

# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

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PENTECOST SUNDAY / C

FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT. The coming of the Holy Spirit on the apostles at Pentecost marks the beginning of the time of the Church. Filled with the Spirit, the apostles preach in many languages symbolising the universal nature of the Church's mission. All people, regardless of race or language, are welcome in Christ's Church. Indeed, membership of the Church is not based on ethnic origin but on love, the greatest of the Spirit's gifts. Everyone moved by love is a son or daughter of God.

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** Wis 1:7  
**The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.**

## GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**R. And with your spirit.**

## PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries. P. Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom: Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

P. You come in word and in sacrament to strengthen us and make us holy: Christ, have mercy.

**R. Christ, have mercy.**

P. You will come again in glory with salvation for your people: Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

**R. Amen.**

## 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 the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.**

Spirit poured out upon her may retain all its force and that this spiritual food may gain her abundance of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

## THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia!

**R. Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!**

## 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

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## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, as promised by your Son, the Holy Spirit may reveal to us more abundantly the hidden mystery of this sacrifice and graciously lead us into all truth. Through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. Lift up your hearts.

**R. We lift them up to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**R. It is right and just.**

## PREFACE OF PENTECOST

*After the Preface, we sing or say:*

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

**All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

## COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .**

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

**All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

**R. Amen.**

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*All exchange a sign of peace*

## LAMB OF GOD

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON Acts 2:4, 11

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

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. O God, who bestow heavenly gifts upon your Church, safeguard, we pray, the grace you have given, that the gift of the Holy

## 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

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

**R. Glory to you, O Lord.**

*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.**

**R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## PROFESSION OF FAITH—Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:*

**R. Blessed be God for ever.**

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**



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!' 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.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

## COLLECT

P. O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation, pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now once more the hearts of believers. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**R. Amen.**

## 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.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

## 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.**

PARISH WEBSITE

https://melbcatholic.org/s/dandenong

PARISH PRIEST: Fr. Sebastian Arockia

PARISH SECRETARY: Franca Van Boxtel

FINANCE OFFICER: Deslene de Niese

PARISH CENTRE MANAGER:

Mr. Miguel Matamala

If you urgently need a priest please call 9791 4611, if Father does not answer, please leave a message and he will call you back.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday Morning: 9.15am

Saturday Evening: 6.00pm

Sunday: 8.30am, 10.30am and 5.30pm

WEEK DAY MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday: 9.15am

Friday (9.45am –12.30pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, concluding with Benediction at 12.30pm)

ANNOINTING MASS

-Last Friday of every month 9.15 am

DAILY ROSARY

—After morning Mass Mon-Sat (Fridays will be before Mass)

RECONCILIATION

—Saturday after 9.15am Mass and 5pm to 5.45pm before 6pm Mass or upon request

BAPTISM, MARRIAGE OR HOUSE BLESSING

—Please contact the Parish Centre on 9791 4611

COMMUNION AND ANOINTING OF SICK

—Please inform the Parish Office on 9791-4611 if a sick person is seriously ill, homebound or hospitalised and wants to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Anointing.

REGULAR GROUP MEETING

ST MARY’S PARISH

LEGION OF MARY:

Saturday mornings after 9:15am mass in the Fellowship Room followed by Rosary

SPANISH PRAYER GROUP :

Wednesday evenings at 7pm in the church

ST MARY’S FRIENDSHIP CLUB:

3rd Wednesday of month lunch meet at Dandenong RSL.12pm

BINGO AT ST MARY’S

St. Mary’s Bingo is on Tuesdays at 12noon & Saturdays at 6.30pm in St Mary’s Community Centre, New St, Dandenong

A warm welcome to Fr John Prince.

Thank you for coming to St Mary’s Parish during the absence of Fr Sebastian we hope you will enjoy your time here over the next 3 weeks.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Holy Ghost, Holy Gust



In the very old days, the ‘Holy Spirit’ was known as the ‘Holy Ghost’. It may come 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.’

SPECIAL COLLECTION– 14/15 JUNE

There will be a special collection on the weekend of 14/15 June for Catholic Mission. The Propagation of Faith Appeal helps bring Christ’s hope to some of the most vulnerable communities around the world. Envelopes are available around the church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Melbourne Corpus Christi Procession– Sunday 22nd June 2025

On the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), all are invited to this special Corpus Christi Procession as our Archdiocese of Melbourne publicly and joyfully bears witness to Christ—the hope who does not disappoint—in this Year of Jubilee. Following the 11am Mass at St Patrick’s Cathedral, Melbourne, a Eucharistic procession will commence from the Cathedral, making a pilgrimage through Melbourne CBD in prayer and song before concluding with Benediction at Federation Square.

