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WEEKDAY Mass Times:

Tuesday 17th AUGUST – Saturday 21st AUGUST

**Tuesday 8:30am; Wednesday 9am SCHOOL MASS; Friday 8:30am-
followed by Adoration; Saturday 8.30am followed by Reconciliation.**

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday Vigil - 6:00pm (Sacred Heart Mundaring)

Sunday - 7:30am (Our Lady of Good Counsel Chidlow)

9:30am (Sacred Heart Mundaring)

SCHOOL MASS THIS COMING WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday morning at 9am, we will be celebrating Mass with the School and Parish Community together. Please come along

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES STUDY GROUP

This week we are looking at
Session 14

Converts and Conflicts-Turning
the World Upside Down
BEARING IN MIND THAT WE
ARE HAVING A SCHOOL MASS
ON **WEDNESDAY**, OUR BIBLE
STUDY IS LIKELY TO START AT
10AM THIS WEEK.

AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES (PREP)

We begin Classes this coming Wednesday.

The Confirmation Class will begin at
3.45pm-4.30pm (in the Church)

**The Reconciliation and Holy Communion
classes**

will start at 4.00pm-4.45pm

PILGRIM STATUE ROSTER FOR THIS WEEK

Michael & Barbara NEWTON

NEWS, HAPPENINGS & CELEBRATIONS

PRAYER IN TIME OF DIFFICULTY

Lead, Kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom, Lead thou me on!

The night is dark, and I am far from home, Lead thou me on!

Keep thou my feet; I do not ask to see, the distant scene; one step enough for me.

John Henry Newman

SAFEGUARDING MEETING

On **Tuesday evening August 24**, there will be a Safeguarding Meeting for all people who have a Working with Children Card in this parish. It will begin **at 6.30pm** and will run for approximately 2 hours. Please make every effort to come as we strive to incorporate Safeguarding measures in the parish. These changes in culture take time to embed themselves into our lives, but they will benefit the children and vulnerable adults in our parishes and Church.

WORD ON FIRE ONLINE MINISTRY

I draw your attention to **Word on Fire**, an online ministry.

www.wordonfire.org

Go to 'resources' and enjoy developing your understanding of our shared faith.

An interesting podcast worth listening in the next week is:

WOF256 Bishop Barron in discussion with Jennifer Ratner Rosenhagen

Jennifer is an author who specializes in the History of Ideas

THAT'S INTERESTING!

What is the Church's teaching regarding this dogma of the faith which we celebrate on August 15th? The Church teaches that, "*The Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.*"¹

What many people fail to realize is that the vast majority of Christians both worldwide *and throughout history* have held to this belief. It is not only the Catholic Church which professes this belief in the Assumption of Mary, but also Eastern Orthodox Christians and Oriental Orthodox Christians.

Anglicans regard the Assumption of Mary as *adiaphora* (a thing indifferent), while historic Protestant Reformers such as Heinrich Bullinger actively proclaimed the assumption of Mary writing in 1539, "*For this reason, we believe that the Virgin Mary, Begetter of God, the most pure bed and temple of the Holy Spirit, that is, her most holy body, was carried to heaven by angels.*" Although many churches within Lutheranism do not teach the Assumption of Mary, August 15th remains a lesser feast in celebration of "*Mary, Mother of Our Lord,*" according to their Calendar of Saints.

**IF THIS INTERESTS YOU GO TO: <http://adamncrawford.com/reflections-on-the-assumption-of-mary/>
For the complete article**

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY– YEAR B

FIRST READING Apoc 11: 19; 12: 1-6, 10

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse.

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened, and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it. Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready. Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ.'

■ **The word of the Lord.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 44: 10-12, 16. R. v. 10

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

1. The daughters of kings are among your loved ones. On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir. Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words: forget your own people and your father's house. **R.**
2. So will the king desire your beauty: he is your lord, pay homage to him. They are escorted amid gladness and joy; they pass within the palace of the king. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Cor 15: 20-26

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all die in Adam, so all will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him.

After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

■ **The word of the Lord**

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Mary is taken up to heaven, and the angels of God shout for joy. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Lk 1: 39-56

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made to her by the Lord would be fulfilled.' And Mary said: 'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour; because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid. Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed, for the Almighty has done great things for me. Holy is his name, and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear him. He has shown the power of his arm, he has routed the proud of heart. He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly. The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away. He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his mercy – according to the promise he made to our ancestors – of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.' Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

ANTICIPATING OUR RESURRECTION

What do we Catholics mean when we express our conviction that, at the end of her earthly life, Mary was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory? Are we simply heaping praises upon Mary for her 'specialness'? Or is there something deeper at stake? In fact, like all Marian teachings, the Assumption speaks of the saving love of Christ that envelops our human lives. 'For the Son of God became human, so that we might become God' is a saying of the Church Fathers (cf. Catechism, 460). Mary, the 'first disciple' of Jesus Christ, walks with and before us in our own path of Christian discipleship. Her singular participation in her Son's Resurrection is an anticipation of our resurrection. Who Mary is, we are becoming. One day we, too, will live forever with God in heavenly glory. The Assumption is a compelling celebration of Christian hope, an affirmation of the human body, and deep-down encouragement in our earthly struggles.