

Pentecost Sunday 8th - 9th June 2019

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.'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 103:1,24,29-31

R/ Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading: Romans 8:8-17

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God.

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you. So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live. Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. **Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 14:15-16,23-26

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything.

Jesus said to his disciples 'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate to be with you forever. If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own; it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.'

The Gospel of the Lord

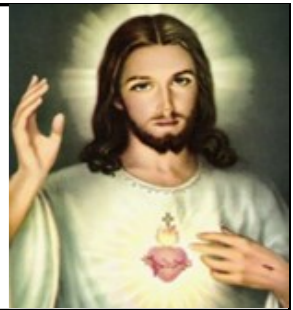


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“Lord Send Out Your Spirit”

All through Easter time we have been listening to Luke's sequel to his Gospel – the Acts of the Apostles. The story of Pentecost, found in today's first reading sets the tone for today's celebration and according to Luke was the occasion on which the Church and her universal mission was inaugurated. On the day when Jews gathered for their harvest festival, fifty days after the Passover celebration, the Holy Spirit descended upon frightened apostles as tongues of fire and they were transformed by the power of God's Spirit to continue Jesus' mission to the whole world.

The Temple of Jerusalem was the location, for the yearly pilgrimage feast to celebrate the covenant God had made with His people on Mount Sinai following their liberation from Egypt. The giving of the Ten Commandments to the people in the desert was a symbol of the way to be lived in relationship with their God. Just as God's presence to Israel was marked by earthquake, thunder, cloud and fire, so in Luke's account, God's Spirit enveloped and infused the people of the 'New Covenant' in a mighty rush of wind and tongues of fire. For the teaching at the heart of the 'New Covenant' we turn to today's gospel reading from John.

“If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him and we will come to him and make our home with him.” Such is the reassurance that Jesus gives to those who remain faithful to him. They will not be alone in the pursuit of their mission but be empowered by the creative spirit of God. Following Jesus formally appoints his disciples with the words that we heard in a previous week: “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” He breathes His Spirit upon them and commissions them to continue his work of reconciliation and peace through forgiveness of sins. Jesus' act of 'breathing' the Spirit upon the apostles mirrors God's act of breathing life into Adam. In fact, the Hebrew word (Ru –ah) for 'spirit' translates as 'breath', 'life-force' or in some contexts 'wind' recalling the creative life force of God present at the dawn of creation.

The Gospel reminds us then that we who are “Church” are called to be a reconciling presence to each other and in the world enlivened by the Spirit of God's love.

“Indwelling God, we thank you for the gift of Your Spirit, may we become your instruments of healing and peace in our families, our Church and our World.”



Office Hours:

Tues to Fri: 10.00am - 12.30pm

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Parish Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 6:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am (Italian),

10:30 am, 6:00 pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday: 9.10am

Healing Mass: 1st Thursday of the month at 1.30pm

Devotional Practices:

Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament: Wednesday after 9.10am Mass

Holy Rosary: Thursday (English) & Friday (Italian) after 9.10am Mass

Legion of Mary: Thursday 7.30pm, in the Presbytery

Reconciliation:

Weekdays: 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment

Baptisms & Weddings:

By appointment only



Celebration of Sacred Heart Feast

The Feast of the Sacred Heart, our parish and Primary School patron feast, falls on Friday 28th June this year. We like to celebrate it as one Sacred Heart Family. As Sunday 30th June is in the Term 2 school holidays, with the permission of the Archbishop's Office, we will celebrate the Sacred Heart Feast on Sunday 23rd June. Mass will be celebrated in the church at 10:30am, and the celebration will continue in the Parish Hall on David Street. Our special guest will be Father Asaeli Raass who is the Vice Provincial of the SVD in Australia. Please make your way to the Parish Hall between 11:30 am and 12:00pm for a few hours of food, entertainment and dancing. See you there!

PS: There are many ways to participate in this event. Find out how from the ladies and gentlemen with the lists of activities in the foyer after Mass today.

