

All Hallows' Five Dock



Seventh Sunday of Easter | Year B | Sunday 16th May

Parish Mission

We, the people of this place,
live and celebrate a love of faith.

We share this faith in a
spirit of service,
that creates a sense of
God's presence among us.

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A Message from Fr Joseph

Dear Friends in Christ,
The readings for the Ascension of the Lord for Year B encourage us to be open to the Holy Spirit and willing to spread the Good News. The first reading tells of Jesus' ascent into heaven and his promise to send the Holy Spirit. The second reading asks for the Holy Spirit to come to us so we can declare the kingship of Jesus Christ and in the Gospel, Jesus gives us the Great Commission, to go and spread the Gospel. Jesus Christ speaks clearly of what today's feast is all about: Christ has brought all of creation into heaven, from the cosmic down to the smallest particles. Christ divinised creation in the Ascension and *we are already living as the Body of Christ*. We have already been swept up into salvation. This, the divine Body of Christ, is what we experience in the Eucharist.

This very exciting truth – our membership in the Body of Christ – is the “hope that belongs to his call,” the unifying expression of “one body and one truth.” If we deeply realise this, as perhaps the apostles did in that moment as they watched Jesus, how can we keep from going “into the whole world to proclaim the Gospel to every creature?” As the angels said to the apostles, “Why are you standing there looking up at the sky?” Don't you know who you are?! There is still much to be done, much suffering in the world, many people who desperately need good news. Get to work!

With best wishes for the Holy Season of Easter -
Fr. Joseph PP
0412 085 189



Sacramental Life

Holy Mass:

Saturday: 8am & 5.30pm Vigil

Sunday: 8.30am, 10am (Family Mass) and 6pm

Monday - Friday: 8am

The Holy Rosary is prayed after every morning Mass for the Parish community. All are welcome.

Reconciliation:

Before or after any Mass.
Or any time by appointment.

Sick Calls:

Any time - day/night.

Exposition:

Every Wednesday after 8am Mass.

Baptisms:

Saturdays or Sundays.

Weddings:

Contact Deacon or Father.

This Week:

Sunday 16:

Seventh Sunday of Easter
Youth Group // 5pm - Parish Hall

Wednesday 19:

Holy Hour // 3pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Eucharistic Ministers Training at. 7.00pm

Thursday 20:

Saint Bernadine of Siena

Friday 21:

Memorial Mass // 7pm

Saturday 22:

St Rita

Sunday 23:

Pentecost Sunday
Youth Group // 5pm - Parish Hall



All Hallows Primary School

As you will have noticed All Hallows school is redeveloping the playground area for the children. Funds raised from the Fete in 2017, organised by the All Hallows P & F, have been waiting for this project to commence. I am very grateful to the whole community who raised and donated \$80K towards the cost of the new play equipment. This equipment will be installed where the house was demolished. Sydney Catholic Schools is providing the remaining funds for the redevelopment of the playground. The project is anticipated to be completed by October 2021.

Mrs Helen Elliott
Principal



Generation Awakening - Teen Youth Group

Are you aspiring to be a youth leader?

The Sydney Catholic Youth team (SCY) is running a training day to help you get started in this ministry. Trailblazer is our awesome training day for all those who want to brush up their ministry skills as well as equipping new leaders with tips and tricks for their service. Workshops on the day will help you in presenting a killer talk, crafting your testimony and much more!

Saturday, 22nd March, 9:00am- 5:00pm at St Joseph Parish Hall, Belmore.

RSVP for catering purposes via the link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfRKshYUz-YB4gknONzRsUWzt232a5T5x9ii8LIM-gs-6E1BQ/viewform> and check out the SCY Facebook event page.

Have you heard of Y-Factor? It is a fantastic teen camp.

EARLYBIRD TICKETS ends on **May 17th**, so get in **QUICK!**

If you want to be a youth leader at All Hallows'
please reach out to Beatrice Lorquet 0414 577 947 or talk to Fr Joseph.



Catholic Men's Fellowship Movie Night



A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS

One man stands against the King

25th June 2021 - All Hallows Parish Hall

6:45pm for 7pm start. Concludes 10pm | Includes: Sausage BBQ dinner
Limited spaces. Donations.

SMS to confirm your spot. Joffre Balce 0420 361 898 / George Favotto 0407 927 787

Religious Education

As we prepare to celebrate the feast of the Ascension this weekend, students in Stage 3 have been exploring Eternal Life in Christ and the commissioning of the Apostles to go out and spread the Good News. Year 6 students have explored the Biblical passages about Jesus' encounters with the apostles and Mary Magdalene after rising from the dead and made links to our universal call to evangelise. Year 5 examined the Nicene Creed as a statement of our faith and how it expresses our belief in the new life won for us by Jesus.

Miss Brigid Vieira
REC



Catholic Retirement Living

Are you looking to retire and retain your faith at the same time? Why not join Monsignor John Peoples Catholic Retirement Village. Offering all the security and peace of mind retirement living provides in a pastorally rich Catholic Community. A low maintenance, carefree lifestyle awaits you in an established community where neighbours soon become friends. We currently have one-bedroom units available and ready for immediate occupancy. Please call us - you will find something to fit your budget. Phone Andrew on 0478 023 384 or Robert on 0414 611 158.

O'Shea Management - Working with the Sydney Archdiocese for over 18 years to help you find your retirement village home.

