



EDMONTON CATHOLIC PARISH

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Safeguarding Coord:	Kirby Will – 0427 798 740	Edmonton Sunday Masses	
Safeguarding Rep:	Eddy Tutoe – 0478 904 600 <i>Kirby & Eddy are happy to receive ideas about how we keep our parishioners safe, and listen to your concerns about safeguarding. They will deal with all matters sensitively and confidentially.</i>		
Gordonvale Sunday Masses	Sat Vigil 6.00pm Sunday morning 8.00am		

For Service times across the Diocese: 4051 1990 or www.cairns.catholic.org.au

A Welcoming Parish: Under the patronage of St Thérèse of Lisieux

Sun 16/5	The Ascension of the Lord 9.30 Mass - live streamed 5.30pm Mass	Thurs 20/5	8.00.am Mass
Mon 17/5	5.45pm Sacramental Program - Church – Session 2 7.00pm Rosary	Fri 21/5	8.00am Mass
Tues 18/5	8.00am Mass 8.30am Private Adoration 6.00pm First Reconciliation	Sat 22/5	
Wed 19/5	10.00am Mass Bupa Mt Sheridan 6.00pm Mass 6.30pm Prayer and Praise	Sun 23/5	Pentecost Sunday 9.30 Mass - live streamed 5.30pm Mass

Minister of Communion – 9.30 Mass – Sandra Hussey
Cleaning for 23/5 Flower Ladies

Minister of Communion next Week Lyn Pecotich



R.I.P. Lord of Life raise up in glory all those who have died and those whose anniversaries occur about this time-Mary Duffy, Godfrey Lockington, Peter Wallwork, Wayne Cockren, Thelma Love, Maxime Rehaut, Scott Ebrington, John Evening, Charles Foley, Mario Carrascaleo, Victor Cuda, Encar Rambayon,

Ofelia Conahap, Maria Espayos, Ninette Marino, Geoff Frughniet, Peter Kenny, Irene O’Conner, Silvio Gazzola, Jack Thomas, Ross McGuire, Horace May, Noelene Crawford

We acknowledge the Yidinji (Yidiny) people, our land’s traditional stewards and custodians.

Diocesan Emergency Phone: Sacrament of the Sick and Reconciliation for hospital and nursing homes - **0409 622 392**

2021 Parish Sacramental Program

Monday 17 May 5.45pm-Session 2 Reconciliation
Tues 18 May – First Reconciliation – 6.00pm

Charismatic Prayer Groups on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays each month - St Therese's at 6.30pm. St Francis Xavier's West Cairns in the Xavier Centre every Friday at 7.30pm

2021 Reach Youth Camp - Be Strong and Courageous

Join us for a time of faith, fellowship and fun as we unpack God's command to be strong and courageous (Joshua 1:9). Camp will include laser tag, games, team building and fun activities, music, small group discussion, free time, canoeing, prayer and mass on Sunday. For more information please go to reachyouth.org.au or call Priscilla O'Brien on 0429 475 825. canoeing, prayer and mass on Sunday. For more information please go to reachyouth.org.au or call Priscilla O'Brien on 0429 475 825. canoeing, prayer and mass on Sunday. For more information please go to reachyouth.org.au or call Priscilla O'Brien on 0429 475 825.

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference – National Count of Attendance: The 2021 National Count of Attendance (Mass Count) will take place over the first four weekends in May (starting 1 May 2021).

What this means for our parish is that over the coming 4 weekends we will be conducting a head count at all Masses and reporting the Data to the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. Thank you for your understanding.

**This year Pentecost falls on
NEXT SUNDAY, 23rd MAY**



Over recent years St Therese's Edmonton Catholic Parish has celebrated Pentecost in several ways, during and after the 9:30 a.m. Mass that day. Last year we were unable to do that because of the COVID-19 restrictions in force at the time.

So once again this year we are thankfully able to invite participation by various members of our culturally rich and diverse parishioner groups in the singing and liturgies of the day and afterwards in a **shared meal with dishes prepared in their traditional ways.**

Because COVID restrictions remain in force there can be no self-serve of the prepared dishes which will be served to recipients instead.

So, let's all parishioners come together after Mass to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and we ask that you please bring a dish lovingly prepared for all to share.

Thank You:

Thank you to the team of parishioners who prepared the beautiful roses for us all last Sunday.

As you would be aware, roses were also delivered to the two Aged Care Homes in our Parish – Edmonton Gardens and Bupa Mt Sheridan.

Below is a lovely message received from the Lifestyle Co-ordinator from Edmonton Gardens: -

'I am the Lifestyle Coordinator here at Edmonton Gardens Aged Care facility. I wish to thank you all on behalf of our residents for the gift of the beautiful rose bouquets that we received from your parish for Mother's Day.

Our mother's and maternal figures within the facility received this lovely gift on Sunday, Mother's Day and were overjoyed with the thought.

Thank you, to those to created and delivered these to us, it was such a lovely sentiment and means so much to our ladies here.

We appreciate the thought, the time and the consideration of these gifts and extend our most heartfelt thanks to all who were involved.

Please feel free to drop in and see us at any time for a cup of tea or coffee.

With the warmest of regards, have a wonderful week.'

Today's readings describe the Ascension of the Lord Jesus to his Heavenly glory after promising to send the Apostles the Holy Spirit as the source of Heavenly power and commanding them to bear witness to Him through their lives and preaching throughout the world. But the ascended Jesus is still with us because of His promise, "I am with you always; yes, to the end of time." He is with us at all times and in all places, releasing a new energy upon the earth, the energy of the Holy Spirit.

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives this mission to all the believers: "Go out to the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature." This mission is not given to a select few but to all believers. To be a Christian is to be a proclaimer and an evangelizer. There is a difference between preaching and proclaiming. "We preach with words but we proclaim with our lives." As we celebrate the Lord's return to His Father in Heaven – His Ascension -- we are being commissioned to go forth and proclaim the Gospel of life and love, of hope and peace, by the witness of our lives. On this day of hope, encouragement and commissioning, let us renew our commitment to be true disciples everywhere we go, beginning with our family and our parish, "living in a manner worthy of the call [we] have received."