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**Fr Peter Tien**  
Parish Priest



### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER —YEAR C

*Parish Bulletin*

Sunday 22 May 2022

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

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

#### 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.*

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

O God, let all the nations praise you!

#### SECOND READING: Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

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

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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.*

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

**Next week's readings:** The Ascension of the Lord —Year C

Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Lk 24:26-53

#### St Anthony's Church—Tahmoor

Saturday Vigil—5.00 pm

Sunday—8.30am

#### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday - 5.00 pm -ADORATION

5.30 pm—Tahmoor

Our Lord, Help of Christians

Wednesday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor

Thursday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor

St Philip Neri, priest

Friday— 8.30 am—Tahmoor

#### Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 4.00 pm—4.30 pm

Adoration: Tuesday at 5.00 pm

#### OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday & Thursday**

9.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.

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## REFLECTION – by Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

Many colleges and universities use the symbol of the burning oil lamp on their crest to represent knowledge. Why do you think that is a natural symbol? What do light and knowledge have in common? How is Jesus like a lamp? What might the oil – the fuel used for light – represent?

What do you think the world needs more of – people willing to learn, or people willing to change things? Is it harder to learn, gain knowledge, and propose solutions, or is it harder to do the work, take action, and create change? Can you do one without doing the other? Why or why not? Where might you fit in?

**PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:**

*Lord grant them eternal peace & joy and to their families and friends strength and comfort*

**ANNIVERSARY:**

**RECENTLY DECEASED :**

**PRAY FOR THE SICK** Pat McCauley, Marie Darlington, Christine Jupe, Graeme Menser, Ross Spirou, Mauro Mariano, Melony Cox, Joanne McMahon, Daniel Clarke, Margaret Brown, James McNeil, Ian Macnamara, Stephanie Macnamara, Elizabeth Linsell

**READERS:**

**THIS WEEK**

VIGIL: SANDRA RYAN

**NEXT WEEK**

SOPHIA DE ZILVA

8.30AM: JENNIFER FOLDES

TRUDY HANCOCK

**CLEANERS:**

THERESE NEILSON  
CHRIS NEILSON

**MORE CLEANERS  
URGENTLY  
NEEDED**

**FLOWERS:**

SUE SPITERI

JO McELGUNN

**SACRISTY:**

MARY GILBERT

GILLIAN DOBSON

**DIOCESE OF WOLLONGONG MASS ONLINE** For all of the online Mass options- please visit the DoW website <https://dow.sh/onlinemass>

**THE ROSARY**

- Wednesday 5.00 pm

You are invited to join in praying the Rosary in the park in Thirlmere, opposite the shops and beside the tennis courts. To pray for an end to pandemic and peace in the world.

**MASS ON T.V.**

All Masses in the area have resumed. If you are unwell, Sunday Mass can be watched on Channel 10 at 6am

**URGENT EUTHANASIA PETITION** Paper Version for Signing - Please urgently consider signing the petition opposing Euthanasia in NSW that is available for signing near the entrances to the Church. For more information contact Dominica Connor, Right to Life NSW on P: 02 9299 8350 or via [www.righttolifensw.org.au](http://www.righttolifensw.org.au)

**URGENT  
CATECHISTS MEETING**

A meeting has been scheduled for  
**Tuesday 24 May**  
**1pm**  
**Administration Building.**

It is an important meeting, and hoped that all catechists are able to attend.

