



Parish of St Mary Magdalen, Jordanville

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The Parish of St. Mary Magdalen is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

21/22 May 2022

6th Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and ourselves not to burden you beyond what is essential.

Responsorial Psalm:

O GOD, LET ALL THE NATIONS PRAISE YOU!

Second Reading: Revelations 21:10-14, 22-23

He showed me the holy city coming down out of heaven.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

**All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.**

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 14:23-29

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

The new city of God is built on the foundation of the apostles, but on its gates are inscribed the names of the tribes of Israel. These names represent the openness to all nations, races, peoples and tongues. The resurrection of Jesus has radically transformed the way we live together and the way we live with God.

What must we do to be saved? The question put to Jesus centuries ago is still asked today, and the answer is still the same. We must believe and we must love God and love one another. We will be recognised as resurrection people by our active faith and by our unselfish love, not by an exterior mark, regardless of how sacred. This change in requirements for membership does not diminish the rigour of our religious obligations. Rather, it suggests that we may always have to reinterpret the law, for what is appropriate at one time and in one place may be inappropriate in another. With the early Christians, we will need the guidance of the Holy Spirit in this very delicate process. This is why the departing Jesus assures us that the Spirit will come to us to teach us all things.

The final gift that Jesus promises to give is his own peace, a peace that he has won by overcoming sin and death. This peace issues from the union that Jesus enjoys with God, a union which we are now invited to share.

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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday:	Mass 10:00am	Rosary 10.30am
Wednesday:	Morning Prayer and Service 10:00am	Rosary 10:30am
Thursday:	Mass 12:00 noon	Rosary 12.30am
Friday:	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mass 12:00 noon	11.00 am
Saturday:	Mass 10:00am	Rosary 10.30am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday:	Vigil Mass 6:00pm
Sunday:	Mass 9:30am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: After Mass when a priest is available

BAPTISM: During Sunday Mass or at 11:00am. Email the Parish office to book.

NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER

May 28 & 29, 2022	6.00pm Vigil	9.30a.m.
Commentator	Catherine Foley	Anne Bremner
Readers The Ascension of the Lord	Alannah Phillips	Edwina DeSouza
Special Ministers	Stephen Goss	Maria Prout
Meet & Greet	Roshini Boteju Stephen Goss	John Francis Christene Francis
Data Projector Operator	Phillip Davis	Edwin Gomez
Counting – Sun, 10am	Peter Hayes, Patrick Van Reyk, Romelia Fernando	
Church Cleaning	Christine Barcham, Rukmin Silva, Phillip Davis	

Any notices that need to be included in the weekly newsletter, email the parish jordanville@cam.org.au by Thursday.

MASSES STREAMED FROM ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL, MELBOURNE

Daily Mass: The 1.00pm Mass is streamed live daily (*Mon - Fri*) from St. Patrick's Cathedral in Melbourne and is then available as a recording on demand until one hour prior to the next 1.00pm Mass.

On Sundays, the 11.00am Mass is streamed and it is also available as a recording on demand via Channel 44.

Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you. Protect them in this time of peril; let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom. You are Father of all; we are brothers and sisters. Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ANNUAL PARISH MASS COUNT

The Annual Parish Mass Count will be carried out throughout all weekend Masses during the month of May.

ENROLMENTS FOR ST MARY MAGDALEN'S SCHOOL

Enrolments are now being accepted for 2023 at St Mary Magdalen's School. Tours are offered by appointment. Call 98070315.

MASS TO COMMEMORATE THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC Sunday 22 May, 11am St Patrick's Cathedral

In recognition of the significant impact of COVID in our families and communities, Archbishop Comensoli will celebrate a memorial Mass for all those who have died during the COVID pandemic and could not be mourned properly due to pandemic restrictions. Parishes and individuals are invited to submit the name(s) of those you would like remembered during this Mass by visiting the

Holy Souls Chapel at St Patrick's Cathedral or submitting the names online. The names will be placed in a basket at the base of the altar, to be prayed for during all Masses over the weekend of 21-22 May.

Caritas Australia – Ukraine Emergency Appeal

The people of Ukraine are living through a crisis that will impact the country for years to come. Caritas Australia has launched an appeal to support Caritas Ukraine and other partners in the region. The appeal will support the provision of clean water, hygiene and food kits to vulnerable families, as well as safe collection centres for families on the move, emergency accommodation and support for distressed children and families through

<https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/ukraine/> or contact 1800 024 413.

HiStorical Context

The time of absence

At the time of writing of the Gospel of John (during the last decade of the 1st Century), the community of believers were beginning to come to terms with the continued absence of Jesus. In the earlier gospels, particularly Mark, there is a feeling of expectation evident in the writing – an expectation that Jesus' promised return was imminent. By the time of John's community, there was an acceptance that the glorious return of Jesus still lay some time in the future. They wrestled with keeping alive the memory and message of Jesus when there was no end in sight.