

The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

■ 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

Jn 14:15-16, 23-26

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything.

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘If you love me you will keep my commandments.

I shall ask the Father

and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever.

‘If anyone loves me he will keep my word,

and my Father will love him,

and we shall come to him

and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own;

it is the word of the one who sent me.

I have said these things to you

while still with you;

but the Advocate, 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 Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word

‘PEACE BE WITH YOU’

We live in a world of fear. It surrounds us: the political aggression evident globally, the social issues that depress, even personal challenges that come from relationships and life choices. The fear of tumultuous unrest or personal failure dominates our hearts at times.

Today’s Gospel offers us a calming voice. Pentecost is a celebration of God’s Spirit present, efficacious and penetrating—even into those areas of life and our world that seem so strained, tense and violent. Jesus comes into a room of fearful disciples. They are afraid of the religious authorities—what they did to Jesus could also happen to them. Into their midst the Risen Jesus comes. He stands *among* them, not away from them, or outside them. But *in* the midst of their fears. Twice he offers them the word that they need to hear, ‘Peace be with you.’ It’s a word that we need to hear personally, and that the world needs to know.

‘Peace’ comes from the gift of Jesus’ own spirit. His reassurance of his presence, the evidence of his suffering before them in his wounds, and his gift of peace is a strong affirmation. ‘Peace’, ‘shalom’ in Hebrew, is a prayer for wholeness in the midst of fear and suffering. It is the gift that Jesus wants for us, and for the world. The Gospel ends with the invitation to mission, to spread this peace that brings wholeness and forgiveness of sin.

Fr Michael Trainor



THE SAVING WORD

PENTECOST SUNDAY / C

8 JUNE 2025

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.

RESP PSALM

Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34. R. v. 30

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (or Alleluia!)

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. **R.**

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. **R.**



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.**

SECOND READING

Rom 8:8-17

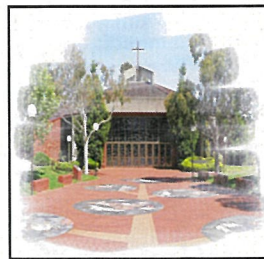
A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God.

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

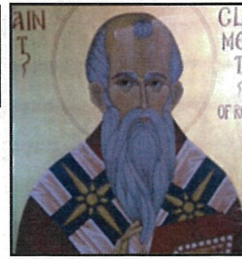
So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, ‘Abba, Father!’



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Parish Vision Statement : Guided and inspired by the Holy Spirit, the Parish of St Clement of Rome seeks to be a community of authentic disciples of Jesus, living the Word of God. As a welcoming community, through humble service, we acknowledge our stewardship of God's creation and strive to promote the dignity of all God's people.

JUBILEE 2025—PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Welcome to St Clement of Rome as we celebrate Pentecost Sunday

Today's theme is : The Holy Spirit will teach you everything

We invite you to reflect on this theme throughout the Mass



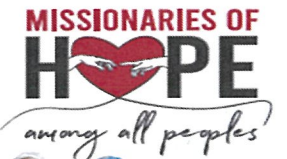
Sunday Reflection

This is the day when the first followers of Jesus were empowered to throw off their hesitation and fear and speak boldly and openly about the marvels of God, made manifest in the life and teaching of Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus had promised this—an Advocate who would stand by them and for them, teach them and remind them of him. The powerful imagery of their experience of this carries with it the sense that they have no control over what is happening.

We, at various levels, are tempted to want to harness or categorise the Spirit of Jesus. Is this what Paul means by 'unspiritual lives'? His somewhat confusing use of the same word to interchange meanings, from 'Spirit of God', 'Spirit of Christ' 'your spirit' is his way of expressing the intimate union in which we share. As we say in the Creed, the Spirit who proceeds from the Father and the Son is Lord and giver of life. May this Spirit live in us, in our families, our communities and our Church and continually challenge us as we journey together on the way to the fulfilment of the kingdom.

— God's Word—Daily Reflections

The Parish Pastoral Council invites all Parishioners to join them in the Clifton Centre for morning tea after the 9 am Mass, this Sunday. We look forward to seeing you there.



