-hand witnesses wrote about this moment as a most dramatic turn-of-events



resulting from an "unknown factor". At that very moment, at dawn on October 7, 1571 - as Vatican Archives later revealed - Pope Pius V, accompanied by many faithful, was praying the Rosary. Mary did help the Christians to win that crucial battle. Our Aussie feastday dates back to another Pope who was kidnapped in France. In 1814 when Pope Pius VII was released as a prisoner of Napoleon and finally permitted to return to Rome on May 24, he established the feast of *Mary, Help of Christians*. Some years later, when the Australian Bishops met to discuss who would be a suitable patroness for this country they chose the recently claimed feast day of *Mary, Help of Christians*.

POOR HUMOUR

A recently married couple were at a restaurant for dinner when the husband prepared to eat his meal. His wife interrupted. ‘Ahum! You normally say prayers at home before you eat.’ ‘Yes darling,’ her husband replied. ‘But I’m sure that the chef is experienced and knows what he’s doing.’

FIND THE WORD PUZZLE

Charles, Pope, Boniface, Assumption, Despair, Matthew, Love, Presumption, Gerard Ascension, Trinity, Pentecost, Hope, Smile, Confirmation, Face, Pope, Faith, Virtue

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