



Sunday 20th May, 2018

Parish Priest: Fr. Steven Rigo

Assistant Priests: Fr. Dong Tran & Fr. Tao Pham

Pastoral Associate: Jacinta Bright

Pastoral Workers: Sr. Margaret Sapsford and Christina O' Connor

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The Partnered Parishes of:

St. Mary's

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Website: www.pol.org.au/greensborough

Secretaries: Frances Olofsson & Sharon Prosser

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Mass Times

Monday: Liturgy of the word 9.15am

Tuesday to Friday: Mass 9.15am

Saturday: Mass 8.30am & Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday: Mass 8.00am, 10.00am & 5.00pm

Reconciliation Times

Saturday: 9.00am & 5.45pm

Baptisms

2nd & 3rd Sunday 11.30 am. Please see Fr. Steven or Fr. Dong to make the necessary arrangements after any Mass on Sunday or Saturday evening.

Parish School Principal

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Mass Times

Monday: Communion Service 9.15am

Wednesday & Friday: Mass 9.15am

1st Saturday of the month: Vigil Mass at St. Peters Hurstbridge 7.15pm

Sunday: Mass 9.00am

Reconciliation Times

Friday: 9.45am to 10.15am

Parish School Principal

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Secretaries: Mary Gargan & Lisa Leahy

Mass Times

Tuesday & Thursday: Mass 9.15am

Saturday: Vigil Mass 6.00pm

Sunday: Mass 10.30am

Reconciliation Times

Saturday: 9.30am to 10.30am

Parish School Principal

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Communion to the Sick:

Any parishioner who cannot attend Mass due to illness and would like to receive Communion is asked to contact the parish office.

Come, Holy Spirit.

'Come, Holy Spirit', or its Latin 'Veni Sancte Spiritus', has become the basis of countless prayers and hymns over many hundreds of years. To this day, it remains a powerful invocation that can be used in prayer or meditation. Three simple words convey a wealth of meaning. The invitation for the Spirit to 'Come' indicates recognition of the need for the Spirit's intervention and openness to accept the guidance that the Spirit brings. It is a powerful, simple prayer that can be used at the outset of any significant undertaking or whenever you find yourself in need of inspiration.

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Bookings for Hall , James Kierce Centre, Parish Club Rooms— via Parish Office: greensborough.bookings@cam.org.au/9435 1543.
Parish Office Hours: Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri, 10am –4pm. If office unattended, please leave a message via phone – 9435 1543 or on a note at the office window or email at greensborough@cam.org.au, and we will contact you as soon as we can.

A Friendly Guide to Women in the New Testament [225.83504 CAN] Rosemary Canavan. They are mothers, daughters, sisters and wives living in the first century, with all of its limitations on their participation in public life. Yet they are present, remembered and influential from Jesus' birth, through his public ministry to his passion and death, and as first witnesses to the resurrection. *Borrow from our library. Library catalogue available online at cloud.collectorz.com/247780*

St Mary's Parish News Continued:

MELBOURNE CATHOLIC MAGAZINE now available in the Piety Shop. At only \$4, it's well worth the read.

WELCOME Parishioners are invited and always welcome to come in and make a cuppa and have a biscuit in the gathering space kitchen. We ask that you please clean up after use. Thank you and welcome.

PARKING FOR ALL MASS TIMES While there are several disabled parking positions, there are some members of our community who have special needs on a temporary or permanent basis and do not qualify for a disabled permit. With this in mind we are asking that at Mass times, **the 12 parking spaces closest to the Church be left free** for them to use. We thank you for your anticipated co-operation.

WILLIAM STREET PEDESTRIAN GATE - will be locked other than between 8.00– 9.15am and 3.30- 4.30pm. If you wish to enter the property during these times it is locked, please use code **2100**. Please re-lock after you have entered.

