



St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

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Pentecost Sunday, 19th-20th May, 2018

This Week

SUNDAY 20th May
Pentecost
 9am, 11am, 6pm Mass
 Baptism at Prep at 3.45pm

MONDAY 21st May
 9.00am Mass

TUESDAY 22nd May
 8.30am Rosary
 9am Mass

WEDNESDAY 23rd May
 6.30pm Rosary
 7.00pm Mass

THURSDAY 24th May
 9am Mass

FRIDAY 25th May
 8.30am Rosary
 9.00am Mass

SATURDAY 26th May
 10.30am Reconciliation
 6.00pm Mass

SUNDAY 27th May
 9am, 11am & 6pm Mass
 Baptism Welcome



Process Courage ...

Recently I considered buying a Bose 'sound wave' speaker system. For a small box it gave the best sound reproduction I have ever heard. In comparison to the hi-fi I presently have, its bass notes are strong and true, which gives the music a sense of presence, a foundation upon which the treble rises and falls as the music dictates. This machine allows an exceptional clarity to the sound, so that the composer's work can be properly heard.

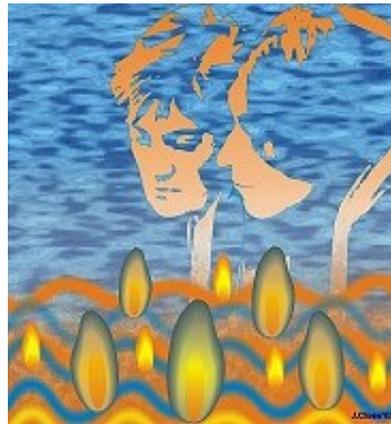
In the Acts of the Apostles today we are told that the crowd who heard the earliest disciples of Jesus understood them in his or her own language. Now that's clarity! It wasn't so much the gift of tongues the earliest disciples received as much as their hearers received the gift of ears, of listening.

When it comes to listening in the Church today, some people mistake mono for stereo, uniformity for unity. At the first Pentecost, the earliest Christians had no such difficulty; they knew that speaking the same language was not as important as was careful listening to one another.

The early Church was a very complex and diverse community. Like today they had their struggles with one another. Within a few years of the first Pentecost, there were fights between Peter and Paul over Jewish and Gentile converts. There were people who died for the faith and others who betrayed them to the authorities. Some Christians thought they were for Paul or Apollos rather than for Jesus, and still others thought the end of the world was nigh. Through it

all, however, the bass notes played: the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Second Vatican Council helped us recover the most ancient tradition in our faith, that in various, unexpected and inculturated ways the Word of God has been present in all peoples, in every culture. We now hold that whenever the Gospel has been proclaimed in a new land, it compliments the best in that culture as well as correcting aspects of any culture which oppress, demean and diminish the women and men within it.



In this process, what is born between Christ and an individual culture is an inculturated faith, which takes as seriously as the early Church did the context in which our faith is proclaimed and lived.

Pentecost faith holds that while we build our faith on that of all the believers who have gone before us, we have

the responsibility to listen to our contemporary culture and put it into conversation with the Gospel. That's why courage is one of the Holy Spirit's pre-eminent gifts. We are not allowed to retreat from the world but are sent out to enter into conversation with it, and hear in this dialogue the symphony God is composing here and now between the treble of our daily life over the continuing bass line of Christ's life, death and resurrection.

Let's pray that this Pentecost Eucharist hones our ears as well as prepares our tongues to clearly receive and proclaim the Gospel of Christ in the market places of our own day and age

by Richard Leonard SJ

Parish Calendar, News & Events

DIARY

- 21 May:** JPIC Meeting 7.30pm
22 May: **Second Family Night for FIRST COMMUNION**
23 May: Come Away Day at Holy Cross
25th May: Sewing group meeting from 10.30am
29th May: Registration for **CONFIRMATION**
31st May: Workshop day for First Communion Candidates
2/3 Jun: First Communion Masses
9/10 Jun First Communion Masses
16 June: Workshop on Climate Change 9.30am

FIRST COMMUNION—Second Family Night

if your children is in the First Communion program for this year, please remember the Second Family Night is on **TUESDAY 22nd May at 7pm** in the church. Candidates and one or both parents must attend this night.

Following this Family Night, all candidates must attend the **WORKSHOP DAY**, on **THURSDAY, 31st May** in the church.

