



Pentecost Sunday - Yr C

8th June, 2025

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CHILD PROTECTION - is everyone's responsibility

Check the Parish Website for:

Child Safety & Code of Conduct Policy
Parish Privacy Act / Professional Standards

A parent must accompany any child leaving the church during Mass.

Parish Email: gisborne@cam.org.au
Parish Website melbcatholic.org/s/gisborne
Parish Facebook Page

www.facebook.com/stbrigidsparishgisborne**Secretary Hours** Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am – 5:00pm**CONTINUING PRAYER LIST:**

Please pray for those who are in ill health:

**Eileen S, Corrine V, Anthony S,
Fran S, Helen K, Shane R, George T,
Diane M, Marg P, Zoe F,
Pat P & Beth T.**

We pray for the recently deceased, especially **Gerard Hede**
and for those who have an anniversary at this time,
especially **Robert Morton, Geraldine Milton &
Gwendolyn Carroll.**

May they rest in peace

Upcoming Parish Masses & Events

Sat 07/06/25 Saturday 6pm Mass – Gisborne
Sun 08/06/25 Normal Sunday Masses
Mon 09/06/25 5:30pm Sacramental classes – Gisborne
Tue 10/06/25 **NO WEEKDAY MASS**
Tue 10/06/25 The Oaks Mass
Wed 11/06/25 9:15am – Weekday Mass – Gisborne
Thu 12/06/25 9:15am – Weekday Mass – Gisborne
Thu 12/06/25 7pm – PPC Meeting – Parish office
Fri 13/06/25 9:15am – Weekday Mass - Gisborne
Sat 14/06/25 Saturday 6pm Mass – Gisborne
Sun 15/06/25 Normal Sunday Masses
Tue 17/06/25 **NO WEEKDAY MASS**
Wed 18/06/25 9:15am – Weekday Mass – Gisborne
Thu 19/06/25 **NO WEEKDAY MASS**
Thu 19/06/25 Holy Cross Yr 2&3 class Mass
Fri 20/06/25 9:15am – Weekday Mass – Gisborne

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

In the very old days, the 'Holy Spirit' was known as the 'Holy Ghost'. It comes 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.'

mtate@bigpond.com**SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEK - CATHOLIC MISSION - PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH**

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.



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1800 257 296



Rosters & Events



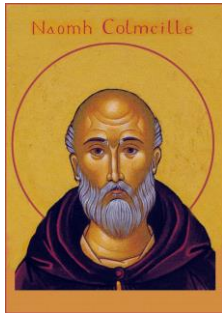
Ministers for next weekend's Masses

The Most Holy Trinity – Year C

14th & 15th June, 2025

6:00pm Mass St. Brigid's Reader: L. Jackanic Eucharist: K. Aprile	8:00am Mass St. Ambrose's Welcomer: J. White Reader: P. Sammut	Flowers: J. Shumack
9:30am Mass St. Patrick's Reader: M. Redman Eucharist: K. Petherbridge	11:00am Mass St. Brigid's Reader: B. Myers Eucharist: V. Firman	

FEAST OF ST. COLMCILLE



Feast Day: June 9

Patron Saint of Derry, floods, poets, Scotland, Ireland.

Born: December 7, 521

Died: June 9, 597

Colmcille is one of the most prolific of Irish saints. After establishing a monastery in Derry, he travelled across Northern Ireland and eventually established 30 monasteries in just one decade.

Colmcille is a saint in the Roman Catholic Church, Presbyterian Church, Anglican Communion Church and Orthodox Church.

THANKSGIVING BY DIRECT DEBIT

If you would like to contribute to the Thanksgiving Program, you may do so by direct debit to the acct below:

St. Brigid's Church Account

NAB

BSB: 083 347

Acct: 6742 95773

Please use your surname and TG number as the reference.

PRIEST & PRESBYTERY BY DIRECT DEBIT

If you would like to contribute to the Priest & Presbytery expenses, you may do so by direct debit to the acct below:

St. Brigid's Presbytery Account

NAB

BSB: 083 347

Acct: 6672 72303

Please use your surname as the reference.

AN INTRODUCTION TO PRAYER

Week 5 – and finally

Step 5: Resolution – Now what? This is where something concrete and practical comes out of your time spent talking with God. Ask yourself, “What’s the one thing I can do today to live out what I’ve learned through my prayer time?” It doesn’t have to be anything earth-shattering –

“I’m going to put others first today.”

“I will choose to forgive that person for how they hurt me.”

