Dear sisters and brothers,

"The meaning of Christ's Ascension," writes Pope Benedict XVI, "expresses our belief that in Christ the humanity that we all share has entered the inner life of God in a new and hitherto unheard-of way. It means that we have found an everlasting place in God." It would be a mistake to interpret the Ascension as "the temporary absence of Christ from the world." Rather, "we go to heaven to the extent that we go to Jesus Christ and enter into him." Heaven is a person: "Jesus himself is what we call heaven."

On this great feast of Ascension, the centre of course is the resurrected Jesus, but this feast is all about us, the members of His body: The Church. The ascension celebrates the fact that Jesus some time (40 days) after his resurrection enters a new and higher dimension of existence. Jesus is physically leaving his disciples. The one whom they loved so much will no longer be seen, heard, or touched. This departure marks a New Relationship of Jesus with us: I leave for heaven so that your own hands may now become my hands, your deeds my deeds, your heart my heart, your voice my voice. Jesus is leaving them visibly, but he is not abandoning them rather asking his disciples to be what they have seen him to be – that they must now themselves become what they have learned to admire and love in Jesus.

Soon we will move the Easter Candle from the main altar marking the end of the Easter season after the feast of the Pentecost. The visible presence of the Easter candle will no longer be with us but the warmth of the flame of the risen Lord will continue to burn in our hearts all year through.

This feast is also about us, as believers, the living members of His body: The Church. Jesus would give us the Holy Spirit to carry on his work. Joy is the gift of the Holy Spirit. This is the promise of the same joy each of us will receive when we encounter the risen Lord in the community. We are called to be joyful people and continue to discover the risen presence of Jesus in the community of disciples.

Blessings of the Risen Lord, Fr. John

PARISH RETREAT FOR PENTECOST

You are invited to our PARISH RETREAT FOR PENTECOST Saturday 25th May-8.30am to 2.30pm at parish centre

Come and spend time with God and explore the person of the Holy Spirit with Fr. Adalbert. Morning tea and lunch provided.

Please register on the sign up sheets in the foyer. Suggested donation \$10.

Optional pre-reading or viewing

If you wish to do some preparation for the parish retreat, please take a copy of the optional reading material on the registration table or read online and watch the videos on the recommended meditations, please scan this QR code for the website.





SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION for Parish Children

special day.



Thank you to all the parents who have enrolled their children and attended the parent meeting last week. Please be reminded the important dates for the Confirmation Program.

- Commitment Masses: 18 May (Saturday) at 6.00pm & 19 May (Sunday) at 9.30am and 6.00pm.
- Parent & Child Workshop: 20 May (Monday) at 7pm at the Parish Centre.
- Retreat: 28 May (Tuesday) at the Parish Centre & Church.
- Confirmation Masses: 8 June (Saturday) at 11.00am <u>OR</u> 2.00pm.

Should you have any enquiries, please email Theresa sacramental@infantjesusparish.org.au

Parish Youth Initiative Outing On Friday 3rd of May, members of the IJ Youth Initiative Group gathered at Bounce Joondalup for some fun, food, and fraternity. Knowing my age and physical limitations, I decided to stay off-side with the parents. Throughout the night it was great to see all the children running around, bouncing up and down, and generally having fun. It was the first outing we had as a group, funded by the money we raised at the BBQ last year. Thank



you so much to all who came and made the evening engaging and fun. Keep a look out in the future as I'm sure we will do this again. -Fr Adalbert

"Charismatic Pentecost Mass, May 19th - Embleton

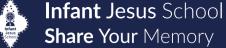
On Pentecost Sunday, May 19th, at Holy Trinity Church, Embleton, starting with praise & worship at 2:00pm, CCR Perth is celebrating the outpouring of the Holy Spirit with praise, Mass and the 'laying on of hands' for healing and the renewing of God's Spirit working in us. Mass will commence at 3:00pm. The service will include prayer teams to pray over those who would like prayer. The afternoon will conclude around 4:30pm. Queries to Dan 0409 849 049."

Young Adults Winter Dance 2024

Join the Young Adults at St Francis Xavier Armadale, for an evening of music, movement and community. Saturday 25 May 7pm (after the 6pm mass). Tickets are \$25. All proceeds will go towards the St Vincent de Paul Society. Tickets available at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sfxwinter-dance-2024-tickets-856630554047?aff=oddtdtcreator

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Share Your Memory

1954 - 2024 Celebrating 70 YEARS

Throughout the past 70 years, many colourful and lively characters have walked the grounds and shared our classrooms. It is those memories and stories which have shaped the community we are today.

We are inviting you to share your favourite or lasting memory of your time at Infant Jesus School. Please submit your story and image/s by completing the form https://forms.office.com/r/ yysH4BJ932 or via the QR code

Whether you are a current student, past student, parent, teacher or friend of the school we want to hear from you. A selection of stories will be featured throughout 2024 as we celebrate 70 years as a school.

