



The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

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Celebrating 50 years of Faith, Family & Friendship

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Readings, Prayers of Intercession and a Gospel reflection are included in the word, which is available from the parish web site:
www.holyspiritparish.org.au/The-Word-Newsletter

Recorded Masses available at: www.holyspiritparish.org.au/Online-Resources

Important information, Spirit Extra, the Spirit Magazine and other Parish matters are available on the website:
www.holyspiritparish.org.au

PLEASE NOTE NEW PHONE DETAILS FOR THE PARISH OFFICE: 70369395 [Email: ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au](mailto:ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au)

Please contact us via the new phone number or email if you have any enquiries.

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST—RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: David Stewart, Erin and Percy Stewart, Rosemary, Ivan and Jeremy Scheffer, Lilla De Vechia, Antonio Gioguardi, Marian Hawthorne, Michel Heller, Arlette Colville, Kevin Ryan, Joyce Gates and Valerie Versteegen

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK: Ben Lobo, Angela Damora, Warren Darbyshire, Stella & family, Pauline Curlis, Sean Hill, Valerie Mason, Dominique, Paul Sanderson, Adrian Ness, Dennis Price, John Hogan, Eve Foreman, Neville Benedict, Shirley Graham

Readings this week: Acts 2:1-11; Romans 8:8-17; John 14: 15-16,23-26

The Word, Spirit Magazine and "Spirit Extra" are available online at www.holyspiritparish.org.au

THIS WEEKEND—ST VINCENT DE PAUL \$2 COLLECTION



Pentecost Sunday celebrates and commemorates the gift given to the Church in the Holy Spirit. Saints, theologians and poets have reflected for centuries on the meaning of the third Divine Person of God, trying to glimpse, however partially, the mystery in which we have been caught up.

And to read the mystics of the Church is to realise that the Holy Spirit is a mystery we're caught up in here and now. Like a person swept up in the love of another, the Church has been swept into the mystery of Divine Love by being *given* the very Love that *is* God.

Here are three quotes that offer profound insight into the mystery of the Holy Spirit.

St Bernard of Clairvaux: the Kiss of the Holy Spirit

St Bernard of Clairvaux was a 12th-century Benedictine whose writings, sermons and ministry led to a renewal in monasticism. He is particularly well known for his sermons on the Song of Songs, treating the lover and beloved in those canticles as an image of Christ and the Church. In Sermon 8, he talks about the significance of the Holy Spirit as the kiss of love between the Father and Son, and the source of our spiritual union with God.

"If, as is properly understood, the Father is he who kisses, the Son he who is kissed, then it cannot be wrong to see in the kiss the Holy Spirit, for he is the imperturbable peace of the Father and the Son, their unshakable bond, their undivided love, their indivisible unity ...

Living in the Spirit of the Son, let such a soul recognize herself as a daughter of the Father, a bride or even a sister of the Son ... For if marriage according to the flesh constitutes two in one body, why should not a spiritual union be even more efficacious in joining two in one spirit? And hence anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him."

St John Paul II

In 1986, Pope John Paul II published the encyclical *Dominum et Vivificantem*, in which he expounds upon the nature and role of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church and the world. Importantly, he points out that the gift of the Holy Spirit is a gift that makes the world more human, since it changes us from within, conforming us to the divine love.

"Along this path—the path of such an inner maturity, which includes the full discovery of the meaning of humanity—God comes close to man, and permeates more and more completely the whole human world. The Triune God, who 'exists' in himself as a transcendent reality of interpersonal gift, giving himself in the Holy Spirit as gift to man, transforms the human world from within, from inside hearts and minds. Along this path the world, made to share in the divine gift, becomes—as the Council teaches—'ever more human, ever more profoundly human,' while within the world, through people's hearts and minds, the Kingdom develops in which God will be definitively 'all in all': as gift and love. Gift and love: this is the eternal power of the opening of the Triune God to man and the world, in the Holy Spirit (§59)."

