

I shall ask the Father,  
and he will give you another Advocate  
to be with you for ever,  
that Spirit of truth  
whom the world can never receive  
since it neither sees nor knows him;  
but you know him,  
because he is with you, he is in you.  
I will not leave you orphans;  
I will come back to you.  
In a short time the world will no longer  
see me;  
but you will see me,  
because I live and you will live.  
On that day  
you will understand that I am in my Father  
and you in me and I in you.  
Anybody who receives my commandments  
and keeps them  
will be one who loves me  
and anybody who loves me will be loved by  
my Father,  
and I shall love him and show myself to him.  
**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### HOMILY

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

*Or the Nicene Creed may be said.*

**I believe in God, / the Father almighty, /  
Creator of heaven and earth, / and in  
Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, /  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, /  
born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under  
Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and  
was buried; / he descended into hell; /  
on the third day he rose again from  
the dead; / he ascended into heaven, /  
and is seated at the right hand of God  
the Father almighty; / from there he  
will come to judge the living and the  
dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the  
holy catholic Church, / the communion  
of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, /  
the resurrection of the body, / and life  
everlasting. Amen.**

#### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*After the priest raises the paten with the bread  
and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to  
each prayer:*

**R. Blessed be God for ever.**

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that  
my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to  
God, the almighty Father.

**R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at  
your hands for the praise and glory of his  
name, for our good and the good of all  
his holy Church.**

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord,  
together with the sacrificial offerings, so  
that, purified by your graciousness, we  
may be conformed to the mysteries of your  
mighty love. Through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

#### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. Lift up your hearts.

**R. We lift them up to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**R. It is right and just.**

#### PREFACE I-V OF EASTER

*After the Preface, we sing or say:*

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he**

**who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

#### THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

**All: Save us, Saviour of the world,  
for by your Cross and Resurrection  
you have set us free.**

#### COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by  
divine teaching, we dare to say:

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven ...**

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray...

**All: For the kingdom, the power and the  
glory are yours now and for ever.**

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said...

**R. Amen.**

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*All exchange a sign of peace*

#### LAMB OF GOD

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins  
of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world, grant us peace.**

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who  
takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are  
those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**R. Lord, I am not worthy  
that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word  
and my soul shall be healed.**

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON Jn 14:15-16

**If you love me, keep my commandments,  
says the Lord, and I will ask the Father  
and he will send you another Paraclete,  
to abide with you for ever, alleluia.**

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Almighty ever-living God, who restore us  
to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ,  
increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this  
paschal Sacrament and pour into our hearts  
the strength of this saving food. Through  
Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

#### THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. May almighty God bless you,

the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy  
Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. Go in peace.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

#### BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

##### I WILL NOT LEAVE YOU ORPHANS

One of the most touching phrases in  
John's Gospel is Jesus' promise before his  
death that he would not leave his disciples  
orphans. The quality of his presence  
among them would change after the  
resurrection. In the future the Spirit would  
be the one instructing, strengthening, and  
protecting disciples. Jesus promises that  
whoever receives his commandments  
will be loved by the Father. This promise  
is fulfilled when the Samaritans become  
believers through Philip's ministry of  
preaching and healing. Samaritans  
were considered heretical Jews, but their  
positive reception of the word prompted  
the Jerusalem community to think again  
and to send Peter and John to welcome  
them into the larger community. The gift  
of the Spirit through the laying on of  
hands is the sign of God's blessing and of  
their full incorporation into the growing  
Christian family.

The first letter of Peter was written in a  
time of great trial and opposition. How  
were Christians going to respond to false  
charges against them? How were they  
able to give a credible account of their  
Christian faith? These early Christians  
were urged to remain steadfast and true to  
their values and belief. Like them, we are  
encouraged to find our source of strength  
in the example of Jesus who suffered and  
died for us even though he was innocent.  
It is not an easy path we are asked to  
tread but we are encouraged to see that  
our best defence is the quality of our lives  
and the depth of our hope.

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# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / A

14 MAY 2023

PROCLAIM THE GOOD NEWS. The early Christian community could not remain as  
an enclosed, self-contained group in Jerusalem. Its members felt impelled by Christ to  
bring the Good News to Samaria and then to the ends of the earth. Christians in every  
age are called to be fully involved in the life and joys and pains of the world. At times  
this can be difficult but the Spirit of God is always with us to help us.

#### INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Isa 48:20

**Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be  
heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth:  
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.**

#### GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and  
the love of God, and the communion of the  
Holy Spirit be with you all.