CONFIRMATION

Registration for Confirmation is on TUESDAY 29th May at 7pm in the church. Please ensure to come to this session if you wish your child to take part in this year's Sacrament of Confirmation. Some extra conditions apply to those who attend non catholic schools.

THE PARISH ANNEXE:

The blessing and dedication of the 'Tim O'Toole Annexe' is on this **SUNDAY, 20th May 2018, after the 11am Mass**. Please bring a plate of finger food to share in our newly dedicated annexe. Tea & Coffee provided

CHOIR—Our Sunday 9am Mass' choir wish to invite some New Members. No experience required, only the will to learn is needed. Please approach the group after the 9am Mass and get more details from them, as well as giving your details to the group so that they can contact you. Practice is Thursday at 5pm in the church.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND LECTORS:

Ministry is a way in which we become participants in liturgy and is open to all baptised Catholics. We have a very faithful band of people at all our Masses but the ministry of reading and Eucharistic ministry is often left to the same people. It would be great to have some more people come forward for the ministry of Eucharistic Ministry and Lectors. We are particularly needing help for Sunday 6pm. If you attend this Mass on a regular basis please consider how you can become more involved. There are also other ministries such as welcoming at the doors or presenting the gifts at the altar. All the gifts are needed. Sr Brigid would love to hear from you at the Parish Office.

CLIMATE CHANGE: The JPIC group following on from our workshops on Laudato Si in 2016-17 will be offering an-

other opportunity to look at an issue of concern in the light of Laudato Si. Sister Anne Boyd will help us to engage with this complex issue on **Saturday June 16th 9.30am to 1.30pm**. Sr Anne is very experienced in this area of knowledge. Please save the date now. All the workshops stand alone so even if you have not attended previously you are very welcome to come along. Please tell your friends in other parishes about this too.

ASYLUM SEEKER RESOURCE CENTRE

The resource run a food bank to support families in need. Last year as a Parish JPIC group, we invited our parish to support us in helping to supply eggs to the food bank, so that people can have some protein in their diets. To this end we invite you to contribute to the collection which we have every three months. Our next collection will be on May 26/ 27th May at the end of each of the Masses.

Children of our Parish Community:

This weekend, when we are thinking about gifts of the Holy Spirit, we give thanks for the gift of the children and young people in our Parish Family. We are especially grateful for unique individuals our children are called to be and we ask God to bless them as they grow and become the best they can be and may they always know they are loved and cherished.

Your children are not your children.

They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for itself.

They come through you but not from you,
And though they are with you yet they belong not to you.
You may give them your love but not your thoughts,
For they have their own thoughts.

You may house their bodies but not their souls,
For their souls dwell in the house of tomorrow,
which you cannot visit, not even in your dreams.
You may strive to be like them,
but seek not to make them like you.

For life goes not backward nor tarries with yesterday.
You are the bows from which your children
as living arrows are sent forth.

The archer sees the mark upon the path of the infinite,
and He bends you with His might
that His arrows may go swift and far.

Let your bending in the archer's hand be for gladness;
For even as He loves the arrow that flies,
so He loves also the bow that is stable.

(Kahlil Gibran)

Australian Catholic 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

Parish Annual Statement

Please find below a summary of our Parish Annual Financial Statement:

Department	Year End 31.12.16	Year End 31.12.17
<i>Cash Flow in</i>		
Liturgy & Faith Development	\$ 10,916	\$ 14,430
Parish Contribution from School families	\$ 52,513	\$ 6,145
Fundraising & Thanksgiving	\$311,168	\$309,240
Bank Interest	\$ 6,485	\$ 5,205
Annexe Rent	\$ 3,555	\$ 4,145
New Loan	\$ 95,000	
Investments redeemed	\$ 26,692	\$ 28,357
Grant Received	\$ 4,196	
Total	\$510,525	\$367,522
<i>Cash Flow out</i>		
Liturgy & Faith Development	\$107,601	\$114,259
Property Expenses	\$108,036	\$121,006
Fundraising & Thanksgiving	\$ 23,981	\$ 6,118
Administration	\$ 85,862	\$ 91,698
Annexe Refurbishment, chairs etc	\$195,105	\$ 52,091
Total	\$520,585	\$385,172
Net Outflow	\$ 10,060	\$ 17,650

Fr Kevin's corner

The Spirit is everywhere. Have you noticed? Our human story opens in the Book of Genesis with the message that "God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life (spirit), and so we became a living being." Take that spirit away and we are dead. The pneumatic (another word for spirit) tyre fills the tube with air – or spirit. This means it can roll over many surfaces, give us a smooth ride and take us so much further than our legs could carry us. A person collapses and a kind person standing by administers mouth to mouth resuscitation. They blow the breath of life (spirit) into oxygen-starved lungs. On Easter night as Jesus came to the terrified disciples, he calmed them and gave them the gift of peace. Then he breathed his own breath on them and said: "receive the Holy Spirit."

