

Sunday 23rd May 2021

Mass Times: Monday - Friday 9.30am, Saturday: 9:30am, 5:30pm Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am

Baptisms & other sacraments: please call the office to organise.



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Year B

PENTECOST - Year B



Pentecost brings the Easter season to a close, celebrating the fullness of the Spirit and the great gathering of nations. The plan of salvation has been brought to its conclusion. The Risen Lord is exalted in his rightful place next to God and has sent his own Spirit to fill the earth with God's power. The world is charged with divine energy; it needs but a spark to ignite it with life and excitement.

If this has all really happened, why does our world look the same? Why is there so much religious and ethnic rivalry? Why do we continue to make distinctions between Jew and Gentile, slave and free, woman and man, distinctions that favour one at the expense of the other? Why is there so little peace, or comfort, or solace? Why do we refuse to forgive or to be reconciled? Is Pentecost merely a feast that we celebrate in red vestments? Has the face of the earth really been renewed?

The answer is yes! Resoundingly, yes! The Spirit has been poured forth and works wonders wherever human hearts are open to its prompting. The earth is renewed each time rivalries are resolved, distinctions are recognised as merely expressions of diversity, peace is restored, comfort and solace are offered, and forgiveness is granted. We are immersed in the vigour of the Spirit of God; all we have to do is open ourselves to it and the reign of God will be born in our midst.

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IN PRAYER**

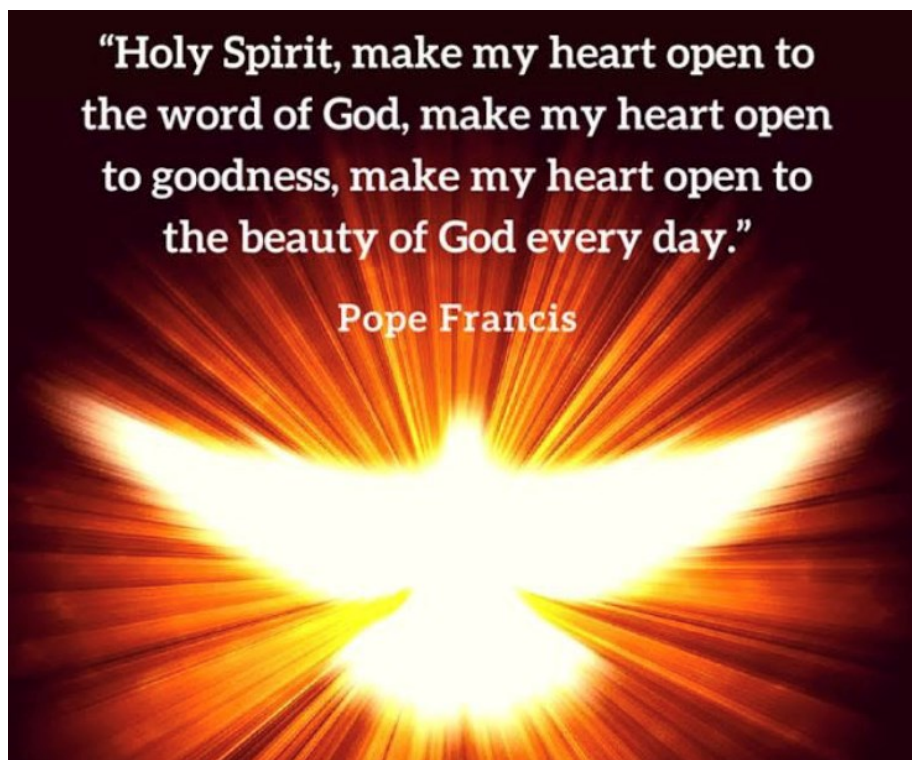


Sick

Lois White

Anniversaries

*Anne Sinclair,
Matthew Villani,
Em Underwood,
Elma Church,
Giuseppina Caia,
Adriene O'Meara,
Valerie Tammesild,
Don Yates*



**Our Lady Help of Christians
Patron of Australia**

MAY: Month of Mary

23rd *Servant of God Girolamo Savonarola*

24th *Our Lady, Help of Christians, St Amelia*

25th *St Gregory, St Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, St Bede the Venerable*

26th *St Philip Neri*

27th *St Augustine of Canterbury*

28th *St Germanus of Paris*

29th *St Sisinnius, Alexander & Martyrius*

30th *St Joan of Arc*



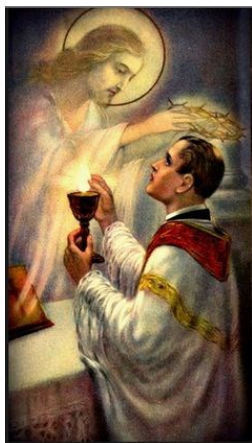
The infant Church in Australia had a special reason for turning to Mary. In those early and mostly priestless days, it was largely the Rosary that kept the faith alive. Catholic Australia remained faithful to Mary, and was the first nation to choose her, under the title of Help of Christians, as Principal Patron.

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| 30th May Trinity Sunday -Year B | Saturday 5.30pm | Sunday 9.00am | Sunday 11.00am |
| Lectors | John Reddie | Leo Cuerden | Richard Wakeham |
| Special Ministers | Clare Sabatino | Mary Callea | Teresa Myer |
| Data Projector | Carmel Cristiano | Leo Cuerden | Teresa Myer |

The community of St Finbar's invites everyone to the celebration of the 45th Anniversary of Priesthood Ordination of

Fr Ian W Ranson



All welcome for tea, coffee and nibbles in the Marion Room. Helpers welcome.

Saturday, 29th May, after 5.30pm mass

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Sunday, 30th May, after 11.00am mass

Can a Scientist Believe in God?

Many people say (or fear?) that God and science don't mix. "I believe in science ..." is often a reason people give for not taking Christianity seriously. This session is an introduction to the 'conflict myth' and will offer some clues about how to understand the science and faith relationship as a harmonious one.

Bookings close: Friday 28th May at 12.00pm

Monday, May 31, 2021, 7:00pm – 8:30pm

Cost: \$20 per session

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PLEASE ADHERE TO THE 1.5M PHYSICAL DISTANCING RULE AT ALL TIMES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS.

SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND ALL VULNERABLE PEOPLE

St Finbar's Parish hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility for our community.