

### Processional Hymn AOV 39

Refrain

Come to set us free, come to make us your own.  
Come to show the way to our people, your chosen.  
Open our lives to the light of your promise.  
Come to our hearts with healing, come to our minds with power, come to us and bring us your life.

You are light which shines in darkness,  
Morning Star which never sets.  
Open our eyes which only dimly see,  
The truth which sets us free. *Refrain*

You are hope which brings us courage,  
You are strength which never fails.  
Open our minds to ways we do not know,  
But where your Spirit grows. *Refrain*

You are promise of salvation,  
You are God in human form.  
Bring to the world of emptiness and fear  
The Word we long to hear. *Refrain*

### Liturgy of the Word

Acts 1:1-11, Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23  
Luke 24:46-53

### Psalm Response

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

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you  
always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

### Next weekend Pentecost C

Acts 2:1-11 Romans 8:8-17 John 14:15-16, 23-26

*With Jesus, one of us has arrived home with God and remains there forever. In his Son, God is close to us in a human way. Moreover, Jesus says in the Gospel of John, "And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself"*

*In the NEW TESTAMENT, the Ascension of Christ marks the end of forty days during which the risen Lord was especially close to his disciples. At the end of this time, Christ, together with his whole humanity, enters into the glory of God. Sacred Scripture expresses this through the images of 'cloud' and 'heaven' or sky. Jesus Christ is now with the Father, and from there he will come one day 'to judge the living and the dead'. Christ's Ascension into heaven means that Jesus is no longer visible on earth yet is still present.* YOUCAT n109

### Preparation of the Gifts AOV 110

I will be Yahweh who walks with you!  
You will be always within my hand!  
Take your heart and give it all to me! *Refrain*

*Refrain:* Strong and constant is my love!  
Strong and constant is my love!

Should you wander far away from me,  
I will search for you in ev-'ry land!  
Should you call, then you will truly know: *Refrain*

When you know sorrow within your life,  
I will come I will embrace your heart!  
Through your pain you will discover me! *Refrain*

### Holy Communion AOV 49

I am the bread of life.  
He who comes to me shall not hunger;  
he who believes in me shall not thirst.  
No one can come to me  
unless the Father draw him.

*Refrain:* And I will raise him up,  
and I will raise him up,  
and I will raise him up on the last day.

The bread that I will give  
is my flesh for the life of the world,  
and he who eats of this bread,  
he shall live for ever, *Refrain*  
he shall live for ever.

Unless you eat  
of the flesh of the Son of Man  
and drink of his blood,  
and drink of his blood,  
you shall not have life within you. *Refrain*

### AOV 153

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
who abide in his shadow for life,  
say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

*Refrain:* And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear:  
under his wings your refuge,  
his faithfulness your shield.

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

### Recessional Hymn AOV 131

Sing of the Lord's goodness Father of all wisdom,  
come to him and bless his name.  
Mercy he has shown us, his love is forever,  
faithful to the end of days.

*Refrain:* Come, then, all you nations,  
sing of your Lord's goodness,  
melodies of praise and thanks to God.  
Ring out the Lord's glory,  
praise him with your music,  
worship him and bless his name.

Power he has wielded, honor is his garment  
risen from the snares of death.  
His word he has spoken, one bread he has broken,  
new life he now gives to all. *Refrain*

Courage in our darkness, comfort in our sorrow,  
Spirit of our God most high;  
solace for the weary, pardon for the sinner,  
splendor of the living God. *Refrain*

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### May they rest in peace

**Recently Deceased**  
Fr Eric John Hodgens PE



### Partnered Parishes of St Gabriel Reservoir & St Stephen of Hungary Reservoir East

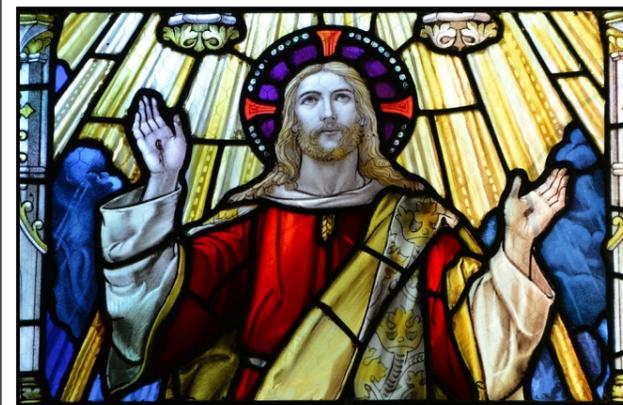
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### Ascension of the Lord 29.05.2022



### WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday 4pm *St Raphael's*  
Wednesday 9.30am *St Stephen's*  
Thursday 8.30am *St Raphael's*  
Friday 9am *St Gabriel's*

### WEEKEND MASS

Saturday *St Stephen's*  
5pm Reconciliation 6pm Vigil Mass  
Sunday *St Gabriel's*  
9am Reconciliation 10am Mass

### Thanksgiving and Clergy support offering by direct debit

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***Our Parish is committed  
to the safety, wellbeing and dignity  
of all children and vulnerable adults***

Today we rejoice that Jesus has physically ascended to heaven. What a sight that must have been for the disciples! The same Lord who had died and risen from the dead had now ascended before their eyes! But what would this mean for their mission? As they clung to his words, "Stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high", they may have wondered how to follow Jesus now.

Luke tells us that the disciples returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the Temple praising. So not only did they remain in the city, but they stayed together. It's easy to imagine the disciples returning to their homes in Galilee but they didn't. They stayed and worshipped the Lord together. And that unity in prayer helped prepare them for the coming of the Spirit on Pentecost.

Like the disciples, we might wonder how to follow Jesus since he is no longer walking the earth. But the answer remains the same: Stay in the city. Stay close to your brothers and sisters in the Lord. When hard times come, we may feel distant from God or uncertain about what to do next. Confusion, hurt, or disillusionment can undermine our trust in the Lord and one another. In these situations, our first instinct is often to withdraw. We might avoid seeing people or even stop going to church. But Jesus encourages us: Stay in the city.

Jesus promises to give us the power we need to live as his people. He urges us, *Stay close to your brothers and sisters. Stay close to me. Keep praying. I will fill you with my Spirit.*

Queen of angels	pray for us
Queen of patriarchs and prophets	pray for us
Queen of apostles and martyrs	pray for us
Queen of confessors and virgins	pray for us
Queen of all saints	pray for us
Queen conceived in grace	pray for us
Queen raised up to glory	pray for us
Queen of the rosary	pray for us
Queen of peace	pray for us

**ST GABRIEL'S PARISH ENVELOPES:** the current sets of Thanksgiving envelopes expires this weekend. If you haven't collected your new set, please do so this weekend. New contributors are needed.

**THE ANNUAL MASS COUNT CONCLUDES AT ALL  
MASSES THIS WEEKEND**