

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 - Vigil Mass Year C - 7th June 2025 LITURGY OF THE WORD

confused the language of the whole earth. It was from there that the Lord scattered them over the whole face of the earth.

The Word of the Lord.

Entrance Antiphon

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within us, alleluia.

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Genesis (11:1-9)

(It was named Babel because there the Lord confused the language of the whole earth).

Throughout the earth men spoke the same language, with the same vocabulary. Now as they moved eastwards they found a plain in the land of Shinar where they settled. They said to one another, 'Come, let us make bricks and bake them in the fire.' - For stone they used bricks, and for mortar they used bitumen. - 'Come,' they said, 'let us build ourselves a town and a tower with its top reaching heaven. Let us make a name for ourselves, so that we may not be scattered about the whole earth.'

Now the Lord came down to see the town and the tower that the sons of man had built. 'So they are all a single people with a single language!' said the Lord. 'This is but the start of their undertakings! There will be nothing too hard for them to do. Come, let us go down and confuse their language on the spot so that they can no longer understand one another.' The Lord scattered them thence over the whole face of the earth, and they stopped building the town. It was named Babel therefore, because there 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, clothed in majesty and glory, wrapped in light as in a robe!

All: Lord, send out your Spirit, and

renew the face of the earth.

Reader: How many are your works, O Lord! In

wisdom you have made them all. The earth is full of your riches. Bless the

Lord, my soul.

All: Lord, send out your Spirit, and

renew the face of the earth.

Reader: All of these look to you to give them

their food in due season. You give it, they gather it up: you open your hand,

they have their fill.

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.

Parish News and Happenings

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans. (8:22-27)

(The Spirit himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words).

From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free. For we must be content to hope that we shall be saved - our salvation is not in sight, we should not have to be hoping for it if it were - but, as I say, we must hope to be saved since we are not saved yet - it is something we must wait for with patience.

The Spirit too comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

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 7:37-39

(From his breast shall flow fountains of living water).

Communion Antiphon

On the last day of the festival, Jesus stood and cried out: If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink, alleluia.

Readings for The Most Holy Trinity Sunday Year C 14th & 15th June 2025 Prov 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

BAPTISMS are open.

For Baptism Preparation please contact Maria D'souza through email :

maria197114@gmail.com or Contact the parish office.

BAPTISMS on 2nd & 4th Saturdays at 11:30am

Parish Feast Day: Monday 9th June 2025

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 & cuppa will be served after the mass.

Confirmation 2025 – Important Dates Sacrament of Reconciliation: Friday, 13th June 2025 at 5pm

Rehearsal: Sunday 15th June at 11:30am

Sacrament of Confirmation: Celebrated on **Saturday, 21st June 2025** during the **10:00am** and **12:00pm** Masses.

<u>Parish Cuppa:</u> Join us after Mass this weekend for a warm Parish Cuppa as we celebrate our Parish Feast Day together!



SAVE THE DATE

Mary Mother of The Church
Annual Dinner Dance 2025
St John the Evangelist Catholic Parish
Campbelltown Hall
On Saturday 2nd August 2025 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 /adult
Children under 16 years: \$25
Children under 5 years: Free
(limited to 2 kids/table)
Dress Code: Smart Casual

Drinks: BYO

We need your presence and support to make this event a success. Your participation helps us continue our mission and activities.

Vigil Mass on 2nd August is at 5:00pm

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MULTICULTURAL DAY RAFFLE

Trying to think of a way to support our parish? Collect a book of raffle tickets to sell to family and friends.

1st Prize: \$300 2nd Prize: \$150 3rd Prize: \$50

Plus Consolation Prizes

Ticket price: \$2/ticket
Draw: 14th September 2025

All proceedings will go towards parish projects. Thank you for your support. Please see Lina for your book.

Corpus Christi Procession : Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, Rosemeadow will be holding their Annual Procession in honour of the Blessed Sacrament on Feast of Corpus Christi, 22nd at 2:30pm. This is for all Parishes in the Macarthur Region, and all are welcome to join in this witness to our Eucharistic Lord among us.

Dates to Remember: June & July

Saturday 21st June 2025 - Bishops Confirmation Masses at 10am & 12pm

Sunday 22nd June - Enrolments for 1st Reconciliation & 1st Holy Communion will be open

Weekend of 5th & 6 July 2025 - SVD Seminarian Visit

Weekend of 5th & 6th July 2025 - St Vincent De Paul, Winter appeal

Weekend of 26th & 27th July - Aid to the Church in Need Visit

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: *6:00 pm*. (Vigil Mass) **Sunday:** *8:00 am* **&** *10:00 am*.

<u>Weekday Masses</u>: 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

<u>Bible Study</u>: Fortnightly at 2:30 pm in the Logos Centre.

<u>Sunday School</u>: Every Sundays during 10am Mass in the Logos Centre. (during the School Term)

Reflection:

The Miracle of change

Before the coming of the Spirit, the apostles were virtually living in hiding in the upper room. A great task had been entrusted to them, yet they had neither the strength nor the will to begin it. But after Pentecost they were changed people.

