



## MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH PARISH

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**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: TO BE A LIGHT UNTO THE WORLD**

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Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm

**Acknowledgement of Country** : We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians, Elders and communities and the spirit that binds us in our dreams and aspirations on Dharawal country. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

## Pentecost Sunday

Year B - 18th & 19th May 2024

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### 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)

*(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.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Ps 103)

**All: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**

**Reader:** 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.

**All: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**

**Reader:** 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.

**All: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**

**Reader:** 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.

**All: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**

#### SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians (5:16-25)

*(The fruit of the Spirit).*

If you are guided by the spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the 'Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely

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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.

Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

## 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 (15:26-27; 16:12-15)

*(The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth).*

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday: 6:00 pm.** (Vigil Mass)

**Sunday : 8:00 am & 10:00 am.**

### Weekday Masses :

**Mon- Fridays at 9:00 am**

**Saturday : 8.30am**

### RECONCILIATION:

**Saturday :** 5:15pm – 5:45pm

**Every Wednesday : NOVENA to our Mother Mary,**  
6:30pm Rosary followed by Novena Prayers

**Bible Study :** Fortnightly on Sundays at 2.30pm  
in the Logos Centre.

**Sunday School :** Every Sundays during 10am Mass  
in the Logos Centre. (during the School Term)

## Communion Antiphon

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

## **READINGS FOR THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

**YEAR B : 25th & 26th May 2024**

**Deut 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17;  
Mt 28:16-20**

**BAPTISMS are open. Every 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the Month.**

**For Baptism Preparation** please contact **Maria D'souza** through email :  
**maria197114@gmail.com OR**  
**contact the Parish Office.**

## **Vigil Mass time Change - on Dinner Dance Saturday:**

Please note that, on next Saturday 25th May 2024, **Mass will be at 5pm** instead of 6pm due to our Annual parish dinner dance event.

**Please note that there will be No Adoration after 9am mass on Friday 24th May 2024.**



**EVERYONE INVITED....**

**Mary Mother of The Church  
Annual Dinner Dance 2024**

**St John the Evangelist Catholic Parish  
Campbelltown Hall  
On Saturday 25th May 2024 at 6:30 pm**  
Music, Dance, Door Prizes and Buffet Dinner  
*Tickets are available for sale.*

*Please see Lina or Contact the Parish Office*

**Price : \$45 /ticket**

**Dress Code : Smart Casual**

**Drinks : BYO**

**NOTE: You are requested to settle the money  
and return the books to Lina ASAP so that we  
know the exact numbers of attendees.**

**Vigil Mass on 25th May is at 5:00pm**

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## Deceased Name Inscribed In The Memorial Garden Plaque

If you wish to have your beloved deceased family member's names to be inscribed in the Memorial Garden plaque of our parish, please email the names to the parish office by **30th June 2024**. A donation of \$300 for each name required. A Special Mass in memory of those departed faithful will be offered by the parish priest every year in the month of November. We will proceed with the plaque only if we get enough names. Thank You.

**Parish Feast Day : Monday 20th May**, following the great feast of Pentecost, we celebrate the Feast day of Mary Mother of the church. Mass will be at the normal time of 9am on the day. However, we will have a Cuppa with all our parishioners on this weekend of **18th / 19th May (Pentecost Sunday) after all the masses. Please join us for the cuppa after the mass. Thank you.**

**A vocation view Pentecost Sunday (19/05/24)**  
Peter and the Apostles preach with a power and conviction that can only be attributed to the Spirit dwelling among them. Is God calling you to speak for Him in our day and age? (Acts 2:1-11)  
If you want to talk about your vocation, please contact the diocesan vocations director, Fr Duane Fernandez at [vocations@dow.org.au](mailto:vocations@dow.org.au)

**Free Technology Training for Seniors :** Catholic-Care, will again partner with St Benedict's Oran Park and CEDoW to help with the technology that you may be struggling with. The following dates will have afternoon tea provided. Tuesday 21 & 28 May and 4 June from 1pm-2.30pm Places will fill quickly, so please contact Jane Hollier Parish and Community Officer CatholicCare on 0417018152 or [janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au](mailto:janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au)

## Corpus Christi Procession:

**Our Lady Help of Christians Parish**, Demetrius Road, Rosemeadow will be hosting the Corpus Christi Procession in honour of the Body and Blood of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, on the Feast of Corpus Christi, **2 June 2024 at 2.30pm**. It will include Scripture Readings, Rosary, Procession and Benediction. This is for all Parishes in the Macarthur Region and all are most welcome to join us in prayer and witness to our Eucharistic Lord among us.

