

St John the Baptist Catholic Church-The Mother Church of Perth

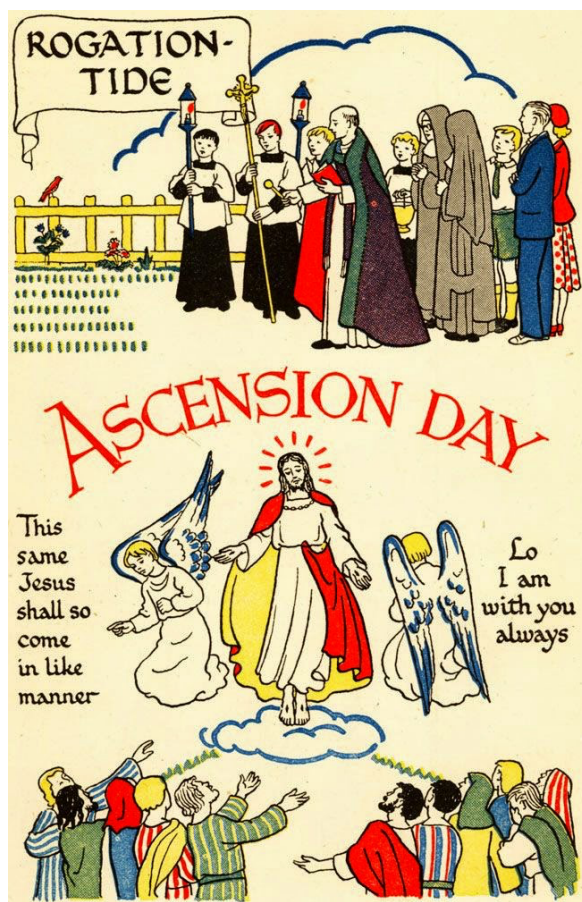
A warm welcome to our Church. Countless Catholics and visitors have crossed the threshold of this holy place, sensing the presence of God and filling it with prayer and contemplation. Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, our mission is to glorify God by our lives.

Canon Mulholland:

**St John's Presbytery, 20 Melville Street. Perth PH1 5PY
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**Sunday 14th May 2023
Sixth Sunday of Easter-Year A**

Refreshments in the hall after 11am Mass



Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thy only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Holy Mass

**Monday 15th -1.30pm Requiem Mass
for Catherine Crawford**

& 6pm

**Tuesday 16th -11am Requiem Mass
for Rosa Hohensee**

& 7pm

**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament &
Confessions from 6pm-6.45pm**

Rosary at 6.45pm

Wednesday 17th-10am

**Thursday 18th - The Solemnity of the
Ascension of the Lord- Holy Day of
Obligation-10am & 6.00pm**

Friday 19th-No Mass

Sunday Masses: Saturday 4.00pm (Anticipatory Sunday Mass) 9.00am, 11.00am & 6.30 pm

Tuesdays: 6.00pm-6.45pm (Confessions in Church)



RECENTLY DEAD: Sheila Culliven, Frederick Bokil, Irene Flood & Robin Chan

ANNIVERSARIES: Mai Hickey, Franek Blaszczyk, Stanislaw Gloc, Donnie Campbell, Patrick Boyle, Harry Elliot, John Boyle, Peter Reilly, Zymunt & Elizabeth Stocki & Fraser Robertson & Mary Fairlie (birthday)

“As we enter Heaven, we will see them, so many of them, coming toward us and thanking us. We will ask who they are and they will say: ‘A poor soul you prayed for in purgatory.’” -The Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

Responsorial Psalm: Cry out with joy to God all the earth.

We will celebrate our First Holy Communion Mass on Saturday 27th May at 10am.

The rehearsal will be on Tuesday 23rd at 1.30pm in the Church.

Faith, Talking Points by **David Baldwin** courtesy of the Catholic Truth Society

In 1917, Our Lady appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal. During the third apparition came three profound revelations, of which Our Lady asked the children to keep secret – the Three Secrets of Fatima.

The first one was a ghastly vision of hell, graphically and subsequently described by Lucia, in which, “Plunged in this fire were demons and souls in human form, like transparent burning embers...floating about in the conflagration...amid shrieks and groans of pain and despair, which horrified us...”

Linked to this was the second and prophetic secret that the First World War would end, and: “if people do not cease offending God, a worse one [World War II] will break out during the pontificate of Pius XI”, (the identification of this pope was of course not known then).

The third secret was an explicit, visual compilation, depicting the suffering Church over a period of unspecified time – vividly described by Lucia – of which part, “A bishop dressed in white, we had the impression it was the Holy Father, other bishops, priests, men and women religious going up a steep mountain, at the top of which there was a big cross... Before reaching there the Holy Father passed through a big city half in ruins, and half trembling with halting step, afflicted with pain and sorrow, he prayed for the souls of the corpses he met on his way; having reached the top of the mountain, on his knees at the foot of the big cross, he was killed by a group of soldiers who fired bullets and arrows at him, and in the same way there died one after another the other bishops, priest men and women religious, and various lay people of different ranks and positions”. These details were not revealed until 2000, at the behest of Pope John Paul II.

To prevent all this, Our Lady asked for the consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, together with the Communion of Reparation on the First Saturdays, reassuring that whatever the Church would have to endure, “in the end” her Immaculate Heart would triumph. The apparition concluded with Our Lady teaching the children the prayer of forgiveness normally said at the conclusion of each decade of the Rosary: “O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fire of hell, and lead all souls to heaven, especially those in most need of your mercy”.

Sunday Masses 4.00pm Anticipatory Sunday Mass (on Saturday)

9.00am/11.00am/6.30 pm

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