So the Spirit is life-giving, it is life-bringing. **Breath, wind, spirit, life-force** - without it we are dead. The Spirit is everywhere! Today we celebrate the Feast of the Spirit of God poured into the world. So Pentecost breathes life into our many kinds of death. Just as the breath of God blown into our nostrils signals the birth of life; so the outpouring of the Spirit of God, the Spirit that Jesus has been promising, brings the church to birth. The feast of Pentecost is the feast of new beginnings.

The change in the disciples at Pentecost – changed from people filled with fear into people who take to the streets to speak the truth of His resurrection - is Spirit driven. *The Spirit is, first of all, the Spirit of Love.* On that first Pentecost day the miracle of love happened. Everyone understood the message of hope and life in her or his mother tongue. For Love speaks all languages.

As we think of our call to be witnesses to Christ's risen love in our world, St Paul reminds us that we are united to Christ as close as any part of our bodies is joined to the source of life – our heart and our breath, our spirit. **"There is a variety of gifts, but always the same Spirit. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose."**

Today we dedicate our Annexe to the memory of Fr. Tim O'Toole and his spirit. He left us good memories and an inspiration to bring peace and a smile to people's lives.

We have everything we need to be good missionaries of Love. Today, as we celebrate, let us each commit ourselves to work to build up the Body of Christ here in Endeavour Hills. The same Spirit that breathed through Jesus, breathes now in us. Happy Pentecost!

Kevin Daniel cp.

Sunday Readings

THIS WEEK:

Pentecost Sunday Year B
Acts 2: 1-11;
Gal 5: 16-25
Jn 20: 19-23

NEXT WEEK

TRINITY Sunday Year B
Deut 4: 32-34, 39-40;
Rom 8: 14-17
Mt 28: 16-20

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This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick

Robyn Arentz, Errie Gunawan, Pedro Llerena, Marcello, Annie Owen, Jeffrey Hall, Donald MacLeod, Elizabeth O'Toole, Brenda Solari, Anjana, Maud Quirin, Giorgia Vella, Sienna Hyland, Ponciano Cabrera, Devika, Jayanthi, Clifford Lemillour; Li Tsu Lay, Emma Segovia, Lambert D'Silva, Marie Martin, Emily Martin, Pat Garard, All who need our prayers

For those who have died

Antonino Bartuccelli, Gabriel Andreas BL Maclou, Cyril Khedoo, Marie Elizabeth Joceline Rosette, Clara Eunice Kelaart, Lucas Fraga, Phylis Wickramaratne, Johnny Alves, Gary Allen Pryce, Consejo Godilano, Francis Quang Nguyen, Elizabeth Burns, Leeann Wright, Maria Vi Thi Vu, Mavis Gibbs, Dawn Nadarajah, Pauline Cahill, Joseph Borg, Christopher Croos Lambert, John Marian, Rudolf Pahor, Pierre Ramalinga, Kayl McLachlan, John Marian, Margaret Ellen Strachan, Tyronne Cooke, Richard Quinless, Sofia Godilano, Angela Arena, Milton Collins, Mara Ujka, Nikolla Behari, Frank Meyers, Gloria McPhail, Winston Orton, Suzanne Finette Michel, Trinidad Bonaobra, Cybille Dromart, Edmund Garbacz

May they rest in peace




St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

Priests:

Fr Kevin Dance CP (PP)
Fr Pastor Mumburi CP

Pastoral Associates:

Sr Joan Smith CP
Sr Brigid Murphy CP

Parish Staff:

Bursar: Gillian Velupillay
Secretary: Didi Karkas

Passionist Community

Fr Brian Gleeson CP (*leader*)
Fr Kevin Dance CP
Fr Chris Mithen CP
Fr Pastor Mumburi CP