**LAUDATO SI' WEEK 16th – 24th May** is a global celebration where we remember Pope Francis urging us in his encyclical Laudato Si' to hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor and to humbly place ourselves in communion with our common home. Today, as a Catholic Earthcare Parish we celebrate our part in the great progress the whole Church is making on its journey towards the seven Laudato Si' Goals set before us by Pope Francis to achieve ecological conversion.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT** The Church has the right to be a teacher for mankind, a teacher of the truth of faith: the truth not only of dogmas but also of the morals whose source lies in human nature itself and in the Gospel. – Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church - Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace

**Technology skills workshops  
Friday 3rd June before  
First Friday lunch**

CatholicCare and the Being Connected network are teaming up to facilitate small group sessions aimed at assisting older Australians with improving their digital skills and knowledge. There will be a one off session held here at **St Anthony's Tahmoor, 10-12pm** followed by the parishioners and friends lunch. This is a great opportunity to learn new skills and connect with others. BYO laptop or tablet. Morning tea will be provided, and we encourage you to stay, bring a sandwich and continue the conversation.

For more information Jane Hollier, Parish and Community Liaison Officer  
0417018152  
[janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au](mailto:janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au)

Note: all NSW Health Covid 19 guidelines will be adhered to.

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**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION:** Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, Rosemeadow will be holding their Annual Procession in honour of the Blessed Sacrament on Feast of Corpus Christi, **19th June** at 2.30pm. It will include Scripture Readings, Rosary, Procession and Benediction. This is for all Parishes in the Macarthur Region, and all are welcome to join in this witness to our Eucharistic Lord among us.

**ON PENTECOST SUNDAY,** 5 June, Bishop Brian invites all those who were baptised or received into the Catholic Church over the last twelve months to celebrate, together with family and friends. This celebration will take place in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral at 2.30pm followed by refreshments in the Xavier Conference Centre.

**EUCCHARIST - 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](http://dow.org.au/events) Enquires: Anthony Rewak [anthony.rewak@dow.org.au](mailto:anthony.rewak@dow.org.au) / 4222 2465

**THE XVI ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS** The Diocese has completed its XVI Synod Synthesis Report, with the advice gleaned from the discernment, discussion and writing of the faithful of the Diocese, used as the basis of Bishop Mascord's submission in contributing to the XVI Ordinary Synod global church feedback. The Diocese of Wollongong Synthesis Report will be made publicly available in coming weeks. Please pray for this ongoing process of prayer and discernment for the XVI Ordinary Synod.

## **DISCOVERING GOD'S PLAN FOR OUR LIVES:**

In our Diocese we are keenly aware of the need for more priests to serve our people now and into the future. However, the Bishop and Vocations Team want us all to go deeper than just "getting more priests" and rather to work together throughout our Diocese to create a "culture of vocation" (to borrow a phrase from St John Paul II). This will be a collaborative effort in our parishes, schools, and families, to ensure that every young Catholic will be actively seeking to discern how they are called to serve Christ and his people - whether in Marriage, Ordained Ministry, Religious Life or Single Life. The stronger this culture of vocation, the more we will find ourselves blessed with faithful priests and religious, inspiring marriages and generous single Catholics.

A Vocations Event with a panel addressing all 4 Vocations and an opportunity for Q and A. This will be a wonderful opportunity especially for young people to come together and learn how to hear and respond to God's call. There will be more details to follow but for now please invite anyone you think may be interested, and if you're interested RSVP as soon as possible!

**DATE:** Sunday 19th 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](http://www.dow.org.au/events)

## **MAY RETREAT:**

### **ST MARY'S TOWERS, DOUGLAS PARK**

- Seeing with Fresh Eyes: Encountering the Risen Christ: 6 Days: 27 May - 2 June \$930/ Week-end: 27-29 May \$310 (Presenter: Elizabeth Lee)

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## **MARY MACKILLOP AUSTRALIAN PILGRIMAGE**

18/10–29/10/2022. Commencing in Melbourne journeying through Victoria & South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry. For more information, itinerary and application form, please contact: 9012 4818 [national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au](mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au)

**CATHFAMILY** brings you a selection of activities, prayer rituals, crafts, and recipes from their website to assist parents and grandparents in being the first educators in faith for their kids. Don't miss [CathKids.cathfamily.org/activities/](http://CathKids.cathfamily.org/activities/)

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