

# ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PARISH

# 52 Yarra Street HEIDELBERG



We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands, the Wurundjeri-Balluk clan of the Woi wurrung people in the Kulin Nation.

Central to the mission of St John's Parish is an unequivocal commitment to fostering the dignity and integrity of children and young people and providing them with a safe and supportive environment in which to flourish.

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## MASS TIMES:

Tues to Sat: 9:15am & Sat Vigil 6pm, Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am &

5pm

## RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Sat 9:45-10:30am & 5:30-6pm

WEDDING, BAPTISM, FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION:

Parish Secretary (9457 1066)

**LEGION OF MARY:** Meet every Wednesdays at 10.30am at parish house in Xavier Room. All Welcome. Fatima Statue Enquires, Contact Sue 0449260206

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## 4TH/5TH JUNE 2022, PENTECOST SUNDAY, YEAR C

## **PARISH PRAYER**

Heavenly Father, we the parishioners of St John's are grateful for all we have received from the men, women and children of our past. Help us to cherish and maintain our parish heritage. Most off all, enable us to be people who welcome the stranger, the needy, the sick and the lonely. Like St John, our patron saint, may we be people who love others, as your Son Jesus, asked us to do. We make this prayer, through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## THE CHURCH EMPOWERED WITH THE SPIRIT

Luke is the evangelist who has most memorably depicted the bestowing of the Spirit upon the Church, locating the experience on the Jewish feast of Pentecost (Acts 2:1-11). As its name in Greek indicates, this feast took place fifty days (seven weeks) after Passover. It involved a pilgrimage to Jerusalem, where Israel gathered to give thanks for the completion of the grain harvest and to celebrate the gift of the land.

The theme of gathering appears in the lists of visitors to Jerusalem from so many regions who hear the testimony of the Spirit-filled apostles each in their own language. The primary reference is to pilgrims from the Jewish diaspora, but we can find here also a foretaste of the universal mission of the Church. The renewed People of God is now being empowered and equipped for its mission to be a "light for revelation to the nations" (Luke 2:32). Overcoming the disunity of humankind symbolised by the tower of Babel (Gen 11:1-9), the Church will speak in many languages. Through each it will convey the same essential message: the outreach of God's compassionate love for the world ("the marvels of God").

In the Gospel, taken from St. John (20:19-23), the risen Lord imparts the Spirit, along with the gift of peace, to the disciples on Easter Sunday evening. He has died as the "Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the Lord" (1:29, 36; 19:36). Now it is their task to take to the world the reconciliation he has won from the Father.

Fr Brendan Byrne sj

## LIVING THE GOSPEL – COME, HOLY SPIRIT

'Come, Holy Spirit', or its Latin, *Vene 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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MORNING TEA: 5th June - Barbara.

**MORNING TEA:** in the parish hall this Sunday 5th June, following the 10.30a.m. mass. You are invited to join fellow parishioners for a cuppa and a chat.

BIGGEST MORNING TEA: What a wonderful morning we had on Tuesday with over 70 people attending the Cancer Council's Biggest Morning Tea. Those present enjoyed a delicious morning tea, musical entertainment and fun and games. After the past two years of COVID it was pleasing to experience such wonderful community spirit. The generosity shown has helped raise \$1,605 for this worthy cause. We are sure the Cancer Council will benefit from the efforts shown by you all. Thank you most sincerely.

**GEMS 50+:** The next gathering of the GEMS will be on Tuesday June 7th in the Francis Xavier Meeting Room from 10.00a.m. All welcome to join us for a games morning followed by a soup brunch.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME CONFIRMATION: Applications are now open for enrolment in Confirmation classes for students attending schools other than St John's Primary School. Our programme is for students in Year 6 or above who have been baptised and completed the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. The classes will be held between 4.00p.m. and 5.00p.m. for 6 weeks commencing Wednesday June 15th. Application forms available from heidelberg@cam.org.au Closing date for applications is Friday June 10th.

