

First Reading

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. **R.**

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. **R.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. **R.**

Second Reading

Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

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

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an

enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel or crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**Gospel Acclamation**

John 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

John 14:23-29

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

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

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own; it is the word of the one who sent me.

I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say:

I am going away, and shall return.

If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I.

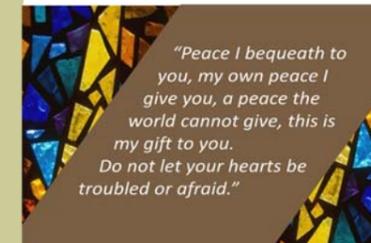
I have told you this now, before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.' The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**Blackwood Catholic Community****Parish Newsletter****St Paul of the Cross**

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Blackwood

Our Lady of the Way

4-6 Laffers Rd
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22nd May 2022**Sixth Sunday of Easter****PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Jesus you are the Good Shepherd who is always mindful of your Church. Watch over those who are baptised in your name and grant peace and harmony to all families. We ask you to choose from the families of our parishes many priests, deacons, sisters and brothers who will gladly spend their lives making you known and loved.

Amen**INTRODUCTION****'THE HOLY SPIRIT WILL TEACH YOU'**

Shortly before his death Jesus assured his disciples that he would not abandon them. In his name, the Father will send the Holy Spirit to be with them and guide them. The early Christian community experiences the Spirit's presence as they sought to discern God's will on various issues: 'it has been decided by the Holy Spirit and ourselves', the apostles and elders would say. As we face difficult decisions today we also can be at peace, confident that God's Spirit is with us.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

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

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PRAYER

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. **Amen**

St Joseph pray for us.

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BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

By appointment
Please contact the Office

MASS TIMES**St. Paul of the Cross (SPC)**

Tuesday 9:30am
Wednesday 9:30am
Friday 11:00am
Sunday 8:00am

Our Lady of the Way (OLW)

Wednesday 7:00pm
Thursday 9:30am
Saturday 6:00pm
Sunday 10:00am

CONFESSIONS

SPC - Friday 10:30 to 10:55am
OLW - Saturday 5:30 to 5:50pm

HOLY HOUR

OLW - Wednesday 7:30 to 8:30pm

BENEDICTION

SPC - 3rd Sunday of the Month
Following 8am Mass

ROSARY FOR PEACE

OLW - Monday 10:30am

If you need pastoral assistance please contact**Fr Tony on 0418 882 470**

The Diocesan Mass Count is happening **EACH** weekend throughout May. Please fill out an individual record sheet with your **GENDER** and **AGE BRACKET** and help children complete theirs. Completed forms may be placed in the census boxes in the foyer at either church as you enter or leave. *Thank you*

May 2022

Sunday 22nd

Manresa Circle of Friends - Music Concert
2:30pm St Ignatius College Chapel, 2 Manresa Crt Athelstone. Suggested donation \$25 with proceeds going to support refugees and asylum seekers. More information on notice boards.

Marian Procession

2:00pm at the Adelaide Showgrounds. This year, in support of the Ukrainian community, the image that will lead our procession is *Vyshhorodska - Mother of God*. The procession will commence at 2pm and all are invited to attend with their parish or community. Group assembly will begin from 1.30pm. The procession will take place in the Main Arena however if the weather is inclement, it will be moved to the Wayville Pavilion. There will be car parking available onsite. For more information, please contact Archdiocesan Events on P: 8210 8220.

World Communication Day

The Catholic Church in Australia celebrates World Communications Day on the Sixth Sunday of Easter (May 22). Pope Francis' message this year focuses on the importance of 'Listening with the ear of the heart'. The Australian Catholic Media Council has produced social media resources and homily notes for the celebration. Access resources at www.catholic.org.au/wcd

Sunday 22nd

Vinnies Knitting Group Trading Table
Following 8:00am Mass at SPC and 10:00am Mass at OLW.

Monday 23rd

Blackwood Parish Singles Group
2:00pm tour of The Cube, McClaren Vale. Meet in OLW car park at 1:00pm. Cost for the tour is \$15 per person. Please contact Geoff on 8278 5650 to book a place or for more information.

Wednesday 25th

St Vincent de Paul
Badge Day outside Coles and Drakes in Blackwood. See opposite page seeking volunteers to help sell badges outside Coles and Drakes in Blackwood.



Certificates for volunteers who attended the March Mandatory Training course are now available. For collection at OLW this weekend and at SPC next weekend. Please collect them or contact the Office to arrange alternative times for collection. Additional training for those who were unable to attend will be organised for later in the year.

