

Capricorn Coast Catholic Parish

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**Sacred Heart Church
Yeppoon**

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**St Brendan's Chapel
Yeppoon**

Adelaide Park Rd, Yeppoon

**Mary Immaculate Church
Emu Park**

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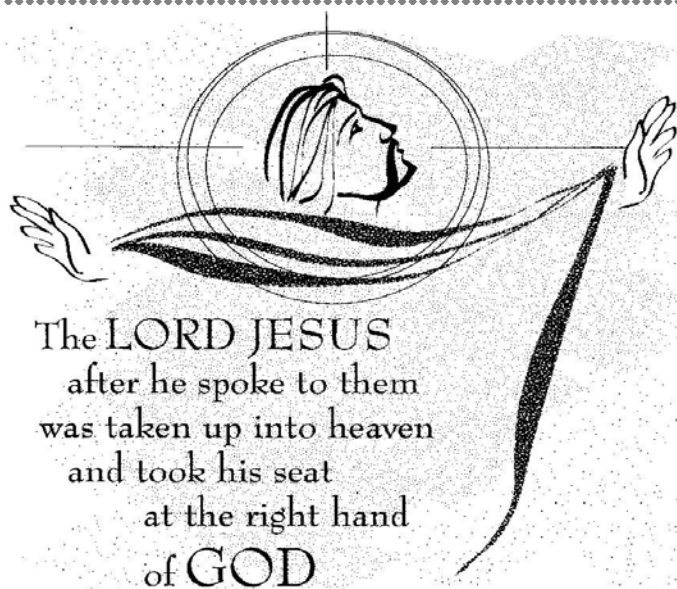


The Ascension of the Lord ~ Year B

May 20, 2012

The Lord ascends with the sound of a trumpet!

Introduction: We celebrate Jesus' Ascension into Heaven, the prelude to his sending of the Holy Spirit on the Church; this same Spirit moves among us today as we lift up our hearts and our voices in praise.



The LORD JESUS
after he spoke to them
was taken up into heaven
and took his seat
at the right hand
of GOD

FIRST READING: Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

Jesus passes from the disciples' sight, but promises a new advocate.

Response: Psalm 46

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

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:17-23

Through the presence of the Spirit Jesus promised, we are in communion with the Body of Christ his Church, and we are called to grow to maturity in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia

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GOSPEL READING: Mark 16:15-20

We hear the conclusion of Mark's Gospel with its strong words of Christ's promise to be with us always.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

WE ARE CALLED (AOV 2-60)

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PREPARATION OF GIFTS:

WE ARE MANY PARTS (AOV 1-86)

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COMMUNION HYMN:

COME RING OUT OUR JOY

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RECESSIONAL:

GLORY BE TO GOD IN HEAVEN (GA 422)

(Hymn to Joy) PAUL GURR. SPECTRUM PUBLICATIONS

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Vision: Capricorn Coast Parish will be a community of believers, where all who come will find God's love in action, in us and through us and have their own personal experience with the Risen Christ.

HOW CAN YOU USE YOUR GIFTEDNESS FOR THIS WEEKS GOAL

FROM THE PASTORAL PLAN — Outward Focus

Goal To witness, through faith and love in action, to the Good News of the Kingdom of God.

Next week's readings:

Pentecost Sunday - Year B

1st Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 103

2nd Galatians 5:16-25

Gospel John 15:26-27

North Rockhampton / Capricorn Coast Parish Cluster

SACRED HEART CHURCH, YEPPOON		MARY IMMACULATE CHURCH, EMU PARK	
MONDAY.....21	7.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Rosary & Benediction	TUESDAY.....22	8.00am Mass
WEDNESDAY.....23	9.00am Mass	SUNDAY.....27	7.00am Mass Sacrament of Confirmation
FRIDAY.....25	9.00am Mass	ST BRENDAN'S CHAPEL, YEPPOON During School Terms Only	
SATURDAY.....26	5.00pm Reconciliation 6.00pm Youth Mass	SUNDAY.....27	NO MASS THIS WEEKEND
SUNDAY.....27	9.00am Mass Sacrament of Confirmation		

MARIAN PRAYER GROUP
Prayers to Mary held every
Wednesday 5.00pm at
Sacred Heart Church Yeppoon
All Welcome

Due to the Privacy Act we require family and friends to notify the office should they know of anyone who may appreciate a visit or to take Communion to them at home.