The Venerable Fulton Sheen

Fulton Sheen is remembered for many of his books, broadcasts and sermons, but this is arguably one of the more famous talks he gave. Similar to Bernard of Clairvaux, Sheen talks about the Holy Spirit as the bond of love between the Father and the Son, a bond so real it is a Divine Person.

"Love has two terms: He who loves and he who is loved. In love the two are reciprocal. I love and I am loved. Between me and the one I love there is a bond. It is not my love, it is not his love, it is our love—the mysterious resultant of two affections, a bond, which enchains and an embrace wherein two hearts leap with but a single joy. The Father loves the Son, the Image of His Perfection, and the Son loves the Father. Love is not only in the Father. Love is not only in the Son. There is something between them, as it were. The Father loves the Son, whom He engenders. The Son loves the Father, who engendered Him.

They contemplate each other, love each other, unite in a love so powerful, so strong, and so perfect, that it forms between them a living bond. They give themselves in a love so infinite that, like the truth, which expresses itself only in the giving of a whole personality, their love can express itself in nothing less than a Person, who is Love."

At Holy Spirit Parish, we are an inviting community inspired by the Holy Spirit; welcoming everyone to worship, grow, belong and serve together as Disciples of Christ.



Holy Spirit is a child safe parish. At Holy Spirit we hold the care, safety and well being of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.

<u>EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK—6th-12th June 2022</u>	
MONDAY	9.00 am RCIA, Mary Bresnan Room 7.00 pm St Vincent de Paul Meeting, Mary Bresnan Room
TUESDAY	9.15-10 am Meditation, Holy Spirit Chapel 8.00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group, Holy Spirit Chapel
WEDNESDAY	9.15 am Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel 7.00 pm Rosary via Zoom
THURSDAY	10:00 am Men's coffee group Mary Bresnan Room 5.45 pm Centering Prayer Meditation, Holy Spirit Chapel 7.30 pm Choir, Holy Spirit Chapel
FRIDAY	9:15 am Spirit Day School Mass, Holy Spirit Church 9.30 am Rosary and Divine Mercy chaplet, Holy Spirit Chapel 10:30 am Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel
SATURDAY	6.00 pm Vigil Mass, Holy Spirit Church
SUNDAY	FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 9.00 am Mass, Holy Spirit Church 5.00 pm Mass, Holy Spirit <u>CHAPEL</u> 4.00-5.00 pm High Spirits, Mary Bresnan Room

Web: www.cam.org.au/ringwoodnorth/Parish-Groups/Parish-Rosters

6.00 pm: Mary Ryan **9.00 am:** Bill Lanigan **5.00 pm:** Volunteer

6.00 pm: Judy Barber **9.00 am:** Sharon Hipwell **5.00 pm:** Volunteer

6.00 pm: Dale Sebire and Maureen Taffe

9.00 am: Nola Ryan and Norma Brown

Stay in touch with our parish website.

- “News, Events”: ref menu
- “How we stay connected”, online resources such as Masses, Prayers, Newsletters, Next Zoom: ref home page



Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm

Meeting ID: 631 950 8706 Passcode: 2p7ssZ

Hosted by Ambrose & Philomena Cornelio

Prayer requests may be emailed to Ambrose: acornelio@connecteast.com.au for inclusion weekly.



Special Congratulations to the Year students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation at 9am Mass this weekend. Your "Parish family" are very happy to have shared this moment with you!

As restrictions continue to ease, we are happy to advise that the chapel will be open for private prayer during office hours. Parishioners are also welcome to drop in for a cuppa & chat after morning Masses on Wednesday & Fridays.

IMPORTANT NOTICE - Wednesday Morning Masses: There has been a change to the school class masses. Please note that Wednesday morning masses will be held back in the Chapel on Wednesday 8th June. The Wednesday masses on 15th and 22nd June will be with Year 1/2 children in the CHURCH. We do apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused. Thank you for your understanding.

Parish Database Update Please remember to advise the parish staff of any changes to phone and email details so we can update our database via email to Ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au or phone 7036 9395 Thank you.

