

# Jubilee Catholic Parish

EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

St Ambrose's, Newmarket ~ St Brigid's, Red Hill ~ St Finbarr's, Ashgrove ~ St Joan of Arc, Herston  
St Mary Magdalene, Bardon ~ Sacred Heart, Rosalie ~ St Thomas More's, Petrie Terrace

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD – 12 MAY 2024**

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## **Ascension**

After witnessing Christ's persecution and death on the cross, it must have been comforting to the disciples to have him reappear to them at various times throughout the next 40 days before he ascended into heaven. The disciples witness this ascension in this weekend's first reading with Christ being lifted up and disappearing into a cloud. They're left dumbfounded until the words of two mysterious 'men in white' break them out of their staring silence.

But it is Jesus' final words to them that are most important, telling them to stop wondering and asking questions as they will soon receive the Holy Spirit, enabling them to carry on his work here on Earth. This is their mission or vocation and Jesus obviously feels they are ready to take it on (or soon will be, with the help of the Holy Spirit). St Paul encourages us in the second reading to find our vocation, saying we've all 'been given our own share of grace, given as Christ allotted it'. While our 'share of grace' may not involve casting out devils, speaking in tongues and wrestling poisonous snakes as in today's Gospel, we can think of some applications of these gifts in our everyday lives. Can we take the time to be of assistance to someone who is struggling physically, mentally or emotionally? Can we communicate more clearly or kindly? And there are surely times when we can choose to avoid poisonous thoughts or words from ourselves or others.

The good news is that we're not alone in our struggles with our vocation. The Gospel tells us that Jesus ascended – not into a cloud – but to his rightful place, at God's right hand. As Jesus lived a human life, he understands our human imperfections and challenges and intercedes for us as we seek to fulfil our own vocations. **Jennifer Cahill**



**FIRST COMMUNION:** Congratulations to **Oliver Davis, Madeleine Foy, Mahli Gissing, Ava Campling and Isaiah Tumwebaze** who were welcomed to the table of the Lord. May the blessing of the Lord Jesus be poured on them from this day forward.

## The Ascension of the Lord - 12 May 2024 (Year B)

### Proper of the Mass

**1st Reading:** Acts 1:1-11 **Second Reading:** Eph 1:17-23

**Response:** God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord  
**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia! Go and teach all people your Gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Mark 16:15-20



**MOTHERS DAY:** This weekend we celebrate Mother's Day. We pray for all mothers in gratefulness for the gift of life and nurturing they have given. We remember those who have died and are with us in the resurrection. Those preparing for motherhood are also in our prayers as they wait expectantly for what lies ahead.

**A Prayer for All Mothers**

Gracious God. On this special day dedicated to honouring mothers, we come before You with hearts full of gratitude. We ask, Lord, for Your special blessing upon every mother. May they know that the work of their hands is forever cherished by You. May today be a reflection of the joy and beauty they bring into our lives. Grant each mother strength, patience, and endless love as they nurture and guide their families. Let their example be a beacon through life's challenges and joys. May their wisdom and faith be a legacy passed down to generation after generation. We also pray for comfort and support for those who find this day difficult—those who have lost their mothers, those yearning to be mothers, and those who have strained relationships. Surround them with Your love and peace, providing comfort in their hearts. We thank You for the gift of motherhood, the endless sacrifices made, and the unconditional love given. We ask these blessings through Christ our Lord. Amen

**MARY THE WOMAN OF GREAT TRUST IN GOD**

*"From Mary we learn to surrender to God's will in all things. From Mary we learn to trust even when all hope seems gone. From Mary we learn to love Christ her son and the son of God."* (St John Paul II)

One of the amazing qualities of Mary is that she could see the plan of God in all the events of her life. Even though she was chosen as the mother of the divine child, who is the author of all splendours, she was given the cradle of poverty, and the manger to give birth to her child. But she had the faith to accept God's plan. On Calvary all hope had ended for the disciples and they ran, with utter hopelessness, in all different directions. But Mary stood on Calvary, trusting the goodness of God. Mary loved Jesus; his presence made her happy. She did not ask her son to do miracles for her happiness, nor did she abandon him during his ups and downs. Her obedience to the divine will, trust in the divine providence and her love of Jesus made her the perfect model of discipleship and faith. She was an ordinary girl of Nazareth but her trust made her extraordinary. Mary's life shows that our faith and trust in God have the power to transform our lives. **Fr Tomi.**



**SVDP 130 Year celebration:**

SVDP celebrated 130 Years of service at St Brigid's Church on Sunday 5 May. The QLD State president, Trish McMahon was there to present Parishioner, Heather Whiteley with a 50 Year of service award. Amazing achievement. Congratulations Heather !!



