



Holy Spirit Catholic Parish

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4-5 June 2022

Pentecost | Year C



Holy Spirit Amaroo

Monday

Office closed

Tuesday

9:15am Mass

Wednesday

7:00am Mass

Thursday

9:15am Mass
5:00pm Adoration

Friday

7:00am Mass

Saturday

4:30pm Reconciliation
5:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday

8:00am Mass
9:30am Mass



St Francis Xavier Hall

Sunday Mass

8:30am
2nd and 4th Sunday of
each month

New Millennium Apostles

What amazement we find in this little scene! Jesus presents to his disciples the wounds of his crucifixion, which caused such horror only days earlier. But this time, the sight of these wounds fills their hearts with joy. On Friday, that bruised body meant despair and defeat. By Sunday night, the sight of it is the greatest hope ever dared.

Pentecost is, in its own way, a second feast of Transfiguration. The disciples see things differently, and it's not only their perception that's new. They themselves are transformed from well-meaning but ineffective people into folks prepared to risk everything for the truth. The disciples (a term meaning "those who learn") become apostles ("those who are sent"). As apostles of the new millennium, we're summoned to this same new vision, and sent on behalf of the same truth. Jesus transforms death into life, darkness into light. We can help the world to see its own wounds in a whole new way.

Name some places you habitually go. How might you be "sent" there as an apostle of good news?

The Holy Spirit is given to the church to bestow gifts to each for the sake of all. Pray about the gifts you possess and how to use them wisely in service of others. If you're unsure of your gifts, ask a friend, teacher, or colleague to help you to discern them.

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*'And I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another Comforter,
that he may abide with you for ever'*

John 14:16

TODAY'S READINGS

Readings: Acts 2:1-11, 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13, John 20:19-23

Entrance Antiphon: The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit; fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia. - *Liturgy Help*

Pentecost marks the great day in the Church when the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. [Act 2:3-4].

Holy Spirit Parish Feast Day Celebration



Join us for a Multicultural Morning Tea after 9:30 am Mass on
Sunday 5 June 2022.



We will have finger foods/cakes stall, and a sausage sizzle, along with tea and coffee. We will be asking for a gold coin for sausages and any donations to raise funds to support the refugees from the Ukraine who are now arriving in Canberra. Please bring along a plate representing your culture and wear your cultural dress.

Young Adult Meet and Greet

Inviting all 18-35 year olds to join us for trivia at Stonehouse Amaroo.

Wed 8 June - 6:30pm rego for 7pm start.

Please contact Frances for info - 0435 187 855 or frances_1406@hotmail.com

Invite your friends - hope to see you there!



Youth Group

Come along to the parish centre from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. \$5 per person to cover food.

- ◆ 12 June



Contact Paris:
youth@holyspiritgungahlin.org.au

**Youth Mass
and
Bonfire Night
Saturday
25 June
5:00pm**



Upcoming Events



* **4 June 2022**—Parish Floriade Garden bulb planting day from 9am-noon. Join us for morning tea, some planting, and community spirit as we work together to bring our parish garden to life.

- * **4 June 2022 from 2:00pm—Upper Room – Pentecost Gathering**
The Archdiocese, in partnership with Alpha, ACT Churches Council and other Canberra churches, invite all in our parishes to *The Upper Room*. This gathering will close the *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity*. It will be held on *Saturday 4th June (2:00pm - 4:00pm)* at *Australian Catholic University (223 Antill St Watson, ACT 2602)*. Registration is available here: bit.ly/upperroom-cbr
- * **5 June 2022—after 9:30am Mass - Parish Feast Day Celebrations**
Please bring along a plate representing your culture and wear your cultural dress.
- * **9 June 2022 6.00pm “Vocations Dinner for single men”**
God has a plan for your life. You can only discover this if you are willing to stop and listen to his voice. Each first Thursday of the month there is a Holy Hour and dinner for single men who are open to the possibility that God might be calling them to the priesthood and want to explore this further. The evening provides an opportunity to pray together and to share. Contact Father Trenton van Reesch: cathedral@cg.org.au
- * **9 June 2022 7:30pm—“The Church and the Second Plenary Council Assembly: Where are we now?”**
Concerned Catholics Canberra Goulburn will host a public Forum in the Chapel, Australian Centre for Christianity & Culture, Barton. Speakers will include: Sr Clare Condon sgs; Francis Sullivan; Andrea Dean and Paul Collins.
- * **14 June 2022 from 7:30pm — On Care for Our Common Home**
Commencing 14 June from 7.30-p.m., nine fortnightly dialogue sessions will be conducted online by the Archdiocesan Caring for Creation Movement. Learn about these crucial teachings from Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'* on caring for God's creation – a task that he addressed to everyone on Earth. Information: Roger Paul 0421612572 or LaudatoSiACT@gmail.com. Please register with TryBooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/BZMCP>
- * **21 June 2022**—First Eucharist and Reconciliation Information Session For children in Year 3 and above wishing to receive the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Reconciliation in 2022. Information sessions will be held on **Tuesday 21 June 1:00pm or 6:15pm** at the church.

