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#### PENTECOST SUNDAY, Year B 18 - 19 May 2024

## A New Spirit Inspired Initiative

Today, we gather as a faith community to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles and disciples of Jesus that gave birth to our Church (Acts 2:1-4). The immediate effect of this Spirit outpouring was the sending of Jesus' followers out on mission, beginning from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8), to proclaim the Good News in many languages (Acts 2:5-11). This is still the mission of the church today—your mission, my mission. The abiding presence of the Spirit in and with the church (John 14:17) from times past till now guides the church and always leads the church to experience renewal and revitalisation through the fresh insight and inspiration of the Spirit. This is always in answer to the prayer of Psalm 103:30 which says: "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth." Make this your prayer for the church and for the world today and always.

Pray also for the fifteen children (and their families) who will receive the sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday by the laying of hands of Bishop Greg (cf. Acts 8:17). Just as the Gospel text exhorts us, may these children and every one of us be led to the complete truth by the Spirit (John 16:13), and so become true witnesses of Jesus in our community (John 15:27). We congratulate the candidates and their families and friends.

Today also, in our Parish and in the Diocese as a whole, at the invitation of Bishop Greg Bennet, we look to a new Pentecost across our Diocese, as we launch a Consultation Process that invites us all to participate in a process of prayer, dialogue and listening together to what steps the Holy Spirit is calling us to take for our faith communities to become more Christ-centred, synodal and missionary. This is the story of the early community of the followers of Jesus when after the Jerusalem Council, the believers were able to say: "For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us..." (Acts 15:28). In other words, the church walked alongside the Holy Spirit, being inspired and guided by the Spirit in the pastoral decision and mission initiatives taken. I invite and encourage you all to please pray for this Consultation Process being launched this weekend, take active part in the journey, and walk with the entire Diocese in this missionary and pastoral initiative.

During Mass today, we shall light the Assembly Consultation candle as a sign of our desire to undertake this consultation journey together as disciples of Jesus Christ, guided by the Holy Spirit, lived through a process of prayer, dialogue, and attentive listening, to help us discern the steps we need to take in our Diocese of Sale for our faith communities to become more Christ centred, synodal and missionary. Our payer and hope is that we bring the light of Christ to our stories, to our Church, and our mission. It is also my prayer and hope that as we come together, we may listen openly to the stories of our church and its people, and the calls of the Holy Spirit, so that we gain the courage and the call to be people of mission, journeying together in faith, hope, and love.

God bless you all as we journey together in hope.



Fr Francis

#### PARISH CALENDAR.

Sat 18 May 9.30am: May Devotion: Walking Rosary - Cathedral Sun 19 May 9.30am: Confirmation & Youth

Mass

Sunday 19 May 12pm: Parish Lunch at Leaends

Sat 25 & Sun 26 May: Trinity Families Leaving Collection

#### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

**CONFIRMATION** takes place at 9.30am Mass in the Cathedral on Sunday 19 Mav. Congratulations to all the children.

AN EVENING OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP: It is always very special and spiritually enriching when brethren come together to express themselves in worship to God in unison. Our friend and brother. Fr. Mark Hughes, who is gifted in music has been invited and he is very happy to lead us in this special encounter with the Divine. The date is on Friday night, 28 June, starting at 6.30pm. There will be shared supper afterwards. Please save the date. More the gifts that God has given us, we must always details very soon.

MAY DEVOTION: WALKING ROSARY on Saturday 18th May. The special devotion to our mother Mary takes place in the month of May. During this month, I want to encourage everyone of us to say a daily rosary, especially as a family. There's always a blessing when we pray the rosary. As a parish community, rosary will be recited before Mass. By the middle of the month, we will come together on Saturday 18 May for a general Parish May Devotion. Mass in the morning (9.30am), then weather permitting, we pray the walking rosary around the lake (alternatively around or in the Cathedral), then back in the Cathedral for a brief moment of reflection and blessing, followed by a shared lunch. Please bring a plate to share for lunch. I believe this will be a great way to go-it is prayer, evangelisation, and exercise at the same time. Let's keep praying towards and for this day. Please mark this date and event in your calendar.

LEGION OF MARY meet in the Chapter House from 10.30am each Wednesday. New members are very welcome.

#### SAFETRAC ONLINE TRAINING FOR PARISH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

As part of the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy released late last year, parish staff and volunteers are required to undertake Safeguarding training regularly. The Diocese has released an online training module called Safequarding Children in the Diocese of Sale. Staff and volunteers in our parish who have an email address will shortly receive an email link to complete the training. This training is completed every three years. Other arrangements are being made for volunteers who do not have emails or internet access. We ask for your cooperation to undertake this online training as soon as possible as part of our parish commitment to promoting a safe environment for our children, youth, and adults at risk.

