

# Jubilee Catholic Parish

EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

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St Mary Magdalene, Bardon ~ St Thomas More's, Petrie Terrace ~ Sacred Heart, Rosalie

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## Sixth Sunday of Easter



I write this little reflection from the NT where I see Mission Australia staff caring deeply and practically for the homeless, aged, the vulnerable and lonely... Gospel love and friendship in action.

Today's Gospel follows immediately after the Gospel last week, where Jesus taught that he was the vine and that his disciples and us are the branches. Today's reading takes this Gospel further to explain more about the kind of service we are called to offer one another. And as we know we don't do this alone.

In John's Gospel, Jesus clearly states that he is known by the Father and that his disciples will know the Father by knowing Jesus. We too are known by the Father in Christ. Right here and now in the 21st century, we get to deepen what we only know, in part, by being and praying together, listening to the Word of God and celebrating being the body of Christ each Sunday.

Then the Gospel goes to a practical call to do and to act. In this passage, Jesus reminds his disciples, AND us, that this knowledge is to be expressed in love. Those who know Jesus well, and Jesus says that his disciples do know him, love one another.

So knowledge leads to love, which leads to action.

John reminds his community and US that Jesus taught that love is the sign of a true disciple and, thus, a true Christian. Even more, a disciple shows a particular kind of love, sacrificial love.

While the Gospel is about love for other persons and for God, there is also the use of the word - friendship. By using the term friendship, Jesus transforms the terms of his relationship with his disciples and redefines for them their relationship with God. It also redefines it for us!! Jesus is saying that his relationship to his disciples/us is based on friendship, not servitude.

In this we are all chosen by Jesus to be sent to serve the world as he did. The disciples were chosen and sent to bear fruit by serving others, by sacrificing for others, in love. Can we do the same?

What will our reaction to love and friendship be. Perhaps it urges us to reconsider all. This starts again today with you and me. Sacrificing my own comfort for another. Stopping to listen to someone in need when I have to be somewhere. *Deacon Peter*

**Mother's Day:** Helen Steiner Rice is famous for the greeting cards she writes. She wrote one poem called "What is a Mother?"

*It takes a mother's love to make a house a home, a place to be remembered, no matter where we roam. It takes a mother's patience to bring a child up right, and her courage and her cheerfulness to make a dark day bright.*

*It takes a mother's thoughtfulness to mend the heart's deep hurts, and her skill and her endurance to mend little socks and shirts.*

*It takes a mother's wisdom to recognize our needs and to give us reassurance by her loving words and deeds.* →

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 9 MAY 2021 (YEAR B)

### Proper of the Mass

**First Reading:** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 **Second Reading:** 1 John 4:7-10

**Response:** The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia, All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** John 14:15-16

Today, we thank our mothers, pray for them, and honor them by celebrating Mother's Day. A day to admit, gratefully, the fact that none of us is able to return, in the same measure, the love that our mothers have given us. Our mothers gave us birth, nursed and nurtured us. The word "Mum" is synonymous with sacrificial, *agápe* love in its purest form, as commanded by Jesus: "Love one another as I have loved you."



Let us lavish our love on our mothers and express our gratitude in the form of fervent prayers offered for them before God. Happy Mother's Day. *Fr Rony*

**WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY—SUNDAY MAY 16, 2021:** Next Sunday we celebrate World Communications Day 2021 with the theme, "Come and See". In his message for this day Pope Francis says that the invitation to *come and see* was part of those first moving encounters of Jesus with the disciples, and is also the method for all authentic human communication. In order to tell the truth of life that becomes history, we need to go and see for ourselves, spend time with people, listen to their stories and confront reality, which always in some way surprises. This year the Australian Catholic Media Council has proposed a modest campaign drawing upon this theme which is drawn from the Gospels. It is being adapted to invite people to *Come and See* where Jesus lives, encouraging people to think about how the Church's ministries make Jesus present in the lives of people they serve. The campaign is aimed primarily at people who are already connected to the Catholic Church including practising Catholics, non-practising Catholics and those working in the many Catholic ministries. The challenge that awaits us, then, is to communicate by encountering people, where they are and as they are.



**Mary - Our Heavenly Mother:** This is the month during which, in the churches and individual homes, prayers and devotions from the hearts of Christians are raised to Mary, our Heavenly Mother. Mary says in the Magnificat, "All generations will call me blessed." Why do we call her blessed?

