



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Year B – 16th May 2021

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Fortitude Valley*



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The Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere.

Readings for today: Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 4:1-13; Mark 16:15-20

Dear friends,

For all the lofty imagery of today's Feast of the Ascension, the readings seek to re-orient our gaze so that we remain firmly planted on the ground. In the Book of Acts, two men in white (who sound suspiciously like angels) tell the bewildered Apostles to stop staring at the sky and get on with job until Jesus returns.

St. Paul's explains that we are all given gifts to build-up the body of Christ on earth. It is only in the world to come that, having laboured in the life and vocation that we have been called to, will we come to full maturity in Christ. In other words, we grow towards Christ not by abandoning our earthly tasks but by living them.

And in the gospel, Jesus is direct. He tells the Eleven (even though Jesus called Twelve – the Eleven is a sign of a diminished, incomplete church) that even with this reality of brokenness and failure, they still have all the resources they need to "go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation". So the message is simple: As Jesus goes "up", the Church must go "out". Nevertheless, the Church does not go out as a substitute for Jesus but, as the gospel tell us, "the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that accompanied it".

So Jesus goes "up", so that the Church can go "out" to the ends of creation *with Jesus as our guide and companion*. Jesus is not absent but remains the presence at the heart of the community of church.

St. Paul describes what individual believers and the community of faith looks like when Christ is at the centre: St. Paul implores us to lead a life worthy of the calling to which we have been called, "with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace". These are the signs that confirm the message and accompany believers: *perseverance, gentleness, patience, forbearance, unity of Spirit and maintaining the bond of peace*. It is through these virtues that we can be recognised as true witnesses to the presence of Jesus, growing into fully mature members of the body of Christ.

On this feast of the Ascension, look up if you must, but only for a moment. The real action of our faith takes us not beyond the clouds but over the horizons of this world to the ends of creation – and then endlessly further until we reach the Kingdom and full measure of Christ in that world to come. Where Jesus has gone, we are called to follow in hope. *Fr. Anthony*



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St. Stephen**
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Brisbane



St. Patrick's
58 Morgan St
Fortitude Valley



Villa Maria Chapel
171 St Pauls Tce
Spring Hill
*No public Masses
until further notice.*

Cathedral Parish Mass Times this week

Monday – Friday 8:00am (*live-streamed*); 10:00am; 12:30pm; 5:10pm
Saturday 11.30am (*live-streamed*)

Sunday

Cathedral of St Stephen

Saturday: 6:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am; 10:00am; 12 noon & 7:30pm (*8am & 10am live-streamed*)

St Patrick's Church

Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am

Reconciliation: **Monday-Friday:** 10:30-11:30am; 1:00-1:30pm; 4:30-5:00pm
Saturday: 10:00am-11:00am; 4:30-5:30pm

Exposition: Monday – Friday 10:30am – 12:15pm **Benediction:** Monday – Friday 12:15pm

MAY 24: FEAST OF OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

At 10.00am on Monday 24 May Mass will be celebrated for 200 years of Catholic Education in Australia with the Archbishop. We will welcome staff and students from Catholic Schools across Brisbane. You are welcome to attend however, for COVID tracing purposes, if you wish to attend, please register via the Cathedral website.

ALL HALLOWS SCHOOL OPEN DAY 2021—11:00AM SUNDAY 30 MAY

We warmly invite you and your family to discover the All Hallows' School difference at our Open Day on Sunday 30 May from 11:00am-2:00pm.

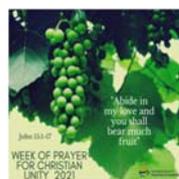
There will be opportunities to tour the School, spend time with staff and students, enjoy performances, view a range of academic and co-curricular displays, and experience the spirit of Mercy, learning excellence and our values of Respect, Compassion, Integrity, Joy, Service and Justice.

Register now at ahs.qld.edu.au/openday.

CARITAS APPEAL

Caritas Australia, in partnership with Caritas India, is providing support to vulnerable communities as the nation is devastated by massive increases in COVID-19 infection rates. The communities which Caritas works with are among the most vulnerable to COVID-19, with poor access to clean water and Personal Protective Equipment. We are accepting donations through our Asia Emergency Appeal which can be found here: <https://caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/asia-emergency-appeal/>. Please consider giving generously towards this as we support these vulnerable communities now, and assist them as they start to rebuild their lives in the future.

YOU ARE INVITED!



