



Regina Coeli Parish

Beverly Hills - In the Archdiocese of Sydney



Weekly Newsletter

The Ascension of the Lord 29 May 2022

Liturgy Times

SUNDAY:

8:30am, 10:00am.

Children's Liturgy during school term

TUESDAY: 8:30am Adoration, 9.15am Mass

WEDNESDAY: 7:00am

THURSDAY: 9:15am

FRIDAY: 8:30am Adoration, 9.15am Mass

SATURDAY: 9:00am

(Adoration and Reconciliation after Mass)

5:00pm (Vigil Mass)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9:30-10:00am; 4:25-4:50pm

As nights get colder and inflations higher, it is timely to consider those in need. We are so fortunate at Regina Coeli to have our own St Vincent de Paul Society, through whom we are privileged to be able to support the needy in our own community. **Winter Appeal 2022 has come around. Envelopes will be handed out this weekend and then collected next weekend.** Please support! - Fr Peter -

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY BEVERLY HILLS MENS CONFERENCE WINTER APPEAL 2022

We will be conducting our Winter Appeal over 2 weekends May 28/29 & June 4/5. This is the only appeal we make each year with winter fast approaching it is a time when we are called on to provide increased assistance as people start to struggle as they are faced with additional expenses in providing warm clothing, blankets, heating, additional food not to mention the associated increases in electricity, gas etc. People with families find it particularly hard going but the same can be said for single folks on low incomes. Often these people just manage in normal times but when they need to provide for something out of the ordinary it is our Conference that comes to their rescue to provide them with the help they need to keep their heads above water.

In 2021 we made 88 visits assisting around 280 persons at a cost of \$11714 with an average cost of \$133 per visit the average cost being much higher than last year. This has only been achieved due to the generous Parishioners of Regina Coeli Parish without your ongoing support we would not be in a position financially to provide the same level of support that we do currently. There are families & individuals within our Parish who in an effort to keep up with the increasing cost of living deprive themselves of food & spend winter nights without adequate heating. Just for a minute place yourselves in that position, perhaps there are Parishioners who have experienced hardship, without support life for them becomes a burden & they often feel isolated & abandoned but fortunately our Conference is there to help once again thanks to your generous support. Our aim is to provide initial help, & often ongoing support depending on the circumstances, to relieve their hardship & follow up with guidance and encouragement to help them control their own destiny. Let's give you an example of our work to provide an insight into what we do & can achieve:

Wendy, not her real name, a single mother with 4 children living in our Parish Area has been assisted at different times over the past 14 years. When we first assisted Wendy she was pregnant with her first child. Her partner did not treat her well & had a rather violent nature. She called the police on several occasions & he was ordered to leave. Unfortunately she was madly in love with him, he was the only man she had ever been with. Each time he returned she fell pregnant & had another child.

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The Week Ahead

Sun 29 May Ascension	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass
Mon 30 May	No Mass
Tue 31 May	9.15am Mass with Yr 4 10:30am Funeral Mass for Mildred Pettit
Wed 1 June St Justin	7am Mass 9am Adoration with children
Thu 2 June	9.15am Mass
Fri 3 June Charles Lwanga	9.15am Mass
Sat 4 June	9.00am Mass 9:25- Adoration 9:55am & Reconciliation 4:15- Reconciliation 4:45pm Vigil Mass 5pm
Sun 5 June Pentecost	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass followed by BBQ

Recently Deceased

Mildred Pettit, Meret Cassimatis, Margaret Harnett, Carmel Bantoft, Biaggio Costa, Thomas Venket Raju, Maureen Stapleton, Giuseppa Campagna, Patricia McMellon, Peter Lyle, Nea Gooley, Gennaro Sacco

In Loving Memory

Jeanette Cardoz, Peter Peters, Frank Capra, Luigia Zegarelli, Caterina Costa, Ugo Burracchi, Tabita Lindarti, Irene Hall, Ariel Fiorini, Tarcisius Sujono Setio Kuncoro, Jimmy Simmons, Giuseppe Graniero, The Hayes Family

Please remember those who are in ill health especially:

Jane Abalos, Mitchell Morris, Lucy Andalaro, Brian Moore, Josephina Algozzino, Mildred Petit, Josh Venture, Carmen Bajada, Anne Kensey, Monica Costa, Quang Vo, Matt Nugent, Ann McDowell, Damiano Serravalle, George Dagher, Mrs Saba, Pat Mortimer, Mrs Donald Burch, Mary Daniels, Geoff McDowell, Elena Mura, Mr TD (Terry) Wall, Kim Delaney, Lauren Sotano, Sam Hy, Georgia Brown, Luke Compton, Paul Camelotti.

Rosary Statue

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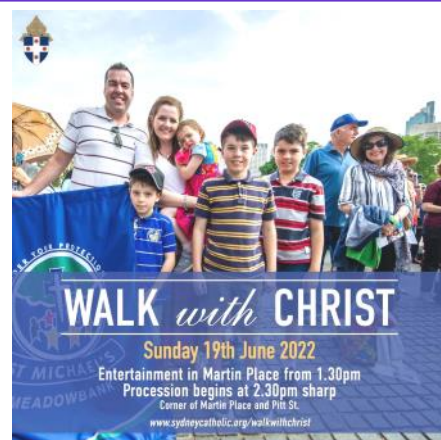
Excerpts from the Words of Remembrances delivered by John Harnett:

Margaret Mary Harnett was born on the 19th October 1933 and passed away peacefully at her home of over 50 years on 3rd May 2022. Mum was about family and about people. She was the centre point of all our lives, the place we went to meet up, to connect with family. All were welcome and all were enhanced by spending time with her. Christmas at mum's became a tradition.

