

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Pentecost Sunday Year C

First Reading Acts 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

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.'

The Word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to 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.

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.

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.

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

Second Reading 1Cor12:3-712-13

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.

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.

The Word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God

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 Jn 20:19-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

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.'

The Gospel of the Lord

R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate Holy Ghost, Holy Gust

In the very old days, the 'Holy Spirit' was known as the 'Holy Ghost'. It comes from the old English word 'gust' which 'blows

wherever it pleases'. St Luke's account of Pentecost tells of what 'sounded like a powerful wind from heaven'. This is the Divine Wind, this is the Holy Gust, the Holy Spirit. Out of nowhere, this mighty Gust burst into the disciples' lives with gale force, sweeping away their fear. The Divine Wind is nothing less than the Breath of God. 'O Breathe on me Breath of God' is one of the most beautiful hymns, sung to a traditional Irish melody. One verse goes: 'O Breathe on me Breath of God . . . until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine'. It is like a log at the back of the fireplace late at night. The log is intact but absolutely glowing through and through with fire. It is to be the same with us. Peter was inspired to preach to the crowds 'with a loud voice' about 'Jesus the Nazarene' and the fact that 'God raised him to life'. That is the gospel. That is the message which those who breathe with the breath of God have been preaching since the birthday of the Church at Pentecost. We could pause for a moment to pray an ancient chant of the Church: 'Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they will be created, and you will renew the face of the earth.'

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For the celebration
of the Word and the
Eucharist

**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

**Choir Practice
Monday @ 1pm**

**Croatian Mass Saturday
4th @ 11am**

**"Cuppa with Mary
MacKillop" Tuesday 7th
June 10-11am @
Antionette & Paul
Skinner's home.
0438 925 066**

**PPC Meeting
Thursday 9th June 5pm
Meeting Room**

**Wrap With Love
Tuesday 14th June @ 10am
Meeting Room**

**Craft Group - 10am
Thursdays**

**"Enjoy the Good News"
Wednesdays after 9.00am
Mass**

**Adoration Tuesday @
4.30pm**

**COFFEE CLUB
Thursdays after Mass
Venue: Corrigan Cove
All Welcome
COFFEE N CHAT**

PENTECOST SUNDAY YEAR C

PARISH MASSES THIS WEEK - 6th June - 12th June

Tuesday: Adoration 4.30pm
Mass 5.30pm
Wednesday: Mass 9 am
Thursday: Mass 9am
Friday: Mass 9am
Saturday: Mass 5pm
Sunday: Mass 9am & 5pm



LITURGY MEETING -

This Tuesday 7th June @ 4pm in the presbytery

ORDINATION TO PRIESTHOOD - JUNE 24TH @5PM

Transport to the Ordination: If you intend to drive up to the Cathedral for Deacon Eden's Ordination, and have a spare seat or two in your car, please let the office know and we will offer the seats to others who may not be able to drive themselves.

Many thanks

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Thursday 9th - St Ephrem



Saturday 11th - St Barnabas

**Pope Francis
Monthly Prayer
Intentions
JUNE**

Families

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives

MINISTRY SUNDAY- JUNE 11TH & 12TH

There is a need for more ministers to assist with the pastoral care of all our aged, sick and housebound parishioners. In the lead up to our recruitment weekend in June, please give some prayer and thought to pastoral ministry if you are not already involved. ***Every little bit helps!!***
Every little bit helps!

**St Vincent de Paul
Winter Appeal**

June-August If you can spare adult/ children winter gloves, socks, beanies, blankets, doonas, sleeping bags. Please place in containers in the foyer. These will be given directly to families. We are not collecting tinned food and clothes - these need to be taken directly to the Vinnie's shop. ***Many thanks for your ongoing kind support.***

**WELCOME TO NEW
PARISHIONERS
BREAKFAST
Sunday 5th June**

You are invited to come along for a morning tea after the 9am Mass on Sunday 5th June as we warmly welcome our new parishioners to the parish.



Confirmation
The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at St Bernard's at the 5pm Mass on June 25th. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers

Parish Pastoral Council
Will meet on the 9th June 2022 - If you have issues of concern that you would like to have addressed, please write them out and hand them in to the office. Please put your name and phone number on them so we can respond.

A Tale of Two Confirmations

My brother and I were confirmed in the parish of St Colmcille, Ballyhackamore, Northern Ireland in 1947. World War 2 (1939-1945) had put paid to many of the parish's religious and social activities. The German bombing raids on Belfast in April/May 1941 had destroyed our primary school, the parish hall and part of the church. The 1940s were years of conflict and fear.

Our bishop in the post-war years made every effort to visit all the schools in the diocese to examine the candidates for Confirmation and confirm them the next day. His Lordship joined us 5/6 Grade boys in a Large circle and asked us questions based on the Green Catechism. I was asked: "What is Confirmation?"

I answered parrot-like: "The Sacrament which makes us strong and perfect Christians, and soldiers of Jesus Christ."

