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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

“Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature.” - Mk 16:15b

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1ST READING

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11
Jesus is taken up into heaven.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 46:2-3, 6-9. R. v.6
God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

2ND READING

Ephesians 1:17-23
Live a life worthy of your calling.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 28:19, 20
Alleluia, alleluia!
Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 16:15-20
Jesus commissions the eleven, ascends to heaven.

MASS & LITURGY TIMES

CHURCH OF ST. CECILIA

Wanganella St and White St, Balgowlah 2093

MASS:

Wednesday, 9am
Sunday, 9am

BAPTISM:

Sunday, 10.30am
1st Sundays of the month (within the 9am Mass)

*Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms.
Contact Parish Office for more details. Thank you.*

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, 5.00 to 5.45pm
Church of St. Kieran

YOUTH MASS:

2nd Sundays of the month
during the school term.

WEDDING:

Require six months notice and
include Pre-Marriage Course as
part of the preparation.

CHURCH OF ST. KIERAN

2 King Street, Manly Vale 2093

MASS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday*, Saturday,
8.30am
Saturday (Vigil), 5.30pm
Sunday, 7.30am, 9.30am, 5pm

** Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament after Mass
on Fridays.*

BAPTISM:

Sunday, 11.30am
1st Sundays of the month (within the 9.30am Mass)

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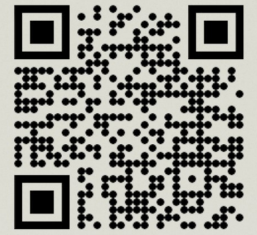
In the spirit of reconciliation the Catholic Community of North Harbour acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of these lands on which we gather. We recognise their continuing connection to the lands and waterways and pay our respect to their elders past and present and extend that respect to all First Nations people in our community.



WELCOME TO NORTH HARBOUR

- YOU ARE INVITED
- JOIN US IN OUR VARIED CELEBRATIONS & ACTIVITIES
- CONSIDER SHARING YOUR GIFTS TO US

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WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

I've seen people hang rosaries over the rear-view mirrors in their cars and a few of them wear them around their necks. Is it OK to do that?

Answer:

The practice of hanging a rosary or a religious medal off of the rearview mirror of one's car is a fairly popular custom across many cultures. While there is no particular rule approving or condemning this practice, we should also be mindful of the respect and reverence due to religious objects and devotional items (i.e. sacramentals).

An important point to consider would be the reason why one chooses to place a rosary or religious medal in our cars. Is it a reminder of the protection and intercession of Mary and the saints? Does it encourage us to be mindful of God's presence, even in such a mundane task as driving? Is it an outward expression of our more private devotions?

One advantage of having a rosary or religious medal in our cars is that it can also serve as a reminder to pray when we travel, asking for protection for ourselves and for other motorists or commuters. Certainly, invoking the protection and prayers of the saints is a wonderful practice for families, helping to reinforce our belief in the communion of saints and the care and concern we owe to one another.

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BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

Mark's Gospel has the strangest ending of the four Gospels. In fact, Scripture scholars tell us it had three separate endings, since ancient manuscripts of the Gospel differ.

The first ending followed verse 8a ("...for they were afraid."), but was somehow lost to history. The second ending at verse 8b ("And all that had been commanded...") seems to have been added later to "fix" the seemingly incomplete ending. The third ending, at verse 20 was apparently someone else's attempt to bring closure to the Gospel.

Regardless of how it originally ended, the "final" ending we have for today conveys the assurance that Jesus' disciples will be able to do amazing things, even after he is gone.

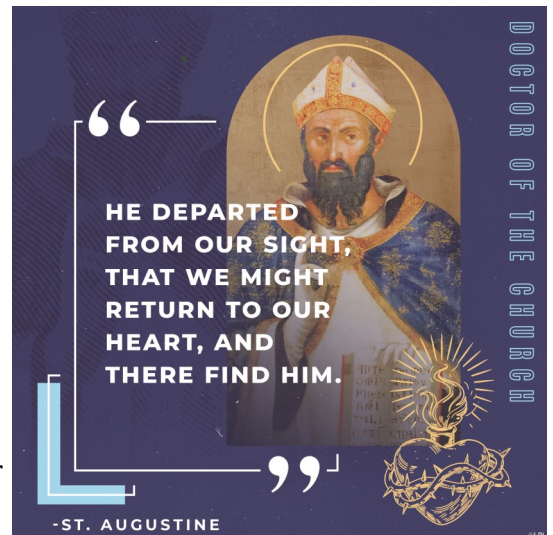
Most Christians don't believe they can literally drink deadly poison or handle serpents without being harmed, and we're not meant to. As Catholics we are taught that we aren't to read the entire Bible literally, but are supposed to look for the over-arching message the Gospel writer was trying to make. Here it seems to be that before Jesus left his disciples and ascended into heaven, he gave them a *big* mission (proclaim the Good News to the whole creation!). But he didn't send them to do it alone. He continued to work in them and through them and promised they would see signs that they were getting results. The Acts of the Apostles—the book that tells what happened to Jesus' followers in the days, months, and years after his ascension—includes examples of some of the amazing results they experienced. They healed people and worked other miracles, but mostly, Acts shows us how their joy, generosity, and love attracted thousands of followers to their way of living. The point is, "with God, all things are possible."

