

Sixth Sunday of Easter**Sunday 22 May 2022**Readings for this week: Acts 15:1-2,22-29
Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23
John 14:23-29Readings for next Sunday: Acts 1:1-11
Hebrews 9:24-28,10:19-23
Luke 24:46-53

Liturgical Jottings

6th & 7th Sundays of Easter

A rare and curious rubric in our Lectionary states: "When the Ascension of the Lord is celebrated on the seventh Sunday of Easter, the second readings and the Gospels assigned to the seventh Sunday may be read on the sixth Sunday" Vol 1 pg 527. In many countries, including Australia, the Solemnity of Ascension is moved from the 40th day of Easter to the nearest Sunday, which was previously celebrated here as the seventh Sunday of Easter, with its own set of readings and prayers. By omitting them from our liturgical cycle we miss the opportunity to hear those readings. Therefore we have the opportunity to move them from time to time to the previous Sunday.

Quote of the Week

Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding. *Albert Einstein*

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Looking at the Readings

The Gospel continues with the Farewell Discourse of Christ. There are many strings to the wide bow: Love, Word, Peace, going to the Father, sending the Holy Spirit, the Advocate are all mentioned as instruction for and promises of things to come.

While his farewell discourse covers five chapters, Jesus knew he could not cover everything, nor could the disciples take it all in at this critical and emotional time. To equip the apostles and the new Christian people, Jesus gives them the tools and means: peace, his word, his spirit, now articulated as the Holy Spirit with the added title the advocate or paraclete depending on the English rendering of the Greek: "*parakletos*".

Paraclete has a legal sense of one who stands with the accused to aid the defence, to support and even comfort the accused. He is one of good character and respected standing in the society. More than a legal advocate the Holy Spirit is personally but not physically present to enable the mission of Jesus to flourish in the emerging church.

The development of the theology of the Trinity will come later, but the work of the Spirit will guide this development and teaching. Jesus has given us what we need, we are to cooperate and respond to his word and promptings.

Feast of Our Lady, Help of Christians

Mary Help of Christians has been the patroness of Australia since the Australian Plenary Council (Synod) of 1844. Her feast day is 24 May. Pope Pius VII introduced the feast day to the calendar in 1814. The first church in Australia was dedicated to Mary in 1821. The first elections in Australia were held in 1843. The issues of the day were land, immigration, education and social problems. This year we are encouraged to ask her intercession for Australia for health, economy and security in time of pandemic and to help the suffering Christians and all people in Ukraine.

Prayer for the Day


Almighty God, bring the kingdom of Christ, your anointed one, to its fullness. May the perfect offering of your Son, eternal priest of the new Jerusalem, be offered in every place to your name and make all nations a holy people for you. Amen

On the Lighter Side

Red sky at night: shepherd's delight,
red sky in the morning: shepherd's warning.

Minced lamb, potato, onion and carrot: shepherd's pie.



	Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving	Gwen Dwyer, Grace Watson
	For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	Jim Curtis
	Our sick and their carers	

Two Week Mass Timetable Week commencing 23 May

Weekday Mass

Mon 23rd May No Mass
 Tue 24th May No Mass
 Wed 25th May 9:15 am Liturgy
 Thur 26th May No Mass
 Fri 27th May 9:15 am Liturgy

Weekend Mass

Sat 28th May No Mass
 Sun 29th May 10:00 am Mass

Weekday Mass

Mon 30th May No Mass
 Tue 31st May No Mass
 Wed 1st June 9:15 am Liturgy
 Thur 2nd June No Mass
 Fri 3rd June 9:15 Mass

Weekend Mass

Sat 4th June No Mass
 Sun 5th June 10:00 am Mass

Reconciliation No Reconciliation in May or June

St Brendan's lends a helping hand.

While Fr John Paul is away, St Brendan's Parish Shepparton for helping out with Masses. We would like to extend our thanks from all our Parishioners at Sacred Heart.

We look forward to celebrating Mass with Fr Joe Taylor (Parish Priest), Fr Paul Sireh, Fr Jophin Joy and Fr Jackson Saunders during this time.