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament first and third Friday of every month, from 10.00am to 9.00pm or starting at 11.00am when there is no Mass - every 2nd, 4th and 5th Friday 8.00-9.00am.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR TIME OUT from a busy lifestyle? Join silent adoration before the Blessed Sacrament at the Irish Martyr's Chapel Loyola College Wednesdays 5.30-6.30pm. All welcome-queries Brian Rooney 0413 885 168

Stay in touch with the school news—pick up a copy of the Candela from the Gathering Space.

Community News

DIAMOND VALLEY DEANERY EVENT—You are invited to a Retreat/Reflection Day on the Pastoral Theology of Pope Francis. "People Come First". Facilitated by Br Mark O'Connor. **Date: Saturday 26 May, Time: 10am—3:15pm**. Venue: St Damian's, 5 Settlement Road, Bundoora. See Noticeboard.

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM – AIRS 27 May Just a reminder, that all Journey Catholic Radio information is always a week in advance. This week Fr Graham Schmitzer reflects on the Gospel of Matthew, Bruce Downes, The Catholic Guy encourages us to Get Spiritually Fit, and Marilyn Rodrigues, The Peaceful Parent, reminds us of the importance of One-on-One Time. Our music is selected from various talented music artists who help us to create a show about faith, hope, love and life. Go to www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

AUSTALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY –CENTRE FOR LITURGY– SHORT COURSE 2018. **From death to new life: preparing and celebrating Catholic funerals.** **6 , 13 , 20 and 27 June 2018: 6.30 to 8pm** .What do Catholics believe about death? How do Catholics celebrate death? How do priests and funeral directors care for the grieving? Learn how to prepare your Catholic funeral. See noticeboard.

RUAH PARISH RENEWAL DAY—Breathing new life into parish ministries. **Saturday 16th June, 10am-3pm**. In Hebrew, the word *ruah* means 'spirit' or 'breath'. At Pentecost, we mark the moment that church came into being, when the Holy Spirit breathed life into the new Christian community. The Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation invites parish leaders and volunteers to its annual parish renewal day, offering various workshops on ministries such as liturgy, music, social justice, RCIA, parish pastoral councils and hospitality. For a full list of workshops and to register visit: <https://www.trybooking.com/VQTP>. See notice board.

What's Happening in St Mary's Parish?

Vision Statement "To be a vibrant Christian community engaging with the world"

WELCOME NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS! - The PPC would like to warmly welcome our new members, Nick Scully, Sue Hollowood, Lauren Hartigan, Fiona Scott and Raj Joseph. They bring a new energy and fresh ideas to our group and we are all looking forward to working together to lead and support our amazing St Mary's community. To all of our members who have finished their time on the council; Trevor D'Souza, Peter McKenna, Pat Gullone, Michael Lawton, Tiffany Davis, David Marshall and Bernadette Douglas, a special thank you for your contribution over the years and thank you to your families for supporting you in your role on the PPC.

MEMORIAL MASS 9.15am next Friday 25th May. This monthly Mass is offered for all parishioners' deceased family members and friends. The Bereavement Support Group invites you to a cuppa and chat after Mass in the Gathering Space.

LADIES AUXILIARY After our very successful morning tea in March we have had many requests to have another one, before the cold weather sets in! As a result our next Morning Tea will be **Wednesday 23 May in the Gathering Space at 10.30am.** \$5.00 per person. Enquiries Judy 9435 4506 or Lucy 9435 6990.

PARISH SURVEY - The second topic which we provide you, covers questions and comments from parishioners, that the Parish Pastoral Council can answer for you immediately. We hope that the comments and questions from parishioners as well as the responses by the PPC, are helpful for you. Please contact the parish office if you would like to follow up in relation to what has been provided.

CHAPLAINCY SUNDAY IS THIS WEEKEND - The focus for 2018 is Prison Chaplaincy. The relationship and collaboration between prisoners and Chaplains whilst they are in prison is vital to restoring them back onto the road again to re-join society; with dignity and self-respect, with a sense of hope and responsibility for new pathways, with a sense of personal power and control over their own life, and hopefully with new skill sets and options. Donations raised each year are directed towards supporting Chaplains who work with: people who are in custody in prison; young people in youth justice facilities; patients and their families in public hospitals; people living with HIV/AIDS and seafarers. For further information contact Office of Philanthropy on 99265731 or www.cam.org.au/chaplaincy.

