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WEEKLY BULLETIN: SUNDAY 9 JUNE 2019
PENTECOST SUNDAY — YEAR C

THE YEAR OF SAINT LUKE — BEING THE GOOD NEWS BY PROMOTING GOD'S HOSPITALITY

This week's readings: Acts 2:1-11; Rom 8:8-17; Gospel John 14:16-16, 23-26

GOSPEL REFLECTION BY GREG SUNTER: The feast of Pentecost celebrates the power of the Holy Spirit coming upon the disciples and energising them to set about their mission of continuing the ministry of Jesus. The gospel reading is one of the post-resurrection appearances by Jesus when he breathed the Holy Spirit upon the disciples. The actual events of that first Pentecost are recorded in the book of Acts and are recalled in this week's first reading. The use of this post-resurrection gospel account is a reminder that Jesus had already imbued the disciples with the Spirit but, as so often throughout his ministry, they were a bit slow to catch on to the significance of what he had done. It seems that they needed a more tangible experience to jolt them into action and Acts records the very physical experience of the Spirit entering their midst as a roaring wind before settling upon them as tongues of flame. Jesus had breathed the Spirit upon them but it took the roaring wind to make a real impression on the disciples. There are frequent references in the gospels to Jesus being 'filled with the Spirit'. It is this Spirit with which he was filled that he breathed upon his disciples; it is that same Spirit that we receive sacramentally in Confirmation.

For the weeks following the death of Jesus the disciples had lived in fear and confusion, not fully understanding what had happened and not really knowing what to do. When they realised that the Spirit Jesus had breathed upon them was really present and urging them to action they finally had the courage to begin the mission that Jesus had entrusted to them: to spread the Good News of Jesus and continue to realise his message in the world. **Historical Context – Pentecost:** The word Pentecost comes from the Greek for fiftieth day. Pentecost Sunday ends the season of Easter and comes as a Sabbath day after seven weeks of seven days. In Jewish tradition the 50th day after the Passover was celebrated as a blessing of the harvest and rather than the unleavened bread of Passover it was celebrated by leavening the bread. It was for this reason that the disciples were gathered together when they experienced the Holy Spirit empowering them. In Christian tradition, Pentecost is celebrated as the arrival of the Spirit, promised by Jesus, that animated the disciples to spread the gospel of Jesus and gather believers to form what would eventually become the Church.

Have you thought? The Spirit: We can sometimes regard Pentecost as the day the Holy Spirit came into the world. However, the Spirit had long been active in the world before this event. In fact, even the second verse of Genesis Chapter 1 tells us that the Spirit hovered over the waters. The Old Testament is filled with references in which 'The Spirit of God came upon (him) with power' and the Spirit was evident at Jesus' baptism and throughout the gospels. Jesus is frequently described as being 'filled with the Spirit'. So, from the very beginning of creation the Spirit has moved in the world and continues to energise it today.

Living the Gospel – 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.

Raise your voices ... Entrance antiphon: The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

Response to the Psalm: Lord send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all peoples my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Eucharistic Acclamation: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Communion antiphon: They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

3rd June 2019

Dear Parishioners of St. Luke's

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for making my Golden Jubilee so special.

It gave me great pleasure to be among you once again and to receive such a wonderful welcome.

Thank you for making the time to join me and to speak with me in the hall. I know many of you waited patiently to have a brief word with me. It was nice catching up with you and to reconnect even if our conversations had to be short.

I was overwhelmed with the positive comments I heard and became acutely aware that just as I miss being part of St. Luke's at times, you also miss me.

Thank you too for your cards, gifts and your financial contributions. The monies I received will go towards the catering costs which I had chosen to cover as I wanted to give back something as well.

In particular, I would like to thank the small team of people at St Luke's whom I worked with to plan the occasion. These include Sonya O'Farrell, Marg Yore, Joanne Nolan, Judy Noy and Mary from the school. I also wish to express my gratitude to Jackie who, at that time, was still the principal, for showing such enthusiasm and for being so eager to make this celebration special. My gratitude is also extended to Fr Gerard who was most accommodating and gave me his support whenever that was needed and for printing the booklets.

Of course there were many others involved on the day. I was so pleased that the altar servers, who had long since moved on, agreed to don the white gowns once again for this occasion. So, thank you, Matthew, Ashling and Jess for taking on this role. Furthermore, I very much appreciated how willing people were to do what was asked of them.

Whilst I had reservations about highlighting this event, given that I am already retired for some four years, I am so glad that I did decide to celebrate my 50th anniversary of priesthood with you. It also allowed people from other parishes as well as family and friends to do so.

