



CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH

Under the pastoral care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate



The call of Jesus Christ, heard within the Church through people's need for salvation, draws us together as Missionary Oblates of Mary.' (Oblate Constitution 1)

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

17TH MAY 2026

Today's Gospel is taken from the conclusion of the Gospel of Matthew. Matthew's Gospel quickly moves from the disciples' discovery of Jesus' empty tomb, to Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, to the commission that Jesus gives his disciples in today's Gospel.

The Final Commission, as this Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop. Throughout Scripture, the most important events happen on the mountaintop, and Matthew has used this motif throughout his Gospel. Earlier in Matthew's Gospel, Peter, James, and John had seen Jesus transfigured on the mountaintop (Matthew 17:1-8). Also in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus taught the crowds from the mountaintop in what we now call the Sermon on the Mount.

Here we are told that the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary (cf. Matthew 28:9-10). They see Jesus, and both worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptise and teach, "to make disciples of all nations." It is a task which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples for; recall that Jesus had sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal (cf. Matthew 10:1-15). However, earlier the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this Final Commission, the eleven are told to go to "all nations." The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people; the task now is to baptise and to teach.



The Ascension of Our Lord

His glorious Ascension signified the completion of his time on earth, which is celebrated by the Church forty days after the Resurrection and ten days before the Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptise in the name of the Trinity, one of the clearest attestations found in Scripture for baptism in the name of the Trinity. In the Acts of the Apostles and in the Letters of Paul, baptism is more frequently offered "in the name of Jesus."

The ending of Matthew's Gospel can be understood as the beginning of the Church. Jesus commissions his disciples to continue to teach in his name and to bring others into the community of disciples through baptism. The Gospel ends, as it had begun, with the promise that Jesus will continue to be Emmanuel, "God with us" (cf. Matthew 1:23), for all eternity.

Source: Loyola Press

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Eugene de Mazenod 1782 - 1861



Eugene was a French Catholic priest and bishop who founded the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate in 1815 to evangelize the poorest people in Provence who were often neglected by the Church. The congregation soon expanded internationally, sending missionaries to preach the Gospel in America, South Africa, and Asia. His concern for the poor was shaped by his own experience of exile during the French Revolution.

He later became Vicar General and Bishop of Marseille in 1836, where he worked to renew the Church by creating parishes, building churches, and introducing religious institutes to serve a rapidly growing city. He devoted his life to his people with strong pastoral charity and deep spiritual commitment until his death on May 21, 1861. He was canonised in 1995 and is remembered for his missionary spirit and dedication to the poor. See more here: <https://tinyurl.com/st-eug>

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - PENTECOST SUNDAY

First Reading - Acts 2:1-11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 103

R. Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.

Gospel Reading - John 20:19-23

As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

Mass Intentions

- 17/05: Vocations
- 18/05: Fremantle/Care Centre
- 19/05: Cannon Hill Parish
- 20/05: Mazenod College, VIC
- 21/05: St Eugene's, Burpengary
- 22/05: St Peter's, Hong Kong
- 23/05: Lesmurdie, Pickering Brook

MASSES & MEETINGS

Cannon Hill - St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday - 9:00am
Saturday - 6:00pm; Sunday - 9:30am

Tingalpa - Holy Family Catholic Church:

Thursday - 9:00am; Sunday - 8:00am

Reconciliation: Saturday, 5:00pm - 5:30pm - St Oliver Plunkett Church

Prayer Intentions Prayer Group: Every Friday at 9.30am - St Oliver Plunkett Church (exc. during Lent).

Eucharistic Adoration: 1st Friday of the month following 9:00am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church (except during Lent).

Baptisms: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month held after the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. (Welcoming Mass combined with the Baptism Mass.)

Little Lanterns Liturgy: 1st Sunday of the month (except January) during the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. All primary school-aged children are welcome to attend.

Hospitality - Parish Morning Tea: 1st Sunday of the month following Mass at both Churches; Every Wednesday after 9:00am Mass in the Parish Hall.

THIS WEEKEND...

17 MAY - SUN: The Ascension of the Lord (Solemnity);
World Communications Day.

COMING UP...

21 MAY - THU: Feast of St Eugene de Mazenod, Founder of the Oblates Community; Founder's Day Mass at Iona College, 9:00am, Connect Dinner, 6pm, Parish Hall

24 MAY - SUN: Pentecost Sunday; Baptisms, SOPC.

25 MAY - MON: Our Lady, Help of Christians (Solemnity)

26 MAY - TUE: St Philip Neri (Memorial)

29 MAY - FRI: Confirmation Celebration, 5.30pm, SOPC.

31 MAY - SUN: Trinity Sunday, School Sponsored Mass

REGULAR MEETINGS

MON: Cannon Hill St Vincent de Paul Conference

Fortnightly at 6:15pm

Next meeting: **Monday, 25th May**

Contact: Paul 0418 750 367

TUE: Parish Leadership Team

Fortnightly at 6:00pm

Next Meeting: **Tuesday, 19th May**

WED: Parish Liturgy Meeting

Monthly at 4:30pm

Next Meeting: **Wednesday, TBA**

THU: Parish Finance Council Meeting

Bi-monthly at 4:30pm

Next Meeting: **Thursday, 28th May**

Plate Collections - 10th May 2026

1st Collection (Oblates): \$558.20 | 2nd Collection (Parish): \$472.70

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Money Raised in Recent Campaigns

Holy Land Collection (Good Friday): **\$1,128.05**

Project Compassion: **\$2,989.35**

Thank you for your generous support!

