



Welcome to the Parishes of
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St Mary of the Cross - Pray for Us



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The Ascension of The Lord
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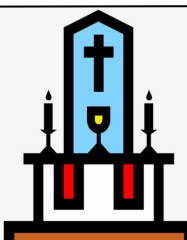
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Greetings in the Risen Lord Jesus.

This Sunday we celebrate and remember the Ascension of Our Lord into Heaven where he intercedes for us all. Jesus said "it is for your own good that I am going because unless I go, the advocate will not come to you." In 16:6 We all await the Holy Spirit to bless our world and our nation with Peace, Healing and Love.

On Monday we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia.

*We can confidently bring our needs to our Mother Mary. Fr Geoff and myself will keep you all in our prayers and quiet Masses. God Bless you and your families, **Fr Patrick***



Sunday Mass: with Fr Patrick inside St Joseph's parish church

In these restrictive times, we can still attend our regular Mass. The **Parish Mass** will be uploaded to the Website at **5pm each Saturday**. Gather the family and go to www.saintjosephsbulli.com and set your own time to view the weekend Mass. The Mass will stay on the website for the whole week.

Thank you to our parishioners who have stayed connected to our parish during these difficult times, by viewing our pre-recorded Sunday Masses and downloading the parish bulletin to keep in touch.

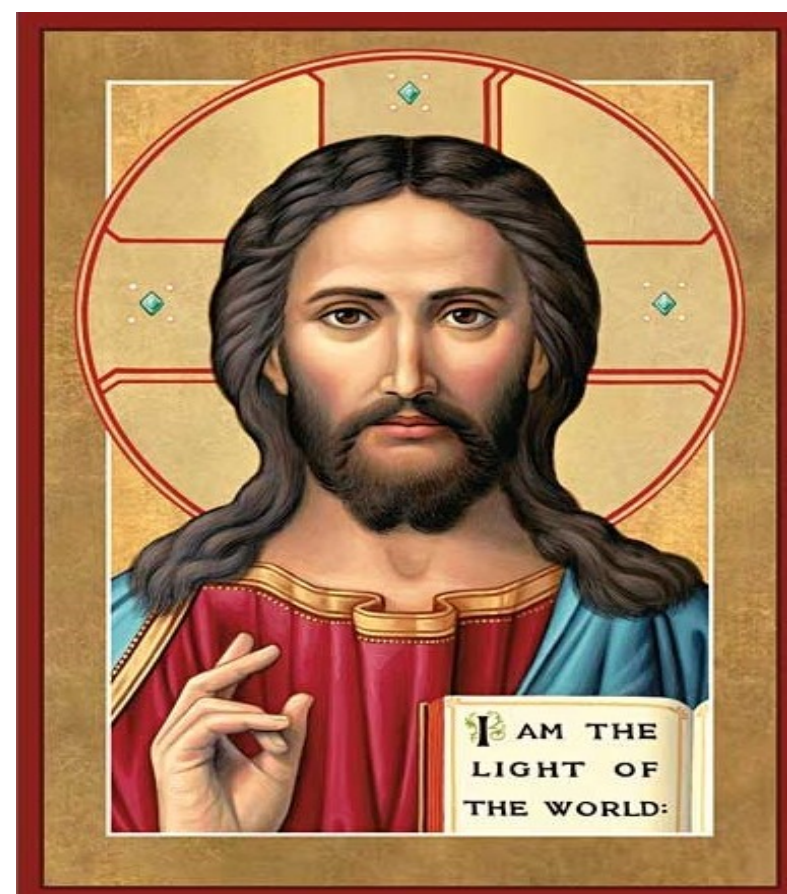
Some statistics from our parish website: As of the 20th May 2020: * Our website has recorded 4,569 views by people from 17 countries (inc Australia). * Our Sunday Mass videos have been played 2,015 times from Easter Sunday to Wednesday 20th May at an average of 320 times per week. * Our weekly bulletin continues to be downloaded from the website by parishioners at a rate of approximately 70 times per week.

Thank you again to Michael and Cristene Barnett for all they do to get this out to our parishioners each week.



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



We acknowledge the Dharawal people, their country and their Elders, past and present.



The Dioceses of Wollongong released a statement late last Friday that the current measures will stay in place and be reviewed in 2 weeks time. Especially while the vulnerability remains for a significant portion of our community. It has been advised that before worship can begin these issues need to be addressed:

- ♦ Worship spaces need to be accessed
 - ♦ A system needs to be set up to for attendance at Masses to ensure numbers are adhered to.
 - ♦ Access to hand sanitizers - Proper signage - Directions of movement with in the church
 - ♦ Seat allocation - Cleaning regimens
 - * No Parish Meeting's
 - * Holy Communion is NOT to be taken to the Sick.
 - * All Baptisms are postponed along with all Sacramental preparations.
- *PLEASE CONTINUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCE and KEEP GOOD HYGIENE PRACTICES.**

✠ ONLINE MASS SCHEDULES AROUND THE DIOCESE ✠

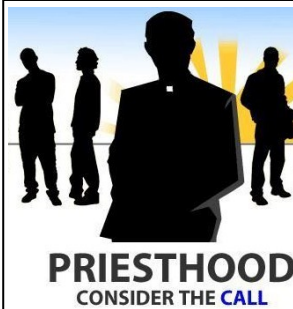
Sunday Masses with Bishop Brian and priests from around the diocese are available online at dow.org.au or [diocese's Facebook page](#)

