



# The Ascension of the Lord Year B – 12 May 2024

## Daily Mass Readings:

<b>Sunday 12</b>	Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mk 16:15-20
	<b>Response:</b> <i>God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.</i>
<b>Monday 13</b>	Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33
<b>Tuesday 14</b>	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17
<b>Wednesday 15</b>	Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11-19
<b>Thursday 16</b>	Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26
<b>Friday 17</b>	Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19
<b>Saturday 18</b>	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25

### Weekday Masses

Tues 9.30am	St Patrick's Church
Weds 9.30am	St Anthony's Church
Fri 9.30am	Holy Cross Church

### Weekend Masses

<b>Saturday Vigil</b>	
5.30pm	St Anthony's Church, Seatoun
<b>Sunday</b>	
8.30am	Holy Cross Church, Miramar
10.30am	St Patrick's Church, Kilbirnie

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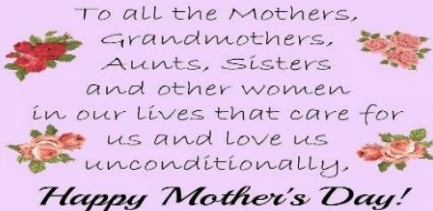
### Holy Trinity Parish Vision

*We are a prayerful and diverse Catholic community in the Eastern suburbs of Wellington, drawing strength from one another to grow and become fully alive as missionary disciples.*

### ' THE LORD OF ALL '

We celebrate the Ascension today. Does that mean that Jesus has left us, is gone? It is true we can no longer see him as could the apostles and disciples. He no longer belongs to a small group but to everyone on earth who wants to accept him. He is now the Lord of all, the Lord of glory, and yet still one of us and very near, more intimate to ourselves than we are, the heart of our own heart, through his Spirit alive in us. We, the Church, have to continue the work he began and to bear witness that he is our living Lord.

*Fr Bill*



*THIS SUNDAY IS MOTHERS DAY - we will remember and pray for all our mums and those women in our lives who fulfil this role and give them a special blessing. We also give thanks and remembers mums who are deceased.*

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** - preparation continues this week for our 23 candidates. All parents and families are asked to be present at the 10.30am Mass at St Patrick's Church in Kilbirnie. This will be followed with parents and young people all gathering together in the upstairs foyer afterwards.

#### Timetable:

- Session 2 will be Sun 12 May in the upstairs foyer of the main Church
- Session 3 will be Sun 19 May in the Parish Centre below the Church

**Marist St Pats RFC** – This weekend we welcome members of the Marist St Pat's Rugby Club who gather with us at the 10.30m Mass to remember all their deceased members.

Diny Monahan and family would like to express their heartfelt thanks for the support and prayers they received following John's passing.

Many thanks to those who contributed to enable the day to be remembered.  
**\$459.10 was collected at Mass and has been delivered to the RSA**



Apologies for the overdue update on our recent Vinnie's PaknSave Collection due to a holiday break. Thank you so much, though, to all those volunteers that supported us in the pre-planning, on the collection roster, and in the various tasks associated with sorting and distribution at the end of April. All recipients were sincerely grateful for the extra help. Indeed, all the news was positive and we can specifically report that:

We received 48 banana boxes full of groceries. This number reflects a continued downward trend over the last year and is quite possibly one of the more accurate measures (the PaknSave Collection Index or PSCI!) of the challenging financial times faced by so many in our community. However, the fact remains that despite continued increasing prices and job insecurity, we continue to see commitment and joy in giving to others who have less.

All boxes were emptied, sorted, re-packed and delivered to match the specific needs of over 25 clients most in need of grocery support in the Eastern Suburbs. This took place over 2 days and was finished in record time thanks to a now well-oiled machine. Special shout out to the St Patrick's College lads that willingly helped with the heavy lifting.

We also received \$214.40 in cash donations (which, interestingly, is en par with previous collections)

Please also know that the lovely bags of apples and pears have all been distributed within a few days of arrival to our friends at the Kotuku Flats in Kilbirnie, as well as to some families. While we can't manage the collection,

storage and fair distribution other fresh items, the fruit has been a real bonus over this Autumn period. We're grateful for your continued response to our random new requests!

We have our monthly meeting soon where we will catch-up on our client's needs and take stock of our resources to address those needs, progress our students in need and bequest funding, discuss integrating our school communities into our future planning, and update on the wider Wellington Region SVDP community, among other items. We'll be sure to provide on-going updates via this newsletter. In the meantime, thank you for your on-going practical support, prayers and donations (into our baskets in each church foyer, blue donation boxes, or on-line banking: 2-0576-0017817-006). Our work continues to be a pleasure and a privilege, and is impossible without you.

**Parish Leadership Team update – Time and Talent survey.** Thank you to those who took the time to fill in the survey. We can't do this without you. ***There is still time if you didn't get the chance!!*** Link to the online form [here](#) There will also be paper copies available at the back of the churches. Please take this opportunity to be involved. Every small contribution helps and is greatly appreciated. Please also include all ministries you are already a part of and those you would like to join or if you have any suggestions, we'd love to hear them.



**St Patrick's College Open Day Tours - May 2024** Tēnā koutou katoa It is with pleasure that I invite you to register to attend one of our Open Day Tours which are to be held on **Tuesday 28 May between 10.00am to 11.30am and from 12.30pm to 2.00pm, and again on Thursday 30 May at the same times.** To make a booking please either email [admin@stpats.school.nz](mailto:admin@stpats.school.nz) with your request or book [here](#) Open Day is a chance for parents to visit our College and learn about the opportunities and experiences that we offer across Years 9 to 13.



