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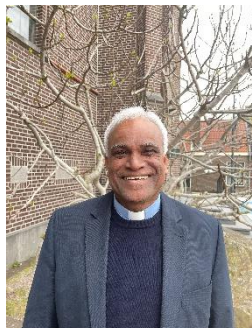


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a missionary parish in Hoofddorp



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Message from Fr. Mathew Thekkeyil

We have already celebrated Easter. The post Pascal period ushers in a period of hope and enthusiasm. Even the nature is witness to this phenomenon. The long sunny days, the blossoming of the world famous tulips, the

greenery around us, trees that bear magnificent flowers are all explicit signs of the change of the season.

Similarly the liturgical readings of this post Pascal season proclaim a new time of hope and life. The disciples who remained behind closed doors come out awesomely to announce that Jesus is risen and that they are living witnesses to all that happened in his life. They do not hesitate to affirm that he is Son of God and the long awaited Messiah. Nations and people listen to their preaching and accept the new philosophy of life brought in by Jesus of Nazareth. Hereafter freedom, fellowship and justice will reign in the hearts of those who pay attention to the Good News of the apostles.

There begins a new time, also for us today who live in this modern times. The consequences of the modernity brings in new challenges. New ways of life, new spiritualities, aspirations that go beyond sometimes our own reach makes us dream of conquering new horizons. It is also a time of spiritual osmosis where we let the evangelical values penetrate the membranes of our present day life.

May – Month devoted to Mary A sung Decade of the Rosary on the day after Pentecost, 29 May 2023

The day after Pentecost is devoted to the Holy Mary, Mother of the World, which takes place in May this year and is therefore part of the month devoted to the Holy Mary. This makes it a special occasion to pay even more attention to the Rosary. Following the Holy Mass a special Decade of the Rosary will be prayed in our church. At that very moment ten different Ave Marias will be sung. Besides the famous Ave Marias of Caccini, Schubert and Bach/Gounod, less famous Ave Marias are

to be heard, like the Ave Marias of Saint-Saëns, Dvorak and Bruckner.

Day after Pentecost, Monday 29 May 2023

Following the Gregorian sung 10 o'clock Holy Mass.
Expected start around 11.15 hr.

Vincent Bouwens – bass
Helena Brouwer – organ/piano

Free entrance – Your gift is mostly appreciated at the end of the service.

We cordially invite you to this wonderful initiative and would be very pleased to welcome you celebrating this special Decade of the Rosary devoted to the Holy Mary.

Fathers Eko Manek svd and Albert Toppo svd
and the Church Board

Weekly Mass/Prayer Schedule

Saturdays

7:00 pm (Dutch)

Sundays

10:00 am (Dutch)

12:00 pm (English)

Tuesdays and Thursdays

18:45 Praying of the Rosary (Dutch)

19:15 Holy Mass (Dutch)

Prayer of the Holy Rosary

Every Wednesday **7:30 pm** in the chapel

Eucaristía en Español

Every first Sunday of the month 2:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Every first Friday of the month 11:00 am

Our church is open daily

between 11:00-12:00 for private prayer.

Calendar May 2022

May 4th Remembrance Day Netherlands WW2

May 5th Liberation Day Netherlands WW2

May 7th Mother's day

May 18th Ascension Day

May 28th Whit Sunday - Pentecost

May 29th Whit Monday - Pentecost



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Meet our volunteers Lena & Annika

Tell a bit about yourself?

L: My name is Lena, I am 11 years old. We were born in Hoofddorp and live in Hoofddorp. We

have a German father and an Indonesian mother.

A: My name is Annika, I am 8 years old.

What do you do in our Parish?

We sing in the Dutch children choir and sometimes help the priest as altar girls (misdienaars). Every Sunday, we go to church with our parents; when we sing, we go to the Dutch service, when our mom plays keyboard, we go to the English service.

What is Catholic faith for you?

That we can always pray and rely on God at all times; when we are happy and sad.

What do you like now in our church, and what do you still miss here?

We like the TV screens that we can read and follow the service better; the choirs are very good, and there are comfortable seats. For us, the church is very good and we don't miss anything. Seeing more friends is better, but this is not something we can influence.

Inspired by Lena and Annika? Do you want to join the team of Altar boys and girls or as an Acolyte? Contact the team via Siobhan or Ruby.

Activities coming up

Angklung Indonesian Concert 17th of June. You can buy tickets online www.hjoannesdedoper.nl/webshop/

Gospel Workshop Saturday 24th of June

Registration: www.hjoannesdedoper.nl/webshop/

Celebration for all volunteers 24th of June at 08:00pm after 7:00 pm Holy Mass.

New Meeting Point

We have opened a new meeting place. The Starting point for tours in our Biblical Garden, a place to have a coffee and have a chat. "De Ontmoeting" means to meet each other. Please feel welcome to visit. You can also buy some small religious articles such as rosaries, crucifixes, candles and gift cards. Opening hours: Thursday-Friday 12:00 – 16:00 Saturday 10:00-14:00

www.ontmoetinghoofddorp.org



Pentecost Prayer

Pentecost is a Christian holiday dated seven weeks after Easter Sunday that commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and followers of Jesus Christ. Here are 6 good prayers for Pentecost Sunday.

Breath of Life, on this Pentecost Sunday, we ask that You breathe on us once again. Make our consciences tender to Your touch. We hunger for the life-changing power that Your Holy Spirit brings. May our lives exemplify the fruit of Your Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. May we use the gifts of the Spirit that You have distributed to bless the church and build Your Kingdom on earth. Amen.

Information & Registration Parish

For all your questions and registration into our parish, please visit the office, located in the Parochiehuis next to the Church.

Open Mondays to Fridays 09:00 – 12:00

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