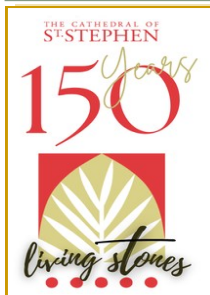
A Mass of thanksgiving for the life of Raymond Greene will be held at 10.30am on Monday 13 May at St Brigid's Church Red Hill. May Raymond rest in the eternal embrace of our loving Father.



Congratulations to **Helen Montazzoli** who was confirmed this weekend. May the Holy Spirit bless her with the strength and wisdom to live God's holy way.



This week I am presenting at the St Francis Spiritual Direction Formation Programme, Tuesday to Friday. It simply means I will be busy with that from 8.30am to 5pm each day. Pray for the students that God works for good in these days. Thank you. **Fr Gerry**



**OTHER KEYS EVENTS:**

**17 May** 150th Anniversary of the Cathedral of St Stephen Mass, 12.30pm  
Ecumenical Celebration, 6.00pm

**18 May**, Archbishop Mark—Golden Jubilee Mass 11.30am  
Pentecost Vigil Mass, 6.00pm

**19 May**—Pentecost Sunday  
Finale Celebration Mass, 10.30am

**PARISH DIARY**



**Monday 13 May**

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am

**Tuesday 14 May**

Mass (Newmarket) 9.00am

**Wednesday 15 May**

Mass (Rosalie) 6.30am  
Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

**Thursday 16 May**

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am  
**NO** Mass (Ashgrove) 9.00am

**Friday 17 May**

Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

**Pentecost Sunday**

**18/19 May**

**Saturday 18 May**

**Individual Reconciliation**  
(Rosalie) 4:00pm-4:20pm  
(Ashgrove) 5:15pm-5:45pm

**18 May Vigil**

Mass (Rosalie) 4.30pm  
Mass (Ashgrove) 6.00pm

**Sunday 19 May**

Mass (Herston) 7:30am  
Mass (Bardon) 8:00am  
Mass (Ashgrove) 8:30am  
Mass (Newmarket) 9:30am  
Mass (Red Hill) 10:00am  
Korean Mass (Rosalie) 10:00am  
Mass (Rosalie) 5:30pm



**WOODLANDS ANOINTING LITURGY**  
Friday 17 May 10.30am

**JUBILEE CARDS**  
Saturday 18 May 12.00pm  
St Finbarr's School hall

**CHILDRENS LITURGY**  
**ST JOAN OF ARC CHURCH**  
Sunday 19 May 7.30am

**ST JOAN OF ARC MORNING TEA**  
Sunday 19 May following the 7.30am Mass





is seeking applications for the position of **Pastoral Animator**.

**Key responsibilities:**

The Pastoral Animator's role is to assist the parish priests in the nurture, organisation and delivery of pastoral ministry. The role is to empower them as members of the local Church so that they live as Disciples of Christ within the modern world. It is to minister with the Parish Priests and other Pastoral Staff in the conduct of the Church's mission. It is forming parishioners to utilising their gifts for the co-creation of God's kingdom.

**Permanent Full Time Role:** 38 hours per week.

For more information please email [pp.jubilee@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:pp.jubilee@bne.catholic.net.au)

**Applications close of business Friday 31 May 2024.**

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD:** Today we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord. The Ascension is not a farewell or a time of sadness at Jesus' departure from this world. Like every Christian festival, the Ascension celebrates the ongoing presence of the risen Christ in our midst. The Preface and the Solemn Blessing for the Ascension both make this clear.

"Christ the mediator between God and the human race, judge of the world and Lord of all, has passed beyond our sight, not to abandon us but to be our hope. Christ is the beginning, the head of the Church; where he has gone, we hope to follow." (Preface)

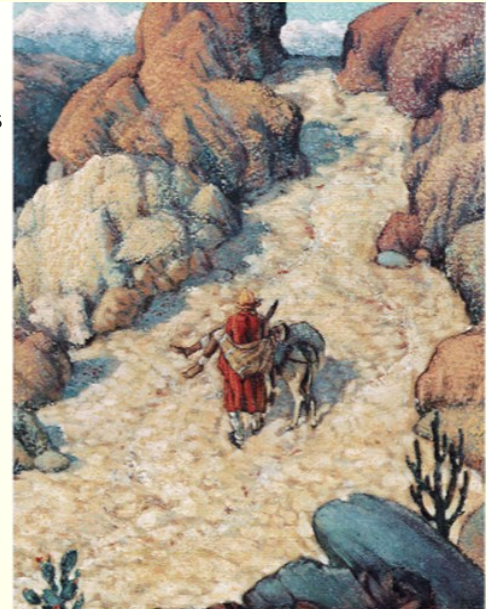
"May you, who believe Christ is seated with the Father in his majesty, know with joy the fulfilment of his promise to stay with you until the end of time." (Solemn Blessing)

The Ascension is Jesus' final commissioning of the disciples to go out into the whole world and proclaim the Good News.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 12 - 19 MAY 2024**

In Australia the Ascension marks the beginning of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme for this year is "You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself". (Luke 10:27) Love of Christ and neighbour is the driving force that moves us beyond our division toward acts of reconciliation.

