LITURGY OF THE WORD **Pentecost Sunday Year C** First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 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

I find my joy in the Lord. (R.) Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

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

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 20:19-23*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

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

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 may come 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.' © Fr Michael Tate; mtate@bigpond.com



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PENTECOST SUNDAY Year C



CHURCH EVENTS

Choir Practice Mondays 1pm

Cenacle Prayer 9.30 am Fridays after Mass

"Good News" Wednesdays after Mass to discuss reading for the following Sunday. CMR

Morning Retreat -"The Gift of Years" June 17th 9.30-12noon CMR For further info: Marie 0405 028 057 Carolyn 0400 121 119

Cuppa with Mary MacKillop Tuesday 10th June 10-11am @ Mary Haigh's home Ph: 0405 028 057

Parish Sacramental Program Confirmation Year 6 Retreat Day Thursday 12th June

9.30-2.00pm Carroll College

Wrap with Love Tuesday 10th June 10-11am BB Library

Craft Group 10am Thursdays

ADORATION TUESDAYS (a) 4pm

COFFEE CLUB Thursdays after 9am Mass

Let us sit at the school of the Holy Spirit - Pope Francis

By Linda Bordoni [adapted] ... sourced by Marie W

Pope Francis' homily during Mass in St. Peter's Basilica, 2022, was an invitation to keep listening to the Holy Spirit who teaches us where to begin, shows us what paths to take, rekindles God's love in our hearts and directs us on our journey.



Taking his cue for the Gospel according to John [today's Gospel] (Jn14:26) in which Jesus tells His disciples: "The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will

teach you everything, and remind you of all I have said to you," the Pope explained that "The Spirit makes us see everything in a new way, with the eyes of Jesus."

In the great journey of life, the Spirit teaches us where to begin, what paths to take, and how to walk.

The memory of God

Pope Francis explains that the Spirit is the memory of God, the one who brings to our minds all that Jesus has said, constantly rekindling the love of God in our

He noted the experience of his presence "in the forgiveness of our sins, in moments when we are filled with his peace, his freedom and his consolation." When our lives seem full of failures and disappointments, the Pope explained the Holy Spirit reminds us that we are a son or daughter of God.

"Even when you lose confidence in yourself, God has confidence in you!"

He is also the "Consoler", the Holy Father continued "who can transform the hurts burning within you," teaching us "not to harbour the memory of all those people and situations that have hurt us, but to let him purify those memories by his presence."

That is what he did with the apostles and their failures: "Left to themselves, they had no way out," but the Spirit, he added heals memories by putting at the top of the list the thing that really matters: the memory of God's love, his loving

"In this way, he sets our lives in order. He teaches us to accept one another, to forgive one another, to be reconciled with the past & to set out anew.

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land, the Walbunja people of the Yuin Nation. We pay our respects to their elders, past, present and emerging

MASSES THIS WEEK

Monday 9th—Sunday 15th June

Monday 2nd: NO MASS Tuesday 3rd: Mass 5pm Wednesday 4th: Mass 9am Thursday 5th: Mass 9am Friday 6th: Mass 9am Saturday 7th: Mass 5pm Reconciliation 3.30-4.30

Sunday 8th: Mass 9am

ROSTERS

7//8 JUNE Cleaning 9-13 R & K Ison **5.00PM MASS**

Welcomer J Anderson Commentator: S Ebejer Reader: J Mackay **Eucharistic Ministers** L Mylott Computer Screen M O'Neill

9.00 AM MASS:

Welcomer M de Smet Commentator A Skinner. Reader: N Beatty **Eucharistic Ministers** N Page Computer Screen T Jones

MORNING TEA:

J Barroman/G Berryman

COUNTERS

G Norris/J O'Sullivan

14/15 JUNE

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Nugent 5.00PM MASS

Welcomer: C Brownlie Commentator: M O'Neill Reader: P Nolan Eucharistic Ministers Butt Computer Screen

9.00 AM MASS:

K Conway

Welcomer S Beashel Commentator B Basevi Reader: J Whiteford Eucharistic Ministers Stevens Computer Screen T Priest

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The Lord Will Provide!

Dear Parish Family.

I thought I would give a short introduction of myself. My full name is Joshy Thekkinedath Kurien. I was born in Njalookkara, Kerala, India, on September 3rd. I am the second son and youngest child of Kurien and Kathreena. I am grateful to be the baby of the family and blessed to be the uncle of three nieces and two nephews.

My parents and siblings have played a vital role in nurturing my vocational calling, especially my mother and my sister, who is a religious nun in St. Joseph of St. Marc. Since childhood, I knew I wanted to become a priest. I received my priestly formation in India with the Somascan Fathers. It was during my theological studies that I discerned my calling to become a diocesan priest.