SOPHIA LIBRARY
Open Wednesday / Saturday
8.30am till 11.00am
Emu Park every 2nd Sunday of the month
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WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK ESPECIALLY

Judy Perrett, Victor Jansz, Matthew Bignell, Violet Thomas, Gloria Bishop, Michael Watkins, John Holland, Dinny Mangan, David Lloyd Thearle, Graeme Sims, Karyn Jones, Connie Carpenter, Margaret Lambrick, Fred & Jean Sandell, John Williams, Fr Bill McCarthy, Myrna Williams, Angeles Palec, Dr Rene Juaneza, Nita Flaherty, Steve Egan, Jack O'Farrell, Mary Smith, Cindy Mackintosh, Val Spargo, Patricia Hughes, Sr Dolores Wilson, Lorna Bradford, Pat Hillman, Jane Harris, Steven Thring, Madonna Simmons, Barry Mahony, Ethel Jarman, Stan Wenman, Elizabeth Pilcher, Maureen Cocks, Kathleen Murphy, Pat McCabe, Grace Griffin, James Shackleton

Would you kindly indicate, when sending in names, which list the person needs to be on, thank you.

LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THOSE LOVED ONES WHO ARE RECENTLY DECEASED OR WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME

Ken Forde, Justin Rankin, Ellen Rankin, Margaret Rankin, Alexander Rankin, Alfredo Ay-ay, Nicolas Ay-ay, Regina Ay-ay, Efren Ballesteros, Caridad Domingo, Rosa Domingo, Alejandro Domingo, Kevin O'Brien, Ashley Mitchell, Ronald Mitchell, Leo Byrne, Patricia Dalton, Maria Matthews, Isobel Pheely, Florence Hickey, Maisie Harris, Glenn Boustead, Peg and Brian Besley, Herb Hammelswang, Colin Hanifin, Craig Byatt, John Barwick, Joan Chase, Gloria Apps, Dalmacia de Castro, Moises Martinez, Pilar Cossid, Rev Dr Kevin Castles, Evelyn Saunders, Leonie Edwards, William Ross, Sue Palmer (Bartley)



PLANNED GIVING

Pledged Giving per week as at the 01/07/11
Given last week Bankcard, Direct debits & Envelopes
Average per week
Loose collection
Thank you for your continued support of our Thanksgiving Programme

\$ 3070.00
\$ 1944.70
\$ 2579.07
\$ 503.60
No of Envelopes
last week 97

CHANGE OF ADDRESS / NEW PARISHIONERS If you are a newly arrived parishioner or have changed your address, please insert your name, address and phone number in the spaces below, tear off and place in the offertory basket so that a member of the welcoming committee can contact you or details are updated in the office. **Please introduce yourself to Fr Bryan** Please complete the information below:

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The SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION will be celebrated next Sunday 27th May ~ 7am Mary Immaculate & 9am Sacred Heart

Confirmation Holy Goods Stall will be operating at Sacred Heart Church Saturday 26 May and Sunday 27 May after Mass. Goods are also available from St Vincent de Paul shop.

You are invited to a SHARED BREAKFAST after 7am Mass next Sunday 27 May at Mary Immaculate Church.

EMU PARK ROSTER is now available at both churches for you to collect. If new people on ministries have any queries about the roster please see Helen after Mass.

You are invited to **Morning Tea** at Sacred Heart Church after Mass this Sunday ~ hosted by St Ursula's College Hospitality students.
The **Parish BBQ** will be held next Saturday (26 May) after 6pm Mass ~ helpers would be appreciated.

CATECHIST RETREAT will be held at "The Haven" **Monday 28 May from 9.30am to 2pm**. Morning tea will be provided. Please bring your own lunch and a gold coin donation

COFFEE & CHAT will be held on 29 May. This is held after 8am Mass at Mary Immaculate Church. We walk across to the nearby cafe for an informal meet and greet. We would love to share your company.