The bishop drew an analogy between the courage our soldiers had in defending our country and the courage he expected us to have in defence of our Faith, even unto death. To remind us of this, he said that, after imposing his hands on us and anointing us, he would slap us on the cheek. The next day he did as he had forewarned us and it hurt. As an eleven year old boy I wasn't particularly keen on dying just because I was a Catholic in Northern Ireland.

I was relieved the next year, when my father decided to migrate to Australia for his children's sake.

The first century AD in Palestine was a period of fear and subjugation. Rome had conquered most of the lands surrounding the Mediterranean Sea and imposed Roman Law ruthlessly. Into this world came the Galilean prophet, Jesus of Nazareth, who preached the Good News of a loving God who wanted people to love on another. He declared blessed those who did not pursue power, possessions and prestige. Connivance between the Roman Governor and the Jerusalem elite led to Jesus' execution. Most of his small band of disciples deserted him, fearing for their lives..

But Jesus rose from the dead and during forty days revived their drooping spirits. Before he returned to his Father God he promised them he would send them a Comforter. On the great Jewish feast of Pentecost the Comforter came with greater drama than the slap on my cheek. A mighty wind rocked their house. Divided tongues, as of fire, rested on them. They began to speak in other languages as the Spirit gave them ability.

An emboldened Peter went outside and preached an inspiring sermon. About 3000 persons were baptised that day. So was formed the first community of those who followed the Way of Jesus Christ. Over the centuries it has become the Catholic Church, scattered throughout the world: prospering in one place, persecuted in another: passionately loved by some, bitterly despised by others. But, I believe, worth dying for.

"Come Holy Spirit, Come! Fill our hearts with courage! Kindle in us the fire of your Love. Amen

Joe Quigley

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

If you would like to join the Parish e-platform giving for both the Priest and the Church, the details are as follows:

Acc. Name:
St Bernard's
Operating Account
BSB: 062-786
Bank Acc:
000012939
Ref: Family Name

Parish Financial Support

During the coming week or so, a Finance Council representative will be speaking to you about money. It's always difficult, especially in times when people are under economic pressure and limited income. Also, the request is made whilst being aware of diminishing numbers in the Congregation. We would like to thank you for your generous and selfless support prior to this information talk, but as you will see there are real needs that we are trying to meet.

Thank you Fr Tom

4/5 JUNE
Cleaning (6-10)
Favetta/O'Neill/Nugent

5.00PM MASS

Welcomer: Volunteer Commentator
D Robinson
Reader P Nolan
Eucharistic Ministers C Brownlie
Computer Screen K Conway
9.00 AM MASS:
Welcomer C Connell
Commentator M Lowe
Reader: C Lowe.
Eucharistic Ministers N & L Page
Computer Screen T Jackson.

5.00PM MASS:

Welcomer Volunteer Commentator
M O'Neill
Reader: S Ebejer
Eucharistic Ministers M Devine
Computer Screen J O'Sullivan

MORNING TEA:

N Beatty & M deSmet

11/12 JUNE

Church Cleaning
D & L May (13-17)

5.00PM MASS

Welcomer: D Robinson
Commentator P O'Kelly
Reader J Quigley
Eucharistic Ministers J Wain
Computer Screen K Conway
9.00 AM MASS:
Welcomer Volunteer Commentator .
A Brown
Reader: B Basevi.
Eucharistic Ministers L Stevens & L Rodwell
Computer Screen T Priest.

5.00PM MASS:

Welcomer Volunteer Commentator
S Ebejer
Reader: J O'Sullivan
Eucharistic Ministers M Devine
Computer Screen M O'Neill

MORNING TEA:

N L Page

Remembering the Sick:

Peter O'Neill, Barry O'Neill, Beverley Biglia, Fr John Walter, Mara Pranjic, Lola, Fr Kevin Murphy, Allan Rogers, Pam Wilson, Antony and Andrew, Lois White, Rita Condon, Ben Copland, Femia and Mark, Roberto Alivio, Vince Burns, John Dillon, James Lee, Trish Hamilton, Daniel Coffey, Jim Banks, Dennis Sheather, Mary Henderson, Diane Lanzon, Marion O'Grady, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson, Dawn Robinson, Allan Odium, Luke Ward, Andrew Morton, Ken Evendon, Judy Betts, Janet Thornberry, Anica Bautovic, Angela Mylott, Jeanette Clarke, and those in our local Nursing Homes and Hospital

Year 6 Confirmation candidates from St Mary's and St Bernard's are having a retreat day @ Carroll College on the 10th June.

Please keep the children in your prayers

Death Anniversaries: are listed in the Memorial Book at the front of the Church and names can be added to it if dates are provided.

We pray for the recently deceased in the Parish Community: Vincent Corbin, Pero Simic, Michael McNamara, Steven Smith, Anton Miloloza, Petronila Aballe, Rosemary Cahill

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