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Matthew 28;19-20





MAY 17TH KNITTING CIRCLE

The Knitting Circle have been busy this month! Check out what they have lovingly made! I have been told there are about 40 beanies made for premature babies at the Mater Hospital, amongst other items. The next gathering will be on June 21st in the Maheno Room from 9:30am. All are welcome to come along. Those of us who don't know how to knit or crochet can come along for a chat, or even better, learn a new craft!

Wouldn't that be grand! See you there!



21st May 2023 ASCENSION DAY

8.30 AM FAMILY EUCHARIST



ANGLICAN CHURCH
IN THE HEART OF BULIMBA



RISING - A POEM FOR ASCENSION DAY

See the clouds as they weave in wispiness Bobbing and waving as curtains they part Floating white fighting the wind to open wide A heavenly gateway opened for the beloved.

Each gathered kneeling, standing, sitting
Ringing in a human halo around the master's hand
In tears of wonder, love and joy, each tinged
With the sadness of a loved ones loss.

The morning glow of warmed sunshine rays
Catch the salted sheen of tears and with
Ancient holy alchemy turns them diamond shining
Each shed for the home bound Messiah.

And the heavenly host proclaim the time in fanfare Loud as angels blast their horns in triumph As the once dead son returns to his father And leaving the saddened throng behind to work.

Then as the curtained clouds are drawn once more
The gathered faithful stand and stare above
"Why do you stand and look to the sky"? the angels ask
In gleaming robes of eddying white shimmer.

He will come again the same way you saw him go.

Poem: By Rowan Wyatt www godspacelight com

mage: www.eleanordixonsteckerart.com

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THIS COMING WEEK IN THE PARISH				
FRIDAY	26th	10.00am	Eucharist	
Sunday	28th	7.30am 9.00am	Eucharist Eucharist and Children's Church	
		9.00am-noon	Cakes Stall on the lawn	

ROSTERED DUTIES 28/5	7.30ам	9.00ам	
L.A.'s	Roslyn/Felicity	Sarah/Charmaine	
MUSIC	Wendy	Wendy	
READERS	June/Vanessa	Swanson Family	
INTERCESSOR	Tony	Swanson Family	
MORNING TEA	Sara H		
WELCOMERS	Allan T/Sue G	Volunteer	
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READINGS AND PRAYERS FOR ASCENSION SUNDAY 21ST MAY

SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

'Go and make disciples of all nations,' Jesus commands; 'I am with you always, to the close of the age.'

Matthew 28.19–20

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Eternal God, by raising Jesus from the dead you proclaimed his victory, and by his ascension, you declared him Lord of all: lift up our hearts to heaven, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: ACTS 1.1-11

JUNE PARKER

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This', he said, 'is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.' So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'.

PSALM 47

- 1. O clap your hands, all you peoples: and cry aloud to God with shouts of joy.
- 2. For the Lord Most High is to be feared: he is a great king over all the earth.
- 3. He cast down peoples under us: and the nations beneath our feet.
- 4. He chose us a land for our possession: that was the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.
- 5. God has gone up with the sound of rejoicing: and the Lord to the blast of the horn.

Contd.

- 6. O sing praises, sing praises to God: O sing praises, sing praises to our king.
- 7. For God is the king of all the earth: O praise him in a well-wrought psalm.
- 8. God has become the king of the nations: he has taken his seat upon his holy throne.
- 9. The princes of the peoples are gathered together: with the people of the God of Abraham.
- 10. For the mighty ones of the earth are become the servants of God: and he is greatly exalted.

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 1. 15-23

MEL HUMPHREYS

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 28. 16-20 Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World: -

- ♦ The Church in the Province of the West Indies
- ♦ The Diocese of Riverina: †Donald Kirk; Clergy and People

In The Diocese:

- The Parish of Coolum: Bruce Sligo locum, Jocelyn Pitt, Carol Roth, Jim McPherson, Richard Bowie, Richard Gowty
- ♦ Anglicare SQ Community Aged & Disability, West (Toowoomba)
- All Saints Anglican School, Merrimac: Headmaster Patrick Wallas;
 Chaplain Ann McGuinness; Chair of School Council John Fradgley;
 members of School Council; staff & students

Pray for those in need:

Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Kerrie, Douglas, Kerry, Helena, Roy, Michael, Williamson Family, Rev Helen Phillips, Vince, Helen, Rev Paul Bland, Joan, Pam, Laurie, Lionel, Val, Bob, Dorothy, Garry.

Prayer at the time of choosing an Archbishop.

Eternal God, shepherd and guide, in your mercy give your Church in this Diocese a shepherd after your own heart, who will walk in your ways, and with loving care watch over your people. Give us a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth. May your Church be built up and your name glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Next Sunday 28th May is The Day of Pentecost and the Liturgical colour is Red Please try and wear something red if you can as we celebrate this special day in the Church's calendar. It looks amazing from the altar when the celebrant sees such a wonderful display of red.

In Memory May 22nd—May 28th

Mona Garraway (2006)

Eileen Hazel Booth (2007)

OUR TIME WITH REVEREND ANDREW COOPER













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