Please remember in your Prayers:

Sick:

Norman Merlino
Christine Bailey
Tom Graham
Tony Michael

Do you know of anyone who is sick and in need of prayer? Please send their name in an email to the Parish Office and we will add their name in here.

Recently Deceased:

Helen James
Giuseppe Fontana
Rita Arcidiacono
Maria Savignano
Maurizio Rossetto
Maria Blandino
Rosario Daidone
Tina Gallo
Filippo Musso
Rosaria Modderno

Anniversaries:

Rosario Lo Giudice

For the Souls of the Faithful Departed:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May all the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.



Parish Notices



New Audio/Visual system installed in the Church this week

We would like to thank our former parish priest, Rev. Michael Kelly, whose heart is still with this parish, for a very generous donation he has given us. His donation has enabled us to replace the audio/visual system in the Church and incorporate streaming capabilities as well. We have also replaced 4 of the broken air-conditioners in the Church with his donation. We ask that all parishioners keep Rev. Michael Kelly in their prayers.

Community Garden news

Thank you to Anastasia Velluti for suggesting we create a community garden. She will be running the garden in conjunction with Fr Joseph. She has already planted a few herbs and broccoli plants in the beds. To keep updated with what is happening in the garden, please follow @allhallowscommunitygarden on Instagram. We will soon hold a community garden morning tea after mass. More details to follow!

Change of Mass Time

Please note that from Pentecost Sunday on the 23rd May, the 6pm Sunday mass time will be changed to 5pm.



Supporting our Parish

You can support our Parish financially by accessing the BPoint Secure Payment Service on the Parish website or you can use the QR Code printed here. For contributions to the First Collection, please select *Pastoral Revenue* from the drop down menu. For

Planned Giving contributions, please select *Planned Giving* from the drop down menu and include your name and your Planned Giving Number (if known). You can also contribute using the Tap and Go devices in the Gathering Space at the entrance to the church.

Safeguarding our Parish

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding Office at 93905810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.



Catholic Women's League

THANK YOU to all parishioners for your wonderful support of the Mother's Day raffle

Congratulations to the winners:



1st Maria Cannone; 2nd Trish Burton;
3rd Helen Watson; 4th John Maynard;
5th Peter Aloe; 6th Michael Tarabay;
7th J. Weaver; 8th Michelle Lechowski;
9th Nancy Purrazzo; 10th Chrissie Conti;
11th Sam Iacono; 12th Fausto Biviano.

Ladies you are most welcome to join members at the CWL meeting on **Monday 17 May** commencing with morning tea at 10am in the Parish Hall.



Baptisms



We welcome

**Charlie Stella Dredge
Mateo Christian Bragg
Conor James Christie**

who are being baptised into the parish community of All Hallows this weekend.

Catholic Women's League

Congratulations to Week 5
Silver Circle winners:

1st No. 19 Ken Weymark

2nd No. 32 Tony LoSurdo



Children's Corner

C Q E S M Q A V P B G F G V K
X S E E H U R T D O W N F Z O
D H Z N K S W O U J K F J J R
L D K C W X T V P R W B V R O
M D W M Q P H E A L F E N Q F
O P F U V O T B D J H L C U T
R A K H V P K V O C I I I R X
F J Q R N G E X G F C E X I K
B E O S I C K U T J I V I G I
G D P G O O D N E W S E L H F
Y N P L L A N G U A G E S T H
P D B Z P V U S N A K E O Y A
K H Q K T O F R F L E F A V N
C B T D E V E R Y W H E R E D
H M I R A C L E S X G F S P S

Try to find these words:

believe
down
everywhere
Good News
hand
heal
hurt
languages
miracles
right
sick
snake

First Reading	Responsorial Psalm	Second Reading
<p>Acts 1:1-11 A reading from the Acts of the Apostles <i>Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.</i></p> <p>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.'</p>	<p>(R.) God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.</p> <p>1. 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.)</p> <p>2. 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.)</p> <p>3. 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.)</p>	<p>Eph 1:17-23 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians <i>He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.</i></p> <p>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.</p>
	<p>Gospel Acclamation</p> <p>Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!</p>	
	<p>Gospel</p> <p>Mk 16:15-20 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark <i>The Lord Jesus was taken into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God.</i></p> <p>Jesus showed himself to the Eleven and said to them, 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised is saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name, they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.' And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.</p>	

Reflection by Dianne Bergant

The Feast of the Ascension is really a kind of liminal moment in the Easter season. It is a time between times; a moment when we have left one place in our journey, but have not yet arrived at a second. While the narratives that describe the Ascension fit well into the unfolding story of redemption, the feast itself celebrates one aspect of the resurrection itself, namely, the exaltation of Jesus. The readings help us through this paradox. They allow us to focus on this theological point while we commemorate a turning point in the life of the church. We do this by considering both the enthronement of Christ in the heavens and the new body of Christ on earth.

Today we stand awestruck, watching Jesus ascend into the clouds of heaven, there to be enthroned at God's right hand. Today we are overwhelmed by the divinity of the one whom we have known in his humanity. Amidst shouts of joy and exaltation, Christ is enthroned in heaven in both his divinity and his glorified humanity. Now he is present with us in a new way, in a new body, in the church. He teaches through its apostles and evangelists; he ministers through its prophets and pastors. Through us he continues to heal and to comfort; to forgive and to include. We have his power, the same power with which he performed marvels when he walked the earth. We have each other; together we make up the new body of Christ.