This event was a vivid reminder to me how much I am loved- not just by you but also by our God who never fails to shower His blessings upon us. May He continue to do so and keep you in the palm of His hands.

Fr Tony

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER all who are sick, especially Vicki Bowes, Bernardine O'Meara, Sebastian Pinto and Nadia Tarquino and those Parishioners unable to be among us this weekend. For those who died recently, especially Justin Abell and Christopher Joseph Stevens and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time, especially Monica and Henry Hood, Norman Hannay and Margaret Carman, may they rest in peace.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK: This weekend marks the end of Paschal Time and Ordinary Time begins. **Monday:** The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; **Tuesday:** St Barnabas, apostle; **Thursday:** St Anthony of Padua, priest, doctor; **Saturday:** BVM; **Sunday Masses:** Preface of Pentecost, Eucharistic Prayer II. Eucharistic Acclamation No. II.

APOSTLES CREED: We'll proclaim this Creed at Sunday Mass until Pentecost Sunday as a way of familiarising ourselves with this aspect of our tradition.

THE CHILDREN'S PENTECOST WORKSHEET is available on our notice table in our Church foyer this weekend due to Fr Tony's Letter of Gratitude addressed to all Parishioners who celebrated with him his Golden Jubilee of Ministerial Priesthood last weekend in our Parish.

REGIS INALA SECOND TUESDAY (OF THE MONTH) MASS occurs this Tuesday, 11th June at 11.00am @ 220 Middleborough Road, Blackburn South Victoria 3130. Parishioners are invited to join the Residents for Refreshments afterwards. All Parishioners are welcome.

A VOCATION VIEW: The disciples of Jesus made bold proclamations through the promptings of the Spirit. What is the Spirit prompting you to do? Be courageous and act on it! (Acts 2:1-11)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: "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.

PROJECT COMPASSION 2019: please be advised that Parishioners and our Parish School Community have contributed \$1648.55 this year. This relates well to the Social Justice point in our Weekly Bulletin Supplement this weekend. Also the Parish contributed \$410.75 to the Annual Archdiocesan Chaplains Appeal held in May.

OUR NEW ROSTERS will hopefully be ready to be picked up next week from the notice-table in our Church foyer.

THE 6PM CHOIR will serve again on Saturdays 15th and 29th June.

NEWSLETTER NOTICES: Please send to the following e-mail address by Wednesday 5pm – BlackburnSouth@cam.org.au

PENTECOST SUNDAY HAS ARRIVED WHICH MARKS THE END OF THE PASCHAL SEASON. *We continue this weekend to ask ourselves the question, as we have done for the Lenten and Paschal season and as a result of the Plenary Council 2020 preparatory work we did late last year. "What is God asking of us in St Luke's Parish Community at this time?" Each week, we are encouraged to listen to God speaking to us through the changing situations in which the world finds itself. Our supplement this weekend is an answer to this question. Answers that have emerged as a result of our journey together this year and what has emerged from the grass roots of our Parish Family of Families. In today's Gospel, it is "the first day of the week", the Sunday after Good Friday, the day of the Resurrection. Jesus' disciples are cowering in fear behind locked doors. Suddenly, there is Jesus among them. He gives them the usual Jewish greeting 'Shalom' - "Peace be with you" or "peace is with you". The disciples, who just now were terrified, are filled with joy. There are two qualities that always accompany the presence of Jesus in our lives - peace and joy.*

Now comes the mission: "As the Father sent me, so am I sending you." The baton is being passed. They have a job to do and it is exactly what Jesus himself came to do - to establish the Kingdom on earth.

Then he breathes on them. Breath symbolises life. In the creation story, God breathed over the waters, he breathed on the clay of the ground and formed the first human being. Today he breathes on his disciples and gives them a new life, making them a new creation, giving the life of his Spirit, saying "Receive the Holy Spirit." *Continued next page ...*

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

Saint Luke the Evangelist Catholic Parish Blackburn South *Being the Good News ...*

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Whitehorse Deanery
Eastern Region
Archdiocese of Melbourne

Rev Father Gerard Johnson
Parish Priest

Sonya O'Farrell
Part-time Parish Secretary
Wednesdays, Thursdays &
Fridays
10.00am – 2.00pm

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SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil – 6:00pm
Sunday – 8:30am & 10:30am

WEEKDAY MASS & ROSARY:

Tues. @ 11.00am;
Weds. - Sat. @ 9:00am

Rosary prayed after Weekday Mass
times as listed above. All welcome.