**R. And with your spirit.**

#### PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us  
acknowledge our sins, and so prepare  
ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

**R. For we have sinned against you.**

P. Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

**R. And grant us your salvation.**

P. May almighty God have mercy on  
us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to  
everlasting life.

**R. Amen.**

V. Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

V. Christ, have mercy.

**R. Christ, have mercy.**

V. Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

#### GLORIA

**Glory to God in the highest, / and on  
earth peace to people of good will. / We  
praise you, / we bless you, / we adore  
you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks  
for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly  
King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord  
Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord  
God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, /  
you take away the sins of the world, /  
have mercy on us; / you take away the  
sins of the world, / receive our prayer; /  
you are seated at the right hand of the  
Father, / have mercy on us. / For you  
alone are the Holy One, / you alone are  
the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, /  
Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in  
the glory of God the Father. / Amen.**

#### COLLECT

P. Grant, almighty God, that we may  
celebrate with heartfelt devotion these  
days of joy, which we keep in honour of  
the risen Lord, and that what we relive in  
remembrance we may always hold to in what  
we do. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your  
Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**R. Amen.**

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**  
*They laid hands on them, and they received the  
Holy Spirit.*

Philip went to a Samaritan town and  
proclaimed the Christ to them. The people  
united in welcoming the message Philip  
preached, either because they had heard  
of the miracles he worked or because they  
saw them for themselves. There were, for  
example, unclean spirits that came shrieking  
out of many who were possessed, and several  
paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result  
there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that  
Samaria had accepted the word of God, they  
sent Peter and John to them, and they went  
down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to  
receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not  
come down on any of them: they had only  
been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus.  
Then they laid hands on them, and they  
received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

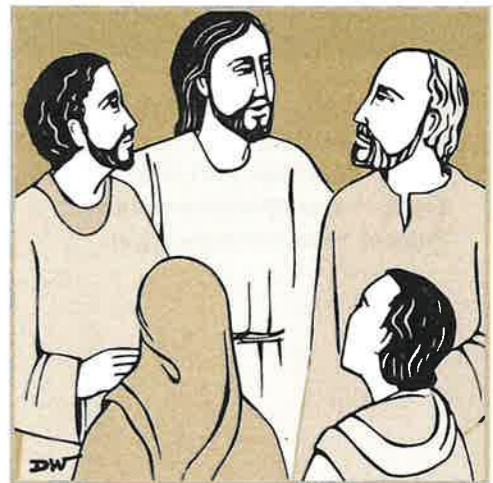
RESP PSALM Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20. R. cf. v. 2

**R. Let all the earth cry out to God with  
joy. (or Alleluia!)**

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth, /  
O sing to the glory of his name. / O render  
him glorious praise. / Say to God: 'How  
tremendous your deeds! **R.**

2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow; / shall  
sing to you, sing to your name!' / Come and  
see the works of God, / tremendous his deeds  
among men. **R.**

3. He turned the sea into dry land, / they  
passed through the river dry-shod. / Let our  
joy then be in him; / he rules for ever by his  
might. **R.**



4. Come and hear, all who fear God. / I  
will tell what he did for my soul: / Blessed  
be God who did not reject my prayer / nor  
withhold his love for me. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Pet 3:15-18

**A reading from the first letter of St Peter**  
*In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he  
was raised to life.*

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and  
always have your answer ready for people  
who ask you the reason for the hope that you  
all have. But give it with courtesy and respect  
and with a clear conscience, so that those  
who slander you when you are living a good  
life in Christ may be proved wrong in the  
accusations that they bring. And if it is the  
will of God that you should suffer, it is better  
to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though  
he was, had died once for sins, died for the  
guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was  
put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

The word of the Lord.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 14:23

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

GOSPEL Jn 14:15-21

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according  
to John.

**R. Glory to you, O Lord.**

*I shall ask the Father and he will give you  
another Advocate.*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my  
commandments.





# HOLY NAME OF MARY PARISH RYDALMERE

Sixth Sunday of Easter / A  
14 May 2023

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## MASS TIMES

SUNDAY EUCHARIST:	Saturday Vigil	5.30pm
	Sunday	7.30am & 10.00am
WEEKDAY EUCHARIST:	Tuesday - Saturday	9.15am
RECONCILIATION:	Saturday	4.30pm - 5.15pm
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	Exposition: Wednesday and Saturday	8.30am
	Exposition: Monday - Friday	7.00pm - 12.00am
BAPTISMS:	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of month	11.30am

## Please Pray For

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Fr Laurie Mooney OSA - Edna Horne, Sarah Hogan (Fr John Hogan's mother) - Allan Greenfield, John George Nicholls, Roslyn Tippetts, - Terry Ferguson.

### ANNIVERSARIES:

John Laing, Barbara Mackenzie-Hunter, Nora Moses, Joseph John Merlino, Thelma Herlihy, Ann Zammit, Antoinetta Bruzzese, Caterina Bruzzese, Teresa Procopio - Dawn Walsh, Roger Joseph Flood, Marica Prusac, Andre Daaboul, Violette Daaboul, John Laing.

## Rosters - 20/21 May

### Cleaning Ministry:

### Computer Operators:

Vigil 5.30pm Caterina Cipri, Monica Jung  
Sun. 7.30am George Davidson  
Sun. 7.30am Anne Marie Lyons  
Sun. 10.00am Glenys Oxlee

### Counters:

### Lectors:

Vigil 5.30pm Lawrence Tsang, Patrizia Hild  
Sun. 7.30am Sr Maureen, Anne Betteridge  
Sun. 7.30am Ron Della Vedova, Ron Della Vedova  
Sun. 10.00am Jane Jimenez, Lynette Rodrigues



## BREAKFAST CLUB: 27 MAY 2023 - 8.30AM-11AM

Young adults aged 18-35 - You are invited for a breakfast feast. Join other young adults for faith, fellowship, food and fun!

