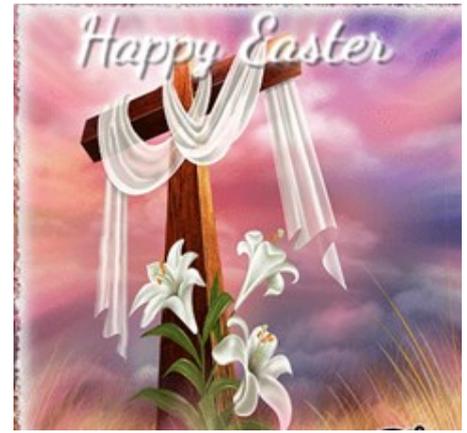




EASTER SUNDAY 17TH APRIL 2022 TIME YEAR C/2



A man was driving along the road when he saw the Easter Bunny hop into his lane. He swerved to avoid hitting the bunny, but couldn't do so. The basket of eggs went everywhere. The driver felt guilty and began to cry. A woman saw the man and pulled over. 'What's wrong?' she asked. 'I accidentally killed the Easter Bunny', he explained. The woman knew exactly what to do. She went to her car, pulled out a spray can, walked over to the bunny, and sprayed the entire contents over the little furry animal. Miraculously the Easter Bunny came back to life, jumped up, picked up his eggs, waved at them and hopped on down the road. Not far away the Easter Bunny stopped, turned around and waved again. He kept doing this for as far as they could see.

The man was astonished. 'What in heaven's name is in that can you sprayed on the Easter Bunny?' The woman showed the man the label. It said: 'Hair spray. Restores life to dead hair. Adds permanent wave.'

For many of our children the bunny and its eggs are the most important thing about Easter. Over the millennia, Christianity has had a gift for domesticating local traditions and festivals, bringing them on board and making them our own. The name Easter comes from the Anglo Saxon spring festival in honour of the goddess Eostre. Her symbol was the rabbit and the giving of eggs were signs of new life bursting forth as winter withdrew. These associations only make sense in the northern hemisphere, but we can see why the early Christians could be so adaptable and inculturated with this local festival.

In both hemispheres Christians today celebrate Jesus being raised from the dead. In the New Testament there are two traditions about how the disciples come to know about Jesus' resurrection: the empty tomb and the apparitions of Christ.

Today's Gospel belongs to the empty tomb tradition. On Magdalene's urging, Peter and John run to the tomb, find it empty and come to at least an initial belief about the resurrection of Jesus.

We do not believe that God simply revived Jesus' corpse in the tomb, as our driver resuscitated the bunny in today's story. Easter Sunday does not celebrate the resuscitation of Jesus, but his Resurrection. We know his 'glorified body' was not the same as his human body because Jesus' presence could be encountered in several places simultaneously and he is reported to walk through walls and to vanish. The link between both resurrection traditions is the importance of Jesus' death. In the empty tomb accounts, as in today's gospel, the writers give us extraordinary details about the grave clothes. In the apparition narratives there are usually references to Jesus' wounds.

Whatever way they came to experience the Resurrection of Christ, the disciples knew that this was Jesus who actually died and was buried and that their personal encounter was with the one who was crucified.

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OFFICE OPENING HOURS

ASHMORE:

MONDAY TO THURSDAY
8.00AM TO 4.00PM

SOUTHPORT OFFICE:
(ANGELS ON SCARBOROUGH)

MONDAY TO FRIDAY
9.00AM TO 4.30PM

St. Joseph the Worker Church

44 Imperial Parade, Labrador

Sunday Masses

7.00am & 8.30am

Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday - 7.00am

Gold Coast University Hospital

Rosary 10.00am

Friday Mass 10.30am

Guardian Angels Church

99 Scarborough Street, Southport

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Saturday Reconciliation 4.30pm

Saturday (Vigil) 5.30 pm
Sunday 7.00am & 9.00am
Sunday 3.30pm Korean Mass

Prayers & Adoration

Wednesday 12.00noon - 1.00pm

Weekday Mass

Friday 12.30pm

Mary Immaculate Church

31 Edmund Rice Drive, Ashmore

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) 4.30pm
Sunday 9.00am & 5.30pm

Weekday Masses

Tuesday & Thursday 9.00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Guardian Angels Church

Saturday 4.30pm

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What God did through the death and resurrection of Jesus is what Christians have done with local customs and festivals ever since: he entered into it, understood it, took it on board, domesticated it and vanquished its power. As a result we believe that God empathises with the full limitations of our human mortality and promises to remain faithful to us in death as he remained utterly faithful to Jesus.

That is why on this day 1,600 years ago St John Chrysostom could say on behalf of us all:

'Hell took a body, and discovered God. It took earth, and encountered Heaven. It took what it saw, and was overcome by what it could not see. O death, where is your sting? O Hell, where is your victory? Christ is Risen, and you, O death, are destroyed! Christ is Risen, and evil is cast down! Christ is Risen, and angels rejoice! Christ is

Risen, and new life is set free! Christ is Risen, and the tomb is emptied of its dead; for Christ having risen from the dead, becomes the first-fruit of those who have fallen asleep. To Him be Glory and Power forever and ever. Amen!'