RECONCILIATION
Saturday 9.30am & 5.30pm

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed
for Adoration Wednesday
Start: 7:00pm | End: 8:00pm

WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS

By appointment and
six months (6) notice, please.
*(This helps with the planning of both
celebrations and Parents usually know
nine months in advance when their
baby is to be born).*

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Prayer to Saint Luke **the Evangelist**

Lord God, who chose Saint Luke to
reveal by his preaching and writings the
mystery of your love for the poor, grant
that those who already glory in your
name may persevere as one heart and
one soul and that all nations may merit
to see your salvation. Through our Lord
Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and
reigns with you in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen!

*Patron Saint of artists, physicians,
surgeons, students and butchers.*

Parish Groups & Contacts

by ... Promoting God's Hospitality

**Lectors, Welcomers Collectors
Extraordinary Ministers of the
Eucharist, & Rosters**

Margaret Gearon - 0409 807 135

Children's Liturgy Group

Nina Grieve - 9877 4023

Jess Kilroe-Smith - 0452 613 863

Stewardship Counters

Dale Dixon - 0433 885 087

Steve Kilroe-Smith - 0404 864 232

Pastoral Council &

Child Safety Officer

Darren McLean - 0417 774 504

History

Margaret Gearon - 0409 807 135

Whitehorse Deanery

Finance Committee

Steve Brennan

Parish Accountant

Hall Hire

Parish Office - 9877 2292

Care Group & Gardens

Judy Noy - 9894 1506

Church Sacristan

Greg Grant 0401 644 474

Church Linen

Toni Plevier

Church Cleaning & Flowers

Megan McLean 0419 347 693

Parish Garden Maintenance

TBA

Holy Communion

to the housebound

Emmaus College

Education Board Parish Reps

Maureen Mac Mahon &

Bernard O'Malley

Parish & School Choirs

Maria Pinto, Lina Mafi

0411 136 043

Marg Yore & Kat Bergin

9877 4023

Parish and School

Fete Committee

T.B.A. - 9877 4023

Parish School Advisory Board

Ed Weekes - 9877 4023

Parish School

Parents' Association

Ed Weekes - 9877 4023

St Vincent de Paul Conference

For Assistance: 1800 305 330

(Monday to Friday 10am-3pm)

Parish Contact: Margaret Gearon

RECRUITMENT NOTICE:

These Parish Groups welcome new members who choose to participate in the life of the Parish in these ways - would you like to make contact with one or more of them?

PARISH MINISTRY ROSTER

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

SATURDAY

6:00 PM

SUNDAY

8:30 AM

10:30 AM

8 AND 9 JUNE 2019

Shirley Prabha

Melina Barcellona

Sonya O'Farrell

15 AND 16 JUNE 2019

Olive Hammill

Megan McLean

Jenny Dixon

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

SATURDAY

6:00 PM

SUNDAY

8:30 AM

10:30 AM

8 AND 9 JUNE 2019

Bernie Brennan

Godfrey Thong

Genevieve Hemsley

15 AND 16 JUNE 2019

Shirley Prabha

Rosemary Donaldson

Marg Yore

WELCOMER'S ROSTER

SATURDAY

6:00 PM

SUNDAY

8:30 AM

10:30 AM

8 AND 9 JUNE 2019

Rita Gibb

Don McKenzie

Dixon Family

15 AND 16 JUNE 2019

Greg Grant

Rita Gibb

Mary Taranto

SLIDE OPERATORS

SATURDAY

6:00 PM

SUNDAY

8:30 AM

10:30 AM

8 AND 9 JUNE 2019

David Prabha

Megan & Darren McLean

Manny Gonzalez

15 AND 16 JUNE 2019

Choir

Anthony Fernandez

Manny Gonzalez

CHURCH FLOWERS

8 JUNE 2019

Kate Skowronski

15 JUNE 2019

TBA

CHURCH CLEANING

15 JUNE 2019

Team 7 (Bernard's Team)

Bernard O'Malley, Darren Owens,

Melina Barcellona & Anne Allsopp

MAINTENANCE

15 JUNE 2019

Team 3

Joe Brogno

& Tavite Mafi

Today's Second Reading speaks of the effect of the Spirit on the Christian community. The Church reflects unity and diversity. We are not called to uniformity. We are not clones of Christ or each other. So, on one hand, we are called to be deeply united in our faith in Christ and in our love for each other. At the same time, each one of us has a unique gift. It is through this gift or gifts that we serve and build up the community. They are not just for ourselves, or for our families and friends. "To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." Each member is to be aware of his or her particular gift. This gift indicates the role the member has to play in building up the whole community.

Today let us ask God to send his Spirit into our hearts. Filled with that Spirit, may we each individually make our contribution to the community to which we belong. And, as a community, may we give clear and unmistakable witness to the Truth and Love of God, revealed to us in Jesus our Lord.