For women like Sharon, who must choose between feeding their children or selling their crops to survive, and Grace, who risked her life traveling 160km for safe childbirth, hope comes through Sr Jane and Kayula. Through sustainable farming, Sr Jane helps women provide for their families. At the Chilonga Mission Hospital, Kayula ensures mothers and babies receive the dignity and care they deserve.

This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance the vital work of the Church. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope to the people of Zambia.



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/mission



Catholic Mission—propagation of the faith collection will be taken up next weekend. Envelopes available.

MASS TIMES, RECONCILIATION & OTHER SACRAMENTS

Mass Times: Sat 5:30pm (*Vigil*), Sun - 9am & 11am (*Italian*)

Tues 9:15am (*Italian*), Wed-Fri 9:15am (unless informed)

Reconciliation: Sat 5:00pm (and on request)

Baptisms: 1st & 3rd weekend every month. Weddings: By Appointment

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand.

We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently on this land.

PARISH DIARY

Sun 8th June @ 9am—Mass followed by morning tea
 Sun 8th June @ 11am—Italian Mass
 Tue 10th June @ 9.15am—no Italian Mass
 Wed 11th June @ 9.15am—Mass
 Thurs 12th June @ 9.15am—Mass
 Fri 13th June @ 9.15am—School Mass (prep,1,5&6)
 Sat 14th June @ 5pm —Reconciliation followed by Mass/Baptism

Saturday Reconciliation time change

Please note the Reconciliation change of time.

Recent Deaths & Death Anniversaries

We pray for those who have died recently, **Rita Marinelli, Marco Cherubin** and for the repose of the souls of **Leonilda Natoli, Carmela & Carmelo Guarino, Joe Guarino** and all those, whose anniversaries occur at about this time. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

ASRE—Sacrament of Confirmation 2025

We are pleased to announce that the class dates for the Sacrament of Confirmation have been scheduled. Please see the dates listed below. Enrolment forms can be downloaded from our website. We encourage you to complete and email your forms as soon as possible to secure your place in the program.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Saturday 2 nd August	9.00-10.15am	ASRE Confirmation 1
Saturday 9 th August	9.00-10.15am	ASRE Confirmation 2
Saturday 16 th August	9.00-10.15am	ASRE Confirmation 3
Saturday 23 rd August	9.00-10.15am	ASRE Confirmation 4
Saturday 30 th August	9.00-10.15am	ASRE Confirmation 5
Saturday 6 th September	9.00-10.15am	ASRE Confirmation 6 including Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) 10am
Friday 10 th October	6.00pm	Sacrament of Confirmation

Memorial Wall Plaques



If you are considering honouring a deceased loved one, within our faith community, we invite you to add their name to our parish Memorial Wall. Please contact the parish office for more information about having a plaque made.

New Ways of Giving

To Support our Church with ease, we've introduced a new EFTPOS terminal. This is an easy and secure way to donate, but please note that it is not an alternative to your regular stewardship envelopes.

You can also donate by scanning this QR code with your phone camera. Thank you for your generosity!



LITURGY ROSTER		SAT 5.30PM	SUN 9.00AM
7/8 June	<i>Sacristan</i>	Sue De Bortoli	Livia Tunggal
	Commentator	Paul Sammut	Rocco Gagliardi
	Readers	May Teh	Mark Gregor
		Enza Wilcocks	Grace Cannatelli
	Special Ministers	Warwick Wright	Pina La Mattina
		Virginie Mindiel	Ricardo La Mattina

14/15 June	Sacristan	Sue De Bortoli	Livia Tunggal
	Commentator	May Teh	Mark Gregor
	Reader	Jacinta Zieba	Christine Landsberg
	Special Ministers	Zina Scalzo	Fulvia Gerasolimo
		May Teh	Agnes Lu
		Martin Teh	Maria Papalia

ROSTER—ITALIAN MASS 11AM

DATE	LETTORI	OFFERTORIO	MINISTRI DELL' EUCHARISTIA
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Receipts for Project Compassion are now available in the Church foyer, for those who requested them.

MELBOURNE CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

"Did not our hearts burn within us while he walked with us....."
 Luke 24:32

When : SUNDAY 22ND JUNE 2025

Procession begins at St Patrick's Cathedral, following 11am Mass, concluding at Federation Square.

Communities are invited to bring their banners.