FAMILY RESPONSE:

Discuss why we shouldn't take every verse in the Bible literally—and why we shouldn't drink poison to test God!

PERSONAL RESPONSE:

Do you sometimes doubt what God can do in you and through you? Talk to God about that directly, and ask for more faith and trust.

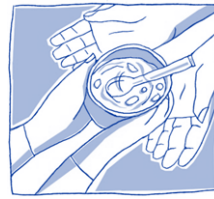


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WEEKLY SOCIAL JUSTICE CHALLENGES

When Jesus ascended into heaven, his glorified physical body was no longer with us. But he commissioned the apostles (and us through them) to be his body on earth until he came again. We are called to be the hands and feet, the heart, the mouth, the shoulders of Jesus to those in need. Your challenge this week is to ask which part of the Body of Christ you are called to be right now. Does someone need you to be his ears, listening to their story? Or might you be called to be his prophetic voice, challenging someone or a group of persons to live more justly? Be the Body of Christ this week. (And don't forget that receiving Jesus in the Eucharist will make this task possible.)



PASTORAL CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the sacraments of Eucharist, reconciliation, and anointing of the sick to parishioners who are unable to participate because of illness or aging. For more information and to arrange receiving the sacraments, contact Parish Office.

CARE FOR CREATION TIPS

As we hear the story of the Ascension this week, we think of Jesus going skyward. What do humans send skyward that are harmful to the environment? Balloons, for one. Every balloon released into the air deflates and comes down eventually, and then is often mistaken for food by fish, birds, farm animals, and even pets, leading to harm or even death. Vow to say "no" to giving balloons as gifts or a party decorations.

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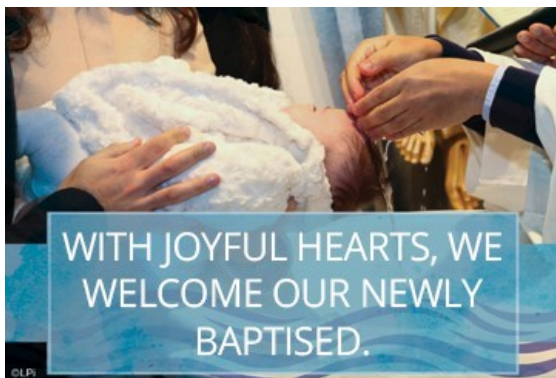


SICK CALLS AND OTHER URGENT MATTERS

If you need a priest urgently, please call the appropriate number:

BUSINESS HOURS:
PARISH OFFICE—9949 4455

AFTER HOURS:
(Evenings & Weekends)
0490 898 464



WITH JOYFUL HEARTS, WE WELCOME OUR NEWLY BAPTISED.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE
1ST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH
Next course Sunday 2nd June
11am St Kieran's Church
Bookings are essential
Call parish office 9949 4455

PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

SICK:

Greg Keogh, Paul Pearson, Greg Hyde
Qing Tong Zhang, Yvonne Taylor

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Most Rev Peter Ingham DD, Dan Trimboli,
William Hipkiss, Nola Doyle, Maureen Langhorn

ANNIVERSARIES:

Julie Jackson Sam Barone, Francesca Gelonesi,
Maria Polito, Patricia Leeder, Margie Durning

Our community would love to pray for you.
If you have an intention you would like to be included in this bulletin please e-mail
office@nhcatholic.org.au



BAKERS NEEDED!

Help us prepare for our Pentecost celebration by baking dove cookies!

Recipe, cookie cutters and decorations will be provided.

To volunteer or for more information, contact the Parish Office.



Youth MASS

Sun 9 June, 5pm

St Kieran's Catholic Church
2 King St., Manly Vale 2093 NSW

All welcome!

followed by a sausage sizzle & light refreshments



Suitable for 2 years to Preschool Age

Little Kieran's Playgroup

Term 2
10th May
17th May
24th May
31st May
7th June

Weekly on Fridays
9.00am- 10.15am

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- Form connections with other local families
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- Play-based learning in an inclusive setting



St Kieran's Parish Hall- 2 King St, Manly Vale

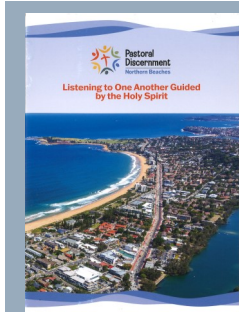


We are successful in the grant application we submitted last year to Volunteer Grants Australia for the amount of \$2,500 (exc GST). We thank our local MP, Ms Zali Steggall, for informing us of this wonderful news.