Sisters of Cross and Passion

Sr Brigid Murphy CP
Sr Joan Smith CP
Sr. Karen Englebretsen CP

St Paul Apostle
North Primary
School - 9700 6068
Mrs Mary Lucas

St Paul Apostle
South Primary
School - 9700 3663
Principal
Mr. Paul Gleeson

St John's Regional
College - 9791 3366
Principal
Mr Tim Hogan



Roster for next weekend 19-20 May (3rd Sunday of the month)				
	6pm	9am	11am	6pm
Welcome	Lien Phan, Carlos & Sylvia Fernandes	David & Sandra McGuire, Carolyn Tinney	Marie Allas Jean Jansz	Volunteers
Sacristan	Peter Miller	Sandra & David McGuire	Volunteers	Mignonne Meerwald
Readers & Commtrs	Jessica Satya Graha Karen Rolfe Liseby Lapierre	Bernie O' Hara (Comm only) Rosa Mitchell	Maximus Anthony, Dianne Allegany Jerry Sementhy	William Roncon
Gifts	Gertrude Akom Emmanuel Jeganathan	Lionel & Dharshi Alwis Sabina Chitaranjan	Marie Nelson Hanan Matty	
Communion	Paul Negri Michelle Boissezon, Lionel & Riona Alvey Naisha Pande Nina Pande, Mark Rolfe	Paul Smith Danny O'Hara, Mary Moore, Peter van Helmond Ernie & Wilma San Giorgio Mark Harper	Glen Johnson Damian Kearney Christine Gaiardo Shaniah Pereira Sharon Normington Melissa Krajacic	Mignonne Meerwald Eugene Rebeiro Swineetha Disanayake Margaret Keating Daniel Masset Dominique Maclou
Servers	Andrew, Christopher Ananya, Avinda	Mark Harper, Joyen, Luke	Calvin, Cassandra, Joaquin, Kiara	Lakni Adrian, Schron
Roster for next weekend 26-27 May (4th Sunday of the month)				
	6pm	9am	11am	6pm
Welcome	Carmeline Don Paul Denise Richie, Trevor Saldanha	Anne Peters, Danny & Danny & Rose Sugunasekera	Anabela Costa Yvonne Sherwin	Julian Disanayake with volunteers
Sacristan	Lien Phan	Ernie San Giorgio	Yvonne Sherwin	Volunteers
Readers & Commtrs	Mark Rolfe Liz Flood Nick Dimitrakas	Milroy Martyn, Patricia Shaw-Dennis	Florence Madeira Anne Astin	Marg Keating Max Quirin
Gifts	Christina Cachia Inez Caruana	Glenn & Romaine Todd, Sharni Denham	Dilinger Family	
Communion	Steven Herbert Bridgette Herbert, Lien Phan Dominica Arena, Karen Rolfe,	Fred Hall Marina Nadarajah Anne Peters Elaine Gillett Glenn Todd Ayomi Fernandez	Yvonne Sherwin Christine White Geraldine Mutthumani, Ging Calixto, George Jorner, Shaniah Pereira Maretta Dunlop	Aidan Del Socorro Roland Mathias Nona Sangalang Gabby Catania Jenny Catania Brendan Keating Volunteer
Servers	Jocelyn, Christopher, Avinda, Joshua	Tara, Joyen	Calvin, Cassandra, Joaquin, Kiara	Lakni Adrian
Cuppa	Sandra Stone, Pat & Jean Sequeira	Marina Nadarajah Rita Constanzo Ralph & Felicia Martyn	Elliette & Jean Maclou Norina Savio	
Flowers	Church Prep	Communion to the sick (after 9am Mass)	View Hills: Friday, 25th May Mass at Reema Blvd Wing Marie Nelson	
Ampy	Team 2 S. Stone	Sig Romano		



Sacraments:

Baptism are held on the **1st & 2nd Sundays** of the month. Preparation is on the 3rd Sunday of the month. **Parish Office**

Marriages require 6 months notice to one of the priests, participation in a FOCCUS marriage preparation program, or a CatholicCARE Course.

Anointing of the Sick is held during Mass on the 1st Friday of the Month at 9am. Before going to hospital for major surgery, why not ask one of the priests to pray with you and anoint you.

Children's Sacraments require full participation in the preparation phase.

Registration forms in the Parish Centre