

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, BANFF

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PARISH NEWSLETTER - SUNDAY 15 MAY 2022 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

DATE	DETAILS	SERVICE	TIME
Sunday 15 May	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Second collection: Vocations	Mass (Polish)	10.30 13.00
Monday 16 May			
Tuesday 17 May	5 th Week in Eastertide	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Mass	09.00 09.30
Wednesday 18 May	5 th Week in Eastertide	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Mass	09.00 09.30
Thursday 19 May	5 th Week in Eastertide	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Mass	09.00 09.30
Friday 20 May	5 th Week in Eastertide	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Mass	09.00 09.30
Saturday 21 May	5 th Week in Eastertide	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Mass Vigil Mass	09.00 09.30 18.00
Sunday 22 May	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER World Communication Day	Mass (Polish)	10.30 13.00

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

THIRD FIINAL NOTICE: Notice is hereby given, in compliance with the approved constitution of the OLMC Parish Pastoral Council, of the intention to hold this year's Extraordinary General Meeting for the Parish on **22**nd **May 2022** at **11.30**. Everyone in the Parish is welcome to attend. The agenda will include appointment of new members to the Parish Pastoral Council. Please advise the Secretary **Fiona** of any item you wish included on the agenda for the meeting by Saturday **14**th **May 2022**.

There is an information leaflet on the purpose of a Parish Council in the Church Porch and parish website and Facebook page.

At least 4 members of the Parish Council should be elected by the congregation. There are nomination forms for members to be elected in the Church Porch.

READINGS:

1st Reading: Acts 14:21-27

Resp. Psalm: 145:8-13

2nd Reading: Revelation 21:1-5

Gospel: John 13:31-35

SUNDAY REFLECTION

By God's goodness and compassion, the doors of His kingdom have been opened to all who have faith, Jew or Gentile.

That's the good news Paul and Barnabas proclaim in today's First Reading. With the coming of the Church—the new Jerusalem John sees in today's Second Reading—God is "making all things new."

In His Church, the "old order" of death is passing away and God for all time is making His dwelling with the human race, so that all peoples "will be His people and God Himself will always be with them." In this the promises made through His prophets are accomplished.

The Church is "the kingdom for all ages" that we sing of in today's Psalm. That's why we see the Apostles, under the guidance of the Spirit, ordaining "presbyters" or priests.

Anointed priests and bishops will be the Apostles' successors, ensuring that the Church's "dominion endures through all generations", note that the New American Bible translates episcopois, the Greek word for bishops, as "overseers").

Until the end of time, the Church will declare to the world God's mighty deeds, blessing His holy name and giving Him thanks, singing of the glories of His kingdom.

In His Church, we know ourselves as His "faithful ones," as those Jesus calls "My little children" in today's Gospel. We live by the new law, the "new commandment" that He gave in His final hours.

The love He commands of us is no human love but a supernatural love. We love each other as Jesus loved us in suffering and dying for us. We love in imitation of His love.

This kind of love is only made possible by the Spirit poured into our hearts at Baptism, renewed in the sacrifice His priests offer in every Mass.

By our love we glorify the Father. And by our love all peoples will know that we are His people, that He is our God. (Scott Hahn)

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

• Sick: Kate Hamilton

PARISH NEWS

1. Next Sunday Special Collection for Communications

NIEDZIELNA REFLEKSJA

Jezus dał nam nowe przykazanie, abyśmy się wzajemnie miłowali, tak jak On nas umiłował. On zaś umiłował nas aż do końca, aż do śmierci krzyżowej... Nowe przykazanie może wykonywać tylko nowy człowiek napełniony Duchem Świętym, który rozlał w sercach naszych miłość Bożą.

Jeszcze nie możemy pójść tam, gdzie Jezus. Jeszcze do Niego nie dorastamy. Jesteśmy zbyt słabi, zbyt grzeszni, zbyt uwikłani w sprawy tego świata. Rozumiemy zaledwie nikłą część z tego, co przekazuje nam o swoim i naszym Ojcu. Jednak Jezus widzi nie tylko nasz obecny stan, ale i ten, do którego chce nas doprowadzić. Widzi w nas dzieci, które niewiele potrafią i rozumieją, ale szukają i chcą się uczyć. Przemawia z ciepłem i dobrocią, wskazując drogę miłości, która z czasem upodobni nas do Niego i pozwoli wejść do Jego królestwa. Wszystko jest możliwe – jeśli tylko nie wyjdziemy z orbity Jego działania, jak Judasz z Wieczernika. (Mateusz.pl)

OGŁOSZENIA PARAFIALNE

1. Za tydzień dodatkowa zbiórka na wsparcie seminarzystów z naszej diecezji.