OUR PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEW SENSORY GARDEN: Parishioners will be pleased to know that our School's Parent's Association has been fund-raising these past couple of years and negotiating the installation of a new Sensory Garden in our School. The Proposed Plan is on our Church noticeboard in our foyer and if you have any inquiries please contact Paul Sell or Belinda Rose through our Parish School.

MINI VINNIES has arrived in our Parish Primary School. With the enthusiastic support of Nina Grieve, Acting Religious Education Leader and Margaret Gearon, President of our Local Conference, Parishioners will be delighted to know that we inaugurated 'Mini Vinnies' with 25 current Students from our Parish Primary School last Friday morning at our weekday morning Mass. It has been a long-term goal of our Local Conference to establish a Mini Vinnies in our Parish Primary School and now it has begun.

MEMORIAL WALL PLAQUES ON OUR PARISH MEMORIAL WALL, IN OUR PARISH MEMORIAL GARDEN: Any Parishioner and/or Parish Family wanting to remember a Loved One(s) in this way is invited to make contact with Sonya in our Parish Office **asap**. An order is about to be placed for plaques already requested and then they will all be ready for installation before November this year, the month we traditionally remember those who have died.

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/>

SAFETY STATEMENT: We are committed to a safe and nurturing culture for all children and vulnerable adults in our Church. Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish Blackburn South holds the care, safety, wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults as central and fundamental responsibilities of the Church. This commitment is drawn from and inherent to the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and the sanctity of each human person at the heart of the Gospel. <http://pol.org.au/blackburnsouth/Policies.aspx>



We are filled with
the Holy spirit

Pentecost Sunday, Year C

Some prayers to complete and pray.



The Spirit Brings

LOVE

I can show love by _____

_____ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.



The Spirit Brings

PEACE

I can be a peacemaker by _____

_____ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.



The Spirit Brings

JOY

I can show joy by _____

_____ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.

Who is someone you know that is filled
with God's Spirit? Draw a picture of them
underneath the flame of the Holy Spirit.



Use the code
to work out what
Jesus said to
his disciples.



SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH COMMUNITY

WHAT ELSE CAN WE DO? & WHAT CAN WE DO BETTER?

(NO ORDER OF IMPORTANCE: 27 May 2019)

PENTECOST SUNDAY 2019

Youth

- Youth ministries; Program for Youth; Charismatic or Bible study for youth targeting those who do not attend catholic school; activities and get-togethers for the Parish Youth especially those who do not go to St Luke's School or a Catholic School; and bring more young people in were suggested.

(5 Responses)

Inclusion

- Great Parish!! Suggestions were made to include all within our community by taking out a second last pew, so people with walkers, wheelchairs, prams, could sit without feeling like they were in the way; organise a group to help bring elderly people to the Mass on weekdays & Sundays; making people feel more included

(4 Responses)

Prayer Life/Spirituality

- Find ways to pray together better and recite the Rosary as was requested by Mary or Mother;

(2 Responses)

Involvement

- **(4 Respondee)s** were being led to take a more active part in Parish Life, better serve the Lord & try to attend weekday Mass more often

Social Justice

- **(2 Respondee)s** suggested we reach out and help the needy and give alms;

Ecumenical

- To be more accepting of other believers, engage more with other Christian Churches thus becoming a stronger more inclusive community and getting together and sharing perhaps visiting @ communion or organising a joint event with the Anglican Church

(4 Responses)

Communication

- It was suggested our Parish Priest announce events in the Bulletin, rather than expect Parishioners to read them and announce when a member of our Parish has passed away & funeral details so we can pray for them

(2 Responses)

Liturgy

• Music

- Whilst a parishioner commented that our Parish Priest's singing in Mass is inspirational, suggestions were made:

for more modern songs (some more bops!), more diversity – instruments, singers etc., have a CD player or computer with some new Church music for when we have no organist and Support our choir/singers and have a recruitment drive for additional singers & musicians

(6 Responses)

- that the main parts of the Mass especially the Gloria & Creed be included on the overhead to assist when non-Catholics & grandchildren come, assist older people who don't know words and help our ethnic adults. It was felt this would aid greater participation

(5 Responses)

• Other Suggestions

- Communion under both kinds every Sunday
- We will have a louder better response if after announcing:- Communion Antiphon there is a 2 second pause [so we can pick up pages to read together]
- Encourage more young people to read & be Ministers of the Eucharist;
- We can do better to train the Altar Servers to be more reverent and know what they have to do
- Bring back the incense at Easter Masses
- Maybe Mass of Healing once or twice a year
- Shorter Good Friday service to cater for older Parishioners
- Would like if the Sermons were not 'read out' from script. Have some more direct engagement with the congregation. Thank you

Parish Community

- More parish get-togethers, social gatherings, e.g. church picnic or similar community social event, perhaps every quarter, to bring people together was suggested.