## Reflection:

## **BIRTHDAY GIFTS**

*Americans are notoriously extravagant when it comes to birthday celebrations. Even though it was only his second birthday, Simon got over twenty presents. When the time came for him to open them, he sat on the floor and began to tear off the fancy wrappings. Once he had opened a gift, he examined it for a few seconds, then threw it aside and went on to the next. Instead of feeling happy for him, one felt sorry for him. He didn't need all those presents. He was being smothered with things when all he really wanted and needed was a little loving.*

*Pentecost is the birthday of the Church. On that day the apostles received the gifts of the Holy Spirit. But this doesn't mean they were like children receiving birthday gifts. The Holy Spirit didn't give the apostles any things. The Spirit did not bring them anything, or give them anything they did not already have.*

*Take the example of Spring. Spring doesn't give anything to the trees. All it does is help to bring out what is already within them in a germinal state. So it was with the apostles. What the Holy Spirit did was awaken them to the gifts that God had already given them. And what resulted was a marvelous sharing of their gifts — for the benefit of the infant Christian community.*

*Gifts are not given just for our own use. They are meant to be shared. Often people allow their gifts to lie idle. They may have great potential for goodness, but that potential is not released. To develop a gift calls for patience and self-discipline. But it leads to growth and joy. A tree is never more alive than when teeming with blossoms or with fruit.*

*The action of the Spirit is mysterious, but it's not magic. What is called for on our part is openness, willingness and effort. Fear, selfishness, laziness, apathy — all these lead to stagnation. What the Holy Spirit did for the apostles was to imbue them with courage and boldness so that they were able to overcome their fear and timidity. From being a group of people, huddled together in fear of each other and of the world at large, they became people with a mission and a message for the world — the Good News of Jesus Christ. After the coming of the Spirit they became living witnesses for Christ.*

*The Holy Spirit has been given to us too. Just as Spring enables the trees to blossom and grow, so the Holy Spirit enables us to be fruitful disciples of the Lord.*

**New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies**  
Flor McCarthy, SDB

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## Thanksgiving & Special Intention Mass offered for:

**Birthday** : Alan Richard White

**Thanksgiving** : Christopher Noel Altre

## This week masses have been offered for the Sick and Special needs of :



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| * Dr Lydia de Jesus     | * Eva Silang          |
| * Dr Joycelyn de Jesus  | * Carole Dimayuga     |
| * Leslie Reich          | * Selda Dimayuga      |
| * Jaypee Masangkay      | * Nancie              |
| * Aida Dayao            | * Mason Dulalia       |
| * Nelia Ambat           | * Jun & Charo Doctors |
| * Vivian Martin         | * TJ del Rio          |
| * Lucinda Rose          | * Catherine Nguyen    |
| * Christine             | * Resty Perez         |
| * Marie-ange Suggun     | * Susan Biag          |
| * Maria Vu              | * Annie Beardley      |
| * Sue Aston             | * Cysiane             |
| * Vlado Kutle           | * Feliciana Matildo   |
| * Wally Skoczylas       | * Jake Valte          |
| * Luis Vincente Marcelo | * Teresa Tiu          |
| * Carla Geronimo        | * Andrea Tuazon       |
| * Alana Beattie         | * Baby Isabelle       |

## THIS WEEK MASSES HAVE BEEN OFFERED FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS & DEATH ANNIVERSARIES OF :



- ✠ Bishop Peter Ingham
- ✠ Victor Padura
- ✠ Eugenia Villarosa
- ✠ Alan & Carla Bongcawel
- ✠ Phillip Yongching
- ✠ Benjamin V Gutierrez
- ✠ Joseph Hoang Van Xung
- ✠ Maria Hoang Thi Tru
- ✠ Ernani De Guzman
- ✠ Jeanne Helene
- ✠ Antanette Yongching
- ✠ Barbara Veronica Carson
- ✠ Kim Tu
- ✠ Michael Hogan
- ✠ Joanne Mahoney
- ✠ Edgardo Altre
- ✠ Rosemarie Perez
- ✠ Grace Bonzo
- ✠ Ronnie Marquez
- ✠ Milagros Ballinan
- ✠ All souls in Purgatory



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**SVD Prayer** : *"May the darkness of sin and night of unbelief vanish before the light of the Word and the spirit of grace, and may the heart of Jesus live in the hearts of all. Amen"* **Saint Arnold Janssen**

## **Gloria**

*Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise You, We bless You,  
We adore you, We glorify You,  
We give you thanks for your great glory.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
You take away the sins of the world, receive our  
prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the  
Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the  
holy one, You alone are the Lord, You alone are most  
high Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory  
of God the Father. Amen.*

## **The Apostles' Creed**

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, (all bow)  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;  
He descended into hell; on the third day he rose  
again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is  
seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there He will come to judge the living and the  
dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic  
Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of  
sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.  
Amen.*