

Holy Family Como Bulletin



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Weekday Masses: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9am, Friday 7pm,

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Pentecost Sunday - Year B

Sunday 23 May 2021

... they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.

Acts 2: 1-11

[Jesus] breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." John 20: 19-23

God in a lightning strike.....

In his memoir **Love Is the Way**, Bishop Michael Curry, writes of his ministry as rector of Saint James Church in Baltimore in the 1990s.



On a June night in 1993, lightning struck the church, setting off a fire that destroyed the landmark building. It was the time when many other churches and residents left "the city" - "the city" meaning every intractable problem in America. A reporter came up to Father Curry: "You're going to get insurance money undoubtedly. Will the church consider leaving the city?" As the reporter asked his question, Father Curry noticed a neighbourhood kid named Robbie looking straight at him. Robbie was listening for the rector's answer.

"The city was where crime was skyrocketing. Where drugs were festering. Where schools were struggling," Curry writes. "Leave the city and you could leave all those problems behind.. [but] if the church left the city, we'd be leaving [Robbie] behind. Worse, we'd be taking hope with us. Standing there in the light of that fire, I knew there was no choice. **The church is the only society that exists primarily for those who are not its members.** We are part of something much greater than ourselves, and we wouldn't and couldn't leave anyone behind. The problems here were our problems and we would not look away."

The rebuilding took two years, the best years of his time at Saint James, Curry remembers. The congregation worshiped in the parish hall. "Just four walls, the prayer books and us," Curry recalls. "All our work in the past years had been to strip the church back to its essence, and in some strange way, the fire had finished that work. Maybe it was an act of God. We no longer needed the dramatic lighting. The room was lit up because we were connected to the primal source, to the God the Bible says is love. Everyone could feel it, and everyone was in awe . . .

"The lightning strike had been an act of nature. The community that was emerging was an act of God, creating in our midst, if just for a while, something resembling the beloved community intended by God for the whole human family and all of creation."



It's not the four walls and beautiful artwork that make a church a church, it's the spirit of God's love that forms those souls gathered there into a community of faith, a congregation of disparate souls who are able to see beyond their individual selves to create a community of peace & compassion that includes the vulnerable and powerless like Robbie. It's that Spirit of God we celebrate today: the Spirit, the "ruah" or breath of God that "ignites" the ministry of Peter and company in Jerusalem and enables a church to find its way even after devastating tragedies.

That same Spirit continues to "blow" through today's Church – our church – to give life and direction to our mission and ministry to preach the Gospel to all and for all, to proclaim forgiveness and reconciliation in God's name, to immerse all of humanity into the life and love of God manifested in Jesus' resurrection.

COVID PRAYER

Lord Jesus when you walked with us on earth you spread your healing power. We entrust to you the families and communities affected by Coronavirus, wherever they may be. We pray especially for health care workers, that you may guide and protect them. We pray that your spirit might inspire those researching new medicines and treatments. Grant us the courage not to rush back to our old ways, but to rebuild our world together, creating foundations of justice, with equality and peace for all. And in the midst of this, keep us strong in faith, hope and love. We lift our prayer to you Lord, and trust in your infinite mercy, as we wait for the daybreak. Amen

HOLY FAMILY DIARY 24 – 30 May 2021

Monday 24 May

- No Mass

Tuesday 25 May

- 8.45am Rosary
- 9.00am **Communion Service Only**
- 7.00pm Finance Comm Meeting

Wednesday 26 May

- 8.45am Rosary
- 9.00am Mass
- 9.30am Craft Group - MtgRm1

Thursday 27 May

- 8.45am Rosary
- 9.00am **Communion Service Only**
- 9.30am-12.00pm Adoration

Friday 28 May

- 7.00pm **Communion Service Only**

Saturday 29 May

- 6.00pm Mass

Sunday 30 May The Most Holy Trinity

- 8.30am Mass
- 10.00am Mass

Pope Francis suggests people have moral obligation to take coronavirus vaccine

COVID-19 vaccination: Having doubts about whether or not to have the vaccine? The Church is strongly in favour of Catholics worldwide having the vaccine to help end the death and misery of the pandemic and for the greater good. For more information, go to: <https://www.ncronline.org/news/vatican/pope-francis-suggests-people-have-moral-obligation-take-coronavirus-vaccine>

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES MAY 2021

Congratulations to those who celebrate their anniversaries this month.
John & Jan **Spencer**,
Ian & Robyn **Sydney-Smith**,
Monica & Gerald **Molt**,
Richard & Judy **Priestley**,
Rosemary & Bruno **Celedin**,
Mary-Jo & Phil **Sieber**,
Jonathan & Colette **Shack**,
Armando & Mariola **Da Rocha**,
Xianjin **Chen** & Fang **Lin**,
George & Irene **Tan**,
John & Elaine **Loughnan**,
Phillip & Josephine **Ong**
Sandy & Shay **Noronha**
God Bless you on your special day

The Parish Fundraising Committee would like to thank everyone who participated and contributed to the Mother's Day Sale. We can announce that **\$3,000** was raised.