I first heard about the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn through Fr. Varghese, who was serving in the archdiocese. Raised in a family with a strong Catholic faith, my parents always supported my aspirations and were willing to make sacrifices to send me wherever the Lord called me.

Since arriving in Canberra in 2010, I have had the opportunity to spend time in several parishes—Cootamundra, Cathedral, Aranda, Batemans Bay, and Moruya—to familiarize myself with the archdiocese. These experiences provided me with a wonderful glimpse of the archdiocese. I welcome and embrace cultural differences, valuing the unique blessings each culture offers. I believe that by seeking out the good in any culture, we can find common ground rooted in faith and love.

I was ordained a deacon on December 9, 2011. My first appointment as a deacon was at Corpus Christi Parish in South Tuggeranong. On April 20, 2012, I was ordained a priest and served as an assistant priest at St. Gregory's Parish in Queanbeyan. By the end of 2013, I was appointed parish priest of Cootamundra and Harden, and in 2019 of Goulburn Mission, and in 2025 of Batemans Bay. Being a priest brings me immense joy.

Although I have no immediate family here, I have become part of many families within this Archdiocese, feeling their love and support. Now, Batemans Bay will also become a part of my family.

I place my trust entirely in the Lord and consecrate my parish ministry to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour as I embark on this new journey with you.

My ordination motto is: The Lord will provide!

Fr. Joshy Kurien



St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal will take place at the Weekend Masses June

7 & 8. Supporting the disadvantaged & poor in our local area. Would you consider making a

\$ donation after Mass at the Church door and/or donate winter scarves beanies, socks, gloves or blankets/ doonas for Adults & Children. Place donations in the containers in

the foyer of the Church during June.

No clothing ...please take clothing directly to the Vinnie's shop. Thank you for your continued support in our local community.

Receipt for \$ donation available if requested.

Cuppa with Mary MacKillop

@ Mary Haigh's home Tuesday June 10 from 10am - 11 am. All Welcome.

Morning Retreat 'The Gift of **Years – Growing Older**

Gracefully' Part 2 will take place on Tuesday June 17 in the Church Meeting Room 9-15am for 9-30am start – 12noon.

Cost Free. BYO Shared Morning Tea.

Facilitated by Marie and Carolvn

Booking Essential by Monday June 9. Marie 0405 028 057 or Carolyn E 0400 121 119

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos, in the sure expectation

of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine

eternally. May the grace of the

Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

> May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer

throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

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Remembering the Sick:

Sr Maria Goretti, Travis Roth, Piper Roth, Maya Roth, Kristy Crosby, Jeanette Clarke, Chris

Nixon, Kevin Totterell, Dawn Robinson, Maria de Rocco, Myrna Glenn, Norma Dean, Ann

Suzanne Hughes, Sr Marie McAlister, Peter O'Neill, Fr John Walter, Fr Kevin Murphy, Allan

Evendon, Judy Betts, Anica Bautovic, Angela Mylott, those in hospital and nursing homes

Bowditch, Sheree Jackson, Brendan Blyton, Wendy & Pat Roberts, Mark O'Neill, Karen

Marie McLoughlin, Antionette Doyle, Christine Norman, Anne Gatehouse, Tony Vogel,

Rogers, Rita Condon, Ben Copland, Vince Burns, Patrick Burns, Carolyn Burns, John

Lanzon, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson, Allan Odlum, Luke Ward, Andrew Morton, Ken

Dillon, James Lee, Trish Hamilton, Jim Banks, Dennis Sheather, Mary Henderson, Diane

We pray for the recently deceased in the Parish Community: Rod Sanders, Colin Platt, Indy Roth, Pope Francis, Kelvin Jones, Margaret Priest, Linda Vogel, Geoffrey Bopping, Ivan Backo, Jean McSmith, David Wick, Joe Quigley, Margaret Silversides, Patricia Totterdell, David Cowley, Joanne Rogers, Gerald Lewis, Josephine Beckhaus, Cyril Noyeaux, Frank Simic, Sr Paulinus Croker, Marion O'Grady, Patricia Suhl, Neil Leonard, Letitia Baz, Trent Fisk, Kevin Carew, Margaret Kelly, Arthur Hurrell, Vicki Lukasik, Paul Skinner, Suzanne Melton, James Quirk, Giovanni Menon, Tony Puconja, Hazel Nolan, Else McGahey, Richard Smart, Patrick Dunn, Laurence Foran, Lynton Ryan, Jacki Harding, Keith Cooke, Sarah Good, Robert Mitchell, Joyce Hurrell, Archbishop Francis Carroll, Ruth O'Malley, Julie Morgan, Suzanne Houssard, Nancy Sykes, Lillian Burkinshaw, Lynette Arundel

That the world might grow in compassion

Pope Francis Monthly

Prayer Intentions

JUNE

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world