Please keep the following individuals in prayer.....



For those who are sick

Baby Aarya
Raj Pratik
Christopher
Jan Hancock
Jim Banks
Grant
Diego Castaneda
Dorrell Hogan

Recently Deceased

Vimala Veronica

Anniversaries

Elizabeth Munusamy
Karen Gamboa
Melquiades Balberona

We include those who are members of our Parish or relatives. Please email contact the parish office or click here to request prayers.

[Prayer Requests](#)

Today I'm walking,
with The Holy Spirit
today the road
we are both going to hit.

I'll be trusting Him,
for the right directions
I'll follow His lead
without any objections.

We'll travel together,
without Him I won't go
for the righteous way
I know He knows.

I'll be looking for Him,
to steer my desires
into all that God's will
asks and requires.

Today I'm walking,
with the Holy Spirit
to whatever He says
I'm going to commit!

Vinnies Pantry Donations Required!

Thank you so much for always responding generously to our pantry call-outs. Our pantry supplies are running very low and the demand to help our needy families is very high at present. Our Vinnies team need your help to fill the pantry. Please donate generously.

Please keep in mind that large and bulk items may not necessarily help families who need to prepare a quick emergency meals. Our Vinnies team have put together a list to help us donate what will help the grocery recipients best. We would be very grateful if you could please try to stick to these sizes as much as possible as we want to make it easy for families who are already experiencing hardship and distress.



- ◆ 500g Dolmino Pasta Sauce
- ◆ 1kg Rice
- ◆ 1kg Weetbix
- ◆ 750g Cornflakes
- ◆ 250g Rolled Oats
- ◆ 200g Instant Coffee
- ◆ 50 bags Black Tea
- ◆ Sugar
- ◆ 420g Baked Beans
- ◆ 420g Spaghetti
- ◆ 425g Soup
- ◆ 420g Peas
- ◆ 420g Peas and Carrots
- ◆ 420g Corn Kernels
- ◆ 420g tomatoes
- ◆ 420g Legumes



- ◆ 420g Creamed Corn
- ◆ 420g Beetroot
- ◆ 425g Tuna
- ◆ 410g Tinned Fruit
- ◆ Hard Taco Shells
- ◆ Bottle of Pancake Mix
- ◆ Muesli Bars
- ◆ Instant Noodles
- ◆ 1 litre Long Life milk
- ◆ Jam and spreads
- ◆ Sweet and Savoury Biscuits



We also want to ensure that vulnerable families receive food that is nutritious and easy to access in a difficult situation. Therefore when purchasing pantry items please try to avoid the following:

- Junk food
- Items with packaging, which can be broken in transit
- Items that need can openers or special equipment (pop-top cans—whether for veggies, meat or fruit—are a plus)

Thank You!!

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity to indulge your flesh, but through love serve one another.

Galatians 5:13

A Smile of Peace

"A whole hour?" Gavin asked, "Sometimes longer," I replied. I was taking my university friend Simon as my date to another friend's wedding. A Catholic wedding – something Gavin has never attended before. Gavin was sweet and outgoing, but he could be a bit nervous and self-conscious. He also had ADHD. So, the thought of being stuck in a strange environment for an entire hour was a little unnerving to him. "I don't know what I'm supposed to do," he said as we entered the church. "Just follow along," I told him.

It was fun to experience Mass with someone who was going for the first time – to see it through his eyes. The church was an exceptional one – huge and old and as ornate as they come. Gavin couldn't stop looking around. He seemed to like all the sitting-standing-kneeling repetition, and I could tell he appreciated the beauty of the liturgy.

But the best part came during the sign of peace. Everyone around us coincidentally turned to Gavin at the same time offering their hands and wishing him peace. His face lit up with surprised delight and he eagerly accepted with thank-yous all around.

Before Gavin, I used to dislike the sign of peace – it felt perfunctory. But now when I shake hands at Mass, I think of him and smile big every time.

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Heavenly Father, God of power and of love.
We pray for those who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation
and welcomed into the church this weekend.

May your Holy Spirit help them to grow in faith, hope and love and may they come to know you as
the one true God who loves them without limit. May their hearts welcome you gladly;
May their ears hear your voice in the Scriptures;
May their eyes see you in all things; And may they proclaim your glory
as they walk in the ways of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.



Whirlwind Spirit

Whirlwind Spirit of God,
Roar through our timidities and fears,
Shake the foundations of our ill-placed securities,
Sweep away the cobwebs of our apathy,
Blow down the walls that separate us, one from
another.

Then into all our empty spaces, breathe
re-strengthened courage to challenge injustice,
renewed belief in the urgency of our vocation,
revitalised passion to change our lifestyles,
re-dedication to speak only words that build and
unite.

