

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday 15 May 2022



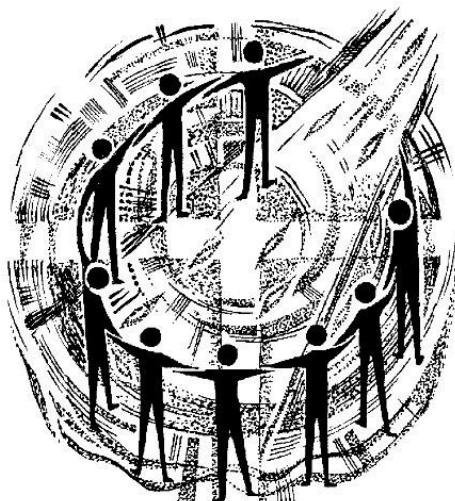
Readings for
this week:

Acts 14:21-27
Apocalypse 21:1-5
John 13:31-35



Readings for
next Sunday

Acts 15:1-2,22-29
Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23
John 14:23-29



Liturgical Jottings

New Creation

The adjective "**NEW**" is prominent in the prayers and readings of the liturgy today: new song (Entrance antiphon); make new (Collect); new earth, new Heaven, new Jerusalem, new Creation (second reading); new commandment (Acclamation and Gospel) and newness of life (prayer after communion). The Easter Preface IV is appropriate for today, containing "with the old order destroyed, a universe cast down is renewed, and integrity of life is restored to us in Christ."

The Saints on Easter

The reign of life has begun; the tyranny of death is ended. A new birth has taken place, a new life has come, a new order of existence has appeared, and our very nature has been transformed! This birth is not brought about by human means, but by God. St Gregory of Nyssa d. 395

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Looking at the Readings

The Gospel today begins the "Farewell Discourse of Jesus." In sacred scripture we have other examples of farewell discourses: that of Moses in the Book of Deuteronomy prior to his death and of Paul in Acts 20:17-38 on his departure to Rome. Jesus' farewell is on the eve of his death, the forces of darkness are at play with Judas' act of betrayal, but also the beginning of the glorification of Jesus Christ, on the cross and in the Resurrection, is at work. The Farewell Discourse embraces five chapters; in this short passage we hear only four verses concluding with the new commandment. Though it is not a commandment new to God's people, rather its newness is in its effect: by living the commandment of love, you will witness his love and this witness will bring new disciples, new believers and new life.

From the darkness of hatred and slaughter that we see in war and terrorist attacks on mosques and churches in recent years; we also witness solidarity, forgiveness and renewed efforts for peace and unity.

A Prayer for Elections

We give you thanks for Australia, the Great South Land of the Holy Spirit. In this Spirit we pray for our land and all its people as the nation elects a new Federal Parliament. We pray for the women and men who have offered themselves as candidates for public office. May those who are elected set their hearts always on honourable service and the common good. We pray for the citizens of this much-blessed country, that they vote with wisdom and freedom, and choose what is best for the whole community. Bless all who are elected to serve the nation; may the wisdom and courage of the Holy Spirit guide them to govern for the good of all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. *For the full text of the prayer visit www.catholicreligious.org.au/news/2019/5/15/a-prayer-for-the-federal-election*

On the Lighter Side

George W. Bush, in an airport lobby, noticed a man in a long white robe, a long beard and holding a staff and two stone tablets. George W. approached the man and inquired, "Aren't you Moses?" The man ignored George W. and stared at the ceiling. He tugged at the man's sleeve and asked again, "Aren't you Moses?" The man finally responded, "Yes I am." George W. asked him why he was so uppity, Moses replied, "The last time I spoke to a Bush I had to spend forty years in the desert."



	Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving	
	For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	
	Our sick and their carers	

Two Week Mass Timetable Week commencing 16 May

Weekday Mass

Mon 16 th May	No Mass
Tue 17 th May	No Mass
Wed 18 th May	9:15 am Liturgy
Thur 19 th May	No Mass
Fri 20 th May	9:15 Mass

Weekend Mass

Sat 21 st May	No Mass
Sun 22 nd May	10:00 am Children Mass

Weekday Mass

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

Weekend Mass

Sat 28 th May	No Mass
Sun 29 th May	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 May & June

May

Sun 22 nd	10am Children's Mass (And presentation of Sacramental Candidates) Cuppa After Mass
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June

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

**Cuppa after Mass
Sunday 22nd May
St Mary's Hall
Please bring a plate to share**

Date	Commentator	Reader	Gospel Procession	Presentation of the Gifts	Special Ministers	Screen/Organ
22 May	CHILDREN'S MASS CUPPA AFTER MASS					
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					

Celebrating Synodality in Sandhurst.

Video 4: "Mission"

Fr Nathan Verallo, Pastoral Team Member at Wangaratta, shares his experience as a priest in the Diocese of Sandhurst and the ways that synodality is manifested in Wangaratta.

The Video can be viewed on the Diocese of Sandhurst YouTube Channel from 13 May 2022.



Fr John (from India), parish staff and volunteers and all the Sacred Heart parishioners would like to wish Margaret Collins a very happy 90th Birthday (11 May). And may God bless you for many more years.

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

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.

Catholic Earthcare's Laudato Si' Week Event

On **Tuesday 17 May 2022 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM AEST** is a screening of "Regenerating Australia" followed by Q&A with panel.

This short film is a follow-up to the 2040 film, a fictitious news segment set on New Year's Eve 2029 examining the decade that 'could be'. The film challenges us to consider how we can, in Australia, respond to the Cry of the Earth. After the screening, there will be a panel discussion & Q&A with Bishop Ken Howell, Brisbane Auxiliary Bishop and a range of guest speakers dedicated to finding ways to respond to the Cry of the Earth as the Catholic Church in Australia.

Bookings at [Laudato Si Week Regenerating Australia Movie Screening Tickets | TryBooking Australia](#)

Along the Track – It's Just Harmless

I was in college with a person who was a master at labelling others with nicknames, myself included. Some were clever, some were funny, some were incomprehensible, some were original, witty even. But they all had one thing in common. They hurt. This is the first paragraph of Jim Quillinan's Along the Track article. For the full article online visit http://www2.ceosale.catholic.edu.au/Along_the_Tracks.asp
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