This funding will help us in the procurement of new furniture for the foyer of the parish centre.

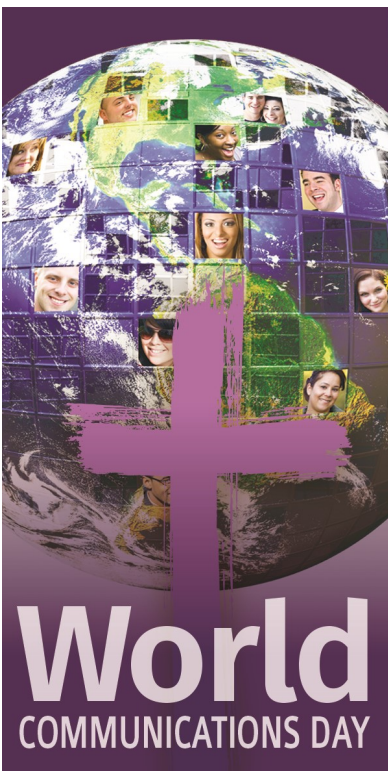
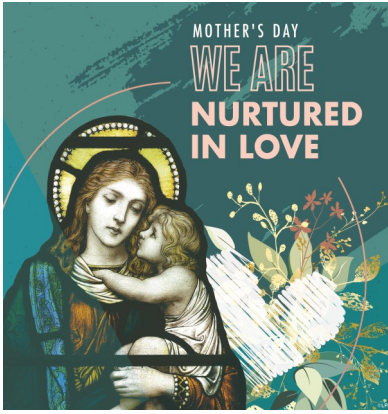
If you're interested to be part of the Grants Team, we'd love to have you on board! The Grants Team is responsible for preparing and writing grant applications for the parish. This is a great opportunity to gain experience in grant writing and help secure funding for the parish's projects.

If you're interested in joining the Grants Team, please contact the Parish Office. We look forward to hearing from you!



Take home a copy of this brochure that explains the Northern Beaches Pastoral Discernment Project.

Copies are available in the church foyer.



Pentecost

FAMILY CELEBRATION

SUNDAY
MAY 19,
FROM 9:30AM



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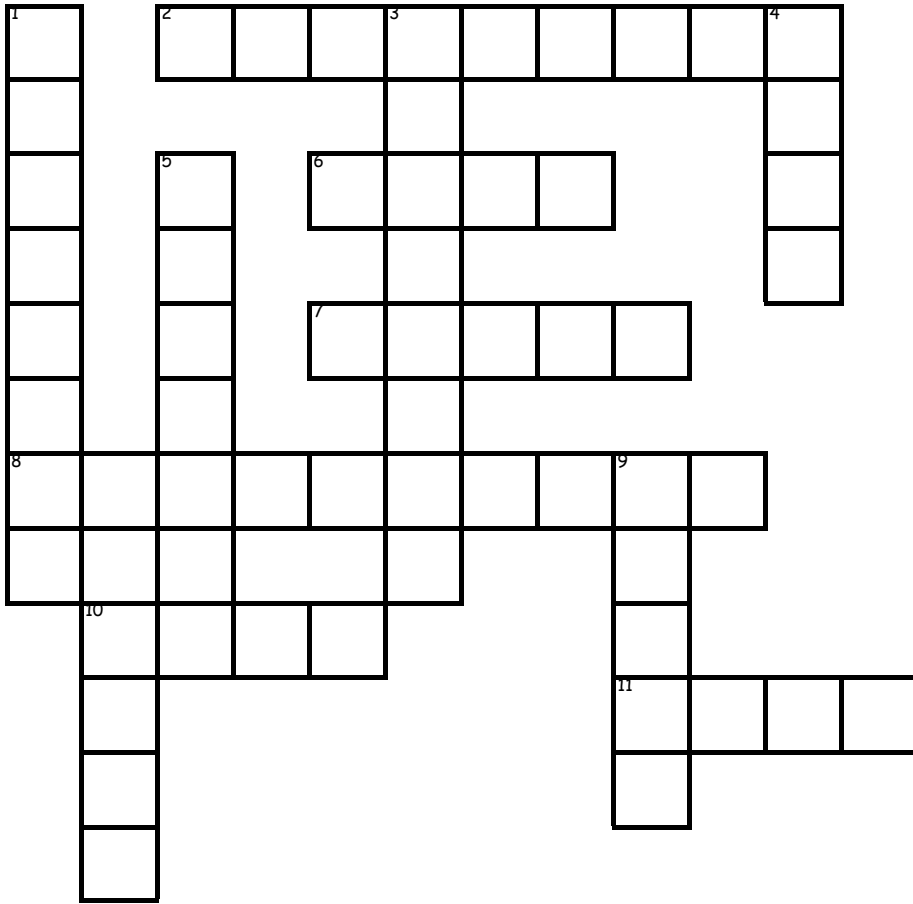