MOTHERS PRAYERS Two English women felt the need to pray in a more committed way, in order to combat the problems facing our children - future generations. With prayer and Jesus' guidance they created Mothers Prayers which is for all women - all who have a mother's heart, married or single. All are welcome! They created a format where prayers and hopes are presented to Jesus and the Holy Spirit so they will intercede for the young individuals. A weekly gathering of one hour is most beneficial. If you are interested in finding out more about a Mothers Prayers group please fill out your details in the black folder in the foyer at Sacred Heart Church.

Blanket Buddies Raffle: congratulations **J Makin** ticket **0422**.

Josephite Associates will meet for prayer and reflection on Saturday 26th May in the meeting room at St Vincent's Wandal commencing at 2pm. All are most welcome to come along.

Nominations for the Chaplain Bike Ride close this Monday, if you wish to participate. If you would like to support the local (Christian) Chaplains, please contact Shane Pianta or the parish office by Friday. More information is available on the notice boards or contact the Worship and Ministry Community Church.

Woolworths are running their "Earn and Learn" campaign again this year. If you would like to support either of the two local Catholic Primary schools, Sacred Heart and St Benedicts', you can leave your stickers at the service desk at Woolworths in the school's box, drop them off at the school, or you can leave them at the Sacred Heart Church in the box provided.

HOLY GROUND ~

Thursday 31 May, 7-8.30pm Holy Family Hall, Feez St, Nth R'ton
RSVP to the Cathedral Centre by 5pm Tuesday 29 May
Ph: 49 276744 Email: rockysouth@rok.catholic.net.au
A gold coin donation would be appreciated.

MAY is the month of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



Each Monday during May at 7pm
at Sacred Heart Church

there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Rosary and Benediction. All are encouraged to spend some time in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament.

Thursday 14 & Friday 15 June 2012, 9am -4pm

Rockhampton Diocesan Commission for Justice and Sustainability formation experience facilitated by Luke Edwards from Catholic Earthcare Australia.
152 West Street, Rockhampton. RSVP—4 June.
Ph 49 313750 or 0419 203 677 Email dcjassisi@gmail.com

Wednesday 20 June, 2012

We are seeking expressions of interest from **Parishioners who will require transport to Mass at Holy Family Church to celebrate Fr Dan Moore's 50th Anniversary — please ring the Office to register.**

DATE CLAIMER


THE CELEBRATION OF ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL

COMPLETION OF RESTORATION WORKS

1ST & 2ND SEPTEMBER 2012 Further details will follow

YOUTH MASS ~6pm ~Sacred Heart ~Saturday 26 May

Take 2 with Jesus

 Bishop Brian invites you to join him in the Year of Grace spending two minutes each day praying with Jesus. **Two minutes guided reflection will be available each day by email.**

These reflections are designed to help us busy people take a year- long retreat, starting afresh with Christ.

Sr Kym Harris will write the reflections around a weekly theme. For example, the week after Pentecost explore the presence of the Holy Spirit in Jesus' life.

These daily reflections will commence on Pentecost Sunday 27 May 2012 and conclude Pentecost Sunday 2013. The Bishop will introduce this retreat with his reflections on "What Jesus means to him!" on Youtube – link details to follow.

To subscribe: email prayer@rok.catholic.net.au with your name and preferred email address.

The Year of Grace begins on May 27 2012.....Pentecost Sunday.

"The Year of Grace is not a program but an opportunity"

The Year of Grace begins next Sunday, Pentecost Sunday, and it begins by the Church in Australia asking God for a year of Grace, a time to renew and reflect again on how Christ is present in our lives and the difference living with Him makes to us. There is no program for the year of Grace, but it will offer us many opportunities to pray, to reflect on God's Word and to make the most out of how our communities intend to mark this special year. In their earlier pastoral letter the Australia Catholic Bishops have invited us to explore many aspects of our spiritual lives during this time –

A holy time, given by God, to start afresh from Christ, contemplating his face, and listening to his word, that he may heal our wounds, overcome all our divisions and make us rich in hope, so that we may show forth his face and speak his word in new ways.