ST. MARY'S TENNIS CLUB is looking for players next season commencing Term 3 2018 for the following:

Juniors - DVTA Friday twilight, NEJTA Saturday morning. **Seniors** - HDTA Tuesday Ladies (day), NENTG (nights) Tuesday Men/Vets, Wednesday Women, Thursday Mixed, DVTA (night) Thursday Men. We also offer a Monday night Social play at our Kalparrin courts for anyone interested. For more information, email stmarystennis56@gmail.com before May 18th.

PLEASE NOTE: There has been a series of burglaries involving breaking into presbyteries and parish churches in nearby suburbs. I strongly encourage and request that you be vigilant with security if you have access to the church or parish house.

FRIDAY MORNING PRAYER - 8am until 9am-parish house using Ignatian style prayer, contact Jacinta Bright - parish office on 9435 1543.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 - LISTEN TO WHAT THE SPIRIT IS SAYING. - Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. It is a significant moment for the Church in Australia to make decisions about the future. To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: **"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"** Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website, now online: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

POSITIONS VACANT WITHIN THE DIOCESE—

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of:
[System Support Administrator, East Melbourne](#)
[Care Coordinator, Carelink - East Melbourne](#)
[Parish Secretary, St Mary's Parish - Thornbury](#)
[Parish Secretary, Holy Trinity Parish, Queenscliff](#)
[Parish Secretary, St Simon's Parish, Rowville](#)
[Delivery and Assessment Manager - The Keysborough Learning Centre](#)
[Director of Education, Loreto Ministries](#)
Further details can be found on the Archdiocese website at:
<http://www.cam.org.au/Jobs.aspx>

The chance of a lifetime! Some of you at 10.00am Mass may have met Michael or have seen him at Mass. Michael lives in supported accommodation nearby and loves to come to Mass. Our parish has a small group of people committed to picking Michael up and taking him home each Sunday. St Mary's is an important part of Michael's dimension of Michael's life, just as it is for each of us. Well, we need more people, at the moment, to join this team of happy volunteers. Michael is a lovely man with a cheeky grin. Those who come to know him enjoy accompanying him to Mass. If you are interested, please contact the parish office, on 9435 1543.

Red is the colour which is often associated with the Spirit. Red vestments are worn at Pentecost and red is often associated with Confirmation. Red symbolizes the intense love or 'fire' of the Holy Spirit. Other symbols of the Spirit are tongues of flame, wind and a white dove. Each of these conveys something of the mystery of the Spirit of God which is beyond human understanding. Where do you see the Spirit alive and active in your community? Pray for the world and the Church. Pray for each other that the Spirit may live in you.



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.'

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.

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.

- 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.)

- 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.)
- 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 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.

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.

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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 Fr Michael Tate

The term 'Holy Ghost' is an unfortunate rendering of 'Holy Gust', the divine wind, the breath of God, the Holy Spirit which can come into the lives of individuals and communities, sometimes as the merest whisper of a breeze, sometimes at gale force.

This is what happened at Pentecost. St Luke, writing the Acts of the Apostles, grasps for imagery to portray the force of the Holy Spirit's descending on Mary and Peter and other disciples. This divine flaming Gust cleared away the undergrowth of timidity and anxiety imprisoning those disciples in the upper room. Then they became like seed pods germinating in the ashes, allowing a new community to take root, a community where barriers of language, ethnicity and race were overcome.

The primary task of St Peter, then as now, is to present the Resurrection in a way understandable by people of every language group around the world. Everything else his successor does is secondary to his preaching 'the marvels of God'. Pope Francis is doing this by word and deed.

We could take a moment to pray for forgiveness for the wind breaks which we, individually and as a parish or larger church community, erect to shield us from the Holy Spirit gusting into our lives. Let us ask for the courage to allow ourselves to be a windswept people ignited by Divine Love.

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