In case of an emergency, please contact Trish Warnett on mobile 0410 094 323.

Sandhurst Scripture Talks

"Growing faith communities for our mission today: Insights from the genius of St Paul"

In June 2022, the Catholic Diocese of Sandhurst will be hosting a series of Zoom talks on Sacred Scripture which inform and support the faith-life of the people of God in the Diocese of Sandhurst, particularly in the light of our present context: the diocesan Go Forth review, the Plenary Council of the Australian Church, the Synod on Synodality and our socio-cultural reality.

The series will start on 9 June with Dr Chris Cotter, Director of Mission and Pastoral Life, talking about the social context of the Church today. On June 16, Rev Dr Brian Boyle EV, a scripture scholar, will focus on 'Paul the Man, the Preacher, the Strategist'. And on June 23 and June 30, Dr Rosemary Canavan will speak on the themes "1 Thessalonians, Paul's first letter: forming the Ekklesia as the family of God" and "Living and Walking in the Spirit" respectively.

More information and registration details will be made available via the Sandpiper e-News and on the website www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au

Diary Dates for June & July

June

Wed 1st 2pm Ladies Chat
 Fri 10th 2pm Italian Rosary
 Sun 12th Presentation of Sacramental Candidates
Cuppa After Mass
 Wed 15th 5:30pm PPC Meeting
 Sun 19th Confirmation & 1st Eucharist
 Fri 24th 9:15 School Mass – Feast of Sacred Heart
 Sun 26th 10am Feast of Sacred Heart for Parish
Cuppa after Mass
 Wed 29th 5pm Italian Mass

July

Sat 2nd 11:30am Reconciliation
 Wed 6th 2pm Ladies Chat
 Fri 8th 2pm Italian Rosary
 Sun 17th 10am Children's Mass
Cuppa After Mass
 Wed 20th **6pm Parish BBQ/ Casserole**
 Sun 31st Presentation of Sacramental Candidates
Cuppa After Mass

Cuppa after Mass
St Mary's Hall
Please join us for some
fellowship.

Date	Commentator	Reader	Gospel Procession	Presentation of the Gifts	Special Ministers	Screen/Organ
29 th May	C Coulston	R Kelly	D Phelan	S & S De Lai	D Worm L McGrath	T Warnett Choir
5 th June	R Miller	K Gaffy	S De Lai	B & J Lowe	R Kelly C Serra	T Smith T Warnett
12 June	A Nihill	R Kelly	B Maher	P Moroney D Corrigan	S De Lai A Ciavarella	D Worm T Warnett
CUPPA AFTER MASS						
19 June	CONFIRMATION & EUCHARIST					
26 June	M Gale	R Kelly	K Gaffy	M Normington N Basile	D Worm L McGrath	T Warnett Choir
CUPPA AFTER MASS						

Mary MacKillop Australian Pilgrimage 18/10 - 29/10/2022

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 18 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 29 October 2022. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry.

If you have any questions or would like a copy of the itinerary and application form, contact Annie Bond rsj on email national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or phone 02 89124818.

A copy of the brochure is in the Narthex

Baptism



We congratulate Olivia Mae Argæet, daughter of Catherine & Dion and Paige Amanda Sanford daughter of Fiona and David on their Baptism this weekend and welcome them into our parish community.

To Know Him is to Love Him: Unpacking the Teachings of the Church

Come to a deeper knowledge of Christ and His teachings with an in-depth look at the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, led weekly by a local Theology teacher. Runs every **Tuesday, 7:30pm-8:30pm** at the St. Brendan's Parish Centre, Shepparton. All are welcome!

For more information, please contact Winona on 0432 865 933.

Celebrating Synodality in Sandhurst.

Video 5: Bishop Shane on Synodality in Sandhurst
Bishop Shane summarises what we have seen and heard on Synodality in Sandhurst, the ways we are listening to the Holy Spirit and how we can create a "dynamism of mutual listening".

The Video can be viewed on the Diocese of Sandhurst YouTube Channel from 26 May 2022.

