Sunday 29th May 2022

Mass Times: Monday - Friday 9.30am, Saturday: 9:30am, 5:30pm Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am

Baptisms & other sacraments: please call the office to organise.

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The Ascension of the Lord C-Year C

Heaven and Earth are full of your Glory

Our Risen Lord knew that we are naturally, collectively human-centric. He withdrew His risen mode of appearance (what we call 'the Ascension') to make it clear that the whole Universe, including planet Earth, is filled with the presence and power radiating out from his Risen Humanity.

As St Paul wrote in the Epistle to the Romans: 'Creation still retains the hope of being freed from its slavery to decay, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God.' How is the Risen Lord beginning to fulfil this hope?

At Mass, fractions of creation – the Bread and Wine consecrated for Holy Communion – are transformed into the Real Presence of the Risen Lord.

Eucharistic Prayer III begins with: 'You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise...' How can all creation give God praise? As the ancient church used to teach: Each of you is a microcosm of the macrocosm, called to be a priest for the Cosmos. Through your enlightened mind and inflamed heart, the Cosmos knows that it exists and that it is loved by its Creator. It is beginning to share the freedom and glory of the children of God.

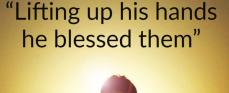
We could pause for a moment, stop staring into Heaven, and ready ourselves to receive the Holy Spirit so as to be what St Paul calls 'the Church which is His Body in whom the *fullness* of creation dwells'.

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gospel focus

A message for all people

One of the defining features of the Gospel of Luke is the fact that the preached and practised message by Jesus made salvation available to all people. At times in the gospel some of the Jewish audience became quite angry at Jesus because he said that pagans and gentiles were also included in the salvation he promised something they regarded as exclusive to the 'chosen' people. The two accounts of the Ascension make very clear that the message and ministry of Jesus are to be carried to all nations even to the ends of the earth!





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MAY - Month of Mary

29th St Sisinnius, Alexander and Martyrius 30th St Joan of Arc 31st The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 1st St Justin 2nd St Erasmus 3rd St Clotilda 4th St Quirinus



Seniors luncheon

Tuesday, 14th June, 12pm Elsternwick Hotel 259 Brighton Rd, Elwood Please contact to book:

Joan Hamilton: 9592 2498 or 0432 449 122 Sue Sharry: 0458 086 602

Rosters for Next Week

5 th June	5.30pm	9.00am	11.00am
Pentecost Sunday - Year C			
Lector	Paul Dungan	Rod Watson	Richard Wakeham
Minister	Clare Sabatino	Mary Callea	Jenny Reiche
Audio Visual Operator	Carmel Cristiano	Leo Cuerden	Teresa Myer

FR IAN'S BON VOYAGE FOR A LITTLE WHILE

After a very long 2 years, Fr Ian Ranson will be going on his well deserved and long awaited sabbatical/leave, which I'm sure most of you have heard about. He will be leaving on 6th June and returning 1st October.

During this time Fr Clem Cafarella (permanent retired priest at St Finbar's) and Fr Stephen Hamilton will reside at the presbytery and assist in weekly and weekend masses. Carmel will continue to work on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the office.

Fr Clem would also like to let everyone know that if you would like him to pop in for a visit, feel free to let Carmel know and she can organize a date and time.

Wishing Fr Ian an amazing trip and looking forward to all his interesting stories of his travels in the October homilies!

Take care and may God be with you always on your travel.

Your Parishioners of St Finbar's



Father Stu opens in cinemas, features Mark Wahlberg, Jacki Weaver and Mel Gibson.

As of 12 May, the new film by Mark Wahlberg and Mel Gibson, *Father Stu*, will hit Australian cinemas. It is a biopic about Father Stuart Long, a priest of the Diocese of Helena, Montana, in the U.S. It tracks his journey from being a wild and wandering man – from football player to wrestler to boxer to actor – before finally discerning a vocation to the priesthood.

A serious car accident prompted this profound religious conversion. Even before his ordination in December 2007, he was diagnosed with inclusion body myositis, an inflammatory condition in the muscles for which there is no cure. It is an aggressive and chronic illness that caused him great suffering. It's the kind of disease that affects everything: movement, writing, lifting, swallowing – even the most basic, daily tasks eventually become impossible. Showing at Village Southland

SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND ALL VULNERABLE PEOPLE

St Finbar's Parish hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility for our community.