



The Ascension of Jesus Christ Mausoleum



For over a century, Eastern Suburbs Memorial Park has provided space and comfort to the local community in its times of need. In the same spirit of responsiveness, the newly opened Ascension of Jesus Christ Mausoleum offers facilities for above ground burial, in a building that embraces the beauty and hope of the resurrection.

In keeping with its inspiration, themes of transcendence fill this graceful, contemporary building. With its soaring roof that seems to float on sunlight, cool marble wall panels and glorious mosaic vaulted niche above an ascending Christ in bronze, the Ascension of Jesus Christ Mausoleum is a very special place for family and friends to reflect and remember loved ones.

Visitors will recognise a rare depth of Christian symbolism in every design element. From the cruciform design of the building itself, to the remarkable mosaics at each entrance, the result is a building that provides a theme of Hope and spiritually enriching experience for the bereaved.

The vast, yet warm and comforting, marble-clad space is designed to draw the eye upwards to the elegant, curved metal roof supported by specially designed windows.



*From our community,
for our community*

*Soaring ever skyward
Intertwined in an eternal embrace
United with a perfect rose
Is our gift of peace and hope.*

*Enfolded in our wings are those you love
Nurtured, cherished, released and free
Yielding compassion in time of loss
Gently uplifting those who grieve.*

*Gliding over our beautiful gardens
Incomparable serenity awaits
Around every corner, a wellspring of hope
In times of need and for each new day.*

*The care we uphold for each other
Is treasured eternally in our hearts
For here lies a place for our memories
Now and for generations who pass.*

We're here to help and guide you in your time of need.
Our caring staff are on hand to help you in choosing the way you want to remember.

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Celebrating life everlasting

Light streams in from all sides, creating an airy, almost ethereal atmosphere. Directly in front, a glass-walled, vaulted atrium looks out onto a contemplative courtyard beyond. Suspended within is the focal point of the Mausoleum – larger-than-life-sized Jesus Christ Ascending in polished cast bronze, with radiating rays behind his head, which is coated in 24-carat gold. Above him is, a spectacular starry sky mosaic.

Mosaic Roundels

At each entrance and in the Apse, magnificent mosaic roundels depict a New Testament story. The first is the Empty Tomb of the resurrection. The second is the Loaves and the Fishes story. The third shows the Lamb on the Hill, from which flows seven rivers, representing the seven sacraments, with Christ the lamb in front of a Tree of Life. The fourth features the cross, crown of thorns and a bound lamb, symbolising the Passion of Christ. Around the border, trefoils signify the Trinity and quatrefoils the four evangelists.

The Tree of Life

The Tree of Life is a powerful symbol in Christian belief, appearing in both Genesis and the Book of Revelations. The doors of the two family vaults pay homage to the tradition with magnificently wrought metalwork doors showing a very Australian Tree of Life, Banksia integrifolia. Beautiful and hardy, the banksia will be instantly recognisable to locals, and represents the essence of survival that lies at the heart of eternal renewal.

Ways of the Cross

Within the Memorial Grove Crypts, 14 Stations of the Cross sculptures, in high-relief cast bronze surround the outer courtyards of the Mausoleum. Introduced by Pope John Paul II in 1991, the Way of the Cross offer moments of private devotion as well as opportunities for public celebration. Inside the Mausoleum, the Ascension of Jesus acts as the pinnacle of where the Stations of the Cross ultimately lead, to Jesus' resurrection, ascension, for us all.

Personalising your memorial

Elegant and tasteful, each crypt offers a simple and beautiful way to honour your loved ones. The crypt furniture is made of cast bronze and cast glass, and features photo frames, crucifixes and vigil flames with integral flower vases. With indoor and outdoor crypts, two family vaults and granite niches to hold the ashes of loved ones, the Ascension of Jesus Christ Mausoleum gives scope to choose your preferred memorial. The altar was consecrated by His Eminence, Bishop Terence J Brady DD VG, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney on Ascension Day, Thursday 5 May 2016 and is suitable for Catholic religious services.



*A spiritual resting
place inspired by
hope in God's
promise of salvation*

