# BULLETIN St Pius X Church Pentecost Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022



# **Manning Parish**

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## **New Testament Commentary Mary Coloe PBVM**



To really appreciate the meaning of Pentecost we need to look back at its Jewish origins. In Judaism, the Feast has a number of names: The feast of Weeks (Shavuot) - since it comes seven weeks, a week of weeks, following Passover; it is also called the feast of First Fruits. In its origins, it was a harvest festival to celebrate the first fruits of summer in the northern hemisphere. Later, it took on a religious meaning linked with the events of the Exodus. Where Passover celebrated the liberation of Israel on the night Israel left Egypt, First Fruits/Weeks, celebrates the arrival at Mount Sinai, the making of the Covenant and the gift of the Torah. The gift of the Law to Moses was considered the 'first fruit' of the Exodus.

Following the resurrection of Jesus, the early Christian community, who were at first all Jews, experienced the power of the Risen Jesus still present in their midst, restoring their faith in him and giving them the courage to proclaim Jesus as God's chosen one. Paul called this experience of God, the God who is Spirit, the 'first fruits' - 'we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.' (Rom 8:23) The Spirit is the first fruit, the first sign of a harvest that is already ripening. A process has already started. We had an apricot tree at my family home. When that first fruit appeared, I knew for certain that summer had begun.

Luke gives us the time frame that the Spirit came to the disciples fifty days after Easter (pente = fifty) and some scholars see in Luke's theology that the Spirit is the first fruit of the Risen Jesus. Certainly, with the gift of the Spirit there is a flourishing of the Gospel message within the first community.

In Paul's letter to the Romans, he takes for granted that this community in Rome know the experience of the Spirit. With this as the fundamental experience of being Christian, Paul then argues for belief in the resurrection, and for certainty that believers are children of God and heirs of all the blessings of Jesus.

In these days of credit cards, we may have forgotten the time when we purchased goods on 'lay-by'. The whole point of this process was to give a guarantee that we would return to lay full claim to those goods. It was a promise sealed by the first transaction of money. The promise is not just verbal, for the retailer is actually given something; the retailer has an initial experience of some money now that guarantees more in the future. The living experience of the Spirit is this guarantee for Paul

In John's gospel, the Spirit is called 'The Advocate' or 'The Paraclete,' and the role of the Spirit is to teach and remind the disciples of Jesus' words. These are functions that happen within a community where people gather to share stories, to ask questions, to try to find meaning in the events of their lives. Jesus promises that when Christians gather for this purpose they will not be alone. Jesus promises that he, and the God he calls 'Father', will make their home with us, and the Spirit will be there to guide and enlighten us.

We sometimes say to visitors, 'Make yourself at home'; today's Gospel invites us to speak these words to God, 'Make yourself at home in my life'. One difference is that visitors come and go whereas Jesus promises a presence to be with us forever. God may even be more 'at home' within our lives than we are.

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#### **Office Hours**

Tuesday to Friday 9am to 12 noon

## **SCHEDULES**

#### Confession

Saturday 5.00 to 5.30pm Or anytime by appointment

### **Normal Weekend Masses**

Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass Sunday 7.30am, 9.00am Mass & 11.00am Chinese Mass

## **Normal Weekday Masses**

Monday 8.00am Communion Service Tuesday to Saturday 8.00am Mass (Check Parish Calendar for Variations)

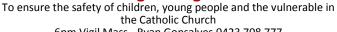
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Saturdays at 10.30am
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6pm Vigil Mass - Ryan Gonsalves 0423 708 777 7:30am Mass - Marie Chaperon- 9313 4585 9am Mass - to be nominated 11am Chinese Mass Gregory Lo 0435 383 417, Augustine Lai 0402 185 248, Juliana Tseng 0438 864 689

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ROSTER		Weekend 4/5 June	Weekend 11/12 June
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Susanna Hooper	Carmen de Sousa
	Sun 7.30am	Deb Hegarty	Carol Nicklette
	Sun 9.00am	Antonia Chandra	Giselle Shankar
Counters		Colleen & Pat Lowry	Elizabeth Noronha, Terry Scanlan

Parish Calendar					
June Mon 6	8.00am	Communion Service (Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church)			
Tue 7	8.00am	Mass (Week 10 in Ordinary time) Church			
Wed 8	8.00am	Mass (Week 10 in Ordinary time) Church			
Thu 9	8.00am	Mass (Week 10 in Ordinary time) Church			
Fri 10	8.00am	Mass (Week 10 in Ordinary time) Church			
Sat 11	8.00am	Mass (St Barnabas) Church			
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (The Most Holy Trinity Year C) Church			
12	7.30am	Mass (The Most Holy Trinity Year C) Church			
	9.00am	Mass (The Most Holy Trinity Year C) Church			
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (The Most Holy Trinity Year C) Church			