Each year we celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity between the Feast of The Assumption and Pentecost Sunday. This year the Cathedral of St Stephen will host the Ecumenical Prayer where leaders and people from the various Christian Traditions join together to glorify God and prayer for the life of the world. Join us: **11:00 am, Friday May 21st Cathedral of St Stephen**

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK



A warm thank you to all our many volunteers here at the Cathedral and St Patrick's. Your ministry enhances our community life in many ways. You are appreciated. *Fr Anthony*

NEW CATHEDRAL ORGANIST

Mr Dominic Perissinotto will join us as the new Cathedral Organist from next month (June), complimenting and expanding our Cathedral's dynamic music department. Dominic comes to us from Fremantle's Basilica of St Patrick, where he has been Organist and Director of Music for the past two decades. He is one of Australia's most talented and respected organists, with an impressive career across Australia and overseas. We look forward to making him welcome in coming weeks. *Fr Anthony*

MASS COUNT

For the Mass count this weekend, we are asked to identify the gender and age groups of the congregation. Therefore, after the Prayer after Communion, the different age groups will be invited to stand so that the count can take place. We thank you for your cooperation as we undertake this important exercise.

CHECK IN AND YOU'RE GOOD TO GO!

We're using the new Check In Qld app to help keep you COVID safe when visiting the Cathedral parish.

All you need to do is:

- visit www.covid19.qld.gov.au/check-in-qld for links to download the app from Google Play or Apple App stores
- enter your details once when you first open the app
- open the app when you next visit us
- select 'Check in Now' and scan or enter our code
- show your check-in confirmation tick to the marshal.

Using this digital check in means your details will be stored securely by the Queensland Government for 56 days to assist with COVID-19 contact tracing (if needed). The Check In Qld app is safe, secure and private. By using it, you are helping Queensland's venues to stay open, and you can visit us with confidence, knowing you can be contacted quickly and easily if there is any risk of exposure to the virus.

Thank you. We look forward to seeing you again soon.

MASS REGISTRATION

If you do not have access to a smart phone or are not comfortable downloading apps, you can register for Mass on-line via the Cathedral website:

<https://www.cathedralofststephen.org.au/mass-reconciliation-times.html> or register at the door.

Those who do not have access to register on-line, please telephone the Cathedral Office before 12noon on Friday. For administration purposes, **registration closes at lunchtime on Friday.**

The following guidelines remain in place:

- If you are feeling unwell, please stay home and participate in Mass on-line via the Cathedral website;
- Physical distancing of 1.5m, whilst standing in the queue to check-in, during Mass and whilst in the Communion procession, is essential;
- Hand hygiene (sanitising your hands before entering the church and when exiting);
- Respiratory hygiene (coughing/sneezing into elbow);
- The number of people in our churches at any one time must be strictly adhered to.

Thank you for your co-operation.

SUPPORT OF THE CATHEDRAL PARISH

Your financial support of the Cathedral Parish is always appreciated. Ways to financially support your parish:

- Direct debit via the online payment system on the Cathedral's website:

<https://www.cathedralofststephen.org.au/payments--donations.html>

- The "Tap & Go" facility at the door of the church;
- Collectors at the door after Mass;
- The Parish Giving app. Hover the camera on your smart phone over the QR code and tap on the link to the Parish Giving facility.



ENTRANCE SONG

Acts 1:2, Ps 46

At the conclusion of the Introit, a bell is sounded. The assembly **responds** as the Choir and Ministers process towards the altar with the following translation of the Introit text. The first verse (which is the Antiphon) is repeated after the final verse.



Antiphon:

O men of Galilee,
Why gaze into the sky?
Just as the Lord ascended, so
He will return from high.

All peoples, clap your hands,
To God with joy now sing.
The Lord, the Awesome, the Most High,
O'er all the earth is King.

God has gone up with shouts
Amid the trumpet's blast.
Sing praise to God our King, sing praise,
And let this music last.

Give glory to our God,
The Father, and the Son,
And also to the Paraclete,
Eternal Three-in-One.

KYRIE & GLORIA

Mass for Five Voices

William Byrd (1540-1623)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 46



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 28:19



Go and teach all people my Gospel.

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

OFFERTORY MOTET

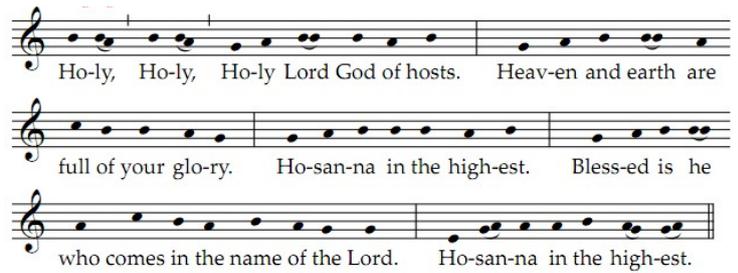
O Rex gloriae, Domine
virtutum, qui triumphator
hodie super omnes coelos
ascendisti; ne derelinquas
nos orphanos, sed mitte
promissum Patris in nos,
spiritum veritatis. Alleluia.