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading - Acts 1:1-11

Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 46

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Second Reading - Ephesians 1:17-23

He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.

Gospel Reading - Matthew 28:16-20

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The worst discrimination which the poor suffer is the lack of spiritual care. The great majority of the poor have a special openness to the faith; they need God and we must not fail to offer them his friendship, his blessing, his word, the celebration of the sacraments and a journey of growth and maturity in the faith.

Pope Leo XIV, November 2025

May Month of Mary

May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. During this month we honour Our Lady by reciting the Rosary. You are invited to join fellow parishioners 20 mins before each Mass.

See *History of the Rosary* here:

<https://tinyurl.com/CHP-rosary>



JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA

Every Wednesday

Cannon Hill - After 9:00 am mass

First Sunday of the Month

Tingalpa - After 8:00 am Mass

Cannon Hill - After 9.30am Mass

Everyone is welcome!!!



Be part of our community by joining our official parish database. All parishioners and visitors are invited to sign up or update your contact details to receive the latest news, events, and updates from Cannon Hill Parish. Stay informed, stay involved! Use the QR Code to register or go to: <https://cannonhillparish.flocknote.com/register>

PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

OUR SICK

Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know is sick and would appreciate a home visit. **We pray for those in the community who are sick. May the healing spirit of Christ bring them comfort and hope.**

Anna Slawek, Gary Smith, Margaret Kykkanen, Lameki Eketi, Damon Stokes; Eli Jorna, Marina Gilbert, Vincy Law Tan, Sam Swann, Athol Young, Ken Drego, Karen Marrinan, Carol-Ann Marrinan, Jeanette Hill, Lucia Giaccio, Rob Connolly, Ashley Anthony, Daniel Normyle, Lani Clow, Carol Flannigan, Catherine, Elizabeth and Monika, Harry Lynas, Michael Simpson, John la Spina, Von Leeman, Imelda Khoo, Lorretta Stephenson, Brian Crimmins, Angela White, Mary Stevenson, Veronica Roberts, Melisa Duffy.

ANNIVERSARIES

Thomas Mitchell (1 yr), Concepcion Taronza Revillas



2026 Founder's Day Mass

2026 Founder's Day Mass will be held in The Provence Centre, Iona College 85 North Road, Lindum on **Thursday, 21st May at 9:00 am. Bookings are essential.** Please RSVP using the QR Code or link: <https://tinyurl.com/4nnvf9vn>



- **CONNECT DINNER:** the next Connect Dinner will be held on **Thursday, 21st May** at 6:00pm. Please bring a plate to share. All are welcome!
- **PENTECOST SUNDAY:** please join us for cake and cordial on **Sunday, 24th May** following the 9.30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church, to celebrate the "birthday" of the Church.
- **SCHOOL SPONSORED MASS:** a School-sponsored Mass will be celebrated on **Sunday, 31st May.** We invite you to join us for this special occasion.

Alpha is coming soon! This 10-week course offers interactive sessions exploring the basics of the Christian faith. Alpha provides a welcoming space to explore life and faith in a friendly environment. Each session includes a light meal, a short talk, and group discussion where all questions are welcome. Bring a friend and join us for a meaningful and enjoyable series.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL COLLECTION Saturday, 13th & Sunday, 14th June

Homelessness is just one sudden crisis away. This winter, more and more people are being pushed into homelessness. All it takes is one sudden crisis. Your donation can provide healthy meals, help with living expenses and accommodation assistance, for somebody at risk of, or experiencing homelessness. And your gift can provide the lasting, long-term support that helps people find a safe, secure and sustainable place to live.

Your kindness this winter can help someone who has lost everything – through no fault of their own – get back on track and rebuild their life.

A collection will be held during Mass on 13th & 14th June, or donate at:

BSB: 064-786

Acc. No. 100026570.

Acc. Name: SVDP Conf. Cannon Hill



St Vincent de Paul Society
QUEENSLAND
good works

Pray for Persecuted Christians in Nigeria

Christians in Nigeria continue to suffer greatly for their faith, yet many persevere with deep trust in Christ and devotion to Our Lady. *Aid to the Church in Need* invites you to join with John, a Catholic farmer in Nigeria, in praying a decade of the Rosary this week for persecuted Christians and all who suffer for their faith.

