



Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

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.
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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Pentecost Sunday, Year B

23 May 2021

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.'

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.

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

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.

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.

IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK

We pray for all our sick parishioners.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Margaret Ehmer, Kathleen Parke, Giuseppe Contatore

ANNIVERSARIES

Michael Burke, Natalio Baera Sr, Tony Zarb, Souls of the Zarb family

BAPTISMS AT ST PETER'S PARISH

Sunday, 6 June 2021 at 12 Noon

Massimo Forte
Mason Galea

Sabrina, Shannon & Savanna De Jong

Please pray for these children and their families.

OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Patroness of Australia – Feast Day 24th May

Mary, Help of Christians,
watch over us with love.

Intercede for us with you Son,
to bless Australia,

so that we can be people of peace –
people who love and respect each other,
and people who love and respect
our land, Australia.

We make this prayer
through Jesus, your Son.

Amen

Mass with school children in attendance will be celebrated on Tuesday, 25th May at 9.15am.

MONTH OF MAY – MONTH OF ROSARY
Month Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin
Mary Rosary is recited on weekdays before the 9.15am Mass throughout May.

ANNUAL MASS COUNT

The annual Mass count concludes this weekend. Collectors at weekend Masses are asked to compile the figures and complete the clipboard.

PENTECOST SUNDAY - RE-IMAGINING OUR LOCAL CHURCH AS MISSION COMMUNITIES

Please take home a copy of the Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Peter Comensoli to read at home. They are available in the narthex.

PARISH NEWS

TWO 'SPECIAL PARISH EVENTS' – WEEKEND 29 & 30 MAY 2021

'Our Lady' Statue Procession on Saturday 29th May and Parish Luncheon & Fundraiser on Sunday, 30th May at 12noon

On Saturday, 29th May, we will carry Our Lady's Statue in a procession, commencing at 5.30pm from St Peter's Church and return by 6.00pm for our Vigil Mass. Everyone welcome to join in the Procession prior to the Mass. *Please arrive early to allow time for QR code check in.*

On Sunday, 30th May, you are invited to attend a 3 Course Parish Luncheon (belated Mother's Day lunch) & Fundraiser (also celebrating Fr Sebastian's birthday), commencing at 12noon in the Parish Centre. Adults \$25ph, children under 12, \$15ph. BYO drinks. Payment to the Parish Office by Wednesday, 26th May. Please ask your family and friends to come along. Limited bookings available, due to capacity requirements. Sign up sheet in the narthex or contact the parish office. **RSVP – Tuesday, 25th May.**

Donations of good quality goods or gift vouchers to make up prizes for a raffle, would be appreciated. Please bring to the Parish Office by 26/5. Thank you.

CHAPLAINCY SUNDAY APPEAL 2021

This weekend is the Chaplaincy Appeal. Donations from our parish community will help the Chaplaincy programs to support the most vulnerable people in our community. Your support and generosity will ensure that Catholic chaplains can continue to faithfully meet the emotional and spiritual needs of the vulnerable, isolated and marginalise in our community by providing pastoral and spiritual support. Parishioners are encouraged to offer prayers and a financial donation to help provide continued spiritual and emotional comfort to individuals and families in Victoria facing loneliness, illness, pain, grief and death. *We will have a special collection after Communion at all Masses.*

MANDATORY USE OF VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT QR CODE SERVICE

On 7th May the Victorian Government announced that it is moving to a single QR Code Covid-19 check-in system. Please have the *Service Victoria* app ready on your phones (orange background).

Below is our new QR code. Use your phone to scan the code and add your details. Alternatively, we have purchased some Tablets to assist with the QR Code check in for people who don't have a smartphone or have problems adding their details. We are required to put in our first name, surname and phone number then press 'Submit'. Families can use a comma between names. Check in with the QR code is required for each time you visit the Church or Parish Centre for all Parish activities – Mass, Prayer & Parish Groups using Church or Parish Centre, Weddings, Funerals, Maintenance work etc.

CHECK-IN NOW

St Peter the Apostle Catholic...



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MASS TIMES

Weekend Mass Times:

9.15am Saturday Morning Mass

6.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass

8.30am, 10.30am & 5.00pm Sunday Masses

Weekday Mass Times:

9.15am Tuesday, Thursday & Friday (followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction)

7.00pm Wednesday (followed by Benediction & Devotion to two hearts)

RECONCILIATION

9.45am Saturday; 5.30pm Saturday

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SCHOOL NEWS

We welcome the Year 3AM class children and their families to our 6pm Vigil Mass this weekend.

The Parish of St Peter's, Keilor East and the Diocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community.