

Come with treasures which endure;
Come, thou light of all that live!
Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow.
Thou in toil art comfort sweet;
Pleasant coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.
Light immortal, light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill:
If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay;
All his good is turned to ill.
Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
On our dryness pour thy dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away:
Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.
Thou, on us who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:
Give us comfort when we die;
Give us life with thee on high;
Give us joys that never end.

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

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.
R. Glory to you, O Lord.
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.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED
Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and

was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, as promised by your Son, the Holy Spirit may reveal to us more abundantly the hidden mystery of this sacrifice and graciously lead us into all truth. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE OF PENTECOST

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Acts 2:4, 11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. O God, who bestow heavenly gifts upon your Church, safeguard, we pray, the grace you have given, that the gift of the Holy Spirit poured out upon her may retain all its force and that this spiritual food may gain her abundance of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia!

R. Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

FOSTERING COMMUNITY

The great feast of Pentecost is traditionally understood as a celebration of the birth of the Church. The outpouring of the Spirit empowered the first disciples to engage in their ministry of preaching the word of Jesus and continue the work of building a community of faith. The presence of devout Jews from throughout the known world is a signal to Luke's Christians that the message that has been entrusted to them is to be shared with the wider world.

Paul was at the forefront of preaching the word and establishing new communities throughout the Eastern Mediterranean world. He knew that the gifts of the Spirit had been abundantly poured upon the community of Corinth but there were some in the community who started to look down on those who had received gifts different from their own. Imagine his consternation when the gifts which were meant to build up the unity of the community had become a sign of its division! Paul's response is to use the image of the parts of the body as a means of overcoming division, competition, arrogance, and envy.

John knew that the gift of the Spirit is one that both builds up the community and commissions it for mission. It is a gift that encourages and strengthens us for the road ahead. Two elements necessary to foster community are stressed in today's Gospel: firstly, that of building up the community through forgiveness and secondly, protecting it by retaining sins when necessary, and indicating to members of the community when their behaviour is destructive of the community.

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

PENTECOST SUNDAY / A

28 MAY 2023

I AM SENDING YOU. The disciples of Jesus were transformed when they received the Holy Spirit. They burst open the doors of the upper room, which they had locked in fear, and boldly proclaimed the Good News. May the Holy Spirit fill our hearts this Pentecost giving us the courage to break down the walls we have built around ourselves. May the Spirit free us to proclaim the peace, joy and forgiveness of God to everyone.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Wis 1:7

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.
P. Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You come in word and in sacrament to strengthen us and make us holy: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You will come again in glory with salvation for your people: Lord, have mercy.

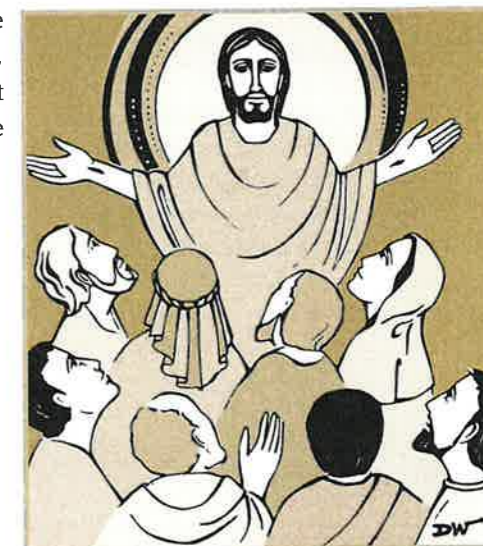
R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

GLORIA

Gloria to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.



COLLECT

P. O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation, pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now once more the hearts of believers. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
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.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP 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 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

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians
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 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.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE

The sequence may be said or sung.

Holy Spirit, Lord of light,
From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance give.
Come, thou Father of the poor,



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MASS TIMES

SUNDAY EUCHARIST:	Saturday Vigil	5.30pm
	Sunday	7.30am & 10.00am
WEEKDAY EUCHARIST:	Tuesday - Saturday	9.15am
RECONCILIATION:	Saturday	4.30pm - 5.15pm
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	Exposition: Wednesday and Saturday	8.30am
	Exposition: Monday - Friday	7.00pm - 12.00am
BAPTISMS:	2 nd and 4 th Sunday of month	11.30am

Please Pray For

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Fr Laurie Mooney OSA - Edna Horne, Sarah Hogan (Fr John Hogan's mother) - Allan Greenfield, John George Nicholls, Roslyn Tippetts.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Claire Spithill, Angela Maria Leone, Juanita Cecillio, Clarice Monica Tindall, Giuseppe Salvatore Zavaglia, Marta Wiatrowski - John Laing, Barbara Mackenzie-Hunter, Nora Moses, Joseph John Merlino, Thelma Herlihy, Ann Zammit, Antoinetta Bruzzese, Caterina Bruzzese, Teresa Procopio.