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Sunnybank Catholic Parish invites applications for the position of Youth and Young Adult Ministry Coordinator

This position requires a self-motivated individual who has a personal commitment to the values, teachings, and mission of the Catholic Church.

Working 20 hours per week, the successful applicant will be responsible for facilitating and developing Life Teen youth programs and activities across the parish. This part-time position commences asap. A current driver's licence and eligibility for a Working with Children blue card and covid 19 vaccination are essential.

Previous experience in ministry to young people is preferred.

For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://clientapps.jobadder.com/68451/aob-internal-career-opportunities/471312/youth-and-young-adult-ministry-coordinator-sunnybank-parish>

Or telephone the parish office (07) 3345 3766.
Applications close Friday 29 April 2022.

ST IGNATIUS' WOMEN'S NIGHT OF SPIRITUALITY

St Ignatius' Women's Night of Spirituality presents Joan Chittister osb for the Toowong Parish's annual event celebrating women's spirituality.

Joan Chittister is a practical theologian and renowned author who has much to say on women's spirituality. Joan has written more than 50 books, including the recent *The Time is Now*. Joan's books will be available for purchase and she will be available to sign books following the event.

When: Friday 3 June 2022 **Time:** 7—9pm (AEST)
Where: Stuartholme School Chapel, 365 Birdwood Terrace, Toowong.

Tickets: \$35 each (Early Bird Special: \$30 each, for purchases until 30 April, 2022).

Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BYOTJ

Happy Easter

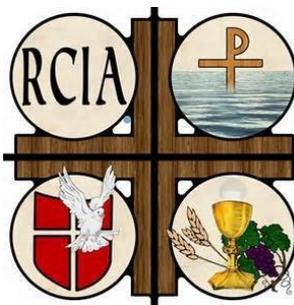


Fr Gerard, Fr Stephen and the Parish staff would like to wish all Parishioners and Visitors a very Happy and Holy Easter.

Easter is a wonderful day to celebrate all Christ has done for us.

Have a Blessed Easter!

RCIA



The Southport Catholic Parish welcomes **Jessica Dwyer, Jessica Farrell, Noraini Fenech and Sonny Jenkins**, our newest Catholics who were Baptized Confirmed and made their First Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil Mass last night

at Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore.

Please keep them in your prayers as they journey in faith.

Congratulations

Position Vacant – Pastoral Ministry Coordinator

Applications are open for a position at the Sunnybank Parish. This is an exciting opportunity for an enthusiastic committed person to join the Parish team and assist them with the coordination of a variety of pastoral ministry programs.

The position is permanent part time 20 hours per week with the days of work to be negotiated.

For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://clientapps.jobadder.com/68451/aob-internal-career-opportunities/471284/pastoral-ministry-coordinator>

Applications close: 29 April 2022



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Liturgy of the Word for Next Sunday Year C/2
1st Reading – Acts 5:12-16 - 2nd Reading – Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19
Gospel – John 20:19-31

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PHONE: 1300 304 550 EMAIL: AOB@stopline.com.au ONLINE: www.bnecatholic.stoplinereport.com

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Mary Immaculate Church
Raphaelle

St Joseph the Worker Church
Cathy

Our Parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all our employees and volunteers and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Bernard Buckley

By request the names of our sick and deceased family & friends will be recorded in these books in each church



PARISH DATE CLAIMERS FOR 2022

Rosary Please join in saying the rosary every **Monday and Wednesday at 6.00 am** at St Joseph the Worker Church, Labrador. **Tuesday & Thursday 8.00am** Mary Immaculate.

Eucharistic Adoration at Mary Immaculate Church

Please join us every **Thursday** from 7.45 till 8.45 am. There will be rosary, chaplet of the Divine Mercy and private prayer, followed by Mass.

Holy Hour at Guardian Angels Church, Southport

Please join us every **Wednesday** 12.00 noon – 1.00pm for silent prayer, hymns, rosary and spiritual reflections, benediction Confessions available on Wednesday only. Adoration **Friday** from 11.30am.

Novena at St Joseph the Worker Church Labrador every **Wednesday** at 6.00pm.

1st Wednesday Rosary 6.00pm followed by Mass at 7.00pm

First Saturday of each month, Mass at St Joseph the Worker Church (Rosary - 8.30am) 9.00am Mass.

Sunday. Filipino Mass 1st Sunday of each month at 12 noon at Guardian Angels Church 99 Scarborough St Southport.

Walking Group. At **St Joseph the Worker church**, Saturday at 6.00am. To join please contact Janeece

The “Walking in the Spirit” pilgrimage has been prepared to encourage individuals, families, parishes, schools and other ministries to keep the Plenary Council in their prayers.