GREATER SHEPPARTON WINTER NIGHT SHELTER

WILL PROVIDES FOOD & SHELTER FOR HOMELESS MEN DURING JUNE, JULY & AUGUST, 2022 at 7 different Church Venues. St. Mary's & Mooroopna Uniting Church will provide this service for our guests (homeless men) on **TUESDAY** nights at ARDMONA COMMUNITY COMPLEX, Lenne Rd, Ardmona.

WE URGENTLY NEED VOLUNTEER

To provide & serve an evening meal 6.30 pm - 10 pm.

To stay overnight from 10 pm-7 am.

Prepare Breakfast and clean up 7am – 9am Wednesday

Bus drivers to drive guests from Salvation Army Shepparton to Ardmona and return them to Shepparton the next morning.

We have a driver who can bring the guests to Ardmona on Tuesday nights but not Wednesday morning. There may be someone who could go to Shepparton and drive the bus & trailer to Ardmona and return the guests to Shepparton on Wednesday. The bus would need to be at Ardmona at 8 am.

For information, Phone Cathie 0434 343 327 or email catmcmaster@bigpond.com or Gordon Johnson coordinator for Greater Shepparton gswinternightshelter@gmail.com

St. Brendan's Church

A Pentecost Retreat

BY SPIRITUAL RENEWAL MINISTRY

PRAISE & WORSHIP | WORKSHOPS
ANNONING | HEALING | TALKS
Cuppa & Refreshments Provided | BYO Lunch

May 28, 2022
09:30 AM - 04:00 PM
St Brendan's Parish, Shepparton
Monsignor Peter Jeffrey Centre
Directly behind St Brendan's Church

SERVICE TEAM



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Schizophrenia Awareness Week (22-28/5/2022).

Schizophrenia Awareness Week is held in May every year to coincide with World Schizophrenia Awareness Day (24 May). The aim is to educate and reduce stigma. Misconceptions include this one: a person living with schizophrenia is dangerous or violent. Not true! However, they are more likely to be the victims of violence. Symptoms tend to appear during late teens to mid-30s; men are twice as likely to develop the condition as women, with 1 in 100 people experiencing schizophrenia. A person experiencing the recurring psychosis finds it hard to tell what is real from what isn't. Main symptoms are delusions, hallucinations, disordered thinking or behaviour. Other signs can be low motivation; inability to express emotion or feel pleasure; problems with attention, memory, verbal and mental functions. Someone living with schizophrenia can have a very different experience from another individual living with schizophrenia. Through treatment and counselling the condition is manageable. Mary Pianta. Disability Contact Coordinator.

St Mary's Parish Rushworth – Memorial Mass for Fr Owen Doyle & Commissioning of Parish Coordinators

Mass to commemorate the life and service of Fr Owen Doyle will be celebrated at St Mary's Parish Rushworth on 29 May at 10.30 am. Fr Owen was loved and respected across the diocese and an invitation is extended to anyone who would like to attend the Mass, followed by a light lunch afterwards in the parish house. Bishop Shane McKinlay will be the celebrant at the Mass, where he will also commission the four lay coordinators of the parish for the next three years.

St Vincent de Paul Society Mid-Murray Regional Council Festival Mass – Saturday 22nd May 11am

Come and join us at the below annual Festival Mass which bring together the members of various local Parish Conferences from local regions, for commissioning of presidents, recognition of service and to gather in prayer and fellowship.

Date: Saturday 22nd May **Time:** 11am

Place: St Mary's Catholic Church, 224 Anstruther Street, Echuca

Followed by a gathering with lunch provided and guest speaker.

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RSVP by Friday 7th October to:

Wangaratta.rc.pres@svdp-vic.org.au or rosannehill@hotmail.com

St Vincent de Paul Society Upper Murray/Wangaratta Regions Combined Festival Mass – Sunday 16th October 10.30am

Come and join us at the below annual Festival Mass which bring together the members of various local Parish Conferences from local regions, for commissioning of presidents, recognition of service and to gather in prayer and fellowship.

Date: Sunday 16th October **Time:** 10.30am

Place: Our Lady of the Snows

2 Coronation Avenue, Bright

Followed by a gathering with lunch provided.

RSVP by Friday 7th October to:

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