June 2022

Saturday 4th

Journey Into The Joy Pentecost Encounter The Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults (COYYA) is inviting young people of Adelaide (16-35 years) to encounter the many wonders of Pentecost on Saturday June 4. 'Pentecost Encounter' will have a new multi-workshop format including reflection, prayer, discussion, testimony, praise and worship and games, at a new timeslot (1pm-5.30pm). COYYA is collaborating with St Mary's College, Adelaide to make the event more central to the CBD. Registration is now open at <https://www.trybooking.com/BZJDX>.

Diocesan Pre-Synod Gathering

The Archdiocese hosted a pre-synod gathering and presented the diocesan synod report at The Monastery on April 30. The report highlights the various consultations that have taken place in the Archdiocese over the past few years and the many voices of the Catholic community. It also presents a synthesis of the Diocesan Assembly recommendations and signals a commitment to a continued journey of synodality. The report, which will be sent to the Bishops Conference and to the Vatican, can be found at www.adelaide.catholic.org.au Watch the presentation at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dyVvnHQ4muY>



Knitting Group Trading Table Sunday 22nd May

Following: 8am Mass at SPC 10am Mass at OLW

Hats, scarves, children's knitwear as well as some jams and plants for sale. All proceeds go towards Vinnies Winter Appeal.

Please help support those in need.

Next week's readings - 29th May 2022
Ascension of the Lord

First Reading Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
Psalms Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8
Second Reading Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23
Acclamation Jn 14:23
Gospel John 14:23-29



Vietnam and Cambodia Pilgrimage 2022/2023



In partnership with Volunteer Building Cambodia two pilgrimages are being offered late 2022 and early 2023.

Cambodia: Dec 28th 2022 - January 5th 2023
Vietnam: January 8th - 29th 2023

For more information see the notice boards or contact Fr Peter Gardiner CP at cppilg2023@gmail.com



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

6th Sunday of Easter

*"...Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid."
(JOHN 14:27)*

Our limited human understanding cannot begin to understand the immense power of God. Instead of trusting in God, we often think we can control every outcome. Do you want to make God laugh? Tell Him your plans. The next time worry, anxiety, or fear creeps in, thank God for all He has given you and trust that He has a better plan for you. Make God your first choice and not your last resort.

THANK YOU

A huge big thank you to all the very generous people who donated to our recent trading table: fabulous produce, including baked goods, jams, relishes, etc, beautiful plants and craft articles and donations of cash. We made a record of \$1,850!!! This will be put to good use by the nuns and the school in Lolotoe.

World Development Committee

NATIONAL 16-22 MAY 2022
VOLUNTEER WEEK
Better Together

National Volunteer Week 2022 Sponsors

AON **Volunteering AUSTRALIA**

National Volunteer Week is a chance for all of us to celebrate and recognise the vital work of volunteers and to say thank you. Together, through volunteering, we are changing communities for the better. We are, **Better Together**.

Please pray for members of our parish community listed below and those named previously.

Sick: Bruce Harrison, Jeff Feehan, Gail Dante,
Recently deceased: Patricia (Margaret) Wright, Tony Meehan, Margaret Becker, Gillian Koschade

Please contact the office to have names added to or removed from the prayer list

HELP NEEDED - ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

Badge Day Wednesday 25th May

Help to sell badges outside Coles and Drakes in Blackwood is urgently needed. Please consider giving an hour of time to help those in need. If you can help, speak with a member of the local Vinnies team after Mass this weekend or contact: Peter Donovan on 8270 1770 or 0413 910 234 or Eleonora on 0435 441 471



Blackwood Catholic Parish Weekend Roster

	Sat 21 May	Sun 22 May		Sat 28 May	Sun 29 May	
	OLW 6pm	SPC 8am	OLW 10am	OLW 6pm	SPC 8am	OLW 10am
READER	Bart Voskulen	Simon Honner	Peter Smalles	Ellie Rowe	Patrick Rodda	Corrie Froscio
ALTAR SERVER		Michael Anderson	Rebekah		Patrick Rodda	Michael
ALTAR PREP	Barb Baggoley	Vicki Davey	Annette Harrison	Barb Baggoley	Vicki Davey	Annette Harrison
MUSIC	Loreen Tomas	Jill Tierney	Recorded Music	Loreen Tomas	Trevor Fuller	Georgian Singers
CANTOR		Bob McEvoy			Stephen Gensemer	
FLOWERS		June Donovan	Annette Harrison	FLOWERS	Jan Dunkley	Jan Fogarty