

The Living Word

Pentecost Sunday, Year B

23 May 2021

First Reading Acts 2:1-11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30

*(R.) Lord, send out your Spirit
and renew the face of the earth.
or*

(R.) Alleluia.

1. Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are,
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. (R.)
2. You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. (R.)

3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13

In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

or Ad libitum for Year B

Gal 5:16-25

The fruit of the Spirit.

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desire.

Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 20:19-23

As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.
For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

or Ad libitum for Year B

Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'When the Advocate comes,
whom I shall send to you from the Father,
the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father,
he will be my witness.

And you too will be witnesses,
because you have been with me from the outset.

I still have many things to say to you
but they would be too much for you now.

But when the Spirit of truth comes
he will lead you to the complete truth,
since he will not be speaking as from himself
but will say only what he has learnt;
and he will tell you of the things to come.

He will glorify me,
since all he tells you

will be taken from what is mine.

Everything the Father has is mine;
that is why I said:

All he tells you

will be taken from what is mine.'

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Pentecost brings the Easter season to a close, celebrating the fullness of the Spirit and the great gathering of nations. The plan of salvation has been brought to its conclusion. The Risen Lord is exalted in his rightful place next to God and has sent his own Spirit to fill the earth with God's power. The world is charged with divine energy; it needs but a spark to ignite it with life and excitement.

If this has all really happened, why does our world look the same? Why is there so much religious and ethnic rivalry? Why do we continue to make distinctions between Jew and Gentile, slave and free, woman and man, distinctions that favour one at the expense of the other? Why is there so little peace, or comfort, or solace? Why do we refuse to forgive or to be reconciled? Is Pentecost merely a feast that we celebrate in red vestments? Has the face of the earth really been renewed?

The answer is yes! Resoundingly, yes! The Spirit has been poured forth and works wonders wherever human hearts are open to its prompting. The earth is renewed each time rivalries are resolved, distinctions are recognised as merely expressions of diversity, peace is restored, comfort and solace are offered, and forgiveness is granted. We are immersed in the vigour of the Spirit of God; all we have to do is open ourselves to it and the reign of God will be born in our midst.

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

BARWON HEADS: Saturday Vigil 6:00pm
 Sunday 9:30am, Mass for
 St Mary's Syro-Malabar
 Community (Malayalam
 language)
OCEAN GROVE: Sunday 9:00am
QUEENSCLIFF: Sunday 11:00am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Please see below: Liturgy in our Parish this week

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

is available prior to each weekend Mass

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Please visit our website or contact Parish office

Please send in bulletin notices by Thursday

PENTECOST SUNDAY YEAR B

Recently Deceased: Eileen Squires and Kevin Shannon.

Anniversaries 23- May to 29- May:

Michael Forrest, Tony Muscat, Les Reid, Millie Murray, Nell Coghlan, Phil Deal, Mick Bourke, Violet Butler, Audrey Howie, Valda Zanoni, Coleen Sheehan, Anne Edwards, Moira Hogan and Brian Andrews.

Please pray for those who are Sick:

Peg Benham, Mary Blonk, Ellen Bourke, Ron & Helen Carter, Patricia Clarke, Carmel Conte, Jack Davin, Ian Downing, Margaret Dyer, Isabel Fitzgerald, Nell Fraiseux, George Frances, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Jo Green, Kate Greenwood, Peter Harrington, Jeannette & Laurance Hodgkinson, Kerin Hoye, Robert Hurley, Gary Kingsbury, Margaret Lomas, Jack Loughnan, Cas Lukauskas, Belinda Monterosso, Robyn Nagle, Christine Naulty, Beverley O'Meara, Maureen O'Neill, Helen Pearce, Mavourneen Ray, Daniel & Geraldine Richards, Betty Rushton, Mac & Mary Sullivan, Cooper Thorley, Eraldo (Aldo) Trentini, Deanne Warren, Peter Williams.

ROSTERS

*If you are unable to meet your commitment on your day,
please arrange a substitute. Thank you!*

COUNTERS: Tuesday 25- May at 10:00am:

John Simpson and Emanuel Baglieri.

ELECTRONIC CONTACT TRACING & QR CODES:

Activities involving ceremonies and religious gatherings, weddings and funerals within a Place of Worship, **must use an electronic record keeping system** that is compatible with the Victorian Government's visitation application programming interface (API). The previous rule was that electronic record keeping was required for a Place of Worship when applying the one person per two square metres density quotient. **This density quotient still applies and API compatible electronic record keeping is now mandatory.**

**** NEWS & EVENTS ****

If you require Pastoral care & support, or you are aware of others who may need assistance, please phone our Parish office. Mobile number for emergencies is on the recorded message.

RADIO BROADCASTS of SUNDAY MASS:

- Sunday 7:00am on Light FM 89.9
- Sunday 10:00am on The Pulse 94.7 FM

TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS:

- Channel 10 / 10HD: *Mass for You at Home*, every Sunday at 6:00am.
- C31 (Channel 44 on digital TVs): *St Patrick's Cathedral Mass*, every Sunday at 11:00am.
- Foxtel Aurora channel 173: *Mass*, every Sunday at 6:00am.

ONLINE MASSES AND RESOURCES:

- <http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand>
- <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass>

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We are required to undertake a count of numbers and other statistics of people attending Mass each weekend throughout May.

TAR News: to our generous supporters of Refugees, there are now 4 locations where donations of groceries can be deposited: Barwon Heads IGA, Beach Terrace Café in Ocean Grove (opposite the Post Office) and in Queenscliff, the Neighbourhood House and the Uniting Church.

Sacramental Program News: congratulations to Eddie, Ruby, Audrey, Taj, Hamish, Oscar, Ella, Jensen, Annabel and Josh and families on their Confirmation last Tuesday at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove. All children from the 2020 program have now received their sacraments; congratulations again to the children and may God bless them. Thanks again to the program team for all their hard work and efforts. The 2021 program and classes are well underway.

Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove:

- We are hoping to recommence Children's Liturgy on Sunday 6-June during 9am Mass. We look forward to welcoming back our young parishioners!
- Do you play the guitar? The choir needs a lead Guitarist or keyboard player for three months while Maria and Julie take their long service leave! You would be welcome to join the choir during this period and beyond. Contact Josephine 0413426716.
- All ministry volunteers are required to sign the parish Code of Conduct, hold a current Working With Children Check, etc.

**A forum for parishioners –
"Resetting after COVID 19"**

The Parish Pastoral Council invites all parishioners to a meeting to be held at **Ocean Grove, 3.00-5.00 pm on Sunday, June 20.** The purpose of the meeting is to gather the thoughts/suggestions/ideas of parishioners on the type of parish wanted in this next phase of our operation as a faith community. Allow your thoughts to guide the PPC in its development of a Parish Pastoral Plan, particularly with respect to the type of ministries that might cater for the needs of parishioners in (1) spirituality/faith education; (2) pastoral care, (3) hospitality and welcome.

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LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 24 May – OUR LADY, HELP of CHRISTIANS (Solemnity)

Tuesday 25 May – St Bede the Venerable, St Gregory VII, St Mary Magdalene de Pazzi (Memorial)

9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

12:00pm Requiem Mass for the late Kevin Shannon at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Wednesday 26 May – St Philip Neri (Memorial)

9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Thursday 27 May – St Augustine of Canterbury (Memorial)

9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Friday 28 May – Weekday, Ordinary Time 8

9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 29 May – St Paul VI (Memorial)

Sunday 30 May – The Most Holy TRINITY (Solemnity)

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Photo of Our Lady Star of the Sea Prep students taken in front of some repairs at Ocean Grove:



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