Charismatic Prayer Group Tuesdays @ 8pm in the Holy Spirit Chapel for prayer, praise and worship and fellowship. If interested, contact Jacek on 0490 884 914 or Ann on 0437 127 326.

Tuesday Meditation Tuesdays @ 9:15am in the Holy Spirit Chapel. Please contact Len on 0401 519 727 if you have queries.

CENTERING PRAYER MEDITATION

Held fortnightly on a Thursday night at 5.45 pm commencing 26th May in the Holy Spirit Chapel for 30 minutes. Please contact Kathy on 0425 852 208 for any further information. All are welcome for a very relaxing, peaceful and short meditation.

A member of our community is in 2nd year of a Masters of Spiritual Companionship/Direction. If you would like to inquire to have confidential spiritual companionship on a regular basis, please contact the Parish office on 7036 9395 or via email Ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au This is a free confidential listening to where you feel drawn in your everyday life and that you may have a deeper awareness of the presence and action of the Spirit in your life.

On the Journey this week: Fr Mark De Battista's Gospel reflection on St John's understanding of the power of Pentecost. Mother Hilda's story on using faith to take forgiveness to an exceptional level. Fr Mike Delaney says how we look at the start of each day, how we think about it, and the language to describe it determines the amount of joy we experience, and Journey Editor, Max Norden, in conversation with Mark Lysaght, CEO of NET Ministries. Plus, more great music! Visit www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime



Among the many events taking place in the life of the Church is the Synod on Synodality, a global and collective discernment on how the Church can become more "synodal" in character around three themes: Communion, Participation and Mission. As part of the local archdiocesan initiative, Catholics in Melbourne were invited to make submissions for consideration, an opportunity to express thoughts, ideas, and even discontents, about the current trajectory of the Church.

After the closing date, these submissions were collated and examined by a working group made up of three lay persons, a priest and an auxiliary bishop. The task of this working group was to identify prominent themes and synthesise the ideas into a report that could be handed to the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference, before being handed to Rome.

This report has now been published for general viewing. To access the report, please use this link:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/uploads/media/2022/Synod-Report-Synthesis-2022-Catholic-Archdiocese-of-Melbourne.pdf>

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THANK YOU!

To the people of Holy Spirit parish I thank you most sincerely for your prayers, phone calls, cards and flowers I received during my recent illness.

Also to the beautiful people who kept Peter supplied with sweets and roast dinners, I thank you.

It is truly a privilege to be a part of this great parish.

Shirley Graham



Volunteer Preferences for Days/Shifts in our **Reduced 2022 Program**

It is with very heavy hearts that, at this stage, we will NOT be able to offer our program 7 nights a week due to a shortage of volunteers - especially for Overnight shifts.

However the good news is we are aiming to provide 4 CONSECUTIVE nights a week of Winter Shelter in 2022 - Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Looking at volunteer preferences we feel confident we have covered Fridays and Saturdays e.g. Registered volunteers whose preference was ONLY Fridays at Holy Spirit or Saturdays at North Ringwood Uniting - will make up the core of the Friday and Saturday teams (but they will still need to complete the form <https://forms.gle/3YtaDF2VXENe5osY9>).

Using the data we already have from our Registered volunteers, we believe we can cover Thursdays at Croydon Hills Baptist Church and Sundays at Urban Life.

Next step is, we need ALL volunteers to

complete this form <https://forms.gle/3YtaDF2VXENe5osY9> so we can update your preferences in line with the nights we are offering

Overnight shifts are always the most difficult to cover so if you could assist in that area that would be very much appreciated.

Make sure you have registered online wintershelter.org.au/volunteer

With this updated information we may even find we can offer a 5th night!!

Gitta and Beth

Maroondah Winter Shelter co-ordinators

Cooking for Winter Shelter

Hi everyone, Ellen Holmes here !

Calling all cooks!