Dates to Remember

- Sunday 16th June:** 9.00am, 10.30am & 6.00pm
Trinity Sunday
- Sunday 23rd June:**
Parish Feast, Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Monday 24th June:**
Solemnity of the Nativity of St John the Baptist
- Saturday 29th June:**
Solemnity of Sts Peter and Paul

Religious Movie Night

This month we will screen "St Anthony of Padua" on Friday 14th June at 7pm in the Presbytery. Everyone is most welcome. Refreshments and drinks will be served. Please, come along!



Welcome!

This weekend through Baptism we welcome:
Sebastian John Salantri
into our Parish family



Last Week's Collection: 02/06/19

1st Collection for our Church: \$1083.40
2nd Collection for support of clergy: \$547.80
Thank you for your kind generosity!



PLEASE TAKE THE BULLETIN HOME



Pentecost

In the New Testament, Pentecost is the day that the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples of Jesus. 'Pentecost' is the Greek name for Shavuot, the spring harvest festival of the Israelites, which was going on when the Holy Spirit came.
It marks the "birthday of the Church."



My Vocation in the Church

Saturday 15th June, 9.30am-5pm
St Joseph's Home, 112B St Georges Road, Northcote
A day to prayerfully reflect on the Lord's will for your life as you seek to discover your vocation in the Church.
Enquiries and registrations: Sr Mary Lourdes on 9489 8444 or voc.mel@lsp.org.au.
Registrations close Tuesday 11th June.

Pledge to Pray

Recently the Vocations Office in Melbourne partnered with some others in a project, 'Pledge to Pray' - an on-line platform for individuals to pledge prayers for vocations. It is based upon the idea of the 'Invisible Monastery', popular in some parts of the USA. I invite you to 'pledge a prayer' for vocations at www.pledgetoprayer.com.au This is a site dedicated to encouraging prayer for vocations in Australia, particularly in the lead up to ACYF in Perth in December this year. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of any assistance or provide your parishes with any additional resources.
Thank you for your support of vocations in Melbourne.
Fr David Cartwright and Fr Nicholas Pearce
Melbourne Vocations Team

Help for The Sisters of St Elisabeth

The Sisters of Saint Elisabeth have been rendering spiritual, social and financial assistance to the sick and the suffering who stay at the National Psychiatric Clinic in Minsk, Belarus, to a boarding home for children with special needs and boarding home for mentally challenged adults, for more than fifteen years. There are 180 young patients in the boarding home for children, who require constant care. The Sisters help them with medicines, hygiene kits, wheelchairs, computers and food. To support and develop the above ministries, patients, together with the sisters, produce beautiful articles with love and prayer in the convent's workshops.
The Sisters will visit our parish on Friday, 14th of June at the 9.10am Mass to sell their art crafts.

Aging and Awakening God's Surprising Gifts

Friday 14th June, 10am-3pm
Catholic Theological College, 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne
This free workshop will assist participants to lead and facilitate groups undertaking the Ageing and Awakening program, which aims to help older people in our communities to explore more deeply the awakening and surprises of their later years. Attendance at the workshop does not commit you to lead such groups but rather is an opportunity to explore and discern whether this is the path for you.
Enquiries & bookings: laurence.mcnamara@ctc.edu.au or 0419 990 824

Achieving Pregnancy Naturally

The Billings Ovulation Method® can assist you in having the baby of your dreams.
If you have been trying to have a baby without success, our teachers can provide essential information, which will give you the best chance to achieve your pregnancy naturally. Please call Billings LIFE on 1800 335 860 or check out our website and shop.
Website: www.billings.life
Shop: <https://billings.ecwid.com/>