God, you call us into community,  
a community for the common good,  
a community of oneness in our diversity,  
people from every nation, tribe, culture, and language.  
Unite us as we seek to live out your love.  
You call us to be loving neighbours  
to go where our neighbour is, to help them in their need  
and let them help us in ours.  
We are your family, a part of your kingdom,  
each a beloved sibling to share in grace.  
Bless us with your wisdom,  
that we may walk and work together.  
United we pray. Amen.



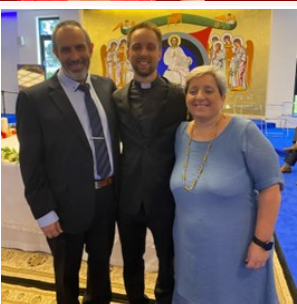
Further information and resources: <https://www.ncca.org.au/faith-and-unity-resources>



**On Friday 17 May at 6pm there will be a Service in the Cathedral of St Stephen, Elizabeth Street, Brisbane, dedicated to Prayer for Christian Unity. All welcome.**



Pentecost is coming up very soon! It marks the birth of the Church, that day 2000 years ago when the Holy Spirit fell upon the disciples empowering and equipping them with the gifts that they were going to need to take the Gospel far and wide, and so the Church was born! We wanted to share a few resources to engage your children. For these free resources, and more, head to : <https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/kids-ideas-for-pentecost/>



Hello everyone! : My name is Marco Ferraioli. My family and I have been members of St Ambrose's since 2005 when we moved to Brisbane. We are in the first Neocatechumenal community of the Jubilee parish. I moved to Perth in 2015 to join the Archdiocesan Missionary Seminary, Redemptoris Mater. However, despite the move, Brisbane remains my home and St Ambrose's is where I discovered my vocation to the priesthood. And, of course, the highlight of the year was always to come back to Brissy for the summer holiday. I am writing this small message to inform you all that after 9 years of formation in the seminary, I will be getting ordained a deacon on the 23rd of May. Thanks be to God. Please pray for me! **Marco**

# The Education Ministry of Jubilee Catholic Parish

St Finbarr's School, Ashgrove. St Joseph's School, Bardon.

St Ambrose School, Newmarket



## CELEBRATING OUR MUMS AND SPECIAL WOMEN

This week we celebrated God's treasured gifts to us – our mums, grandmothers and special women in our lives who care for us like mothers. On Thursday, the dads in our community prepared a delicious breakfast for our mums to enjoy and we then gathered for a very special Mother's Day Prayer Assembly led by our Prep students. Hearts melted as our Preppies reflected on why they love their mums, and our choir dedicated a heartfelt performance to the special women in their lives. We could certainly feel the love in our school this week!

This weekend, we pray for all the mums and special women in our school and parish community. May they feel our joyful love and thankfulness.



Year 3 students have been enjoying the first book in the Fish Kid series during lunch time book club. This included investigating 'fishy' facts and joining Kylie Howarth, author and illustrator of the series for an online drawing tutorial.

All year 3-4 learners had an onsite visit from Peter Carnavas. Peter is a renowned author and illustrator of novels and picture books and spoke to students about his latest book, Leo and Ralph. Students were able to get some insights on the writing and illustration process for authors and make links to their own creative processes. Our year 6 students have been preparing for the Regional Readers Cup later in the term, taking notes on their texts and building their team work skills. Our Teacher Librarian and Library support staff keep the ALC an engaging and exciting place for our learners to engage, extend and elevate their literacy skills.



Last Friday, St. Ambrose's School had the honor of hosting the Archdiocesan Message Stick as part of the St. Stephen's Cathedral Sesquicentenary Celebrations. Our Year 6 Pastoral Ministry visited each class to share the sacred symbol with all students. This ancient and culturally significant instrument of welcome and acceptance is currently making its way around the Archdiocese of Brisbane, heralding the 150th Anniversary of the completion and opening of the Cathedral of St.

Stephen on the sacred lands of the First Nations Peoples of Meanjin, Brisbane. The Archdiocesan Message Stick serves as a bridge between cultures, connecting us to the land and its First Nations custodians. It reminds us of our shared humanity and the importance of coming together in faith and celebration. May this sacred symbol continue to inspire us as we walk together on this spiritual journey, acknowledging the wisdom and resilience of the First Nations Peoples who have cared for this land for generations.



## Gloria

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of goodwill.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
We adore you, we glorify you.  
We give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
You take away the sins of the world  
have mercy on us;  
You take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

## Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, *(all bow)* born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.  
**Amen.**

## In Transition

We celebrate with the families of **Jermaine Sipple & Mikayla Poppin** who were married this weekend

We especially pray for **Raymond Greene** who recently passed away and for all the souls of the faithful departed; May they rest in peace.