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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Believe in me and you will be saved.

ACROSS

- 2: those who believe in Jesus will be able to speak new _____
- 6: the opposite of up
- 7: a long, thin reptile that hisses and has no legs
- 8: after Jesus was taken up to heaven the disciples preached _____
- 10: to make a sick person well is to ___ them
- 11: this has fingers and a thumb on it

DOWN

- 1: the disciples proved their message was true by working _____
- 3: Jesus told his disciples to preach the ___ to everyone (two words)
- 4: unwell
- 5: those who _____ in Jesus and are baptised will be saved
- 9: Jesus sat down at this side of God when he was taken back up to heaven
- 10: injured

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Sharing the Gospel

Do good things for others. Say, "I am doing this good deed in the name of Jesus Christ, the Son of God." Then God will become your partner. He will make your body and mind strong. You will learn new ways to help people. You will feed the hungry. You will help the homeless. God will use your heart, hands, and words to perform miracles for his people.

Prayer

Father, I will feed your people in the name of your Son.

Mission

I will take a card and chicken noodle soup to a sick person.

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COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.





Look at the heavens and the earth: in their steady change and alteration they proclaim that they were made, and their very existence is itself the voice with which they speak. It was You, O Lord, Who created them

Confessions 9, 4
- St. Augustine of Hippo

NEXT WEEKEND (19 MAY): PENTECOST SUNDAY, YEAR B

<p>1ST READING Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11 <i>The Spirit comes to the Apostles as tongues of fire.</i></p> <p>RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30 <i>Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.</i></p> <p>2ND READING 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13 <i>Be guided by the Spirit.</i></p> <p>GOSPEL ACCLAMATION <i>Alleluia, alleluia!</i> <i>Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.</i> <i>Alleluia!</i></p> <p>GOSPEL John 20:19-23 <i>The Spirit will guide the Apostles to all truth.</i></p>	<p>18 MAY, 5.30PM ST KIERAN'S</p> <p>Senior Server Stephen R</p> <p>Readers Rick M Elizabeth Ann B</p> <p>Music Parish Choir</p> <p>Communion Min Volunteer needed</p> <p>Powerpoint Volunteer needed</p> <p>Welcomers Volunteers needed</p>	<p>19 MAY, 7.30AM ST KIERAN'S</p> <p>Senior Server Michael M</p> <p>Readers Andrew R Elsie N</p> <p>Music <i>None</i></p> <p>Communion Min Volunteer needed</p> <p>Powerpoint Volunteer needed</p> <p>Welcomers Volunteers needed</p>	<p>19 MAY, 9AM ST CECILIA'S</p> <p>Senior Server Ian M</p> <p>Readers Kerry R Sandra M Hilde D</p> <p>Music Conmen</p> <p>Communion Min Volunteer needed</p> <p>Powerpoint Volunteer needed</p> <p>Welcomers Volunteers needed</p>	<p>19 MAY, 9.30AM ST KIERAN'S</p> <p>Senior Server Catherine O</p> <p>Readers Cathie B Dale T</p> <p>Music Joshua 24:15</p> <p>Communion Min Volunteer needed</p> <p>Powerpoint Volunteer needed</p> <p>Welcomers Volunteers needed</p>	<p>19 MAY, 5PM ST KIERAN'S</p> <p>Senior Server TBA</p> <p>Readers Jo Rodney A</p> <p>Music Sam B</p> <p>Communion Min Volunteer needed</p> <p>Powerpoint Volunteer needed</p> <p>Welcomers Volunteers needed</p>
	<p>OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 12 MAY</p> <p>Mon 13 May: Monday of the 7th week of Easter Tue 14 May: St Matthias, apostle Wed 15 May: Wednesday of the 7th Week of Easter Thu 16 May: Thursday of the 7th Week of Easter Fri 17 May: Friday of the 7th Week of Easter Sat 18 May: Saturday of the 7th Week of Easter</p>				

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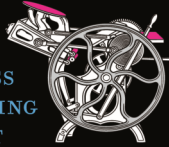
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