For weekend and daily Masses

- [Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays 12:10 p.m. Mass](#) from the Cathedral House, Wollongong
- [Tuesday—Sunday Masses](#) from Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, Rosemeadow
- [Saturdays 5pm and Sundays 10am Mass](#) from St Mary MacKillop Catholic Church, Oran Park
- [Daily Mass](#) from St John the Evangelist Catholic Parish, Campbelltown, St Paul's Parish, Moss Vale, St Michael's Thirroul and from Bishop Robert Barron's Chapel
- [Daily 7 p.m. Mass and Sunday 10 a.m. Mass](#) from Mary Immaculate Catholic Church, Eagle Vale
- [Mass for You at Home](#) is available across the Ten Network on Sundays at 6:00 a.m. and any time on TenPlay
- [Daily Mass on Demand](#) is available at CathNews YouTube channel



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Vocation View

"Repent and be baptised!" Our life as Christian disciples is a constant conversion to the Lord; we must constantly live out the commitments made at our own baptism. **(Acts 2:38)**.
 If you want to talk, about your discernment, please contact **Fr Duane Fernandez** vocations@dow.org.au or watch new video online with the Bishops Sunday Masses

***Pray* with Pope Francis throughout May for an end to the Pandemic**

Pope Francis has asked Catholics to make a special effort in May to pray the Rosary, Knowing that by doing so they would be united with believers around the world asking for Mary's intercession in stopping the Coronavirus pandemic.

Pope Francis has written two prayers that can be recited at the end of the rosary, prayers "in spiritual union with all of you".

O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith.

"Protectress of the Roman people", you know that we will provide so that, as at, Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us.

For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

Amen

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.



THE OFFICE WILL STILL ONLY BE OPERATING ON WEDNESDAY'S AND THURSDAY'S FROM 9:30AM TO 3PM UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

We still ask that you **DO NOT COME TO THE OFFICE** and only contact us by **phone or email.**

We realise this is a difficult and confusing time for everyone, but we must abide by the directives of the government to keep everyone safe and well. Please hold onto your Planned Giving Envelopes and Project Compassion Boxes until we resume parish Masses again.

NB: Please do not bring them to the office.

Planned Giving options are available for parishioners via **Direct debit** by going to the Diocesan website www.dow.org.au/plannedgiving



Update on Sacramental Programs for St Columbkille's Parish Corrimal

Earlier this year we scheduled and sent our enrolment forms for the Sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation and Holy Communion.

Unfortunately due the current circumstances, the directives from the Government and Diocese of Wollongong have meant that these have been postponed until restrictions have been lifted. If you have filled out the enrolment forms please send them into the

parish office either by mail or email. That way we can create a data base, so as to contact parents and carers as soon as we have been advised to go ahead with Sacramental preparation classes and new dates are set. **Parish postal and email details are on the front page of this bulletin.**

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY WOLLONGONG LAUNCH *LIVE ONLINE!*



CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY
WOLLONGONG

This is a creative, powerful show about faith in the life of young people. It is new initiative featuring talks, worship music, fun games, guest speakers and testimonies. This is a great way for young people to not only build on their faith but also build friendships. To be involved simply follow the "CYMW" Facebook page or Instagram at "wollongongnetteam".

To see last weeks show go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qdC-Q7_-OVY

Mary Help of Christians: Monday Feast Day 25th May

The Church has traditionally focussed on two aspects of Our Lady's help on this feast day. Firstly, upon the role of Our Lady's intercession in the **fight against sin** in the life of a believer. Secondly, Our Lady is one who **assists Christians** as a community, through her intercession, in **fighting against anti-Christian** forces.

In the Opening Prayer for Our Lady Help of Christians, the Church prays:

Almighty God, deepen in our hearts our love of Mary Help of Christians.

Through her prayers and under her protection, may the light of Christ shine over our land. May Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace.

Grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens.

Bless especially the men and women of the Australian Defence Force and their families.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Mary Help of Christians, pray for us.



Please continue to pray for: All in our hospitals and Nursing homes and those affected by the Bushfire, Drought and COVID-19 Crisis

Our Sick: Margaret Hawkins (Joey), Caroline Tichener Bloom, Maureen Bradbury, Jim & Bernice Murrie, Eunice Michaleff, Annette Miller, Sue Daniels, Brian Brennan.

Our Recently Deceased: Elisabetta Trunzo, Mark Murphy, Clare Parkes, Mark Harris

Anniversaries: Mary Whipp, Irene Wailes, Daniel Zulian,

Our Deceased: William Crinnion, Georgina Jones, David Park, Ken Cox, Spiridione & Garifalia Naccari, Rita and Dom Stefani, Ron McCudden, Judith Kuit, Riordan Family, Desmond and Sylvia Trainor, Jeanette & Neville McRae, Socrates and Ida Lomnau, Siro Rostirolla ***all our deceased and all the Holy Souls***

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

FIRST READING: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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

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: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them.

When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commandments I gave to you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

