

**Forty Days after the Resurrection of Jesus Christ**, the *Acts of the Apostles* records Jesus' ascension into heaven. The ascension is an important Christian feast attesting and celebrating the reality of the God-Man Jesus Christ's returning to the Father, to return again in the future *parousia*. The Ascension is the final component of the *paschal mystery*, which consists also of Jesus' Passion, Crucifixion, Death, Burial, Descent Among the Dead, and Resurrection. Along with the resurrection, the ascension functioned as a proof of Jesus' claim that he was the Messiah. The Ascension is also the event whereby humanity was taken into heaven. Finally, the ascension was also the "final blow" so-to-speak against Satan's power, and thus the lion (Jesus) conquering the dragon (Satan) is a symbol of the ascension. Early Christian art and iconography portrayed the ascension frequently, showing its importance to the early Church. The Catholic Catechism summarizes three important theological aspects (with which most Christian churches agree) of the Ascension concisely: Christ's Ascension marks the definitive entrance of Jesus' humanity into God's heavenly domain, whence he will come again (cf. Acts 1:11); this humanity in the meantime hides him from the eyes of men (cf. Col 3:3). 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 (665-667).

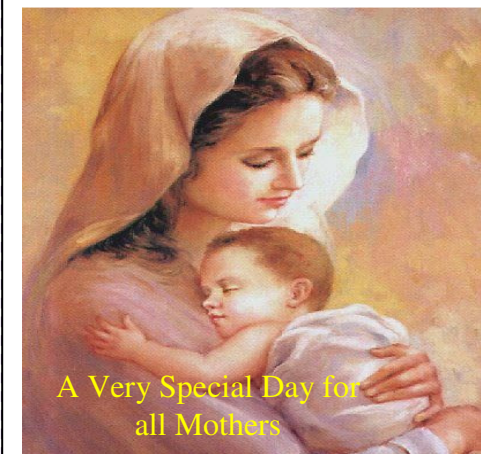


**Event: THE GREAT GRACE – Receiving Vatican II Today.** Conference May 20-23, Australian Technology Park, 2 Locomotive St. Eveleigh, Sydney. The conference will give all participants the opportunity to gain significant professional development and formation through attending keynote sessions and participating in workshops and an opportunity to learn more of the possibilities for the Church in the years ahead. Ph: 80968770

**Wanted: Loving Married Couples!** Join the growing team of Mentors who are willing to share their hearts and their homes with engaged couples. SmartLoving Engaged is an enjoyable and effective way to prepare young couples for married life which enriching and strengthening your own. Training and Mentor materials provided on Sat 25<sup>th</sup> May at Summer Hill. Contact Jess on 9319 6280 for more info.

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# 12<sup>th</sup> May 2013 (C)

## Ascension of the Lord

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING:** Acts 1:1-11

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

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

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING:** Ephesians 1:17-23

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

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

**GOSPEL:** Luke 24:46-53

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

I, the Lord, am with you always, until the end of the world, alleluia.

### **WEEKEND MASS TIMES:**

Sat. Vigil: 5pm  
 Sunday: 8am, 9:30am & 5pm

### **WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:**

Mon, Tues & Thurs: 7:30am  
 Wed: 6pm  
 Fri: 9:15am  
 Sat: 9:15am (Sthn Cross Apts)

**HOLY HOUR:** Wed: 5pm

### **RECONCILIATION:**

Wed: 5:15 – 5:45pm  
 Sat: 4:15 – 4:45pm

### **BAPTISMS:**

Sundays 9:30am Mass

### **BAPTISMAL PROGRAMME &**

### **WEDDINGS:**

By appointment

### **ANOINTING MASS:**

Quarterly: 1<sup>st</sup> weekend

### **1<sup>ST</sup> SAT OF EACH MONTH:**

11am Mass in honour of Our Lady.

### **PLANNED GIVING PROGRAMME:**

**70%** tax deductible. Please join by contacting parish office.

### **FAITH FORMATION:**

Sundays 3:30pm (in presbytery)

### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Mon, Wed & Fri 9am to 2:30pm

### MASS INTENTIONS:

**Sat Vigil:** Pro Populo

**Sun 5pm:** †Johannes Ronald Karli

**Sun 8am:** †Eileen Heaney

**Mon 7:30am:** Jose Blanca & Varga Families (Special Int)

**Sun 9:30am:** †May Ellsmore

**Tue 7:30am:** †Carmen Delgado

**OUR SICK:** *Marie Busuttill, Pat Raby, Maria De Andrade, Mollie Burgess, Alan Saraeant. and Josephine Helback ...*

Still there is accommodation available in Foley Gardens. Please call Fr. Jerzy on 93491292 or 0411125357 and you will be referred for further details to Mr Robert O'Shea, the manager.