Rosters – 27/28 May

Cleaning Ministry:

Computer Operators:

Vigil 5.30pm Anton Fernando, Anne Fernando
Sun. 7.30am Lynette Rodrigues
Sun. 10.00am Glenys Oxlee
Vartguess Markarian

Counters:

Lectors:

Vigil 5.30pm Maddison Boulous, Eli Ogrizek
Sun. 7.30am Angela & Will Finnane
Sun. 10.00am Samuel Yu, Linda Tsang



RYDALMEN

Our men's group next gathers on **Wednesday 24th May at 7.15pm for 7.30pm** start in the Parish meeting room.

Contact details:
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0432 815 165.



BISHOP VINCENT LONG

Bishop Vincent will be Celebrating Mass at Holy Name of Mary, Rydalmere at on **Saturday 10th June at 5:30pm.**

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Hendrix Lockley, Amarah Kwan, Kyah Kwan and Zachariah Kwan who received the Sacrament of Baptism last Sunday.

PLEASE PRAY

Please pray for the 60 children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Penance – First Reconciliation this week. May they continue their faith journey with the joy that they are experiencing through their preparation.
God Bless you all

BREAKFAST CLUB: 27 MAY 2023 - 8.30AM-11AM

"Come, have breakfast." John 21:12



Young adults aged 18-35 - You are invited for a breakfast feast. Join other young adults for faith, fellowship, food and fun!
Venue: 4 Albion St, Dundas.
RSVP: Sulyn Leslie 0408 966 632

MET WORSHIP RCIA TEAMS FORMATION SEMINARS: BEGINNING 3 AUGUST

MET Worship's Formation Seminar for RCIA Teams will be commencing on Thursday 3 August throughout August from 7pm to 9pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. New topics will be covered each week throughout the Seminar including Using Rituals, Mystagogia and more! To RSVP and to learn more about the seminar topics, please contact hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org or call 0460 037 795.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES IN 2023

Getting married in 2023? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp to view weekend course dates in the New Year, to book and pay. An online preparation called *SmartLoving* can also be booked via the website. For more information, email met@parracatholic.org or phone Karin on 0419 242 435 or Marisa on 0412 280 017.



MONTHLY ROSARY AT THE SHOPS

Please join us in a Public Rosary which takes place at 3pm on the last Saturday of each month. We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by the Rosary. Prayers will begin at 3pm at Ermington Shops, opposite the post office on **Saturday the 27th of May.** Brian Nairn 0409306381.

*May is the month of Our Lady. Pray the Rosary.
This brings Mother Mary joy.*

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Our Parish is undertaking an audit of all **active** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to ensure our records are up to date. If you are an Extraordinary Minister and would like to continue with your ministry, we invite you to send a quick email with your name and phone number to: admin@holymary.org.au



VISITATION TO THE SICK AND/OR HOMEBOUND

If you are aware of a member of our Parish who is unable to be present at Holy Communion because they are sick or homebound, you can request a visitation by a Priest or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Please email or phone the Parish Presbytery.

*I was sick and you visited me.
Matthew 25:36*

ST VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 23rd May** at 7.30pm in the Meeting Room. New members welcome!

BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL

This year's Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal will be held **27 and 28 May**. The appeal is for Aboriginal Catholic Care at Emerton.

PETITION TO SAVE ACT'S CALVERY HOSPITAL

The ACT Government has proposed imminent legislation to take the ownership & management of Canberra's Calvary Hospital, away from Calvary Health Care – a Catholic operator and give the ownership to the government-run, non-faith-based Canberra Health Services instead. Calvary Hospital is currently under the governance of the Little Company of Mary. Archbishop Prowse of the Canberra/Goulburn Diocese is asking Australian Catholics to sign a petition to let the ACT Government know that we want our Catholic hospitals to stay Catholic. Please sign the petition at: <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/petition-to-save-calvary-hospital-bruce/>

FEAST OF THE WEEK

Monday, 22 May – Saint Rita of Cascia

Rita was born into an Italian peasant family in 1381. She desired to remain a virgin, but her parents insisted that she marry. When her husband was the victim of a politically motivated murder, Rita's sons vowed to avenge his death. Rita prayed that this might be prevented, and both sons died of natural causes before they could act. Afterwards, Rita joined the Augustinians in Cascia and pursued an intense prayer life. She died in 1457 after a protracted illness.

"If we ask Saint Rita for the secret to the extraordinary work of social and spiritual renewal, she replies: fidelity to the Love that was crucified. Rita with Christ and like Christ, goes to the cross always and only through love." Saint John Paul II

Solemnity of Our Lady help of Christians Wednesday, 24 May

The invocation *Auxilium Christianorum* (Help of Christians) originated in the 16th century, but this feast in our Lady's honour was instituted by Pius VII in 1815, on the anniversary of his release from Napoleon's captivity. It became the patronal feast of Australia in 1844, the first time a nation had chosen Mary, under the title "Help of Christians", as principal Patroness. St Mary's Cathedral was dedicated in her honour by the Irish pioneer priest, Fr John Therry, who arrived in Sydney in 1820 and assumed responsibility for the planning and initial construction of the Cathedral. When Australia became the first country to have Mary Help of Christians as Patroness, it became the first country to have a mother-cathedral under the same title. In fact, the altar at St. Mary's, with its statue of Mary Help of Christians, was erected as a memorial to Fr. Therry's name. Australia was rededicated to her in 2001, the Centenary of the Federation of the Commonwealth.