**ST JOHN'S SOCIAL NIGHT:** Tues, 7th June 2022 at St Xavier Room; everyone welcome. Join us for cards, board games, chess, a chat or for a tea/coffee. Each fortnight on Tuesdays from 7 - 8.30 pm.

MEMORIAL MASS: On Sunday 22 May, Archbishop Peter A Comensoli celebrated a Memorial Mass for all those who have died during the COVID-19 pandemic. Similar Masses were held in parishes around the Archdiocese and more than 1,100 names were inscribed in the Book of Remembrance, with more likely to be added in the coming weeks.

**POPE FRANCIS SAYS:** 'It is not enough to say we are Christians. We must live the faith, not only with our words but with our actions.'

MELBOURNE'S SYNOD REPORT: 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.

Over 500 people participated in the submissions that were made, resulting in a broad array of ideas and concerns. Throughout the discernment process, nine themes were identified to be of considerable importance for people.

- 1. The ongoing impact, learning from and response to the sexual abuse crisis.
- 2. Co-responsibility between clergy and laity
- 3. Welcoming the gifts of women in the church
- 4. Liturgy and prayers
- 5. Community beyond Liturgy
- 6. Welcoming people on the margins
- 7. Catholic education and the formation of teachers
- 8. Zeal for mission
- 9. Families at the heart of renewal

As you can see, it's a broad canvas of ideas. There are so many things people care about, and so many aspects of the Church's life that require consideration.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**RECENTLY BAPTISED:** Tilly Vallelonga, Marko Petkovic.

THE SICK: Stanislawa Dabal, Aileen Powell, Patricia Wong, Michael Kemp, Judy Catlow, Gertruda Krzysik.

ANNIVERSARY:

Please submit any items for the newsletter, including sick, recently deceased and anniversaries, by Thursday morning latest. Thank you.

**ENTRANCE: SPIRIT COME** 

Refrain:

Spirit, come, transform us. Come be our breath, be our hope. Spirit, come, transform us.

Come be our breath, be our hope.

Deep in the womb of our heart Reveal your presence, O God.

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Draw us to share others' burdens, Healing and loving with truth.

R:

COMMUNION: COME TO THE WATER

Refrain:

Come to the water! You who are thirsty! Though you have nothing, I bid you come! And be filled with the goodness I have to offer! Come! Listen! Live.

Why spend your money on what cannot fill The emptiness deep in your heart? Listen to My word and you will enjoy Goodness and peace in your heart!

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Just as the heavens are high above earth; My ways and thoughts beyond you! Call me your Father and know I am near! I will be Father to you!

Ref..

Just as the rain falls to water the earth; Just as a seed becomes bread My word upon you can never return Until My longing is filled!

Ref..

RECESSIONAL: HOLY SPIRIT, LORD OF LOVE

Holy Spirit, Lord of love, Wisdom coming from above, Gifts of blessing to bestow On your waiting Church below.

Once again in love draw near To your people gathered here; Since our great baptismal day, You have led us on our way.

## CONFITEOR

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (And, striking their breast, they say:) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; (Then they continue:) therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**GLORIA** 

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,

God, Son of the Father,

we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of

you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

(At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

## **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

## FIRST READING Acts 2:1-11

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

**RESPONSE:** Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

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.

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.

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.

## **SECOND READING** 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13

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.

## **SEQUENCE**

Holy Spirit, Lord of light, from the clear celestial height, thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come, thou Father of the poor, Come with treasures which endure; Come, thou light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best, thou the soul's delightful guest, dost refreshing peace bestow;

Thou in toil art comfort sweet; Pleasant coolness in the heat; Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine, Visit thou these hearts of thine, And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away, Nothing pure in man will stay; All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness pour thy dew; Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will; Melt the frozen, warm the chill; Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore thee confess and thee adore, With thy sevenfold gifts descend:

Give us comfort when we die; Give us life with thee on high; 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 20:19-23

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.'

## **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

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

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