O King of Glory, Lord of all
power, who ascended to heaven
on this day triumphant over
all; do not leave us as orphans,
but send us the Father's
promise, the Spirit of Truth.
Alleluia.

Music: Luca Marenzio (1554-1599)

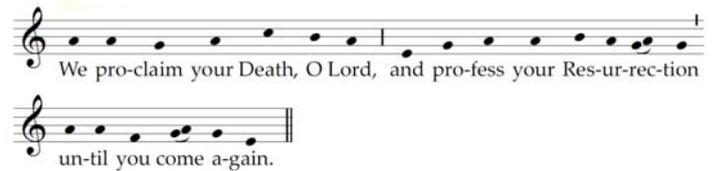
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Mass XVIII



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

ICEL #1



LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Mass for Five Voices

William Byrd (1540-1623)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

John 15:16

Signa eos qui in me credunt,
haec sequentur; daemonia
eicient, super aegros manus
imponent, et bene habebunt.

These signs will accompany
those who believe: they will cast
out demons, and when they lay
hands upon the sick, these will
recover. Alleluia.

COMMUNION HYMN

CWB 503

Holy Father, God of might,
Throned amid the hosts of light,
Take our life, our strength, our love,
King of earth and heaven above.

Hear the songs your people raise,
Songs of joyful thanks and praise,
Calling all created things
To adore you, King of kings.

Christ, be with us as we go,
Let this blind world see and know,
Burning in our lives, the sight
Of its only saving Light.

So, will all exalt your name,
And your kingship all proclaim,
heaven and earth in unity,
praise the Blesséd Trinity.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

March Triomphale: Nun Danket Alle Gott Op.65
– Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

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MUSIC AT THE CATHEDRAL

Music at today's Mass is drawn from the Catholic Worship Book II, with congregational hymn texts on this sheet.

The 10:00am Solemn Mass is led by the Cathedral Choir, the music for this mass is inside this bulletin.

The 12:00pm Mass is usually led by the Cathedral Schola. All other Masses are led by a cantor.

Processional Hymn A hymn of glory let us sing!

Kyrie Mass Shalom—Smith
12noon Mass only Messe en style anciens – Langlais

Gloria Mass Shalom—Smith
12noon Mass only Messe en style anciens – Langlais

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 46



Gospel Acclamation Matthew 28:19



Go and teach all people my Gospel.

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

Offertory Motet Coelos ascendit hodie
(12pm only) – C. V. Stanford (1852-1924)

Sanctus Mass Shalom—Smith

Memorial Acclamation We proclaim your death, O Lord,
(ICEL #1): and profess your resurrection,
until you come again.

Agnus Dei Mass Shalom—Smith
12noon Mass only Messe en style anciens – Langlais

Communion Motet Christus Jesus Splendor
(12pm only) – Luca Marenzio (1554-1599)

Communion Hymn Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Recessional Hymn Holy Father, God of Might

OFFERTORY MOTET (translation), 12pm Mass

<p>Christus Jesus splendor Patris, et figura substantiae ejus, portans omnia verbo virtutis suae purgationem peccatorum faciens, in monte excelso gloriosus apparere dignatus est. Alleluia.</p>	<p>Jesus Christ, radiance of the Father, and in his image and likeness, upholding all things by the Word of his power, by purging our sins, was pleased to manifest his glory from on high. Alleluia!</p>
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Music: Luca Marenzio (1554-1599)

A hymn of glory let us sing!
New hymns throughout the world shall ring:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Christ, by a road before untrod,
ascends unto the throne of God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The holy apostolic band
upon the Mount of Olives stand:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
And with the Virgin Mother see,
their Lord ascend in majesty:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

To whom the shining angels cry,
"Why stand and gaze upon the sky?"
Alleluia! Alleluia!
"This is the Saviour!" thus they say,
"This is his glorious triumph day"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia! sing to Jesus! His the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph, His the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of ev'ry nation Has redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us, faith believes, nor questions how;
Though the cloud from sight received him, when the forty
days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise? "I am with you evermore!"

Alleluia! Bread of Angels, here on earth our food, our stay.
Alleluia! here the sinful come to you from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners, Earth's redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal, you the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! Born of Mary, Earth your footstool, heav'n your
throne:
You within the veil have entered, robed in flesh, our great
high priest;
Here on earth both priest and victim in the Eucharistic feast.

Holy Father, God of might,
Throned amid the hosts of light,
Take our life, our strength, our love,
King of earth and heaven above.

Hear the songs your people raise,
Songs of joyful thanks and praise,
Calling all created things
To adore you, King of kings.

Christ, be with us as we go,
Let this blind world see and know,
Burning in our lives, the sight
Of its only saving Light.

So, will all exalt your name,
And your kingship all proclaim,
heaven and earth in unity,
praise the Blesséd Trinity.