I am a parishioner of St Anne's and St Gerards and I am co-ordinating home cooked meals for the Friday evening meal at Holy Spirit. Please stay tuned for the Take them a meal apps coming out next week. We are hoping to receive a lot of support from all the wonderful cooks in our parish and school community for this wonderful program that cares for those in our community that are less fortunate, lacking even a roof over their heads. With 12 guests and up to 6-8 helpers a week we will be looking for a soup, 3 main meals, a vegetable dish or salad and 3 desserts of course to feed people each week.



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Catholic Theological College

Online Open Day Information Session

Tuesday 21 June at 7pm (AEST)

Register via our website: ctc.edu.au/open-days

For more information contact: jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au

From Melbourne Catholic:

This week is Reconciliation Week, an invitation to be brave and tackle the unfinished business of reconciliation for the benefit of all Australians. In a show of support, religious leaders from around the country recently gathered to call for bipartisan action to hold a referendum on a First Nations voice. Melbourne Catholic Sherry Balcombe attended the event and shared why she believes Australia is 'growing up' and is hopeful that 'the nation's tapestry is starting to change'.

And here's a date for your diaries: **the weekend of 25-26 June marks the 175th anniversary of the Diocese of Melbourne!** Archbishop Peter A Comensoli will celebrate a special 11am Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, with specially-commissioned music by local Indigenous artists and the various migrant communities that now call Melbourne home

Go to Melbournecatholic.org.au to read more or check other articles.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of:

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

- **Property Administrator, Property & Infrastructure – 12 Month Parental Leave Contract, East Melbourne/Flexible working arrangements available**
- **Digital Designer, Formation office, East Melbourne/Flexible Working arrangements available**
- **Full Stack Developer, Formation Office, East Melbourne/Flexible Working arrangements available**

Parish Positions

- **Parish Administrative Coordinator, St Kevin's Parish, Hampton Park**
- **Parish Secretary, St Mark's Catholic Parish, Fawkner**
- **Parish Secretary, Our Lady of the Nativity Parish, Essendon West**
- **Secretary, Religious Formation House, The Missionary of God's Love, Burwood**

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>



Flaming Love

O Holy One, we gather to discover Fire-
Kindled by an ember that flew from the great radiance,
Love's bright beginning in time and space-
Flaming forth now in us.

May our own Spirit-fanned words
and the thoughts of our hearts
Become Love's flames, tongues of forgiveness,
Sentences of justice, declaring the good news;
That Wisdom burns in the heart
of this cosmic adventure.

Pour out a Pentecostal blessing upon us;
Transform our babbling into a syntax of blessing,
a proclamation that the world is ablaze with your glory,
That we are suffused in Spirit,
And that all creation is awaiting our arrival
as your sons and daughters-
Fire, now shape-shifted into conscious future-forgers-
Willing to reveal and realize the kin-dom of God.

Amen.

"If Darwin Prayed" Bruce Sanguin.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

On this Feast of Pentecost, our Parish Feast Day, we unite ourselves with all Christian disciples. Gathered in prayer and open to the gift of the Holy Spirit who renews all creation, we bring these prayers to our loving Father.

For the Church; that we may continue to bring the Spirit of Christ to all those we meet in our daily lives with renewed enthusiasm, courage and perseverance. Lord hear us.

Lord hear our prayer.

For our priests and bishops; that they might be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit and through their ministry lead all to you. Lord hear us.

Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for all people whose lives are troubled by conflict; that they will experience the healing power of Christ's Spirit of forgiveness, enabling them to forgive and finding healing and peace. Lord hear us.

Lord hear our prayer.

For our Parish Community; may the Holy Spirit live within us, guiding our thoughts and actions, so that we may show tolerance and love to others, bringing them a sense of belonging and companionship. Lord hear us.

Lord hear our prayer.

For our Confirmation candidates, sponsors and parents. May they continue to encourage those whom they have sponsored in the faith to follow in the footsteps of Christ. Lord hear us.

Lord hear our prayer.

For those who doubt their faith; open their hearts and minds, so they might be filled with the Holy Spirit and experience the presence of God through the generosity and actions of others. Lord hear us.

Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time: David Stewart, Erin and Percy Stewart, Rosemary and Ivan Scheffer, Lilla De Vechia, Antonio Dioguardi, Marian Hawthorne, Michael Hellar, Arlette Colville, Kevin Ryan, Joy Gates and Valerie Versteegen. May they rest in the loving arms and peace of Christ. Lord hear us.

Lord hear our prayer.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

St. Alphonsus Liguori



Pentecost Sunday

"The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you."

John 14:26

The materialism of our society lures us to concentrate more on what we want than on what God wants for us. The relativism of our world tells us that we should be tolerant of all things, that there is no absolute truth. Pray to the Holy Spirit to transform our lives and to guide our thoughts, words and actions. What you put in your head, heart and mind affects your actions. Put good things in and good things will come out.

FIRST READING

Acts 2.1-11

*All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit
and began to speak in other languages.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

- 1** When the day of Pentecost had come,
they were all together in one place.
- 2** And suddenly from heaven there came a sound
like the rush of a violent wind,
and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.
- 3** Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them,
and a tongue rested on each of them.
- 4** All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit
and began to speak in other languages,
as the Spirit gave them ability.
- 5** Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven
living in Jerusalem.
- 6** And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered,
because all heard them speaking in their own languages.
- 7** Amazed and astonished, they asked,
“Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?”
- 8** And how is it that we hear, each of us,
in our own language?
- 9** Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia,
Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,
10 Phrygia and Pamphylia,
Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene,
and visitors from Rome, both Jews and converts,
11 Cretans and Arabs—
in our own languages we hear them speaking
about God’s deeds of power.”

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 104.1ab+24ac, 29b-30, 31+34 (R.30)

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

- 1** Bless the Lord, O my soul.
O Lord my God, you are very great.
- 24** O Lord, how manifold are your works!
the earth is full of your creatures. **R.**

- 29** When you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.
- 30** When you send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. **R.**

- 31** May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
may the Lord rejoice in his works.
- 34** May my meditation be pleasing to him,
for I rejoice in the Lord. **R.**

SECOND READING

Romans 8.8-17

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

8 Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

9 But you are not in the flesh;

you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you.

Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

10 But if Christ is in you,

though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

11 If the Spirit of God who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you,

he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also

through his Spirit that dwells in you.

12 So then, brothers and sisters,

we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—

13 for if you live according to the flesh, you will die;

but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear,

but you have received a spirit of adoption.

When we cry, “Abba! Father!”

16 it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

17 and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—

if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

SEQUENCE

1 Holy Spirit, Lord divine,
Come, from heights of heav’n and shine,
Come with blessed radiance bright!

3. Of consolers, wisest, best,
And our soul’s most welcome guest,
Sweet refreshment, sweet repose.

5. Light most blessed, shine with grace
In our heart’s most secret place,
Fill your faithful through and through.

7. Cleanse our soiled hearts of sin,
Arid souls refresh within,
Wounded lives to health restore.

9. On the faithful who are true
And profess their faith in you,
In your sev’nfold gift descend!

2. Come, O Father of the poor,
Come, whose treasured gifts ensure,
Come, our heart’s unfailing light!

4. In our labour rest most sweet,
Pleasant coolness in the heat,
Consolation in our woes.

6. Left without your presence here,
life itself would disappear,
Nothing thrives apart from you!

8. Bend the stubborn heart and will,
Melt the frozen, warm the chill,
Guide the wayward home once more!

10. Give us virtue’s sure reward,
Give us your salvation, Lord,
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

John 14.15-16, 23b-26

*The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name,
will teach you everything.*

A reading from the holy gospel according to John.

Jesus spoke to the disciples:

15 “If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

16 And I will ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate,
to be with you forever.

23 “Those who love me will keep my word,
and my Father will love them,
and we will come to them and make our home with them.

24 Whoever does not love me does not keep my words;
and the word that you hear is not mine,
but is from the Father who sent me.

25 “I have said these things to you while I am still with you.

26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name,
will teach you everything,
and remind you of all that I have said to you.”

The gospel of the Lord.