# **Line Dancing Classes**

Mondays and Wednesdays
10am - 12noon \$6 per session
All proceeds go to the Parish
This is a community building initiative to
keep you fit and active with the help of
Francis & Hellen Tay
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# Tai Chi Group

Mondays in Parish Hall except holidays Starts 7:30pm and finishes at 8:30pm All parishioners are most welcome

For more information, please contact or text Maurice on 0408 782 224



## **2022 Sacraments Schedules**

Parents, if your child/children are attending State Schools you need to enrol for the Sacramental programs. Please contact the parish office to obtain an Enrolment Form or visit our website to get one - manningparish.org.au/sacraments - so that we can organise the preparation for them.

Confirmation 6.30pm Friday, 10 June 2022

First Holy Communion 9am Sunday, 11 September 2022

Commitment Mass 6pm 30 July 2022

First Reconciliation 10.30am-12pm Saturday, 29 October 2022

Commitment Mass 6pm 15 Oct 2022



# Safeguarding Induction for All Church Workers Online

We invite ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) to attend an online safeguarding induction. A church worker is anyone in the parish in any role – paid or voluntary. The session will cover the Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, the importance of Safeguarding in the parish and the role of the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

To register please visit: www.safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au or phone 9221 7762

Available dates are:

Tuesday, 14 June 2022 at 7.00pm Thursday, 30 June 2022 at 1.00pm

# Special Ministers Roster (Old or New)

We are considering using Special Ministers on Saturdays 6.00pm and Sundays 7.30am and 9.00am Masses and rosters are being prepared for the next six months (July - December 2022)

If you would like to assist, please put your name on the list provided in the foyer. Training will be provided for new Special Ministers.

## Old & New Readers

We are in the process of preparing a roster for July - December 2022 at all Masses. We need more volunteers and if you would like to assist, please put your name and contact details on the list provided in the foyer.

If you have not read before, there will be training before you do it for the first time.

# Planned-Giving 2022/2023

Dear Parishioners, we would like to thank you for your continuous financial support of your parish and priest. Due to COVID-19 we have not been taking up First and Second Collections and the income has been reduced though we are still managing due to constraint in spending. It is great that quite a number of parishioners have taken up Electronic Fund Transfer and Direct Debit in the Planned-Giving. We would like to have more parishioners to follow this path of Planned-Giving and it would help with the running of your parish.

We have now employed a parishioner, Vinita Rai, to run our administration, so that Father Pat would be able to concentrate in his pastoral ministry. For the moment she is working 3 days, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday for 3 hours each day, and she has generously accepted the minimum wages offered to her but we would like to see that she gets a fair wage in the near future. We can only do this if we increased our income. So we are asking those who are not giving regularly or have not been giving to support your parish financially to consider to be part of our Planned-Giving.

Basil Conti, Chairperson of Finance Committee

Acts 2:1-11

Gospel

Jn 14:15-16. 23-26

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, R, v, 30

(R.) 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. (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

Romans 8:8-17

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit; fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Jesus said to his disciples 'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever.

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own; it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you.'

#### **Reflection for Young People**

By Lisa-Marie Calderone Stewart

Pentecost is called the birthday of the church because before Pentecost, there really was no church. Jesus had ascended back into the heavens, the Apostles were hanging around, scared and confused, and nobody knew what to do. Going out to baptise people and preach about Jesus was the last thing they had in mind because their lives would be in danger.

But Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit – the force that turned a bunch of frightened, mixed-up folks into church. There was a rush of wind, tongues of fire, and then suddenly there was courage, knowledge, direction and commitment! Everyone started speaking and was understood, no matter what the language of the listener was! These were saints suddenly on fire with the Holy Spirit. And it all began with the wind and fire of the Spirit.

What changes in you do you wish the Spirit could blow your way? How can you cooperate with the Spirit? In what ways do you need more courage, knowledge, direction or commitment? What else might you need?

In what ways are you and your parish like the disciples before Pentecost? In what ways are you and your parish like the disciples after Pentecost?

When people speak about your school, would they say that it has school spirit? What do they mean by that? How is school spirit like the Holy Spirit?

# Next Sunday Readings

12 June 2022

#### The Most Holy Trinity

First Reading: Proverbs 8:22-31 Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5 Gospel: John 16:12-15

# CHILDREN'S CORNER

The Spirit Brings	I can show love by because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.
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