“I’m going to pray, ‘Jesus, I trust in you’ every time I feel anxious today.”

To finish up, you can engage in intercessory prayer, i.e. by praying for people and/or situations that have been brought to mind through your prayer time. Be specific in your prayers, entrusting that God is the Good Father.

Remember Matthew 7: 9 – 11, “Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will you give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will you give him a snake? As bad as you are, you know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask Him!”

Be confident God will answer your prayers; it might not be in the way you expect but it is always in a way that will bring a greater good in the long run.

...and to recap **all** the steps....

1. Greet God (1 – 2 minutes) – start the conversation by saying “hello”.
2. Honesty (1 – 2 minutes) – tell God how you are *really* doing, no need to pretend.
3. Worship (2- 5 minutes) – use the psalms, listen to devotional music, use your own words.
4. Scripture (5 – 30 minutes) – how does this apply to me, today?
5. Resolution (1 minute) – this is how I’ll make a change in my life.

In conclusion, thank you for taking the time to read through these ideas and suggestions, and may God bless you as undertake to have a deeper relationship with Him.

St Brigid's Parish Divine Renovation Team

(Divine Renovation is the initiative of Fr James Mallon through the Divine Renovation Ministry <https://divinerenovation.org/>)

OPEN HOUSE

Meet after 11am Sunday Mass at the Kaffeeine Bar for a coffee and chat.
Everyone Welcome!

SCRIPTURE STUDIES

Thursday – 10am
For all enquiries please contact
Bernie 0414 890 377

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Should you have a loved one gravely ill and in need of anointing or the services of a priest, please call the Parish Landline on 5428 2591.

St Brigid's Parish Weekly Giving

Collections last week: Presbytery \$483
Thanksgiving \$1080

Thank you for your ongoing support through the Thanksgiving Program.

Introduction: On this feast day of Pentecost we commemorate the coming of the Holy Spirit on the apostles and the immediate transformation that the presence of the Spirit had upon them and those gathered with them.

1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11

We hear the events of the first Pentecost, when St. Luke describes the events with images resonant of the images of the creation story in Genesis.

2nd Reading: Romans 8:8-17

We hear the contrast that St. Paul portrays about what are the fruits of the Spirit compared to the unspiritual fruits. The Spirit makes every one a son or daughter of God, not a slave.

Gospel: John 14:15-16, 23-26

In this discourse of Jesus at the Last Supper in which he promises to send another Advocate, the Spirit of truth will teach them everything.

Prayer of Intercession: St. Paul teaches that even when we do not know how to pray as we ought, the Holy Spirit is praying deep in our hearts, making known to the Father all that we desire. So it is with confidence in his supportive presence that we now pray.

1. For the Church; that, by means of a new Pentecost, it may be renewed and made radiant in holiness.
(pause) We pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

2. For our laity, priests and bishops; that they might be filled with the power of the Spirit, and through their ministry lead all people to you.
(pause) We pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

3. For ourselves; that by our openness to the Holy Spirit we may be transformed more and more into the likeness of Jesus Christ and so be able to bear powerful witness to him in our daily lives.
(pause) We pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

4. We pray for all chaplains who care for the spiritual, social and material welfare of those in need without distinction of colour, race or creed.
(pause) We pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

5. We pray for ourselves and the special needs of all in our parish community. We pray for those who are sick – those on our parish prayer list – the frail, and for all who care for them. For the faithful departed: for those who have died recently, especially **Gerard Hede** and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially **Robert Morton, Geraldine Milton & Gwendolyn Carroll**; that they may be upheld by the Holy Spirit in their sufferings and face the future with peaceful hearts.
(pause) We pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Please join in the parish Prayer.

Celebrant: Lord God, giver of all good gifts, we give you thanks for the supreme gift of the Holy Spirit. May we be open to all you do for us. We make this prayer through Christ Jesus who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit now and forever. Amen.

Next week's readings: Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

ST. BRIGID'S GISBORNE PARISH PRAYER

God our Father, we thank you for all the blessings we enjoy in our parish family of St. Brigid's Gisborne.

Many have laboured to build our parish. May we all work together and hand in hand stand together.

May our parish be filled with holiness and prayer, faith and love.

May all who come here find a welcoming home, comfort in their needs and strength for their journey.

St. Brigid, St. Patrick, St. Ambrose and St. Colmcille watch over us always we pray, that with faith we grow and learn.

We make our prayer in Jesus name.

Amen.

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

The Living Word

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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.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 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. (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

Romans 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!' 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

John 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 that I have said to you.'

The Gospel of the Lord.