What makes Mary worthy of honor is her motherhood. Today, on Mother's Day, let us acknowledge the truth that we have two mothers: our earthly mother and our Heavenly Mother. The Catholic Church proclaims the

nobility of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and presents her as the supreme model for all mothers. On this special day, representing all mothers on the altar, let us remember the words of the hymn, "Gentle woman, peaceful dove, teach us wisdom, teach us love." Let us show our love and appreciation for both of our mothers and ask our Heavenly Mother to take care of our earthly mothers. Pope Francis is calling for a rosary marathon, during the month of May, praying for an end to the coronavirus pandemic. Let us join with the Holy Father in asking the intercession of our heavenly Mother in this uncertain time.

**EID-UL-FITR :** On 13<sup>th</sup> May Muslims all over the world celebrate *Eid-Ul-Fitr*. It is also called the Festival of the Breaking of the Fast. This religious holiday is celebrated by Muslims worldwide and marks the end of the month-long, dawn-to-sunset fasting of Ramadan. Special prayers are said, generally at communal gatherings, in open areas or large halls or mosques. Charitable donations, called Zakat, are given to the poor. It is a time of family celebrations and feasting with special foods according to local cultures. The traditional greeting to all at this time is '*Eid Mubarak*'.



**Caritas Appeal:** Caritas Australia, in partnership with Caritas India, is providing support to vulnerable communities as the nation is devastated by massive increases in COVID-19 infection rates. The communities which Caritas works with are among the most vulnerable to COVID-19, with poor access to clean water and Personal Protective Equipment. We are accepting donations through our Asia Emergency Appeal which can be found here: <https://caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/asia-emergency-appeal/>. Please consider giving generously towards this as we support these vulnerable communities now, and assist them as they start to rebuild their lives in the future.



# PARISH DIARY



**Monday 10 May**  
Mass (Red Hill) 6:30am

**Tuesday 11 May**  
Mass (Newmarket) 9:00am

**Wednesday 12 May**  
Mass (Rosalie) 6:30am  
Mass (Bardon) 9:00am

**Thursday 13 May**  
Mass (Red Hill) 6:30am  
Mass (Ashgrove) 9:00am

**Friday 14 May**  
Mass (Bardon) 9:00am  
**Saturday 15 May 2021**  
Individual Reconciliation  
(Rosalie) 4:00pm – 4:20pm  
(Ashgrove) 5:15pm – 5:45pm

**The Ascension of the Lord**  
**16<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

**Saturday Vigil**  
Mass (Rosalie) 4:30pm  
Mass (Ashgrove) 6:00pm

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

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### ONLINE LECTURE ON LITURGY: MONSIGNOR KEVIN IRWIN

On Monday May 17, 2021 the ACU Centre for Liturgy is presenting an online public lecture by Monsignor Professor Kevin W Irwin on “Liturgy and Sacraments in a COVID World: Renewal not Restoration”.

In the lecture Msgr Kevin Irwin will highlight a positive path forward through the challenge of problematic liturgical practices that have been uncovered during the pandemic, where parishes have used technology to connect to their communities. While some successful innovations have emerged during this period, further work is still needed in many places to implement Vatican II’s liturgical reforms fully.

Monsignor Irwin held the Walter J. Schmitz Chair of Liturgical Studies (2000-2015) at Catholic University of America. He is currently their Ordinary Research Professor. He is the author of over twenty books and seventy journal articles.

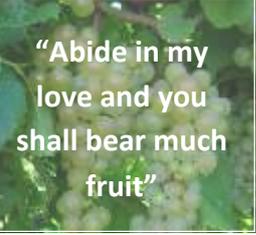
The public lecture will run from 10am-11:30am AEST 17 May via Zoom.

More information and to register visit <https://www.acu.edu.au/publiclecturecf>

### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The annual Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be held at the Cathedral of St Stephen in Brisbane City on Friday 21 May from **11am to Noon**. Representatives of seven different Christian traditions will lead prayer, and all Catholics are welcome to join in praying for Christian unity

To register for this event, head to [app.tickets.org.au/eb/weekofprayer2021](http://app.tickets.org.au/eb/weekofprayer2021) or - you are most welcome to offer prayers at home.



**CHILDREN’S MINISTRY:** Are you interested in ministering to children? The Evangelisation Brisbane Children & Families team would love to connect with you! To get in touch, contact Chantale Wilson at [wil-sonch@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:wil-sonch@bne.catholic.net.au) or subscribe to the Children & Families newsletter mailing list here: <https://tinyurl.com/evangelisation>.