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Mary as Sign of Hope for God's Pilgrim People

*'Mary Immaculate ...
This one work has to do -
Let all God's glory through,
God's glory which would go
Through her and from her flow
Off, and no way but so.'*¹

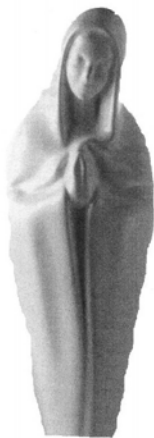
Because Mary is a mother she is more often the recipient of love than the object of thought. Still, those who love her have eyes to see. The people of God have come to realise her place in the designs of God. The last two dogmas of the Church in her regard, the Immaculate Conception in 1854 and the Assumption in 1950, make the point very well, actually illuminating in the process still more central mysteries of the Catholic faith. These recent dogmas illustrate respectively the redemption and the resurrection of the body. The net result is that Mary has risen to her place in the Church by a gradual influence so that her standing now is as exalted as her state initially was lowly.

When in 1854 Pope Pius IX proclaimed as a divinely revealed truth that Mary was free from original sin in the virtue of the grace of her divine Son, he was confirming what sincere Catholics had held for centuries, namely, that Mary participated to an exceptional degree in the redemption and so in the holiness of her divine Son. What must be the grace and holiness of her who was the Lord's only near relative on this earth? The mind of the believing faithful responded unanimously to that question when the Pope put it to them in 1849. The grace of Christ that saves human beings that had *preserved* the Mother of Christ from original sin.

Now prevention is better than cure, the proverb runs. The vigour of Christ's grace from the Cross and Resurrection shines out in many ways and places, and actually prevented all sin touching Mary. With their '*sensus fidei*' the faithful saw a shining instance of that vigour in the particular case of the woman whom the Father chose to be the mother of his eternal Son on earth and overshadowed by the Holy Spirit. (Luke 1:26-38) Mary is one of the redeemed, indeed, but her redemption follows the aptters of prevention rather than cure! 'By grace alone!'

The dogma of the Immaculate Conception means that the Church has an immaculate heart, a holy centre. There seems to be a particular appropriateness in the

timing of this dogma: it came as Europe felt the first tremors of a moral earthquake. For almost two millennia the mega principle had been, "Love God and do what you will" (St Augustine), but now a replacement arose, "Forget God to do what you will". (Dostoievsky)



Almost a century later, in 1950, Pope Pius XII proclaimed the dogma of the Assumption. Once again the pope consulted the faithful. As with the Immaculate Conception, the Assumption points beyond itself to realities still higher in "the hierarchy of truths".² It points, in fact, towards the crucified Jesus now glorified as Lord and Christ (Acts 2:36) who has 'put all his enemies under his feet', and 'the last enemy to be destroyed is death,' (1 Cor 15:25, 26) For it is not a dead hero we believe in but a living Lord!

The assumption of Mary points towards the redemption of the person *in body as well as in soul*. Ever since the time of Christ's apostles, God's people have professed, "I believe in the resurrection of the body." Once again the People of God had perceived, by means of their 'sense of

the faith', that the Immaculate Heart could not be a dead heart while the Sacred Heart was a living Heart at the right hand of the Father, that the best of all sons could not let the best of all mothers see dissolution in the grave (Acts 2:27), and that she who was Mother to God and untouched by sin did not have to await the resurrection of the body until her glorified Son's second coming. The evidences for it accumulated in the measure that God's people thought about 'the life of the world to come.'

The Immaculate One emerged in the nineteenth century at the time when Europe began to slide towards the dictatorship of relativism in life and morals. The next century witnessed the bitter fruits of wars on a scale never before known. In the century of Hitler's concentration camps, Stalin's gulags and Mao Tse Tung's death marches, humanity witnessed genocide and the beginnings of the 'culture of death,' as an attack on the truth of our common humanity and dignity of each person. The era of 'the abolition of man' (C.S. Lewis) had arrived. Now Mary assumed in glory is the abiding pointer towards the divinely intended goal of our human drama as well as the inestimable worth of every person: her Assumption is their very X-ray.

Notes:

¹ Gerard Manley Hopkins, The Blessed virgin compared to the Air we Breath, Poem 37 in Robert Bridges, editor, Poems of Gerard Manley Hopkins, London 1918.

² Second Vatican Council, Unitatis Redintegratio: Decree on Ecumenism, 11.

*By Fr Thomas Norris
Intercom May 2012*

RESPONSE:

Go and teach my people _____ the
free- dom of my Gos- pel _____
I am with you al ways _____
Till the end of the world. _____

(Musical notation for the response, including chords and a tempo marking of quarter note = 100)