



17th May 2026

The Chimes Dallas & Meadow Heights

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, YEAR A SUNDAY 17TH MAY, 2026

1st Reading: Acts: 1:1-11

2nd Reading: Eph 1: 17-23 Gospel: Mt 28: 16-20

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WEEKDAY MASSES:

Dallas: Tues - Fri. 9.15 am

1st Fri. Anointing Mass: Dallas 10 am

WEEKEND MASSES:

Sat. Dallas Vigil Mass 6.00 pm

Sun. Meadow Heights 9.00 am

Dallas 11.00 am

***Note: Vietnamese Mass**

2nd Sunday of the Month: 9.00 am HFC

4th Sunday of the Month: 11.00 am HFC

RECONCILIATION

Dallas Saturday 5.15 - 5.45 pm

Thursday 8.45 - 9.00 am

During Friday's Holy Hour at Meadow Heights

LEGION OF MARY

Eng. Tues after 9.15am mass – Dallas

Viet. Sat. at 9 am at Holy Family Centre

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays 8:45am (English) Dallas

1st Friday 9.30 am before Mass

Friday's Holy Hour: 5.30 – 6.30pm @ Meadow
Heights

Fridays 6.30 pm (Vietnamese prayer) Holy Family
Centre

BAPTISMS

Contact Parish Office during office hours

WEDDINGS

Please contact Parish Office

Preferably 6 months before the wedding



The feast of the Ascension celebrates the physical separation of Jesus from the human story, but this text promises his continual presence 'to the end of time'. After three years of living, working and praying with the disciples, Jesus commissions them to continue his work in the world. This is a difficult challenge for some of the disciples who, although prepared to go to the appointed place, still hesitate! Despite their misgivings and fragile faith, he sends them out to all nations. Jesus has been given the authority that was once the exclusive domain of the God of Israel; Jesus has become the presence of the living God, and his presence will continue with his disciples through the Holy Spirit. . (Source: summit on-line)

PENTECOST SUNDAY, YEAR A SUNDAY 24TH MAY, 2026

1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34

2nd Reading 1 Cor 12: 3-7, 12-13

Gospel: Jn 20: 19-23

Responsorial Psalm: 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!

BAPTISM PREPARATION AND BAPTISM DATES

Next Baptism Preparation Day

Wednesday 3rd June, 2026

Baptism Date:

Sunday 5th July, 2026

Holy Child Parish....

**Is committed
to a safe
nurturing
culture for all
our children.**

BOOKING THE HOLY FAMILY CENTRE

The Holy Family Centre is
Available for any group or
parishioners to book.

Please call the Parish Office
on 9412 8409 to make a
booking.

SCHEDULING APPTS WITH FR JOE

Please note that
Parishioners are
encouraged to schedule
an appointment with Fr
Joe as walk-in meetings
are not always ideal.

PLEASE KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

(Names of the sick will only be printed for a month, unless the Office has been notified otherwise)

SICK: Joan Lobs, Shirley Martin, Adrian Zuccato, Nguyen Thi Thin, Le Thi Quy, Dina, Lien, Connie, Miriam Smith, Florentino Casimiro, Farif Ashlaq, Beaderez Lamoc, Margaret Braddock

REMEMBRANCES: Ernest Abraham, Ben Lourdes, Jose Duarte, Ian Mcleod, Olioli Tuilau, Lose Tomasi, Julieta Pires, Yolanda Lay, Armand Mondon, Peter Nguyen, Huu Ngan, Marc Ross, Cynthia Ross

RECENT DEATHS:

Parish BBQ

"On Sunday the 24th of May, we will have a Parish BBQ. The BBQ will be held at the Parish house and will start at 12 PM (immediately after 11 AM Mass). All are invited, so please come along to make this an exciting and memorable event for the entire parish. We are looking for volunteers, especially men from our parish (all ages), to help with setting up and running the event. Please get in touch with Damian on 0432 276 906 or Paul (Manh) on 0434 845 520 if you are interested in assisting. We kindly ask you to write your name, along with the number of guests or family members you'll be bringing to the BBQ, on the RSVP sheet located at the back of the Church. This will greatly assist us in ensuring we have enough food and supplies for everyone. Thank you for your cooperation!

The Sacrament of Confirmation, Sunday, August 9, 2026.

Parents with children attending schools other than Holy Primary School who have not yet registered their children for the Sacrament of Confirmation this year are asked to contact Fr. Joe by Sunday, 31 May.

Corpus Christi Procession

On Sunday 7 June 2026, the Church in Melbourne will once again step into the heart of the city for the annual Corpus Christi Procession, marking the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, more commonly known as the feast of Corpus Christi.

Led by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli, thousands of people will walk together from St Patrick's Cathedral to Federation Square in a public, prayerful and joyful witness as they accompany Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament through the streets of the Melbourne CBD. In 2025, [more than 4,000 people took part](#). Once again, parishes, communities, movements and schools are invited to participate in this significant moment of unity for the Archdiocese.

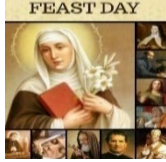
Across the Archdiocese, as they prepare to join the eucharistic procession, members of the faithful have been sharing with us what the Eucharist means to them.

