

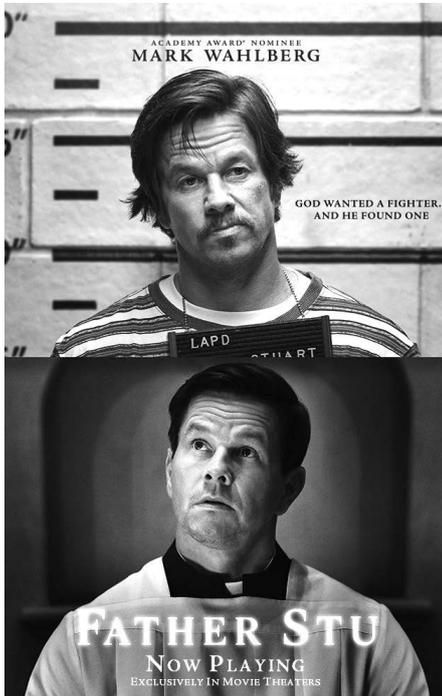
# St Joseph's Catholic Parish

The Ascension of the Lord  
Year C, 29 May, 2022

Embracing the communities of  
Cherbourg, Goomeri, Murgon,  
Proston and Wondai



*Unity in Diversity ... being one in Christ through Baptism!*



## Father Stu

God wanted a fighter and He found one. Mark Wahlberg stars in the inspiring true-life story, Father Stu. Based on a true story, 'Father Stu' is an unflinchingly honest, funny, and ultimately uplifting drama about a lost soul who finds his purpose in a most unexpected place. When an injury ends his amateur boxing career, Stuart Long (Mark Wahlberg) moves to LA dreaming of stardom. While scraping by as a supermarket clerk, he meets Carmen (Teresa Ruiz), a Catholic Sunday school teacher who seems immune to his bad-boy charm. Determined to win her over, the long time agnostic starts going to church to impress her.

But surviving a terrible motorcycle accident leaves him wondering if he can use his second chance to help others find their way, leading to the surprising realisation that he is meant to be a Catholic priest. Despite a devastating health crisis and the skepticism of Church officials and

his estranged parents (Mel Gibson and Jacki Weaver), Stu pursues his vocation with courage and compassion, inspiring not only those closest to him but countless others along the way. Written for the screen and directed by Rosalind Ross, and starring Academy Award Nominee® Mark Wahlberg (Best Supporting Actor, 'The Departed', 2006) as Father Stu, along with Academy Award Winner® Mel Gibson (Best Director, 'Braveheart', 1995), Academy Award Nominee® Jacki Weaver (Best Supporting Actor, 'Silver Linings Playbook', 2012) and Teresa Ruiz (Narcos). The film is produced by Mark Wahlberg, Stephen Levinson and Jordon Foss and executive produced by Miky Lee, Colleen Camp, Rosalind Ross, Patrick Peach and Tony Grazia.



The parish will be holding a Bottle Stall at the Murgon Street Carnival on in October 2022. Donations of bottles of all kinds would be appreciated. Your bottles can be left in the parish office or in your church. Any donation must be in by the last Sunday in September. Bottles can be glass or plastic.

Types of bottles: soft drinks, beer, wine, jam, chutney, sauces or anything that will go in a bottle.

Please check the 'use by' dates.

## May is the month of the Mary.

Pope's Prayer Intention:

### For faith-filled young people:

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

## Mass Times Next Week

**Tuesday, 31 May**  
Gayndah, noon

**Wednesday, 1 June**  
Wondai, 5.00pm

**Thursday, 2 June**  
Murgon, 5.00pm

**Friday, 3 June**  
Castra, 9.00am

**Saturday, 4 June**  
Proston, 9.00am  
Wondai, 5.00pm

**Sunday, 5 June**  
Murgon, 8.00am  
Gayndah, 10.30am  
Goomeri, 6.00pm

## Today's readings

Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23;  
Luke 24:46-53

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



## Sale of Sacred Heart, Durong

The church and land in Durong South is for sale. The property is for sale on an as is basis. Anyone who is interested in the purchase of the church should express interest by emailing the parish. On request the asbestos report can be forward.

The sale will be conducted by the Property and Land office in the archdiocese. All those who express interest will be forwarded by the parish to the appropriate people.



## Saint Justin – 1 June

Justin never ended his quest for religious truth even when he converted to Christianity after years of studying various pagan philosophies.

As a young man, he was principally attracted to the school of Plato. However, he found that the Christian religion answered the great questions about life and existence better than the philosophers.

Upon his conversion he continued to wear the philosopher's mantle, and became the first Christian

philosopher. He combined the Christian religion with the best elements in Greek philosophy. In his view, philosophy was a pedagogue of Christ, an educator that was to lead one to Christ.

Justin is known as an apologist, one who defends in writing the Christian religion against the attacks and misunderstandings of the pagans. Two of his so-called apologies have come down to us; they are addressed to the Roman emperor and to the Senate.

For his staunch adherence to the Christian religion, Justin was beheaded in Rome in 165.

## Joyful knowledge of Christ

*(Real life stories, collected by the Carmelite Sisters)*

### Echoes from the Past

Between his resurrection and ascension, the Lord in his providence taught one lesson, set one consideration before the eyes and hearts of his followers: that the Lord Jesus Christ, who was truly born, truly suffered and truly died, should be recognised as truly risen. The apostles and all the disciples had been filled with fear by his death on the cross, and their faith in the resurrection had been hesitant; but now they gained such great strength from seeing the truth, that when the Lord went up to heaven, far from feeling sadness, they experienced a great joy. *Pope Saint Leo the Great (c.400-461)*



*Holy Mary pray for us*



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## Collection for 22/5/2022

Loose..... \$284.10  
Planned Giving..... \$360.00  
Total..... \$644.10

**Direct Debit** BSB 064-786  
Account 100011987

## Safeguarding

If you have experienced abuse or misconduct, you can ring the help line, **1300 304 550**. Information can be shared anonymously.

### We pray for those who are sick:

Bevan Barsby; Cira; Scottie Ewart;  
Justine Forde; Kathleen Hoult;  
Val Iacono; Annette McCorry .

✝ If you know anyone in need, please contact Cecily Fry, President, St Vincent de Paul Conference, on 0437 864 667

## Ascension



*God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy; the Lord amid trumpet blasts*