TRINITY FAMILIES APPEAL May 2024 Bishop Greg Bennet has urged the members of the diocese to generously support the annual appeal for Trinity Families, in our parishes this year. He said "As good stewards of find a necessary place for those who need our help. To achieve this, Trinity Families Fund needs to continue to grow its funds so that this mission of service can be more effective. It is important to keep at the forefront of our minds that this is our own charity arm specifically set up to serve and support the needs of families in the Greater Gippsland area. While there are many calls upon our donations at this time, what is both worthwhile and unique about Trinity Families is that it is locally based and supports the particular needs of our area."

Bishop Greg urges everyone to give generously to the May 2024 Appeal by donating. Here is the link for people to donate online<sup>.</sup>

https://sale.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=622462 Those wanting a receipt for Taxation purposes are asked to use the envelopes available in the church. There will be a leaving Collection at all parish churches on Saturday 25 & Sunday 26 May 2024.

PILGRIMAGE 'In the Footsteps of Mary McKillop' pilgrimage flyers are available in all parish churches. This take place from 15 - 26 October 2024. Please refer to the flyer if you would like details.

PARISH PRAYER. God our loving Father, we give you thanks and praise for our Cathedral Parish of Sale, for your people and your Creation. Nourish us by your daily Word and Eucharist. Enrich us in our faith, hope and love. Strengthen us with the spirit of your mercy and grace. Make us grateful for your gifts as we journey through our lives together. May we be a welcoming and serving community, always discerning and doing your will for one another. We make this praver through Christ Our Lord. Amen

PLANNED GIVING Further to the finance report circulated to parishioners and spoken about at masses recently that flagged a \$60,000 loss this parish financial year now may be a good time to consider reviewing or renewing your commitment to the Planned Giving program. A weekly increase of \$5 by our regular givers would increase the parish annual income by \$45,000. Adding more givers to the program would increase this figure further. For those not part of the program please consider joining. The simplest way of making regular payments is by the direct debit method. To do so please contact the parish secretary on 51444100 or Sale@cdsale.org.au who will provide you with the necessary authority forms. Of course, many parishioners are well versed these days in Internet banking and may prefer to set up their own recurring payment to the program via their internet banking account. If this sounds preferable to you please contact the parish office to obtain the parish's bank account details.

GARDEN MAINTENANCE TEAM meets on Wednesday from 9.30-11.00am. When you do come, please come with your garden gloves, spades, garden shears etc and help to lighten the load. We'll have a cup of tea/coffee when done. If you are able to assist please call John Dykun on 0413 947 352.

BAPTISMS: By arrangement through the Parish Office phone 5144 4100. ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament, Friday before Mass 10.00am — At St Rose of Lima, Rosedale on 1st Wednesday of each month 9.30am — RECONCILIATION: Cathedral: Friday 10.30-11am before Mass. At Other times: Available on request Stratford and Briagolong on Sunday or Rosedale on Saturday evening MARRIAGES: Not less than six months notice please.	- 10.30am	<u>COLLECTIONS L</u> Planned Giving: Presbytery: Credit Cards Direct Debits& Credits: Cathedral EFTpos: With thanks from a gratefu	\$1,054.00 \$1,110.40 \$0.00 \$593.00 \$180.00
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#### Mass Timetable this week PENTECOST Sunday, Year B 18 - 19 May 2024

