

We acknowledge the Dharawal people, traditional owners and custodians of this place. They are part of the world's oldest living human culture, deserving of our deepest respect. May we walk gently on this land.



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MARRIAGES and BAPTISMS
by appointment

SUNDAY MASSES in the Church

9am each Sunday and

5pm every 3rd Sunday for

Youth/Young families

NOTE
TIME
CHANGE

WEEKDAY MASS/PRAYER
in Jenkins Chapel

Monday: 5pm Prayer; 5.15pm Mass

Tues-Sat: 7am Prayer; 7.15am Mass

ALL WELCOME

TODAY WE CELEBRATE:
THE ASCENSION OF THE
LORD
YEAR B: 24 MAY, 2009

What 'good new' does our world need
today?

How do you experience Jesus' presence,
even though he is absent?

DID YOU KNOW?

These final verses of Mark's Gospel were a later addition to the original ending of the women at the empty tomb. They show that from the earliest of times, the disciples realised that, although Jesus was no longer physically present, 'the Lord was working with them'.

The word 'apostle' comes from the Greek for 'one who is sent out'.

Mark uses the dramatic figures of speech about serpents and poisons to illustrate that those who believe in the good news and preach it can overcome all that threatens or destroys life.

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WE REMEMBER THE SICK...

Todd McRae, Sue Gay, Christine Sullivan, Trish Coleman, Colin Gannon, Jim Forsyth, Noel Trompp, Malcolm Boyd, married to Fr Steve's niece, recovering from accident, Adam Dabron, grandson of Taylors, work accident requiring surgery.

CONFIRMATION... Bishop Ingham has agreed to come and administer the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. We need to know how many people wish to enrol, and if we will have enough people to warrant his visit. If you are interested, please see Trish after Mass. Enrolment and the first lesson will take place after 9am Mass on Sun June 7.



THE ROSARY this week...

7.30pm Wednesday at the home of Mary Dal Pozzo, 135 Wilton Park Rd Wilton. All welcome. If you would like to host the Rosary, please fill in roster on table at back of church.

We welcome Fr Michael Reis msc who has joined our MSC community.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK MAY 27 - JUNE 3...

They say you can't judge a book by its cover and it's much the same with people. There are many chapters to everyone's life story, so many pieces that make up a personal jigsaw. What you see is seldom what you get. **NRW** is a great time for Indigenous and non-Indigenous people to get to know each other better - and that's what reconciliation is all about. May 26 is National Sorry Day.

RECONCILIATION AUSTRALIA

find out how to join in: 6273 9200.
www.reconciliation.org.au

FEASTDAYS THIS WEEK:

May 24 St David of Scotland
May 25 Venerable Bede
May 26 St Philip Neri
May 27 St Augustine of Canterbury
May 28 Blessed Margaret Pole
May 29 St Maximinius
May 30 St Joan of Arc
May 31 Visitation of Mary

RCIA PROGRAM... we hope to begin an RCIA program later in the year for people interested in finding out about the Catholic faith and/or wishing to become a Catholic. Invite anyone you think might be interested. **IF YOU DON'T INVITE THEM, WHO WILL?** And, if you do know anyone who might be interested, please see Fr Steve.

BIGGEST MORNING TEA HISTORY DISPLAY

SUNDAY MAY 31, 1- 4.30pm
Church Hall Douglas Park, near railway station. All proceeds to **CANCER RESEARCH.**

Phone: Robyn 4632 7320

YOGA... 9am on Monday.

DIOCESAN OPPORTUNITIES STEWARDSHIP 2-DAY CONFERENCE 2-3 JULY at Campbelltown Catholic Club. Contact: Helen Bennett 4253 0934.

FORMING GENEROUS HEARTS - IN THE SPIRIT OF VAT II, 4 July Chevalier College Bowral 10am-3pm \$30/15/don. Morning tea/lunch RSVP essential Jane Edwards 4253 0900.

MENALIVE WEEKEND RETREAT St Therese Parish 30-31 May - \$49. Vince 0417 249 741, Peter 0418 123 824, Jeff 0423 183 627 or Phil 0434 894 589.

BIBLICAL SPIRITUALITY, LIVING A LIFE OF FAITH TODAY St Mary Star of Sea College Wollongong 6 June 10am-3pm. Jane Edwards 4253 0900

[Leaflets/Brochures available back of Church]