Watch John's moving testimony and **download a free Red Rosary Prayer Card** to unite your prayers with the suffering Church throughout the world. Go to www.rebrand.ly/RedRosary26



Aid to the
Church in Need



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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday: 9.00am - 2.30pm

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**MISSIONARY
OBLATES**
of MARY IMMACULATE

From the moment the Oblates arrived in Fremantle in 1894, they have dedicated themselves to the mission of the Church in Australia. They dedicate themselves to serving the poor in parishes, schools, prisons, among the youth and with those on the streets. The Oblates preach Christ to the poor and the most abandoned and have served them in Australia for more than 100 years.

To learn more go to www.omi.com.au

DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you for your ongoing generosity and faithful support. Your contributions play a vital role in sustaining our parish ministries and enriching the lives of those we serve.

Donations can be made via the EFTPOS terminal at the church entrance (split between 1st and 2nd collections), or through our secure online direct debit facility (please contact the Parish Office to arrange).

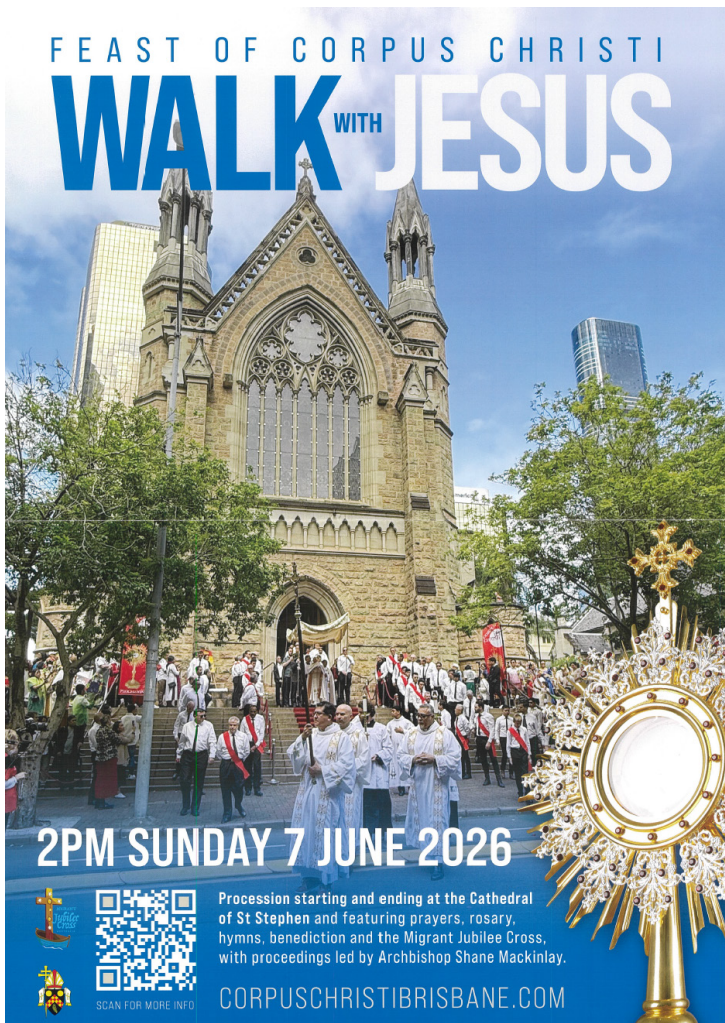
For information regarding bequests, contact the Catholic Foundation on 3324 3200 or the Parish Office on 3853 7490.

Donate using the QR Code or <https://tinyurl.com/parish-donate>




OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI
WALK WITH JESUS



2PM SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2026

Procession starting and ending at the Cathedral of St Stephen and featuring prayers, rosary, hymns, benediction and the Migrant Jubilee Cross, with proceedings led by Archbishop Shane Mackinlay.



SCAN FOR MORE INFO

CORPUSCHRISTIBRISBANE.COM

Take positive action today to build a safer Queensland.

Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month | 1 – 31 May 2025

There are easy ways you can get involved to help to end domestic, family and sexual violence in our communities.



Find more information, resources and practical tools via www.qld.gov.au/dfvpmmonth



SPECIAL APPEAL FROM ROSIES – FRIENDS ON THE STREET



As winter has come early, and sadly homelessness increases in our city, we are seeing a higher demand at our services and less goods to stretch across everyone. Rosies is especially seeking your assistance in the donation of the following goods: Cup Noodles, Cordial, Milo, Instant Coffee, Sweet Biscuits, Muesli Bars.

Feel free to drop them in the red Rosies bins in the foyer of the church. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Fr Joshua Nash OMI – Rosies Oblate Chaplain



Marriage Encounter Qld is putting on a mini retreat for couples: **“The Vow”**.

When: 30th May from 9:00 am to 12.30 pm followed by a shared lunch.

Where: Oliver Plunkett Parish Hall, 21 Beauvardia Street, Cannon Hill.

RSVP to Vince and Cathy Agius at: vinceandcathywwme@gmail.com

Show each other that you value your relationship by attending.

Choose each other again. Take time out of your schedule, stop the hurry and worry, and be present to your best self. We are called to be salt for our world, to preserve “the civilization of love”.



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