



St Mary's Cathedral
SYDNEY

CATHEDRAL BULLETIN



PENTECOST SUNDAY

2023

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH
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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



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.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34*

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 *1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13 (Year A)*

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.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *SeqAccl*

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.

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 (Year A)*

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.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

WORD FROM THE DEAN



Dear Cathedral Parishioners and Visitors,

On Pentecost day, a reminder of this special prayer:

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created,
and you shall renew the face of the earth.

By our Baptism and Confirmation, God's Holy Spirit has made a home in us. What effect should that have on our daily lives? I find the following passage from the Letter to the Ephesians helpful (although sadly I do not always do what it says):






Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for edifying, as fits the occasion, that it may impart grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, in whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. (Ephesians 4.29-32)

May the Holy Spirit bear fruit in our lives during the week ahead.

Fr Don Richardson, Dean

UPCOMING LITURGIES AND EVENTS

May – June 2023

			27 <i>Saturday</i> Extended 6pm Mass today for Vigil of Pentecost	28 <i>Sunday</i> PENTECOST SUNDAY 10.30am Mass (Adult Confirmation) 2pm Sunday Public Tour	29  <i>Monday</i> The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church	30 <i>Tuesday</i>
31 <i>Wednesday</i> The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Today's 5.30pm Mass includes 'MOMENT OF MARIAN PRAYER' 6.30pm Rosary, Litany, Hymns and Prayers for the Synod 6:30pm RCIA 	1 <i>Thursday</i> St Justin 6:30pm CITY COMPASS 	2 <i>Friday</i>	3 <i>Saturday</i> Sts Charles Lwanga & companions	4 <i>Sunday</i> TRINITY SUNDAY 2pm Sunday Public Tour	5 <i>Monday</i> St Boniface	6 <i>Tuesday</i>
7 <i>Wednesday</i> 6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	8 <i>Thursday</i> 6:30pm CITY COMPASS 	9 <i>Friday</i>	10 <i>Saturday</i>	11 <i>Sunday</i> CORPUS CHRISTI 2pm Sunday Public Tour	12 <i>Monday</i> Public Holiday Mass 9am	13 <i>Tuesday</i> St Anthony of Padua

Weekly Mass Schedule

MASS

Monday to Friday: 6:45am, 1:10pm, 5:30pm

Saturday: 9:00am, 12:00 noon

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am, 10:30am (Solemn Choral Mass), 6:00pm

RECONCILIATION

Monday to Friday: 12noon to 1:00pm and 4:30pm to 5:25pm

Saturday: 11.00am to 12noon and 4:30pm to 5:30pm

EVENING VESPERS

Monday to Friday: 5:00pm

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 5:00pm

(Choral Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)

CATHEDRAL NOTICES



Please note: The “EMBRACE” Young Adults Group will be in recess until Sunday 2nd July.



YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A

MOMENT OF MARIAN PRAYER



TO ENTRUST TO MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH, THE WORK OF THE XVI ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS

FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL
WEDNESDAY 31 MAY 2023

5.30PM MASS FOLLOWED BY THE PRAYING OF THE HOLY ROSARY, THE LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, AND PRAYER TO MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

Walk With Christ Sunday 11 June

Join Catholics from across greater Sydney for the Walk With Christ procession through central Sydney to celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi when Christ reminds us as Catholics that He will be with us till the end of time through His real presence in the Holy Eucharist.

**1pm Festival in Martin Place.
2:30pm - Procession begins
from the corner of Martin Place
and Pitt Street**

Cana Communities Appeal

The annual appeal for Cana Communities will take place next weekend the **3rd and 4th of June**.

Cana Communities provide family type support for those suffering from loneliness, mental illness, addictions, homelessness and those who are transitioning from jail into mainstream society.

It is with your financial support that we are able to continue the work.

Should you wish to know more about Cana, please visit the website: www.cana.org.au



A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney:

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance.

The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.