



MURRAY BRIDGE, MURRAY MALLEE, MALLEE BORDER

# WEEKLY BULLETIN

Information on our parishes & our communities



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## *Ascension of The Lord*

As we celebrate the ascension of the Lord into heaven, let our hearts ascend with him. St. Paul teaches us that "if you have risen with Christ, set your hearts on the things that are above where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God; seek the things that are above, not the things that are on earth." For just as he remained with us even after his ascension, so we too are already in heaven with him, even though what is promised us has not yet been fulfilled in our bodies.

Christ exalted in heaven still suffers on earth all the pain that we, members of his body, the Church, have to bear. He showed this when he cried out from above: "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" and when he said: "I was hungry and you gave me food...." We are encouraged while still on earth to be fruitful on earth among the people we are called to make present the works of the Master who said: "I am with you always, to the close of the age." We also know that human life is not enclosed by the earth nor does it end within the narrow confines of this world.



## **ASCENSION OF THE LORD - YR C**

**First reading      Acts 1:1-11**

**Jesus was lifted up while they  
looked on**

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.'

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**Responsorial Psalm      Psalm 46(47):2-3,6-9**

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

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**

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**

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**

**Hebrews 9:24-28,10:19-23**

**Christ entered into heaven itself**

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.

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**Gospel Acclamation**

**Matthew 28:19. 20**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel.

I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Alleluia!

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**Gospel**

**Luke 24:46-53**

**He withdrew from them and was  
carried up into 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.

### Confirmation, Friday 30th May 2025

Please pray for the children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday night.

**Michael Caspillo, Natasha Fresiello, Jadee**

**Garcia, Isabelle Gates, Luke Lavington,**

**Wayne Sarreal, Minh & Anh Tran,**

**Harley Williams, Lavinia & Amalia Hollitt,**

**Imogen hurle, Johanne Escrin,**

**Estelle Biddle, Avery Hampel, Isana, Lucius,**

**Aramina Burke, Hamish Bennett,**

**Fletcher Reschke.**

### Choir Cecilia

A celebration of 1000 years of songs from the British Isles. Sunday June 14th at 2.20pm. Uniting church, 1 Narooma Blvd, Murray Bridge. Admission \$25.00  
Enquiries Jocelyn mb:0427 862 670

### - An Appeal -

Thank you to everyone who so generously have provided Fr George with some homely comforts. There are still many things needed, so If you would like to and are able to make a donation please put it in an envelope for the parish.

### Notes from ppc meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> May

- Student enrolment at St Joseph's is 425.
- Deb Holland retired and Evan Wrobel appointed as Aprim of St Joseph's school MB.
- Holy Week services all well attended.
- Multiple maintenance work needed around the church, hall, presbytery.
- Volunteers needed for various ministries.
- Fr Philips' 70th birthday & Flores de Mayo celebrated together.
- Farewell lunch for Dcn Arturo & Mary Sunday 29th June.

### **Invitation to honour Pope Francis on World Environment Day**

The United Religions Initiative and Religions for Peace Australia invite you to join a celebration honouring the life of Pope Francis and his interfaith and ecological legacy. John Lochowiak (NATSICC) will give a Welcome to Country and share his memories, before reflections by nine faith leaders from Australia and overseas.

World Environment Day, 7.30pm Thursday June 5

Zoom Meeting: [https://uri-org.zoom.us/j/87993813629?](https://uri-org.zoom.us/j/87993813629?pwd=KQ8vbXDOPXpiqZh1Lt5QTUS7panaJy.1)

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ID: 879 9381 3629

Passcode: 195820

### **Anchored in Christ**

The YMG Men's Conference 2025, themed 'Anchored in Christ', is set to inspire men aged 18 and above with a day of spiritual growth and fellowship. The conference will be held on Saturday June 14 from 8am to 7.30pm at Cardijn College, Marian Campus, Noarlunga Downs. For more details and registration [ymgadelaide@gmail.com](mailto:ymgadelaide@gmail.com)

### **Public Rosary for Peace and Vocations**

Join us for Public Rosary on the First Saturday of the month, (Saturday, June 7). We warmly invite you to gather in prayer with Our Lady, as we pray the Rosary outdoors for peace - united in hope and devotion.

Location: Mary MacKillop Plaza (adjacent St Francis Xavier's Cathedral)

