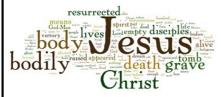


5th Sunday of Easter

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THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY

Photographic technology, as we all know, is developing at exponential leaps and bounds. In recent years the phenomenon of "selfies" is now legion, even Pope Francis being swept along in this photographic avalanche.

Little known though, is that "selfies" are not a modern invention. They were anticipated some 2000 years ago with the purported burial shroud of Jesus of Nazareth. This relic, with manifold converging evidence pointing to its authenticity, replicates the frontal and dorsal aspects of a naked, scourged and crucified corpse, in all probability that of Jesus.

As technology breathlessly tries to catch up with history we find, encoded in the Shroud image, an intricate 3-D imprint of a bearded, handsome and pony-tailed man of impressive physique, though bruised, tortured and impaled! The Shroud has been called the fifth gospel and its gift and emphasis is to underscore and highlight the bodily Resurrection of Jesus. Ray Downing, a 3-D CGI artist, has birthed from the ancient linen cloth the most accurate likeness of Jesus ever created.

The bodily Resurrection of Jesus, what we celebrate with Easter, is an affirmation of his claims about himself, that he is the Way, the Truth and the Life. The bodily Resurrection of Jesus is the affirmation of the claims the Church itself makes, as his risen presence in the world today and the sacrament of salvation. It is also an affirmation of the goodness, truth, beauty and unity of our own identity as en-fleshed spirits, souls emanating physicality, and our destiny to continue to be that way, with a resurrected body on the last day and forever. The season of Easter opens and proclaims Christ as the only way to the Father.

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Mass Times:

Saturday 5.30pm Sunday 10.30am, 7pm

Monday to Friday: 8am, 12.10pm Saturday 8.30am in Cathedral Chapel If a Requiem is scheduled, the 12.10pm Mass may not be celebrated on that day.

Reconciliation: 11:50am to 12:05pm Monday to Friday (Not Public Holidays)

Baptism: By Appointment

Deadline for newsletter material is Wednesday midday.
Frank ph: 0-4-496 1700 cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz

Activities:

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 7.30am prior to 8am Mass
Thursday and Friday

Rosary Mondays 11.30am in Cathedral Chapel

Music Group plays on 2nd and 4th Saturdays of month at 5.30pm Vigil Mass

Liturgy Committee meet 1st Tuesday of every month

Finance Committee meet 2nd Thursday every 2nd month

Parish Council meet 1st Thursday of every month

Bible Study Group Wellington Sacred Heart Bible Study Group Contact: Elisapeci Waqanivalu ph: 021 207 6978

Divine Mercy Devotions every Sunday at 6.30pm

Prayer Group Meeting 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays, Connolly Hall 7.30pm

Holy Hour 4th Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm

Readings for the Week



Sunday 14th – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7; 1 Peter 2:4-9; John 14:1-12

Monday 15th - Acts 14:5-18; John 14:21-26

Tuesday 16th – Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31

Wednesday 17th - Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8

Thursday 18th - St John I, pope and martyr

Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11

Friday 19th – Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17

Saturday 20th – Acts 6:1-10; John 15:18-21

Sunday 21st - Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21





Parish Retreat Day - Next Saturday, 20 May

at the Cathedral 1.30 - 5.30 pm, led by Fr Jim Dooley SM. Title: "Go You Are Sent" - A time of prayer and reflection on the two fundamental aspects of being a disciple of Jesus, the invitation to form an intimate relationship with Jesus and the instruction to go forth and evangelise. This is the theme of the upcoming Diocesan Synod. The retreat will draw on the

Scripture passages where Jesus invites us to "Come to me and find rest for your souls" (Mat 11/28) and where he instructs his disciples to "Go and make disciples of all nations". (Mat 28/19). All very welcome. Any queries to Jim McAloon, email: imcaloon@xtra.co.nz or the Parish Office 496 1700.

LUTHER & ROME is the theme of a paper presented by Fr James **this afternoon, 14 May,** as part of the *Faith Sung, Faith Spoken* series sponsored by the Lutheran community. Time 2pm. Place: St Paul's Church, King St., Mt Cook, Wellington.