Venue: 4 Albion St, Dundas.  
RSVP: Sulyn Leslie 0408 966 632



## HELP PLEASE

Assistance with setting up the Parish Hall on **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> from 2.00pm** is required & would be greatly appreciated. Also, could donations of greenery & blooms for the centre of the tables be dropped off at that time, please. And of course, just as much help will be needed following the lunch on Sunday to restore the hall to as was condition.



## FR PETER'S FAREWELL

Reminder that drinks are not included with lunch on Sunday 21st, so please BYO your own drinks & cups/glasses. Hall doors will be opened at approx. 12 noon. Tables seat 8. Enquiries: Glenys Oxlee 0488 228 633

## INVITATION TO REGISTER FOR CPR TRAINING:

You are invited to register for an accredited CPR Course being offered by Surf Life Saving NSW. This is being offered as a **FREE** course to the Parishes of the Diocese. The course runs for 2.5 hours and will be presented at two locations across the Diocese.

- St Thomas Aquinas Parish, Springwood on **Saturday 13 May** from 10am or
- Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, on **Monday 5 June** from 4pm.

Please contact the Parish Office for information on how to register for the venue of your choice.

## RYDALMEN - CHANGE OF DATE



Our men's group next gathers on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May** at 7.15pm for 7.30pm start in the Parish meeting room. Contact details: shane.young@ozemail.com.au, 0432 815 165.



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## BUILDING SAFE PARISHES TOGETHER IN 2023:

*An Update from Safeguarding (People & Culture)*

Safe Parishes Week 2023 - Safeguarding Renewal Mandatory Training Opportunities!

Did you complete your 6 points of mandatory training in 2021?

Are you due for renewal training?

Would you like to complete the renewal training Face to Face?

Our Renewal Training Package (Cycle 2 - 4 points) consists of:

Module 4: Understanding Safeguarding, the Child Safe Standards & Working with Adults at Risk

Module 5: Legal Compliance: Risk Of Significant Harm & Reportable Conduct

These Renewal Mandatory Modules will be offered face to face at Bishop Bede Heather Centre on:

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 10am - 1.30pm, OR**  
**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 10am - 1.30pm**

Please register for the renewal modules on the day of your choice at: [safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.edu.au](mailto:safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.edu.au)

## COMPUTER OPERATORS NEEDED

We are desperately short of people to operate the computer at weekend Masses. You do not have to prepare the slides, only run them thru PowerPoint. Training is given and you are rostered to your usual Mass time. If you can assist please contact Glenys Oxlee 0488 228 633 by Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May.



## MET Natural Fertility Seminar - Couples Hoping to Conceive: 20 May

Hear about Restorative Reproductive Medicine and natural methods of achieving pregnancy. This topic is of particular interest to couples that are trying to conceive a child where they may have infertility issues and are seeking medical intervention to help them. Hear from trained professionals about a women's health science, the Creighton Model which is used in conjunction with NaProTechnology ([www.fccau.org](http://www.fccau.org)). This free event will be held on Saturday 20 May from 1pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. For more information and to register, contact catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org or 0400 427 605.

## ANNUAL SCHOENSTATT MARIAN PILGRIMAGE: 21 MAY

The Mt Schoenstatt Shrine and Retreat Centre's Annual Marian Pilgrimage will be held again on Sunday 21 May. Reconciliation will be available from 9.30am before Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv celebrates Mass and recommissions pilgrim mother coordinators. Mass will be followed by a Eucharistic Procession from the valley to the Shrine. As this is an outdoor event, please bring your own chairs. Hot food, tea and coffee available for sale or BYO. Any enquiries, please call (02) 4773 8338 or email [info@schoenstatt.org.au](mailto:info@schoenstatt.org.au).

## FEAST OF THE WEEK

### Wednesday, 17 May - Saint Paschal Baylon

This humble Spanish friar is known as the Saint of the Blessed Sacrament. St Paschal was a shepherd from the time he was 7 until the age of 24. He taught himself to read so that he could recite the Little Office of Our Lady. When he was about 18, he asked to join the Friars Minor at Loreto. These barefooted Franciscans, who followed the austere reforms of St Peter of Alcantara, at first rejected Paschal; but when they finally accepted him years later, Paschal's virtues stood out even among these fervent friars. An unlearned man who worked mainly as a porter or doorkeeper, Paschal acquired an understanding of theological matters through his many hours on his knees before the Blessed Sacrament. Even after praying through the night, he eagerly served consecutive Masses beginning after dawn. St Paschal was sometimes sent on journeys through France at a time when persecution from the Huguenots made traveling dangerous for anyone in a habit, and he was stoned on more than one occasion. Many miraculous cures of the sick and poor were attributed to St Paschal even during his lifetime.