(6 Responses)

- A large number were keen to have a form of fellowship over a coffee, and perhaps snack, after mass, some suggesting once a month, to enable parishioners to get to know one another better

(9 Responses)

Parish/School Community

- Finding creative ways to develop stronger links between the parish and school community and to involve our school community in parish life was a common theme. Some suggestions were to have each class have a turn at leading the Mass, ask the school for volunteers for church duties and parishioners to help with school duties thus helping people to feel part of one community, organise an event/stall to run at the school to raise money for the church or charity thus getting the school more involved.

(7 Responses)

- Finding creative ways to encourage more families, particularly school families to join the parish family celebrating the Eucharist was emphasized in responses; one respondent suggesting making it obligatory for school families to come to Church, whilst another encouraged joint celebration of special events such as Father's Day, Holy Saints, All Souls and each class having a turn at leading the Mass

(8 Responses)

Outreach

- We need to work together with our Community, particularly the older generation & disabled to see how we can help them in everyday life and to reach out to former parishioners and those in the local community especially cultural groups.

One parishioner offered to assist the elderly with labour.

(5 Responses)

- Find ways to spread the Word of God to those outside our parish community as it was believed there was too much preaching to the converted; more publicly proclaim the Word of God and spread joy, peace and love to our neighbor and have more people believe in God

(7 Responses)

Sacramental

- A parishioners wondered if numbers celebrating this Sacrament were down and if so, why, suggesting a survey to ascertain reasons and wondering if this Sacrament needs to be promoted more. Another suggested reconciliation in a group format would be better as parishioners may attend more often and another suggested reconsider celebrating communal Second Rite for First Reconciliation – small groups with parent involvement in prayers as it has worked well in the past.

- One suggestion - that we receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion

(4 Responses)

Parish Planning

Vision

- Assist us to be more accepting to the changes that the Church needs to make to survive and share our vision of what the Parish life would look like moving forward. Have a half yearly gathering of parishioners to discuss and decide on topics of the 'here and now'. We are split into many small groups and we need to integrate more and also network within our community, e.g. the elderly in the parish; prayer group, Christian meditation group

(5 Responses)

Plant

- Work on projects together to beautify the Church (inside); A new beautiful garden with many trees behind and along the side of the Church;

(2 Responses)

- **Financial**

- Make better use of the Hall to generate more revenue – turn it into a real business and Create more fund-raisers to support our Parish

(2 Responses)

Faith Development

- Consider/research involving ourselves in some adult education; E.g. learn more about the gospel; a short evening/daytime course on the current year's Gospel, half a day of reflection on a part of Luke's gospel or Acts of the Apostles; perhaps a retreat or day of reflection each year – research what we are looking for in this area; adult education in Theology & Scripture, e.g.: During Lent, A Theology study group?
- Discover ways to assist people to become a better Christian bring people to a better understanding of Jesus and to overcome sin.

(8 Responses)

Be Christ To One Another

- Learn to be kinder and better control my temper and more tolerant of others, less judgmental, accepting them as they are, embracing each other's uniqueness and be understanding and show more empathy towards their struggles, Love God; Love our neighbor; Love one another as you would like to be loved and show love and compassion to others. Lord help us to set an example that will lead others to find Jesus; be a better Christian help more people; be kind to our Children; look after them; make sure the children at St Luke's treat each other fairly, kindly & with respect at all times – particularly at school

(14 Responses)

Further issues for consideration:

For many Families the school (St Luke's) is the 'Church' as they do not regularly attend Mass. How do we see/promote this as a valid/vital connection? These Children are the future face of the Church. How do we 'rethink' Catholic Identity? These Children are 'living' an invaluable experience and are immersed in Catholic Culture. How do we merge the 'Church (Mass) & School to create a realistic vision. (I don't think we will get families as regular Mass goers). How do we use the excellent work of school & new understandings/changing world to re-create what it means to be a practicing catholic? How do we promote children attending Catholic Primary not State Primary? How do we change entry into Catholic Secondary on Catholic School NOT Parish? Many Children attend State Schools – with little or no connection to Church & still have easy access to Catholic Secondary. Thus impacting Catholic Primary enrolments & Catholic Secondary 'Catholic Culture'. What does this mean for the future of Catholic Schools (particularly in the) East?