Time: 8.40am, immediately following the 8am morning Mass

MURRAY BRIDGE, MURRAY MALLEE, MALLEE BORDER PARISHES			Weekly Giving (28 - 29 May 2025)	M/B	M/M
7 <sup>th</sup> June Saturday	Mannum (Vigil Mass) - Fr John	4pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Collection (for the Priests of the Archdiocese)	\$819.35	\$104.80
7 <sup>th</sup> June Saturday	Murray Bridge (Vigil Mass) - Fr George	6pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection - for the Parish (Loose Plate)	\$536.95	\$75.00
8 <sup>th</sup> June Sunday	Murray Bridge (Mass) - Fr George	11am	2nd Collection - for the Parish (Planned Giving Envelopes)	\$735.00	\$50.00
8 <sup>th</sup> June Sunday	Tailem Bend (LWHC) -	10am	Donation (Friday Lunch)	\$	
8 <sup>th</sup> June Sunday	Pinnaroo/Lameroo (LWHC) -	9am	Caritas/Project Compassion	\$	\$
8 <sup>th</sup> June Sunday	Meningie (Mass) - Fr Richard	9am	<b>Thank You!</b>		
Tuesday (Mass)	Murray Bridge (Fr George)	9.30am			
Wednesday (Mass)	Murray Bridge (Fr George)	9.30am			
Thursday (Mass)	Murray Bridge (Fr George)	9.30am			
Wednesday (Mass)	Mannum (Fr George)	11am			
Friday (Adoration)	Murray Bridge (Fr George)	11am			
Friday (Mass)	Murray Bridge (Fr George)	12noon			

## **Please pray for the sick:**

Eda Abbondandola, Bill Allam, Luigino Antonello, Thomas Arnold, Marion Ayres, Lyn Ayunon, Greg Baily, Simon Boyce, Kathy Broster, Colleen Buchan, Jim Byrne, Joan Carey, Alyn Catipay, Kathalia Celestine, Jackie Clarke, Peter Connolly, Pat Connolly, John Cooper, Nucileide Jesus Da Silva, Kathleen Daniel, Eugenia Delena, Pat Duxbury, Shona Edwards, Kevin Glancy, Niall Glancy, Lottie Grabski, Alex Gregory, Angela Groves, Nilda Guadagnin, Cynthia Harbour, Helen Hogan, Vin Hollis, Carol Hunt, Roger & Raylene Hurle, Maureen Johnson, Adriana Lai, Lorraine Ledgard, Anita Lindner, Ann Loughran, Ashley Mason, Sam May, Bernard McInerney, Judith & Kevin Meaney, Lillian Nagy, Mick Nearmy, Virgie Nicholls, Joel Paca-anas, Arturo & Ronda Jean Nigro, Raelene O'Driscoll, Pat Pfeiffer, Ross & Pauline Pfeiffer, Maria & Vince Rocca, Robin Scott, Yvonne Shillabeer, Charlotte Tottman, Isobel Turner, Abby Vivian, Bernadina Wassenner, Jan Winter.

**Anniversaries:** Josie Bau

**Deaths:**

## **Adelaide Men's Rosary Crusade**

The Adelaide Men's Rosary Crusade is a global movement which invites men to honour Our Lady, offer reparation against her and fulfil the first Saturday devotion. Join us for the next Men's Rosary Crusade. Starts at 12.15pm (Mass at 11.30am, Confession available to 1pm) on Saturday June 7 (first Saturday of every month). You are invited to join outside St Francis Xavier's Cathedral at 12.15pm (after Mass). All welcome. For more information please contact: Adelaide Men's Rosary – [instagram@adelaidemensrosary](mailto:instagram@adelaidemensrosary) or text on 0419 824 582.

### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: (8th June Pentecost 2025) Yr C**

**1<sup>st</sup> Rdg:** Act 2:1-11

**2<sup>nd</sup> Rdg:** Romans 8:22-27

**Gospel:** John 7:37-39

### **Diocesan Synod formation session: What is a Diocesan Synod?**

**Tuesday June 24, 2025, 7pm, online gathering**

The Archdiocese of Adelaide is preparing for a Synod in 2026. Each month you are invited to participate in an online formation session with other people from across the Archdiocese. Each session will explore a different aspect or theme of the Synod. The June session will include details about the Diocesan Synod, what makes a synod different from a Diocesan Assembly, foundations in synodality, and synod membership. Register at <https://www.trybooking.com/DBUKH> or contact Peter Bierer for more information [pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

### **REMINDERS**

- Wednesday 11th June - School mass at 9.30am
- Wednesday 18th June - yr 2&3 prayer service
- Wednesday 25th June - yr 6 Mass at 9.30am
- Lunch to farewell Deacon Arturo & Mary - Sunday 28th June after 11am mass.

### **Next Week's Roster**

Church	Murray Bridge	Murray Bridge	Tailem Bend
Dates & Time	7th June (Saturday) 6PM	8th June (Sunday) 11AM	8th June (Sunday) 9AM
Commentator	Mark & Wayne	Lyn Ayunon	Cindy Malone
Lector 1	Sharon Gregory	Ros Oates	Tess Brereton
Lector 2	Rosie Scott	Bev Villaver	Vicki Stevens
P.O. Faithful	Michael Gates	Rodel Maranan	Cindy Malone
Euch. Ministers	Dianne Cz	Billy Dimaano	Peter Nearmy
Welcoming 1	Carol Giles	Marian Allam	Peter Nearmy
Welcoming 2	Marie Scannell	Di Howson	
Offertory			
POF Writer	Mark Scott		
Grounds Maintenance (MB)	Wayne & Miriam		