Alight Family Fiesta

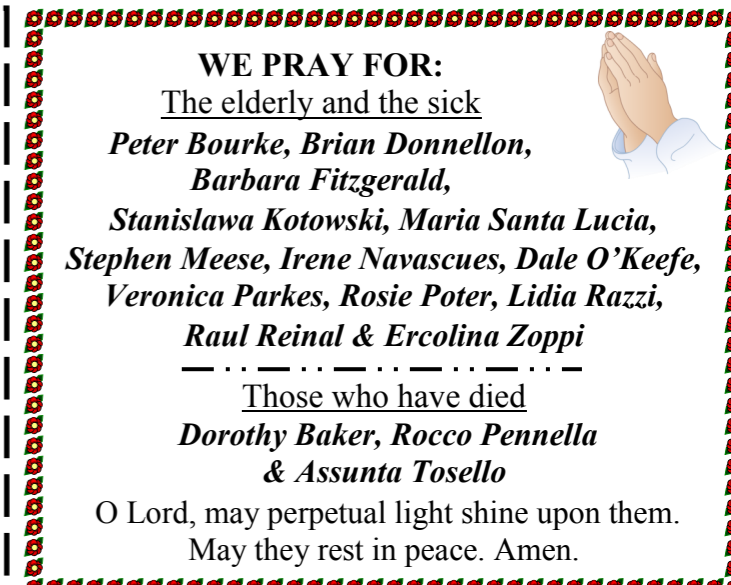
Saturday 21st September, St Bede's College Mentone
At a time when living Christian family life can feel like swimming against the tide, **Alight** is an event that will strengthen everyone - especially parents - to be renewed in their mission. Fr Leo Patalinghug, a priest and chef, will serve up a creative presentation of faith and food that will have the whole family wanting more. Rides, food and live music will help to make this a joyful celebration for the whole family! To register or for more info, look for the Alight flyers in your parish or visit www.cam.org.au/alight19



Cleaning Roster:
Saturday 15th June 2019
Shantha & Volunteer
Thank you for your help!

Sacred Heart Parish Children's Liturgy of the Word

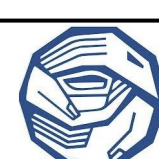
To be kept informed of developments, please fill out the expression of interest register in the Church foyer or contact Natalie on 0422 718 681.



WE PRAY FOR:
The elderly and the sick
Peter Bourke, Brian Donnellon, Barbara Fitzgerald, Stanislaw Kotowski, Maria Santa Lucia, Stephen Meese, Irene Navascues, Dale O'Keefe, Veronica Parkes, Rosie Potter, Lidia Razzi, Raul Reinal & Ercolina Zoppi
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Those who have died
Dorothy Baker, Rocco Pennella & Assunta Tosello
O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

Pondering Grief - Sat 22nd June 2019, 10am-4pm.
This Reflection Day offers an invitation to reflect on and honour our inner life of change and transition. With creativity, space and gentle guiding support, this workshop will offer a sacred place for the breadth of human experiencing and spirit to guide individual exploration. Facilitated by Linda Espie, psychotherapist, supervisor, educator and author with 35 years' experience specialising in loss, grief and trauma.
Cost \$80 including materials. Contact Heart of Life: Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Box Hill. Tel: 03 9890 1101, email holsc@bigpond.com or book and pay online at www.heartoflife.melbourne

St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal
Help End the Pain of Poverty
This winter, thousands of Australians will struggle to make ends meet and face day after day of isolation. Your donation will help provide food, housing and support to people in need. Envelopes are available this and next weekend in pews and in the foyer of the church. Your generosity is very much appreciated.
More details about the work of the Preston St Vincent De Paul conference to follow over the coming weeks.



Roster for weekend of 15 th - 16 th June 2019			
	Readers	Ministers	Projector
Sat 6.00pm	Terry Murphy Mary Harb	Charlotte Bainy	Rohan Lemos
Sun 9.00am (Italian)	Mancini L.	Bozzella C. Capobianco A.	O'Neill A.
Sun 10.30am	Moira O'Brien Ivana Lo Bello	Tony Eley George Mc Brien	Jessy Thambiraj
Sun 6.00pm	Robert Dullard Anna Liggieri	Benedicta Arhatari	Jessica Suppiah