Guess the number of M&Ms in the jar has been won with a winning guess of 1030. Congrats to the very happy winner.

NEXT PARISH MORNING TEA will be on June 13th. Register to help out on the sheet in the foyer, thank you.

Discovering the Secrets and Gifts of our Senses

Next in the series of sessions we explore our Senses, how we use these gifts for our own well-being and the well-being of others through quiet reflection, conversation and creativity, at Nano Nagle Centre in Claremont.

The Gift of the Sense of Sight

Exploring the eye of the beholder. Visiting the colours and textures, which enhance life's journey as we recognise the wonder of God within us and the giftedness of others in our lives.

Thursday 17th June 2021

For further details please see Flyer on Parish Notice Board. Facilitators: Catherine Warner PBMV Megan Phillips & Geraldine Taylor
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Parish Mission, Vision & Goals

We will be reviewing these as part of our plan for the future, & we would love to have your input. Watch this space!

**WATCH
THIS!
SPACE!**

SITTING ON THE STEPS INSIDE THE CHURCH

The Environmental Health Officer from the City of South Perth recently visited & advised that people sitting on the steps at the back of the church is a hazard. This is partly due to the potential for tripping, and it would block leaving the Church in the event of a fire or emergency. Please sit on a pew rather than on the steps. Thank you.

CARPARK TREES

Unfortunately, some of the tree roots in the carpark are lifting the bitumen, meaning that the trees will have to be removed. Thank you for your understanding.

MASS OFFERING (at all Masses)
Luisa Serfaffini

RECENTLY DEPARTED

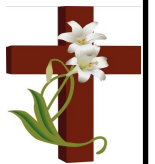
Jill McGimpsey-Evans

POWER OF PRAYER

Jeremy & Stephanie, Brian Jarvis, Sue, Adele, Barbara Todd, Rose, Adelene, Maureen, David, Fitzgerald Family, Nell Caulfield, Peter Cox, Norah Langshaw, Ng Chai Hong, Waminda Residents, Stella & Family, Reamae David, Mary Colladel, Rhys, Maureen Galligan, David, Vicki, Ann Hughes, Trish P, Daisy Givens, Nadia O'Brien, Mark & Family & Bernadette, Liam & Family, Michael, Nadia, Caroline, Ethan, Scarlett, Jacob, Nadia Ferroa, Mary & Ben Bianchini, Kennedy Family, Mohan, Melvyn, Maria O'Connor, Toni Whitehead, John & Mary Hippolite, Ng Choon Bee, Luke, Bill Wagner, Ros MacPherson, Ed Devereux, Nena, David, Rhys, Vikki Hook, Christine Drury, Joy & Reg Groutsch

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to the family & friends of Jill McGimpsey-Evans who passed away recently. Jill was a long time parishioner of the Holy Family Parish. Her funeral Mass will be held here at Holy Family on Tuesday, 1st June at 10am.
Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace Amen.



(Pentecost) Laudato Si' Special Anniversary / Year Closing Praying Gathering

We will celebrate a closing **Praying Gathering from Assisi and Rome** to express our gratitude to God our Creator & ask for assistance in the work to come. On this feast of Pentecost, in which we also celebrate the beginning of the Church, we want to make a missionary-like sending of local Laudato Si' Animators and other pastoral agents, so that they may go & announce "the Gospel of Creation" (LS chapter 2) in every corner of the globe.

Watch the event this Sunday, 23 May at 9pm at the link below:
<https://www.youtube.com/c/GlobalCatholicClimateMovement>

Liturgy of the Word - Pentecost Sunday - Year B

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, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrugia 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".

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

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

Galatians 5:16-25

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 let 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. 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

John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

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 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 in mine; that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.

The Gospel of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

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

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

The Most Holy Trinity

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

Psalms 32:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22

Romans 8:14-17

Matthew 28:16-20

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Today is Pentecost, which the Jews celebrated 50 days after the Passover. Today we celebrate the birthday of the Church and hear how Jesus sent his Holy Spirit to the disciples, just as he had promised.

LET US PRAY

Come Holy Spirit, and fill our hearts with your love.

Work through us to bring Jesus to those who do not know him, so that we may share this love with others.



Commentator/Reader Roster for May 2021

Date		Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10am
22nd/23rd May	Pentecost Sunday	CHILDREN'S MASS	Colette Shack	Jill Browne
29th/30th May	Most Holy Trinity	Saschelle Blake	Jill Hatherley	Anne Armstrong

Acolyte Roster for May 2021

Date		Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10am
22nd/23rd May	Pentecost Sunday	Daniel Bianchini	Michael Taylor	Tony Bray
29th/30th May	Most Holy Trinity	Vince Scanlan	John Newman	James Chong

Altar Server Roster for May 2021

Date		Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 10am
22nd/23rd May	Pentecost Sunday	Reagan Tanuwidjaja Jackson Blake	Palak Vadukoot Rachel Wu	K Don Shannel Saheli D'Silva
29th/30th May	Most Holy Trinity	Jocelyn Singgih Elizabeth Morris	Leo Newman Claudia Taylor-Beard	Bryan Chong Shenaya Wijeyekoon

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