

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.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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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

Glory 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.'

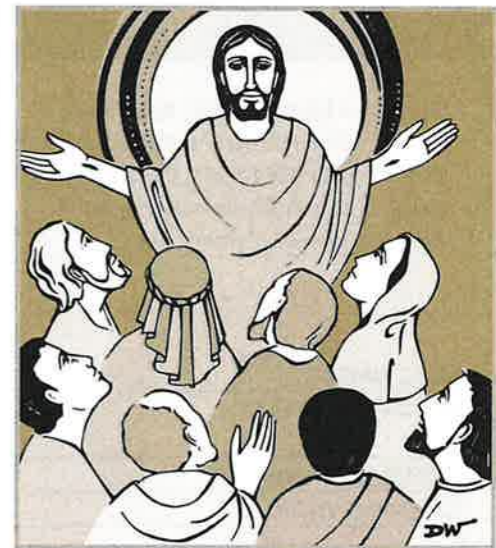
The word of the Lord.

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 Tippets.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Annis Zouki, John Buttenshaw, Maria Walsh, Alicia Rainbird, Frank Lourey, Father Tadeusz - Claire Spithill, Angela Maria Leone, Juanita Cecillio, Clarice Monica Tindall, Giuseppe Salvatore Zavaglia, Marta Wiatrowski.

Rosters - 03/04 June

Cleaning Ministry:

Computer Operators:

Vigil 5.30pm	Anton Fernando, Anne Fernando
Sun. 7.30am	Lynette Rodrigues
Sun. 10.00am	Glenys Oxlee
	Vartguess Markarian
	Patrick Edouard-Betsy
Vigil 5.30pm	Maddison Boulous, Eli Ogrizek
Sun. 7.30am	Angela Finnane, Will Finnane
Sun. 10.00am	Samuel Yu, Linda Tsang

Counters:

Lectors:



BISHOP VINCENT LONG

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

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.

BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL

You will find the envelopes for this year's Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal in the pews. Will you be the face of Christ for our First Nations people in need? Your compassionate generosity and prayers will support a welcoming place where Aboriginal people can express their identity, share their culture and knowledge within our community, access practical support and development opportunities, and make social connections. Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal at:

yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal

Thank you for being a Good Samaritan to our First Nations people.



AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Help celebrate 30 years of supporting sufferers of cancer, as well as funding the research into cancer prevention by attending the Parish's Biggest Morning Tea.



Tea & coffee, savory finger food & sweets will be provided. To make the morning tea interesting there will be a Lucky Door Prize, Raffle prizes and test your general knowledge in the Trivia Competition!

When: Sunday 25th June.

Where: Holy Name of Mary Parish Hall

Time: 11am

Details: Entry fee - Adult \$10; Pensioner \$5; Children 12years & under Free.

For more information please contact Nancy Grugan: 0434 541 287

SAVE THE DATE - DIOCESAN LITURGICAL CONFERENCE: 15 JULY

The Diocesan Liturgy Conference is on again in 2023! Save the date for **Saturday 15 July** at St Andrew the Apostle Parish, Marayong. Fr Peter Williams AM VG will be the Keynote speaker as we celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Constitution on Sacred Liturgy. The conference will include a variety of workshops. More information to come soon.

PENTECOST SCRIPTURE EVENING: 30 MAY

'Pentecost 2023: Be Empowered by the Spirit' in an evening reflection on the Word of God and the season of Pentecost with Br Barry Donoghue! You and your key contacts are most welcome to attend **Tuesday 30 May from 6:30pm to 8:30pm** downstairs at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown.

RSVP via <https://pfparra.org.au/pentecost2023/>

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



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

MET NATURAL FERTILITY ZOOM SESSION: 8 JUNE

Have you ever wondered what Natural Family Planning (NFP) is? In this session we will explore how it's different to contraception and why the Catholic Church encourages us to use it! You are warmly invited to attend a session on Thursday 8 June from 7-8pm via Zoom. To register and receive the link, please contact catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org or call 0400 427 605.

FR PETER'S FAREWELL - THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who attended the lunch for Fr Peter on 21st May, and to those who came on Saturday to clean & setup, as well as those who stayed afterwards to re-set the hall. It was a wonderful occasion and Fr Peter was very happy to see everyone. *Glenys for the committee.*

HELP SAVE ACT'S CALVERY HOSPITAL Urgent Action Required



Please sign the petition...

www.savecalvary.com.au

and share this with your parishes, networks, families, and friends.

FaithLIFE - 3 Night Short Course on Scripture: Beginning 22 August

Want to explore Christian spirituality? Sign up for the FaithLIFE 3-night short course on Scripture with Sr Patty Andrew, brought to you by the Mission Enhancement Team (MET). 6:30PM to 8:30PM on three Tuesday: **22 Aug + 29 Aug + 5 Sep**. Downstairs @ Bishop Bede Heather Centre: 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown NSW 2148. RSVP via <https://pfparra.org.au/faithlife/>

ST VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 6th June** at 7.30pm in the Meeting Room. New members welcome



FEAST OF THE WEEK Friday, 2 June - Saint Blandina

The sufferings of the martyrs of Lyons and Vienne during Marcus Aurelius' persecution of Christians included being ostracized (excluded from various public places), then insulted and stoned, and finally imprisoned. Among these martyrs was a slave named Blandina, who derived strength from saying: "I am a Christian and nothing vile is done amongst us." She was hung on a stake in the amphitheatre. Looking like one crucified, Blandina prayed fervently and thus strengthened the Christians. When the beasts would not harm her, she was imprisoned again and made to watch her companions being tortured. Finally, she was brought out with a youth named Ponticus. Both refused to swear by idols and were tortured. Ponticus was encouraged by Blandina; he persevered until death. Then Blandina died triumphantly "as if she had been summoned to a marriage-feast." "After the scourges, after the wild animals, after the frying-pan, she was thrown at last into a net and exposed to a bull ... the heathen themselves confessing that they had never known a woman to show such endurance."