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D	ay/Date	Time	Place
<i>WEEKI</i> Saturday 18	END MASSES May		
Mass & May	Devotion	9.30am	Cathedral
		5.30pm	Cathedral
		5.30pm	Rosedale
Sunday 19 M	ay	9.30am	Stratford
		9.30am	Cathedral
		5.30pm	Cathedral
,,	DAY MASSES	No	14
	Monday 20 May		Mass
Tuesday 21 N	Tuesday 21 May		Cathedral
Wednesday 2	2 May	9.30am	Cathedral
Thursday 23 Friday 24 Ma	iy İ	9.30am	Cathedral
Exposition &	Benediction	10.00am	Cathedral
Mass		11.00am	Cathedral
	END MASSES		
Saturday 25	May	9.30am	Cathedral
		11.00am	Loch Sport
		5.30pm	Cathedral
S. J. X		5.30pm	Rosedale
Sunday 26 M	ay	9.30am	Cathedral
		9.30am	Briagolong
		5.30pm	Cathedral
Cathedral	Sat 18 May	Sun 19 May	Sun 19 May
Date & Time	5.30pm	9.30am	5.30pm
Welcomer	John Dykun	CONFIRMATION	Mary Chiller
Commentator	Veronica Stewart	CONFIRMATION	Jennifer Fitzgerald
Reader Eucharist	Brenda Burditt Frank Fidge	CONFIRMATION Margaret Shirreffs	Brenda Bowden Lyn Althaus
Counters	John Dykun & John Ve	•	
Cathedral Date & Time	Sat 25 May 5.30pm	Sun 26 May 9.30am	Sun 26 May 5.30pm
Welcomer	John Dykun	Marie & Nick Centra	a Gweneth & Angel
Commentator	Emma Morrison	Amanda & Maya	Andreena Jolly
Deeden		Christine Lyon Faye Flint Margaret Shirreffs Lyn Althaus	
Reader Eucharist	Sandra Smolenaars Carmel Wade	Christine Lyon Margaret Shirreffs	

## MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat 18 May 9.30am: Tom & Eileen Henebery (A's) Sat 18 May 5.30pm: Ronald Tuck (A), Sun 19 May 9.30am: Alfredo Segafredo (A)

PLEASE PRAY FOR: We offer prayers for those who have died Samantha Rando and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Tom & Eileen Henebery, Ronald Tuck, Alfredo Segafredo, deceased Clergy of our Diocese. We pray for those who are sick Fr Andrew Wise, Teolinda Barrera, Jayantha, Emma O'Hare, Jim Clottin, Moira Petrie, Hurbert Somasiri, Andrew Lyon, Nimal & Vajira, Dushyanthi, Helen O'Kane, Michael McGrath, Troy Barney, Bill Harkin and Maureen O'Kane. We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.

NEW TO THE PARISH? CHANGED ADDRESS IN THE LAST YEAR? NEED PLANNNED GIVING ENVELOPES OR TO UPDATE THE PARISH RECORDS? Please let us know we'd like to meet you! NAME: ADDRESS: PHONE: EMAIL: Please tick: If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program If you would like to join a Family Group Please place on the plate at Mass or drop into the Parish Office Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

**"Come and see!"** A time for seeing, listening and Learning. You will be welcome and made to feel at home. Usually from August each year at St Mary's Cathedral, Sale.

To start with, there will be: **Enquiry evenings**: A time of teaching, sharing and having your questions answered. Everyone is most welcome at these opening sessions. **Then**: subsequent evenings follow and will provide more systematic teaching about the Catholic Faith. It will also be a time to experience the life of a Christian community, and a time to know the presence of God in our lives. **Easter** is the time when those who have chosen to embrace the Faith may be fully initiated into the Church. For more information about RCIA please contact: Fr Francis Otobo 5144 4100.



### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

We would like to thank all of the families who have helped prepare the children for their Confirmation. Also, many thanks to Jenny Fitzgerald, school teachers, Fr Francis and Fr Aneesh for running the program.

Congratulations to our Candidates who will be confirmed by Bishop Greg in the Cathedral this Sunday at 9.30am Mass.

Harper Allman,	Thom
Zoe Cahill,	Matild
Zoe Driscoll,	Paige
Asher Garoni,	Piper
Erin King,	Paul k
Alexander Lavender,	Thom
Alana Murphy,	Kobi S
Adam Wisniewski.	





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#### 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:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a Alleluia, alleluia! powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to and kindle in them the fire of your love. 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.'

The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

# Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. The Gospel of the Lord.

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.)

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.)

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:

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Galatians 5:16-25

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of vielding 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 led 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.

The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God

Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to 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 of truth 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 is mine; that is why I said:

All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

## **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

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



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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Cathedral Every Friday 10 - 11am Reconciliation: Cathedral Friday 10.30 - 11am

## **READINGS NEXT WEEK:**

#### The Most Holy TRINITY, Year B

First Reading: Second Reading: Gospel:

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 Romans 8:14-17 Matthew 28:16-20

#### WEEKEND MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday: Loch Sport - 11.00am (2nd & 4th Saturday of the Month) Saturday: Cathedral - 5.30pm Saturday: Rosedale - 5.30pm Sunday: Cathedral - 9:30am and 5.30pm Sunday: Stratford - 9.30am (1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday of the Month) Sunday: Briagolong - 9.30am (2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month) Please check the bulletin each week for weekday Mass times.