THANK YOU. The Friends of Sacred Heart Cathedral Music thank the Cathedral faith community for its continuing marvellous support. \$798 was donated in the 30 April collection. We greatly value your spiritual and material support for Music in the Liturgy at the Cathedral.



REMINDER....All parishioners are invited to a **Synod 2017** workshop with Cardinal John, to take place for North Island parishes of the Archdiocese at Bishop Viard College, Porirua, from 1.30pm-4.30pm on **Saturday 27 May**.

FROM JPD OFFICE: "Above all – trust in the slow work of God."

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin in a prayer in 'Hearts on Fire – praying with Jesuits'.



FOR MOTHERS - ON THIS THEIR DAY

Prayers from the children of Sacred Heart Cathedral School We thank you, our mothers, and pray a blessing on you for everything you have done for us. The hours you spend driving us to all our activities; all the meals you make for us, and all the time you spend with us. E te Ariki.

Please assist all the mothers who are currently having to watch their children struggle and can't do anything about it. Whether it is in war, their getting bullied at school, or their children are just in a rough spot. Let them know you are there and they don't need to worry. E te Ariki.

We pray for mothers who are not with us anymore; that they may be able to guide their children in their every step, every challenge, all their downfalls and in all their celebrations. E te Ariki.

Happy Mothers' Day!

<u>The Family and Young Church Vicariate</u> warmly invite all young adults to join us for a night of discussion, at *The Rising Tide: Don't rock the boat baby* – how to disagree and still have friends! It seems increasingly hard to hold a viewpoint that differs from the acceptable norm. How do we stay true to ourselves even when all around us seem to think differently? The event kicks off at 6.30pm, Monday **15 May** at The Catholic Centre, 22-30 Hill Street, Thorndon.

<u>Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship</u>: Last reminder to join Joshua Catholic men for fellowship and prayer on Thursday **18 May** at 7:30pm in Connolly Hall, Guildford Tce, Thorndon (behind Sacred Heart Cathedral). Speaker: Michael Powell on "*Getting free from ungodly influences of our ancestry*". For further information ring John Taylor 0-4-389-8915 or 021-107-8538 or email <u>injtaylor@paradise.net.nz</u>

<u>Vigil for the Unborn</u>: Saturday **20 May**, St Anne's Catholic Church, Emmett Street, Newtown. 10 am Mass, followed by Exposition and Rosary Procession to front of Hospital. Ends at Noon with a shared lunch. Come and respond to our Our Lady of Fatima's plea "Pray, pray, pray". For more information contact Family Life International NZ -Tel: 237 8343.

Dove Wellington invites all women to our meeting from 1.15pm to 3pm on Saturday **20 May** at Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Wellington. This month, Sister Marie Gore is our guest speaker, who will be speaking about Our Lady's apparitions, which took place 100 years ago this month at Fatima. It will be a great time for learning what this is all about. We look forward to seeing you there. Please contact Rachel Blackaby for any gueries on (04) 389 9938

Archdiocesan workshop on music in the liturgy: Calling all church musicians – a chance to pool ideas about how best to tap into this rich resource to better celebrate the joy of the liturgy. Thursday **25 May** in the Catholic Centre Boardroom, 22-30 Hill Street. Cup of tea at 6.45pm with the workshop starting at 7pm and finishing around 8.30pm. Important to RSVP to a.williams@wn.catholic.org.nz

Coats for the Homeless: The Order of Malta is a Catholic charity raising funds to supply 'Coats for the Homeless' in Wellington. We ran a successful appeal in 2012. The coats will be distributed by the Compassion Centre in Tory Street, Wellington. The coats can also double as a small blanket and cost \$60 each. All donations are tax deductible. Flyers with details on how to donate a coat are in the church foyer. Further information can be obtained from peterdamianwood@icloud.com or phone 021 325 884.

<u>Victoria University's Continuing Education</u> is offering a short course beginning next month on the Papal Patronage of Baroque Rome. For further information visit website: http://ce.victoria.ac.nz/courses/554-papal-patronage-of-baroque-rome.



Please remember to bring either a non-perishable food item, toiletries or laundry items for the food bank. Thank you.

MASS OFFERED FOR:

Herman Heemskerk
 RIP Wellington May 2017
 a long-time Cathedral parishioner