The pilgrimage starts on Easter Sunday, April 17, and leads up to the opening of the second – and final – assembly on Sunday, July 3.

It follows the successful “Fan the Flame” campaign, which ran from Pentecost last year until the Council’s first assembly in October.

To access the resources, visit: <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit/>

Easter Monday 18th April, Mass 9am at St Joseph the Worker Church, 44 Imperial Pde., Labrador.

~QUOTE~

“Christ literally walked in our shoes.” Tim Keller

CHILDREN'S Liturgy of the Word

RESUMING

The Children's Liturgy is held at Mary Immaculate Church - Ashmore every Sunday at 9am Mass.

Commencing on Term 2 (Sunday, 24th of April 2022)

If you would like or know someone that would like to help, as a volunteer with The Children's Liturgy of the Word Program, and for more information, please contact Maria Blanca on 5510 2222 or email MariaB@scp.org.au

For the existing Children's Liturgy volunteers, thank you for waiting patiently, please contact Maria if you still interested to continue volunteering to discuss your weekly schedule.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN 2022

The online registration for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion is **NOW AVAILABLE** <https://scp.org.au/first-holy-communion-registration-form-2021> and will **CLOSE on Friday, 6th of May 2022.**

The First Holy Communion Mass will be held at Mary Immaculate Church, Ashmore on Saturday Vigil Mass (4:30pm) on 18th June and Sunday, 19th of June (9am & 5:30pm Mass).

This First Holy Communion programme is for children who have already celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2021.

The Candidates for First Holy Communion must be a Baptised Catholic. Those candidates who are unsure if they qualify, please contact Maria Blanca on 5510 2222.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Easter Glory Fills the Sky

Easter glory fills the sky, Alleluia!
Christ now lives, no more to die,
Alleluia!
Darkness has been put to flight,
Alleluia!
By the living Lord of light, Alleluia!

See, the stone is rolled away,
Alleluia!
from the tomb where once he lay,
Alleluia!
He has risen as he said, Alleluia!
glorious first-born of the dead,
Alleluia!

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SPRINKLING WITH WATER

Come to the Water (Instrumental)

THE GLORIA- Mass Shalom(All Sung)

Refrain:

***Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good
will.***

We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God,
almighty Father. **R**

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-
ther,
You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us
You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us. **R**

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most High, Jesus
Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God
the Father. **R Amen**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM – SUNG

This Day Was Made by the Lord

Refrain:

***This day was made by the Lord,
let us rejoice, let us be glad.
This day was made by the Lord,
let us rejoice in salvation!***

I thank you, your love is eternal,
you have given me life,
you have given me life.
I will proclaim the wonders you do! **R**

Your hand raised me up in triumph, you
have given me life,
you have given me life which the
builders rejected
is the corner stone,
Is the corner stone.
I will proclaim the wonders you do! **R**

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

You are the Christ everlasting
born for us all of a virgin,
you have conquered death,
opened heaven to all believers.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

GIFTS PROCESSION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

Refrain:

***Alleluia, alleluia,
give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia alleluia,
give praise to his name.***

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation. **R**

Spread the good news o'er all the earth,
Jesus has died and has risen. **R**

We have been crucified with Christ.
Now we shall live for ever. **R**

God has proclaimed his gracious gift ,
life eternal for all who believe **R**

Come let us praise the living God.
Joyfully sing to our Saviour. **R**

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us Saviour of the world,
for by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.

COMMUNION PROCESSION

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus,
his the sceptre, his the throne.
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark, the songs of peaceful Zion
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 ever more”?

Alleluia! Bread of angels,
and 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.

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Table of Plenty

Refrain:

***Come to the feast
of heaven and earth.
Come to the table of plenty.
God will provide
for all that we need,
here at the table of plenty.***

O, come and sit at my table,
where saints and sinners are friends.
I wait to welcome the lost and lonely
to share the cup of my love. **R**

O, come and eat without money,
come to drink without price.
My feast of gladness will feed your
spirit with faith and fullness of life. **R**

My bread will ever sustain you
through days of sorrow and woe.
My wine will flow like a sea of gladness
to flood the depths of your soul. **R**

Your fields will flower in fullness,
your homes will flourish in peace,
for I, the giver of home and harvest,
will send my rain on the soul. **R**

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REFLECTION

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Jesus Christ is ris’n today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing,
Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heav’nly King,
Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave,
Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pain that he endured, Alleluia!
our salvation has procured, Alleluia!
now exalted, he is King, Alleluia!
and the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

That Easter Day with Joy was Bright

That Easter day with joy was bright,
the sun shone out with fairer light,
Alleluia, alleluia!
When, to their longing eyes restored,
the glad apostles saw their Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!

His risen face with radiance glowed,
his wounded hands and feet he
showed, Alleluia, alleluia!
Those scars, their solemn witness gave
that Christ was risen from the grave.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!

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