What was it that the Holy Spirit did to them, and how did the miracle of change come about? Even though we are dealing with mystery, that doesn't mean we can't understand anything about it.

We have to realise that the apostles were wounded people. They were wounded by doubt and grief, by fear and failure, and above all by a sense of inadequacy.

Jean Vanier is a man who knows a great deal about what helps wounded people to change. He has set up little communities around the world for (mentally) handicapped people. When the handicapped are locked away in institutions, terrible damage is done to their hearts and spirits. A wounded body will heal naturally, but not a wounded heart. A wounded heart will harden, just to survive, and then fill up with anger and bitterness.

But when the handicapped are taken out of institutions where they are made to feel unwanted, and put into communities where they are loved, Vanier has witnessed, over and over again, the miracle of change.

This helps us to understand something of what happened to the apostles. In saying that the apostles were wounded, one is not suggesting that they were wounded to the same degree as some handicapped people are. Nevertheless, they were wounded. But after the coming of the Spirit they were changed people. They left their hiding place, and set out courageously to preach the Gospel.

We mustn't think that the change was affected in an instant. It had to be a gradual thing, a growth process. And growth can be slow and painful. We do not easily let go of old habits and attitudes.

People change when they are given hope; when someone believes in them, and gives them a task to do. Above all, they change when they are loved. They come out of their shells, and hidden energies are release in them. The miracle of human change is the only real miracle.

All of us have a capacity for goodness. We have hands that can care, eyes that can see, ears that can hear, tongue that can speak, feet that can walk, and above all hearts that can love. But each of us has some handicaps, which keep us from realising our true and full selves. We need someone to awaken us to what is inside us. Someone who will bid us live, and help us grow. For us followers of Jesus, that someone is the Holy Spirit. The power that changed the apostles is available to us too, the gentle power of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit awakens us to the mysterious power within us, bids us live, and helps us grow.

Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies

Parish News and Happenings

Thanksgiving & Special Intention Mass offered for:

Thanksgiving: Joseph Quiah / Angelina & Tony Smith /

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



- * Dr Lydia de Jesus
- * Dr Joycelyn de Jesus
- * Jaypee Masangkay
- * Aida Dayao
- * Maria Vu
- * Alan & Margaret
- Raisbeck
- * Mick Jones
- * Noelene Bartlet
- * Wally Skoczylas
- * Carmencita Palma
- * Dr. Cyd Orosco
- * Agatha Go Ay Nio
- * Resty Perez
- * Vivian Martin
- * Andrea Tuazon
- * Nelia Ambat
- * Romulo Cabrera
- * Arman Diola
- * Antoinette Lie Njoek Djin
- * George Serrano
- * Adela Montalua
- * Tony Oldfield
- * Mary Hargreaves

- * Eva Silang
- * Carole Dimayuga
- * Selda Dimayuga
- * Nancie
- * Mason Dulalia
- * Jun & Charo Doctors
- * June Carroll
- * Anthony Smith
- * Elizabeth Messain
- * Danica Kutle
- * Jake Valte
- * Monique Yongching
- * Wendy Yongching
- * Sr. Patricia
- * John Unzillo
- * Edward Webster
- * Jean-Pierre Catherine
- * Alejandrino
- * Anita Menezes
- * Aidan Pereira



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



- ⊕ Saviour Bonello
- → Felex Rajan
- ♣ Cristeta Rodigero
- Remedios Fernandez
- ♣ Roberto Marcelo
- ♣ Kim Tu
- → Marie Helene
- → Varkey Mathew
- Peter Hanh Van Tran
- ♣ Abelardo Alcanar Sr
- Consolacion Pacanot
- ♣ All souls in Purgatory

- Romito Ebal
- Danielle Helene
- ⊕ Eric Gaynor
- ⊕ Fredrick D'Silva



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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

Parish Prayer: Heavenly Father, we thank you for the loving and supportive environment in our Parish, where people of diverse backgrounds come together to encounter You in the Holy Eucharist and glorify Your name in prayer and song. We pray for all priests and parishioners who have given their time and service to You through ministries in the Parish and local community. We pray that through the wonderous gifts of the Holy Spirit we may continue to grow stronger in faith and spread your message of love and forgiveness. All of this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ through the intersession of His Mother Mary. Amen.

Roster for Next Week - 14th & 15th June 2025

- (1) First Reading
- (2) Second Reading
- (3) Ministers
- (4) Altar Servers

14/06 - 6:00 pm Vigil Mass

- (1) Pierre Rochecouste (2) Terry Beattie
- (3) Maria D / Teresa B / Irma G / Andres C
- (4) Syona / Rosy

15/06 - 8.00 am

- (1) Jim Fogarty
- (2) Calvin Ambrose
- (3) Steve N/Lucy N/Emelia B/Mimi C
- (4) Freddy & Cathy Bernard

15/06 - 10.00 am Mass

- (1) Marc Ghignone
- (2) Herbert Kreltszheim
- (3) Carmen A / Marc G / Nancy K / Eileen P
- (4) Neejay & Nerayo Santos

Church Cleaners (14/06)

Exodus

Sue Titmarsh / Marieta Collins George Hogan / Harold & Pierrette