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Supporting Our Parish Financially

First Collection EFT Details Account Name: Carmelite

BSB: 066 132

Account Number: 0080 0015

In Our Church

Morning Mass: Monday - Friday: 7am & 9am Saturday and Public Holidays: 8.30am Sunday Masses: 6pm (Saturday), 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am (Italian), 6pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 10 - 11am and 5 - 5.30pm Perpetual Novena in Honour of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel: Wednesday 6.30pm but not in Lent (Stations of the Cross 7pm) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 9.30 - 10.30am Eucharistic Prayer: Friday 5.30 - 6.30pm Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments: Please contact the Parish Office - enquiries@infantjesusparish.org.au | Ph: 9276 8500 PARISH OFFICE: 47 Wellington Road, Morley 9276 8500 Office hours: Monday - Thursday 9.30am -12.30pm

Facebook: infantjesusmorley Web: www.infantjesusparish.org.au

Parish Prayer Concerns

Recently Deceased: Mary Moore;

Deceased: Bob Gomes and Arthur Chemello;

Anniversaries: Silvio Davini, Barbara and Evan Reid, Francesco Antonio Pugliese, Josiane Fauvrelle and Peggi Brown;

The Sick of the Parish: Rosanna Scaletti, John and all those who are in need of our prayers.

"Be still, and know that I am God."



The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady This week in the home of: Doug & Annette Nathanielsz Ph: 0448 876 304

CONGRATULATIONS

We welcome our recently baptised little ones and pray that God will bless, guide and protect them—Ziah Lemos; Viera Fuda; Olivia Di Marco;



Jonah Howison; Luca Quaglio; Nicholas Hartnell; Matilda McCreery; Margot Nicholas; Doris Lim; Sylvie Thornton; Hayden Nash; Anastasia Agnello; Cody Barnes; Brianna Fernando and Grace Italiano. May God protect and watch over you, little ones, guiding you towards life of and faith and love.

PROJECT COMPASSION RECEIPTS

Your receipt for your cash donations to Project Compassion is available now to collect form the sacristy after Mass.



Second Collection EFT Details Account Name: Infant Jesus Parish Morley

BSB: 086 006 Account Number: 66860 6029

Our Parish Team

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IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE SAFEGUARDING PROGRAM New requirements for ALL parishes and church workers to complete for Archdiocesan Screening & Monitoring Policy by 1st August 2024



This updated screening and monitoring policy has been approved by the Archbishop, and he has advocated this new policy as a crucial step for fostering a secure and trustworthy Church for both our Perth Catholic community and the wider public. This new screening requirement extends the scope of previous requirement to include employees, volunteers, board members, and visitor (where required).

Our parish, with the support of the parish priests, safeguarding officers and parish office—is responsible for managing this new screening requirements. Our parish will need to meet the updated screening requirement for all ministries no later than 1 August 2024.

One of the requirement is for **ALL** those who volunteer in our parish ministries and groups to complete this new form **'Safeguarding Personal Declaration'**. The form is available in the church foyer or on safeguarding website. If a minor (under 18 years old age) volunteers in a ministry, a parent consent form needs to be completed, and this form is also available in the church foyer. The completed form needs to be drop off to the parish office or email to secretary@infantjesusparish.org.au

THIS WEEKEND — 12 May 2024—The Ascension of the Lord				
Ministry	<u>Sat 6pm</u>	<u>Sun 7.30am</u>	<u>Sun 9.30am</u>	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	John Tomczak	Chris Lambert	David Ward	Iari Geigenmuller
Altar Servers	Naethan; Meghan; Matthia and Mathan	Elizabeth and Peter	Victoria; Manuel and Ruben	Denver; Noah and Larissa
Proclaimers	Tang and Teresa	Clare and Shirley	Mike and Beblin	George and Alan
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Chris A; Marie; Tracy and Chris T	Brian; Debbie; Carl and Josie	Sr Oanh; Marlene; Joan; Evelyn and I Christina	Eloise; Maureen; Thuy and Ivor
Hospitality	Marisol and Rose	Quinn and Francisca	Roma and Jovana J	oanne and Marina
Church Cleaning	Team B— Thursday, 16 May 2024 @ 9.45am			
NEXT WEEKEND — 19 May 2024—Pentecost Sunday				
Ministry	<u>Sat 6pm</u>	<u>Sun 7.30am</u>	<u>Sun 9.30am</u>	<u>Sunday 6pm</u>
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Peter Nguyen-Le	Chris Lambert	Marion Wayne	Tung Nguyen
Altar Servers	Aaditya and Abhay	Aaron and Frank	Crissanto; Cesar and Leah	Alyssa; Amy and Megan
Proclaimers	Marion F and John	Rita and Liz	PAS Mass—Joanne B	Eloise and Marion W
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	John; Teresa; Betty and Sejin	Valerie; Nevellene; John and Kathleen	Sr Justin; Magdalene; Anna; Roma; Errol and Tanya	Tristan; Eloise; Ivor and Thuy
Hospitality	Denise and John T	Mavis and Catrina	Barbara and Josephine & Danny (PAS)	Rita and Fely
Church Cleaning	Team C— Saturday, 25 May 2024 @ 9.30am			

PLEASE NOTE - If you are unable to attend on your rostered day, please arrange for someone else in your Ministry to take your place.

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