**Happy Belated Birthday to:** Constanze Weyland (1<sup>st</sup>).

**Happy Birthdays to:** Masha Jayasiri (15<sup>th</sup>) and Patrick Youssef (18<sup>th</sup>).

**Parish School News:** 1) **Class Mass:** Fri 17<sup>th</sup> May: Stage One; Fri 24<sup>th</sup> May: Yr 4; 2)

**Confirmation 2<sup>nd</sup> lesson:** Sat 11<sup>th</sup> May; next lesson: Sat 18<sup>th</sup> May.

**“Walk with Christ” (Feast of Corpus Christi) :** Annual Procession of The Blessed Sacrament will be held on Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Jun from 2:30 – 4:30pm, starting from St Pat's Church Hill to St Mary's Cathedral Forecourt. Free Souvenir Programme will be available from the starting point.

**Final CWF Appeal for this FYR** was held last weekend. Specially printed envelopes are still available in the pews for your 100% tax-deductible donations for amounts over \$2.

**1-day Retreat by Fr Hugh Thomas (Redemptorist)** on “Mary as portrayed in the Scriptures ...” on Sat 8<sup>th</sup> June from 8:45am to 3pm at St Raphael's Parish Hall, 84 George St, Hurstville Sth. Please bring a plate to share for morning tea and lunch. For more details contact Gary Cartmer on 9546 2142.

**The Legion of Mary** in the Eastern Suburbs Curia is desperately seeking lay people to join as active members in Surry Hills, Randwick, Clovelly, Waverley and Matraville. For more info, contact Carrie Luke on 9698 5375.

**“Our Saints-Our Guide”-a talk & presentation of Saints' relics for veneration on Sun 19<sup>th</sup> May** from 2-4pm at Our Lady of the Assumption, 74 Underwood Rd, Homebush. For more details, contact Gerry on 0414 536 234.

**The Great Adventure:** Bible Study, 3rd Sundays of the month, 3:30pm presbytery. Next session: Sun 19<sup>th</sup> May 2013

**Catholicism,** The Journey with Fr. Robert E. Barron. 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. at 3:30 pm presbytery. Next session: Sun 26<sup>th</sup> May 2013.

**This weekend: Vigil:** Volunteer (A) M Butler, V Hage (R) F Doherty, G Hage (C) G Guerrero (M)  
**8:00am:** J Heaney (A) M Marshiella, T Long (R) A Burke, Sr Betty (C) P Low (M)  
**9:30am:** A Varghese (A) E Widjaja, H Widjaja (R) I Tjahjadi (C) A Burton (M)  
**5.00pm:** R Yang (A), Volunteers **Counter:** G Hogan

**Next weekend: Vigil:** Volunteer (A) L Paquin, J Spora (R) S Kim, J Yong (C) G Guerrero (M)  
**8:00am:** J Heaney (A) V Meyer, R Wijaya (R) P Chen, R Houghton (C) P Low (M)  
**9:30am:** Volunteer I Lie, J Lie (R) M Tjokrowidjaja (C) A Burton (M)  
**5.00pm:** R Yang (A), Volunteers please **Counters:** B Dunn, H Morris

**Mothers are the precious treasure troves** which remain an important part of one's life even after they lose contact with her. There are times you just sit back and think about the times you learnt from your mother, or suddenly after tasting a dish you prepared, you thought of that first



day you learnt it from her. These are some precious moments which you are reminded about incessantly even after many years. Such reflections never fail to bring a smile on your face. Mothers are such; they become a part of your psyche, as cherished memories. There reflections are usually nothing but the reasons for you to thank her. If the feelings are strong and beautiful enough, they often come out in the form of a saying or a quote, which is reiterated by generations that follow. Some of these quotes are listed below, each one of these giving the word ‘Mother’ a new dimension: \* God could not be everywhere and therefore He made mothers – Jewish proverb; \* There is only one pretty child in the world, and every mother has it – Chinese proverb; \* A mother is not a person to lean on, but a person to make leaning unnecessary – Dorothy Canfield Fisher; \* Some are kissing mothers and some are scolding mothers, but it is love just the same, and most mothers kiss and scold together. – Pearl S. Buck. \*

**Happy Mothers' Day**

Some time ago (circa 1996-7), this photo of the statue of St Michael graced our small Parish Bulletin. The statue, situated in our parish school's playground, was a gift to the school in 1937 by Anne Slattery's (2<sup>nd</sup>) cousin, Cardinal Gilroy. This photo had been taken by Eileen Heaney using a simple box-like camera.



An Information Afternoon on the Vocation of the Permanent Deacon will be held on Sat. 25 May from 12.00-4.00pm at the Seminary of the Good Shepherd, Homebush. The afternoon will include lunch, talk, testimonies and Q&A. Enquiries/Registration : 9390 5941 or diaconate@sydneycatholic.org.



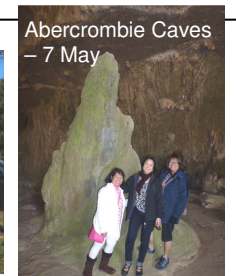
Fr. Jim Maloney CM with Fr. Jerzy at St Stanislaus College, Bathurst



Road trip – 7 May (6:30am)



Road trip – 30 Apr (4pm)



Abercrombie Caves – 7 May