Family celebrations and maintaining connections were very important to both our parents and they would travel to wherever, to always be a part of our lives. They also hosted these special days and events at their place to ensure they were a part of these, and to maintain a closeness and a relationship with us and our children.

She was always tickled pink when she could introduce the family she was so proud of, to the people who so valued her company, and she knew every single person in that hotel, their life stories, and their aspirations for the future. Mum took a deep interest in the lives of others, and anyone who was fortunate enough to meet her left with a smile on their face and was impressed with her generosity and interest in them as a person.

My first memories of mum and travel involved us going to visit her mum and siblings from our home in Punchbowl, to Rosebery and later Randwick. An epic Saturday journey that involved buses and trains and plenty of walking, and the dragging of 3 generally complaining and uncooperative boys. How she did it I'll never know, but with dad working extra jobs that was the only way she could maintain regular contact with her family.



Last Weekend 22 May 2022

2nd Collection \$1118.90

1st Collection \$539.15

Attendance

5PM	115
8.30AM	94
10AM	~140
Total	~349

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On one occasion, after the 4th child, when she requested help we arrived & noticed she had a black eye & face bruising, no need to tell you who was responsible. Eventually Wendy took an AVO out against him & he finished up in prison, we think other issues were also involved. Wendy was managing reasonably well & the number of calls for assistance reduced. Then came the crunch Wendy had not looked well for some time, she was an excellent mother & gave everything to her children but neglected herself. She was rushed to hospital with a major problem & spent time in a coma in intensive care her life was in the balance for some weeks. Thankfully Wendy is now on the road to recovery & hopes to be home very soon. Relatives have been looking after the children & we have provided financial support & will continue to do so when she returns home.

Weekend 28/29 May we will be handing out envelopes at each door please take one & return if you can weekend 4/5 June when we will have collectors at each door with a bag just drop the envelope in the bag. Donations \$2 and over are tax deductible please tick the box on the envelope indicating you would like a tax receipt. Any amount large or small is most appreciated & gives those in need encouragement knowing someone really cares and is giving them a much-needed hand up in life.

Thank you for your ongoing support. Members of Beverly Hills Men's Conference.



Bishop Umbers will present the first *Didaskō* course on Mondays 1 and 8 June, and Tuesday 14 June from 7:30pm – 8:45pm, with the topic “What Catholic Christians Believe: An Introduction to the Catechism.”

Register at www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events/.

For more information, contact Helen Wagner at parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org.

Pentecost Sunday 5th June 2022



Join us for a BBQ to celebrate Pentecost 2022.

Sunday 5th June after 10am mass.

Lunch, drinks and good company provided.

There will be a jumping castle and music set up for the kids, so please bring the whole family along. Bring a picnic rug.

If you are able, please bring a fruit or dessert plate to share.

Wear something red for Pentecost.

Please note that there will be no parking on the school grounds on this day.

There is a volunteer list at the back of the church. If you are able to help please list your name and number on the sheet provided. Thank you!

For any queries please contact Sally: 0411 288 243

First Reading Acts 1:1-11

Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is,' he had said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 46:2-3. 6-7. 8-9. R. v.6

**(R.) God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

or:

(R.) Alleluia.

1. All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth. (R.)
2. God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise. (R.)
3. God is king of all the earth.
Sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne. (R.)

Second Reading Eph 1:17-23

He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell

from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

or Heb 9:24-28. 10:19-23

Christ has entered heaven.

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

In other words, brothers, through the blood of Jesus we have the right to enter the sanctuary, by a new way which he has opened for us, a living opening through the curtain, that is to say, his body. And we have the supreme high priest over all the house of God. So as we go in, let us be sincere in heart and filled with faith, our minds sprinkled and free from any trace of bad conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us keep firm in the hope we profess, because the one who made the promise is faithful.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 28:19. 20

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Go and teach all people my gospel.
I am with you always, until the end
of the world.**

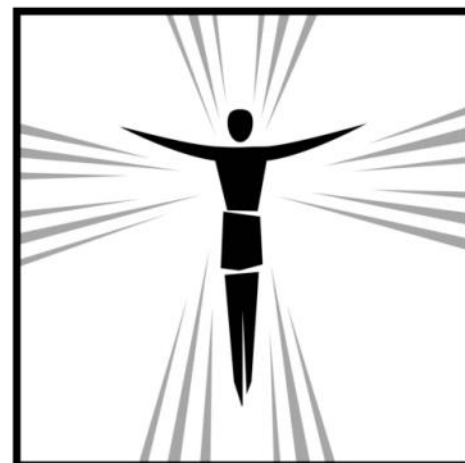
Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 24:46-53

While blessing them, he was taken to heaven.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.' Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The Feast of the Ascension is really a kind of liminal moment in the Easter season. It is a time between times; a moment when we have left one place, but have not yet arrived at a second. While the narratives that describe the Ascension fit well into the unfolding story of redemption, the feast celebrates the exaltation of Jesus. The readings allow us to focus on this theological point while we commemorate a turning point in the life of the church. We do this by considering the enthronement of Christ in the heavens and the new body of Christ on earth.

Many of the Easter accounts have directed our attention to the appearances of Jesus which were intended to strengthen the Christians' belief in his bodily resurrection.

Today we stand awestruck, watching Jesus ascend into the clouds of heaven, there to be enthroned at the right hand of God. Today is a day to be overwhelmed by the reality of the divinity of the one whom we have known in his humanity.

Christ who ascended into heaven in his body carries on what he began on earth through his new body, the community of believers. He teaches through its apostles and evangelists. He ministers through its prophets and pastors. We have not been left alone; we have his power, the same power with which he performed marvels when he walked the earth. We have not been left alone; we have each other. Together we make up the new body of Christ.

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