

## Mary's shared experience

This is the age of celebrity. To have a selfie taken with a famous person seems to be the ambition of half the population. After all, in every generation people have looked up to those who have made their grand mark in life.

Any association with them would become more significant if they were to have a conversation with us and share some confidential information. Then we would truly feel privileged. To some extent this instinct explains the cult of devotion to the saints in the history of the Church.

We recognise that those who have been faithful to the Lord's teaching and lived their lives close to him provide us with models for our imitation and, by association, they are able to share privileged information about him with us. Among the saints, Mary, the mother of Jesus, holds a unique place. Scripture scholars agree that the evangelist, Luke, had a close friendship with Mary. Luke tells us more about Mary than any of the other gospel writers.



Luke, both in his gospel and in the Acts of the Apostles, describes the Ascension, the event which marked the completion of Jesus' ministry on earth. In neither account is there mention that Mary was there, but in Acts, Luke goes on to tell us that when the apostles gathered back in Jerusalem and waited for the coming of the Holy Spirit, Mary was with them.

Luke refers to the fact that Jesus, after his Passion and over a period of 40 days, had shown himself to be alive on many occasions. Interestingly, all the resurrection stories are shrouded in mystery and the apostles will need the gift of the Spirit to help them put the jigsaw together. Their hopes were duly fulfilled at Pentecost when they were given the power to witness fearlessly to the Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus.

We are all being called to be Christ's witnesses in our own time and place. It is not surprising that the Church came to the conclusion that Mary must have shared the experience of the Ascension. Later in the liturgical year, we celebrate her Assumption into heaven. Ultimately, this gives meaning to today's feast for all of us.

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### Masses:

#### **NEW Saturday Vigil:**

5.15pm

(see Mass schedule)

#### **NEW Sunday Mass:**

10.30am

#### **Novena Prayer:**

Every Friday at 9am

Mass

#### **Exposition:**

##### **Every Thursday**

9.30am - 6.45pm  
with Benediction at  
6.45pm

#### **Anointing Mass:**

First Friday of each  
month at 9am Mass

#### **May 28 - Saturday Vigil**

**Mass at Sacred Heart**

**at 5.15pm**

#### **May 29 - Sunday Mass**

**at 10.30am at MPH**

#### **June 4 - Saturday Vigil**

**Mass at St Ignatius at**

**5.15pm**

#### **June 5 - Sunday Mass**

**at MPH at 10.30am**

## **MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH**

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## **ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

**Saturday 28 & Sunday 29 May 2022**



"Christ has no body now, but yours.

No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

Yours are the eyes through which  
Christ looks compassion into the world.

Yours are the feet  
with which Christ walks to do good.

Yours are the hands  
with which Christ blesses the world."

*Saint Teresa of Ávila*



# Farewell

**We will farewell Fr Bernard Teo at 10.30am Mass on Sunday 19 June  
All welcome!**

## **WE ARE LOOKING FOR ALTAR SERVERS**

If any child who has finished the Sacramental Program and received their First Communion wishes to be trained as an altar server, please contact Dcn Mark Rivalland.



## **Sacramental Programme – Information Evening MPH & St Ignatius Parishes New Date: Tuesday 14th June**

If your child is in Year 4 at school this year, come along to our Information Session to enrol to your child into our 2 year Sacramental Programme on Tuesday 14th June, 7:30pm at St Ignatius Parish Centre. Please email Gina: [stignatius.sacraments@gmail.com](mailto:stignatius.sacraments@gmail.com) to confirm your attendance.  
*Remember your Mask.*

## **NEW MEMBERS**



## **NEW MEMBERS FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL & LITURGY COMMITTEE**

Please consider joining the Parish Council or Liturgy Committee. Nominations can be submitted to Fr. John or Deacon Mark prior to the AGM, which will be held on July 3.

**We are very much in need of volunteers to do the Power Point at our weekend Masses.**

**Please contact Maureen in the office if you would be interested in assisting with this ministry.**

*Training will be provided.*

*We Need Your Help*



## **WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

Mondays and Tuesdays – **8.30am Mass at St Ignatius Parish**  
Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays - **9am Mass at MPH**

**Eucharistic Adoration at MPH Parish every Thursday following Mass with Benediction at 6.45pm**  
**Every first Friday there will be an Anointing of the Sick Mass at 9am at MPH Parish**

**We remember in prayer our parishioners whose anniversaries occur during May :** Pat Stanaway, Dorothy Scully, Br Raymond Kassler, Br Rexton Lamb CSSR, Annie Lokes, Ruru Basting, Aisling Wilson, Keith Dalton, Rita Lowen, John Heron, Nora Sharkey, Doreen Mckema, Caryl Ims



## **Next Week: PENTECOST SUNDAY 4 & 5 June 2022**

<b>ROSTER</b>	<b>Saturday Vigil Mass 5.15pm</b>	<b>Sunday Mass 10.30am</b>
<b>Welcomer</b>		
<b>Greeters</b>		Maria Kneebone
<b>Musicians</b>		
<b>PowerPoint</b>		Louise Morton
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>		
<b>Prayers of the Faithful</b>	Dcn Mark Rivalland	<b>Altar Linen</b> - David Manickum
<b>Ministers of Communion</b>		Heather Hart
<b>Readers</b>		James Bergin David Bergin
<b>Cleaners</b>	Malia Sili and Willie Lavaka	
<b>Grace Joel</b>	10.30am David Manickum and Maria Kneebone	