### Marist College Ashgrove Card and Games Day

The Marist College Ashgrove P&F Association invites you to attend their quarterly Card and Games Day.

Attendees are asked to form their own table of 4 friends and bring a game that they would like to play – cards (such as Bridge), mahjong, scrabble, or other board games.

- Date:** Wednesday 19 May 2021
- Time:** 9:30am for 10:00am until 2:00pm
- Venue:** Cyprian Pavilion at Marist College Ashgrove, entrance via Frasers Road
- Cost per person:** \$20 which includes morning tea, lunch, tea/coffee, and a lucky door ticket  
Pay on arrival with cash or EFTPOS

**Raffle Tickets are also available:** \$2 each or 3 for \$5

**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL – RSVP BY Friday 14 May 2021**

**FOR BOOKINGS OR ENQUIRIES, PLEASE CONTACT**

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**SUNDAY | MAY 9TH | 3:30-5:30PM**

Fr Denis Power Building, 333 Given Terrace,  
Paddington

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A catechist gives a reflection on Scripture at the diocesan centre in Abuja, Nigeria (CNS/Nancy Wiechec)

Pope Francis is preparing to formally institute the “ministry of catechist” for millions of lay people around the world, recognised as catechists in their parish or diocese. The Vatican press office said that Pope Francis’ apostolic letter of May 5

“Antiquum Ministerium” (“Ancient Ministry”), instituting the ministry, would be released on May 11. The Pope says catechists are called to lead people to a deeper relationship with Jesus, prepare them to receive the sacraments and educate them in the teachings of the Church.

In many parts of the world, especially in communities without a resident priest, catechists are the leaders of the local Catholic community, evangelising, convoking and guiding their fellow Catholics in prayer and works of charity. The Code of Canon Law has a canon on catechists involved in strictly missionary activity and describes them as *lay members of Christ’s faithful who have received proper formation and are outstanding in their living of the Christian life.*

# The Education Ministry of Jubilee Catholic Parish

St Finbarr's School, Ashgrove~St Joseph's School, Bardon~St Ambrose's School Newmarket



This week, Fran and I commenced St Joey's 2022 Prep Enrolment interviews. This is always an exciting time for these families as together we prepare for and anticipate the start of primary education.

This week we had our Term 2 Open Day where parents had an opportunity to view our beautiful school, wonderful facilities and to meet our talented staff. Despite the heavy rain of Wednesday we still had many families attend.

Currently our teaching staff and children are working in positive partnership for Student Led Conferences. This is an opportunity for our students to communicate to parents about their learning journey, successes, improvements, next steps and, most importantly, to celebrate.

This week, our magnificent Parents and Friends team worked our Mothers' Day Stall. Thank you so much to all the parent volunteers who planned and organised this stall for our community. The children had an absolute buzz at selecting presents. There will be some happy faces on Sunday.



## Mother's Day

Last year we were unable to celebrate Mother's Day but this year I think we well and truly made up for that. After a wet and very cold Wednesday, Brisbane awoke on Thursday with a beautiful blue sky and amazing day, ready for St Finbarr's to celebrate all things Mum. With a morning coffee ticked off, we came together as community to celebrate our Mother's Day Mass. While there were many special moments during the mass the debut of our choir was very exciting and they sounded wonderful. Thanks to Mrs Fietchner for leading the children on this new adventure.

We also welcomed back our Altar Servers and offertory which was wonderful to see the return of both these opportunities at mass again. It was exciting to see so many parents and parishioners who could join us to acknowledge all the special women in our lives through the celebration of mass.



This term at St Ambrose's, we are offering the opportunity for enthusiastic students who would like to become altar servers at our school masses and/or our weekend Parish Family masses.

Altar serving is a very special job and a great privilege for young people to undertake. By helping with the organisation of the mass, it is also a job that helps people worship in the parish community.

This week, we had 4 very enthusiastic Year 5/6 students begin their training with Fr Rony in the church. How exciting that they can contribute to the Religious Life of the school, in such an important role. Well done girls and thank you Fr Rony!



## Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
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

*As a parish family we welcome into the church **Charlotte Moss, Thomas Steger, Belle Partridge, Miguel Blinco, Thomas Baker & Rex Baker** who were baptised this weekend.*

*We celebrate with the families of **Adelaide Hayes & Bran Hernandez** who celebrated their weddings this weekend.*

**WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED; MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**