‘My dear friends in Christ, I ask you to join me for this extraordinary Eucharistic Procession, bringing along your parishes, schools, and communities to bear witness to Christ in our midst. In this grace-filled Jubilee Year, may we share the living hope of Christ with every step we take.’ – Archbishop Peter A Comensoli

We encourage all communities and movements to begin preparing for this pilgrimage. ‘Did not our hearts burn within us while he walked with us ...’ (Luke 24:32). Enquiries: proclaim@cam.org.au or (03) 9926 5761

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently Deceased: Marlene Pootren, Ana Gloria Do Rosario Gonsalves

Anniversaries: Gladys Fernando, Walton Woods, Neil Theodore

Sick: Rosa Maria Santos, Long Phan, Ush Henry Bangkal, Leti Luki, Kathleen Nelson, Jim Lynch , Bernardo, Ray Gilligan, Frank Pezzaro, Janet Augustine, Bridget Phyland, Desmond Hopper, Solofuti, Samantha Vasanthy, Kevin, Maria Perez, Alan John Borninkhof, Angela Anthony, Ray Simmons, Frank Camara, Rita Breen, Katrina, Tasileta Lolesio, Jim, Lucia Germano, Imelda Quatre-bornes, Sandra Wills, Reuben Jacobs, Maddie, Herve, Asis Zullah, Nacera Burekovic, Charlie Mastrogiovanni, Carla Lunardi, Russell D’Costa, Satty Lee, Ping Lo, Keith Reynolds, Robyn, Fr Brendan Lane, Rosario Giaquinta, Anne Richards (The privacy legislation requires us to have written permission by an authorised person before any name can be printed )in the Marian.

(IF THERE ARE ANY NAMES THAT NEED TO COME OFF THE SICK LIST PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE)

God and Beer 16th June 2025: "Signs of Hope and a New Pope."

The media love to talk about the decline of Christianity and "dwindling congregations", however around the world Christianity is growing rapidly and within the Church there are many groups and movements that are having great success. Fr Dean Mathieson will offer a refreshing and inspiring perspective on the Church's vitality around the world. He'll share stories and insights about where the Catholic faith is growing and flourishing—and introduce us to the newly elected Pope Leo XIV, his background, and the early signs of his papacy. Come and be encouraged by the signs of renewal and grace at work in the Church today.

Fr Dean Mathieson is parish priest of St Peter's in Toorak with a deep love for the Church and a passion for evangelisation. He brings together theological depth and a pastor's heart. Visit the website for the Truth, Beauty, Goodness Project to find out more about his events.

Topic: Signs of Hope and a New Pope

Speaker: Fr Dean Mathieson Date: Monday 16th June Time: 6.30pm dinner available for purchase, 7.30pm for the talk

Venue: Notting Hill Hotel (Steakhouse Room), 260-262 Ferntree Gully Rd, Notting Hill,

Tickets: Free at Godandbeer.com.au

Caritas Australia appeals for support for amputees in Gaza

The UN described Gaza as being “home to the largest cohort of child amputees in modern history”. As of April, the UN reported that 4,500 people have been made amputees due to the current conflict. In response, Caritas Jerusalem is working to support those affected by the loss of limbs, as part of a program supported by Caritas Australia’s Gaza Emergency Appeal. We urgently need your support. Please donate to Caritas Australia’s Gaza Crisis Appeal.

You can donate online www.caritas.org.au/gaza or phone 1800 024 413



WEEKLY COLLECTION

Thanksgiving: \$2480.00

Presbytery \$649.00 Loose: \$1664.00

Support our Parish

If you would like to make direct payments to our bank accounts, the details are:

St Mary’s General Account: (Thanksgiving & Donations)

NAB BSB: 083 347

ACC. No. 483196852

For contributions to support our priests and the Archdiocese Presbytery Account:

NAB BSB: 083 347

ACC. No. 460761193

ROSTER—15TH & 16TH JUNE 2025

READER SATURDAY 6PM

Allister Simon & Dayang Balenbin

SUNDAY 8:30AM

Belen Satuito & Teresa De Feo

SUNDAY 10:30AM

Raul Spink & Elizabeth Lam Sam

SUNDAY 5:30PM

Grace Ramos & Michelle Alvares

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS SATURDAY 6PM

Maxine, Robert & Elizabeth

SUNDAY 8:30AM

Carmel, Rebecca & Roseline

SUNDAY 10:30AM

Ofelia, Orito & Thorwald

SUNDAY 5:30PM

Neville, Sharmini & Graham

St. Mary’s Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adult

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St. John’s Regional College Phone 8793 2000 Caroline St, Dandenong. Principal: Timothy Hogan

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