**St Mary's College Open Day Tuesday 28 May 2024 – 9am – 11am. Register [here](#)** If you have any questions please contact [enrolment@stmw.school.nz](mailto:enrolment@stmw.school.nz) or call on 04 473 5554

**Family Life Catholic Gifts is offering 20% off Rosaries and Fatima statues this month of May** to honour Our Lady. Come and visit us at 569 Richardson Road, Mount Roskill, Auckland or online [www.catholicgifts.co.nz](http://www.catholicgifts.co.nz) Phone (09) 6290820. All proceeds from sales support our life-saving work defending Life, Faith and Family.

**Joshua Wellington invites men to join us on Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> May 7:30pm** in 'Loaves and Fishes' next to Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth Streets followed by supper. Theme: "The Lord God is our All-in-One" Speaker: Steve Ready **Want to know more?** Ring David Monastra 027-4477-280 or email: [joshua.wgtn@gmail.com](mailto:joshua.wgtn@gmail.com)

**Stella Maris Wellington volunteers** offer practical and spiritual assistance to seafarers visiting our port. We urgently seek people to assist in this important service, especially those with languages other than English, particularly Tagalog, Indonesian, Mandarin and/or Cantonese, Vietnamese, Russian and Ukranian. We also need knitters able to knit beanies to give as gifts to seafarers. To learn more, please contact Kelly Ross at [kellyannross9@gmail.com](mailto:kellyannross9@gmail.com), or Sarah Dench at [sarahdench@yahoo.com](mailto:sarahdench@yahoo.com)

### REOPENING WEEKEND OF CELEBRATIONS AT SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL, WELLINGTON

Please note, the article about Sacred Heart Cathedral reopening weekend programme, in the latest WelCom edition for May, out this week, has an incorrect time showing in the programme for the opening evening Mass, on Friday 7 June.

#### Friday 7 June

- **7.30pm Mass of Thanksgiving.**
- Cathedra (bishop's chair) will be returned to its place.
- Cathedral doors will be opened again.

#### Saturday 8 June

- 8.30am Morning Mass.
- Day of Adoration follows Mass – groups, parishes and chaplaincies are invited to lead an hour.
- 5pm Ecumenical celebration of Evening Prayer.

#### Sunday 9 June

- 10am Cathedral Parish will celebrate 'homecoming' Mass.
- 11am Brunch follows morning Mass.
- Afternoon – Tours of the cathedral offered.
- 7pm Evening Mass will the weekend to a close.

**The next round of the ADW's marriage preparation course 'Love is a Decision' is to be held Sundays 9th & 16th June** at St Catherine's College Kilbirnie. There are still places available for couples to register online or email [marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz) Thank you for your ongoing support of marriage ministries.

<https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/church-mission/marriage-ministries/>



The Suzanne Aubert Heritage Centre and Cloister Café are open Everyone is welcome to spend some time in our public spaces. Cloister Café: 10am to 2pm, Tuesday to Friday. Suzanne Aubert Heritage Centre: 9am to 3pm, Tuesday to Friday

Masses have been offered for Zofia Czochanska ( anniv ), Don King ( anniv ), Shirley Kelland ( anniv ), Joan Patchett ( aniv ), Nancy Faherty RIP

**NANCY FAHERTY RIP** – passed away on Mon 6 May at Wellington Hospital following a short illness. Nancy, along with her late husband Mac have been parishioners at Holy Trinity for a number of years. Nancy and Mac enjoyed going along to Thursday Friends at St Anthony’s in Seatoun. Her Requiem Mass was celebrated at St Anthony’s Church in Seatoun on Friday 10 May by Fr Bill and Fr Mike McCabe. . Our sympathy, love and prayers are extended to Nancy’s children Michael, Ann, Theresa, Rosemary, John, Angela, David, Kevin, the grandchildren and great grandchildren and extended family.

Let us pray for all those who are unwell especially **Fr Kevin Purcell, L Paese, J Hunt, W Stevenson, W Quirke, E Wilkins, and M Mercado**. And we pray for the wonderful people who are caring for the everyday needs of the sick in our Community.

We also pray for the members of our Parish families who have died recently especially Nancy Faherty and those whose anniversaries occur around this time; J Patchett, J Conway, M McKechnie, B Bolton, Y Sood, B Scully, M Peters, J Leach and M Methven.

**SUNDAY MASS MINISTRY ROSTER – PENTECOST SUNDAY (19 MAY 2024)**

**Gen 11:1-9                      Rom 8:22-27                      Jn 7:37-39**

**Prayers of the Faithful:** L Bull                      **Counters:** F Hutton & M O’Sullivan

**St Anthony’s Church, Seatoun**

<u>Time</u>	<u>Host / Welcomers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Proclaimers of the Word</u>	<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Special Ministers</u>
5.30pm			N Sharma G Finlay		L Halliwell L Foster Volunteer pls

**Cleaning:** St Anthony’s School    **Altar Linen** A Ablett

**Holy Cross Church, Miramar**

<u>Time</u>	<u>Host / Welcomers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Proclaimers of the Word</u>	<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Special Ministers</u>
8.30am	K Dreverman		I & S Lavea	L Nota C Biggs	P Denton I Fitu S Meredith

**Altar Linen:** P Palamo

**St Patrick’s Church, Kilbirnie**

<u>Time</u>	<u>Host / Welcomers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Proclaimers of the Word</u>	<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Special Ministers</u>	<u>Commentary</u>
10.30am	M Attard	Andrew Doug	T Tonga AM Vissers	Beamish Family	M Madar F Uhatafe P O’Donnell A Vaka I Robertson	I MacDonald

**Rita Angus Mass Thursday 16 April 11am (Movie Room)**