PARISH PASTORAL CALENDAR May 2026

1 Holy Hour, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm @ Meadow Heights	15 Holy Hour, 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM @ Dallas.
3 First Reconciliation Commitment Mass 11 AM @ Dallas	20 Pastoral Council Meeting 6-7:30 PM @ Meadow Height
6 Sacrament of Reconciliation 6 pm @ Holy Child	22 Holy Hours, 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM @ Meadow Height
8 Holy Hour, 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM @ Meadow Heights.	24 Parish BBQ at Parish house from 12 noon.
13 7 pm Mass OUR Lady of Fatima @ Dallas.	29 Holy Hour, 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM @ Meadow Heights

Feast Day During the Week

St Louise Grignon de Montfort – Mon, 27th April
 St Peter Chanel – Tuesday, 28th April
 St Catherine of Siena – Wed, 29th April
 St Pius V – Thurs, 30th April
 St Joseph the Worker – Fri, 1st May
 St Athanasius – Sat, 2nd May



Thanksgiving Collection

Loose: \$400.50
 Church (Actual): \$959
 Church (Pledge): \$1324.46
 Presbytery (Actual): \$548
 Presbytery (Pledge): \$950.55

Flowers Donated By



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Special Collection

Projection Compassion: \$2611.35

Thank you to Everyone who Contributed

COUNTING ROSTER FOR May/June 2026

Hai, Loan, An,	12/5/26
Judy, Juanita, Mele & Sr V	19/5/26
Hai, Loan, An	26/5/26
Judy, Juanita, Mele & Sr V	2/6/26

DALLAS CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER FOR May/June 2026

Group	Names	Date
A	Mele, Sarah Kempen, Magina Musingarabul	30-31 May
B	Viet Legion of Mary	6-7 June
C	Sam & Vicky Buhagiar, Cynthia	16-17 May
D	Van My Nguyen Family	23-24 May

THIS Weekend ROSTERS: (16-17th May 2026)

	(SAT) 6.00 pm	(SUN) 9.00 am	(SUN) 11.00 am
Readers	Vicky	Ngoc. T. Pham	Anita
Commentators	Sr Veronica	Henry	Adorabella
Special Ministers		Judy	Lahra
Money Collectors	As Per	Volunteers	At Each Mass

NEXT Weekend ROSTERS: (23-24th May 2026)

	(SAT) 6.00 pm	(SUN) 9.00 am	(SUN) 11.00 am
Readers	Sr Veronica	Juanita	Anita
Commentators	Damian	Cong	Hai Vu
Special Ministers	Vicky	Taafoga	
Money Collectors	As Per	Volunteers	At Each Mass

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Convocation of the Melbourne Synod 2026

Parishes wishing to mark the convocation of the Melbourne Synod on the weekend of the third Sunday of Lent (7 and 8 March) may find the following resources useful:

- sample parish bulletin announcement
- prayer of the faithful
- prayer for the synod: Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus. This prayer may be helpful as a prayer after Communion at Mass, to commence meetings and for personal prayer
- homily notes compiled by Bishop Rene Ramirez
- link to frequently asked questions.

Sample bulletin announcement: weekend of 7 and 8 March

On the third Sunday of Lent, Archbishop Peter A Comensoli will formally convoke a Synod for the Archdiocese of Melbourne. The synod calls the Melbourne Church to journey together in communion, participation and mission, echoing Pope Francis' vision of a 'listening Church' (Evangelii Gaudium, §31). Informed by Vatican II's teaching, the Church is 'a people made one with the unity of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit' (Lumen Gentium, §4).

There are three themes about which the church of Melbourne is being invited to discern:

- young discipleship
- missionary leadership
- formation and participation.

The synod assembly will be held across the weekend of 4-6 December 2026. Over these next months, a range of opportunities will be available for Melbourne Catholics to be part of the consultation process toward the synod. In the meantime, further information can be accessed at melbournecatholic.org/synod2026.

In the synodal Church 'the whole community, in the free and rich diversity of its members, is called together to pray, listen, analyse, dialogue, discern and offer advice on taking pastoral decisions (ITC 68) for mission' (Final Document, §87).

1. What is a Synod?

A Synod is a moment when the Church deliberately pauses to listen, pray, and discern together. It is not simply a meeting or a conference, but a spiritual process rooted in faith that the Holy Spirit continues to guide the Church today. In a Synod, we ask not only "What do we think?" but more importantly, "What is God asking of us at this moment in our mission?"

2. Where does the word "Synod" come from?

The word *Synod* comes from the Greek *syn-hodos*, meaning "walking together on the road." This reminds us that the Christian life is never meant to be lived alone. Faith is a shared journey, where we support one another, listen to one another, and discern together how best to follow Christ.

3. Synodality is not new

Synodality is not a modern invention. From the earliest days of the Church, Christians gathered to pray, listen, and discern together. In the Acts of the Apostles, the Church faced difficult questions and resolved them not through power struggles, but through prayer, dialogue, and trust in the Holy Spirit.

Building the Synodal Way Together

As we enter the Easter season, we are invited to continue growing as a Church that listens, learns, and walks together. The *Synodal Way* calls each of us—clergy, religious, and lay—to participate actively in discernment and dialogue, guided by the Holy Spirit.

In the coming weeks, we will focus on deepening our commitment to:

- **Listening with an open heart** to the experiences, hopes, and concerns of others.
- **Engaging in meaningful conversation**, grounded in respect, humility, and prayer.
- **Strengthening our sense of communion**, recognising Christ at the centre of our shared mission.
- **Discerning pathways forward**, so that our parish and wider Church can respond more faithfully to the needs of our time.

Reflection question: How can we deepen our understanding of synodality in our parish life?

The first meeting of the Diocesan Synod Commission will be held on Thursday 9 April. We ask for your prayers as we gather to