



6th Sunday of Easter - Year C

21/22 May, 2022

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

The church found itself before a crucial dilemma, which is first evident in the conflict whose eventual resolution is described in these verses. Either it would remain restricted to the Jewish cultural realities or it would open itself to the wider world.

Next week:

The Ascension
of the Lord
Year C

Acts 1:1-11
Ephesians 1:17-23
Luke 24:46-53

Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

Perfect and direct communion of God will more than supply the place of gospel institutions.

John 14:23-29

Jesus' death is imminent but his concern is for the disciples rather than for himself. He reassures them that they will not be alone and promises them peace.

Universal Prayers

- 1 That we may meet hostility with conciliatory words and actions. Let us pray to the Lord.
- 2 That we may meet illness with confidence in God's healing presence. Let us pray to the Lord.
- 3 That we may meet danger with faith in God's care. Let us pray to the Lord.
- 4 That we may meet people of other faiths with friendship and understanding. Let us pray to the Lord.
- 5 That we may meet the poor with compassion and hope. Let us pray to the Lord.
- 6 That we may meet injustice with a firm resolve to bring about change. Let us pray to the Lord.

Weekday Liturgical Schedule

Monday	7.30 a.m. Communion Service	
		The Hermitage, Mittagong
Tuesday	8.00 am Mass	Bowral
Wednesday	8.00 am Mass	Bowral
Thursday	8.00 am Mass	Bowral
Friday	8.00 am Mass	Bowral

Adoration

Wednesday 25 May, 2022 @ 8.30 a.m.

Reconciliation

Wednesday 25 May, 2022 @ 6.00 p.m.

Mass Intentions

Please remember in your Prayers

Anne Smith, Rita Ivins,
Fr John Whitty, Flora Fisk,

Saturday	21 May	Clem & Rosie Carlon
Sunday	22 May	Meg & Steve Chadwick
Sunday	22 May	Molly Luck
Tuesday	24 May	Leo & Moira Doyle
Wednesday	25 May	Special Intention
Thursday	26 May	Special Intention
Friday	27 May	Gwen Wall



14.06.2022	7.00 p.m.	Parish Pastoral Council meeting
19.06.2022	12.00 noon	Parish Feast Day Lunch
21.06.2022	6.00 p.m.	Scripture Study – Parish Hall
26.06.2022	All Weekend	Propagation of the Faith Appeal
26.06.2022	4.00 p.m.	Solemn Vespers & Benediction St Thomas Aquinas Church

Choir News

Parish Choir practice each **Tuesday evening at 7.30 p.m. at St Thomas Aquinas Church.** All welcome.

Chapel

The Chapel connected to St Thomas Aquinas Church will be open for private prayer from Tuesday to Saturday from around 8.30 a.m. to sunset.

Please note that occasionally when Fr Sean is away, for security reasons the Chapel will be locked.

Feast Day Feast

BOOK NOW for our Parish lunch on the Feast of Corpus Christi, this year 19 June.

\$20 per person all inclusive (\$10 for children under 12). To book, please visit the Parish or confirm your booking (with payment and contact details) in an envelope and place in the collection plate at Mass.



Eucharist - The Sacrifice We Offer

Join Bishop Mascord and people from across the Diocese for a Workshop on Saturday 11 June 2022 Xavier Conference Centre Wollongong (38 Harbour St), 9:30am - 2:30pm, presented by Sr Carmel Pilcher RSJ, PhD

Lunch and Morning Tea provided. An opportunity to make a donation to assist in covering costs will be provided towards the end of the workshop.

At this workshop we will seek to understand what the early church understood by priestly participation in the liturgy. Namely that each of us, together with our sisters and brothers in Christ, bring to the celebration the joys and hopes, grief and anxieties of our week. Ritually we place these on the Eucharistic table along with bread and wine to become the mystery of Christ's sacrifice. From the communion table we go to continue our priestly role as witnesses of Christ's love. This is a great opportunity for formation for anyone who wishes to deepen their appreciation of Eucharist.

Register by Tuesday 7 June 2022: dow.org.au/events Enquires: Anthony Rewak anthony.rewak@dow.org.au / 4222 2465

The Journey, 22 May 2022

Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast

On The Journey This Week: Fr Anthony Crook says the Easter Gospels have been leading us towards the imminent return of the glorified Jesus to the Father; today Jesus gives us his peace and promises the Advocate. Mother Hilda on how music triggers all sorts of memories for us. Plus, Fr Mike Delaney, Cathy Jenkins, Pete Gilmore, and more great music! The Journey podcast available at www.jcr.org.au

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Discovering God's Plan for our Lives: Vocations Event

You are invited to join with vibrant people from around the Diocese including an expert panel, addressing all 4 Vocations, with the opportunity for Q and A. This will be a wonderful opportunity to learn how to hear, discern and respond to God's call in our lives. There will be more details in coming weeks but to book your spot:-

DATE: Sunday 19 June
TIME: Light refreshments 1:30pm for 2pm start
PLACE: Xavier Centre, next to St Francis Xavier's Cathedral, Wollongong,
RSVP: www.dow.org.au/events

CatholicCare

Have you thought about becoming a foster carer?

We need foster carers who provide love, care, and support to help these children thrive and reach their full potential. Carers receive comprehensive support from the Fostering Futures team to ensure they have a full range of resources and networks to nurture their forever home.

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The Hermitage A Place of Spirituality and Prayer

The 2022 Twilight Gatherings for adults will focus on 'Nurturing Hope and Love in Changing and Uncertain Times' and provide the opportunity for you to experience a time of prayer and reflection in the tranquil environment of The Hermitage, Mittagong.

Facilitated: by Br Bill Sullivan and Suz Marden

Winter and Spring Dates: Thursday 26 May, 16 June, 21 July, 11 August, 1 September, 13 October, 10 November

Commencing at 4 pm and concluding before 6pm **Cost:** \$15.00

Registration is essential prior to the date by contacting The Hermitage on: 48721911 during business hours 8:30am-4:00pm or via email: office@thehermitage.org.au