Let gentle breeze and still small voice
become in us today
mighty wind and loud proclamation.
Make of us a Pentecost people!
Amen

Kathleen O'Brien/CAFOD

Parish Council Update

"Your Parish Pastoral Council has been affected in the same way as you have lately – Covid!! It's been very disruptive, but everyone has filled the holes where-ever it is possible.

We recently farewelled an active and enthusiastic member of Council, in Ryan Greer (an 8 am Mass proponent) who has been appointed Principal for the Marist school in the Sale diocese. A well deserved promotion and we were sad to see him go. Sean Ryan and Philippa Brotchie have already made big contributions to the work of the Council and we thank them for taking up the challenge. Have you thought about what changes you might be able to make by being a member? The nomination form is on the website – or contact me directly.

This year the Council has focused on getting things "back on track". It is so important to have Children's Liturgy back at the 9.30 Mass and it's a big thank you to all the parents, teachers and student teachers who have stepped up to make that happen. We have found the morning tea after the 9.30 am Mass to be welcome and well attended and we will look for ways to continue building community over winter. Fr Mark's silver jubilee celebration was a really happy occasion and even the sun co-operated with a lovely day. Thank you to all who attended and contributed to his beautiful gift – a dress watch for those special occasions.

At our meeting on Wednesday, the PPC warmly endorsed the plan of the Social Justice Group to enrol the parish in the global Laudato Si' platform. This will lead to the development of a parish wide plan of action to implement the seven goals of the encyclical of Pope Francis: Laudato Si' – On Caring for Our Common Home. This will be a major focus of the parish and the Council in the coming year.

On a more prosaic level, the Council also approved a 10 year Asset Management Plan for our parish buildings to ensure that they are well maintained and that over time, they continue to meet the needs of the parish.

Finally, the Council is aware that there are many families in our community who would like more from the parish. We will act - if we know what you want. So, to acknowledge and celebrate the World Meeting of Families in late June, we have decided to come directly to you with a survey. Watch out for it and help us offer what our families need and want from the Parish.

Many thanks for all the support that you give me and all the members of the Council.

Alison Weeks

Chair

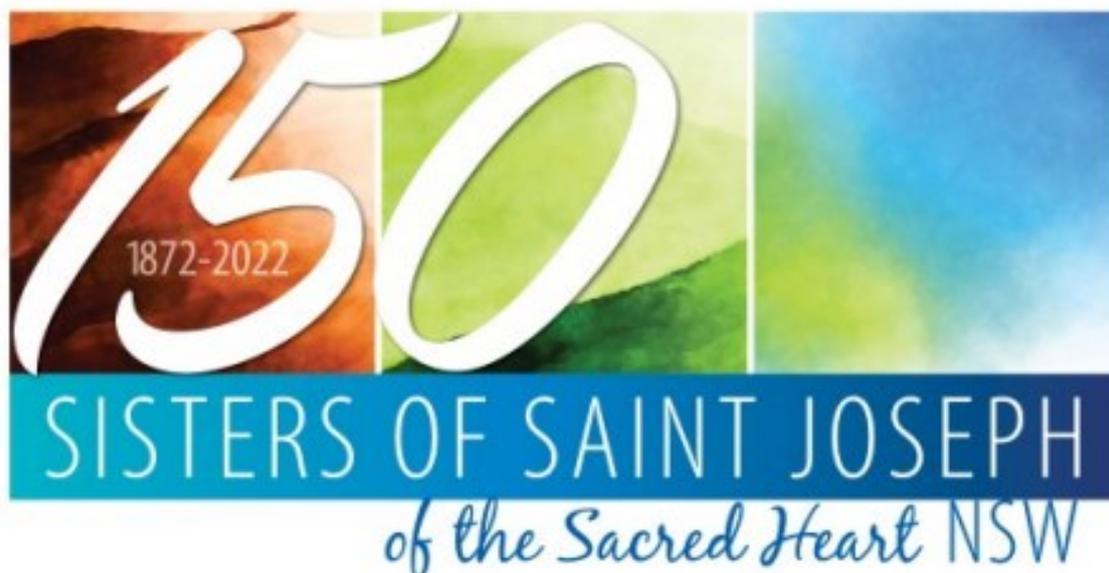
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World Meeting of Families | 22 - 26 June 2022

Every three years since 1994, the Church has celebrated the World Meeting of Families in a different city of the world. In 2022 the event will be hosted by the Diocese of Rome with Pope Francis leading special celebrations. However, the Holy Father has also asked that the World Meeting of Families be celebrated concurrently in every diocese of the world in 2022. The idea is for families to gather locally

around their bishop to explore and celebrate the theme of "Family love: A vocation and a path to holiness." You can discover local Australian events or explore the resources with your own family by visiting: www.family.catholic.org.au



INVITATION

Sister Anne Porter and the NSW Regional Leadership Team extend a warm invitation to attend the Sesquicentenary Mass celebrating 150 years of the presence of the Sisters of Saint Joseph in NSW since their arrival in Perthville in 1872.

The Mass will be celebrated on
Saturday 16 July 2022 at 10.30 am
in the Cathedral of St Michael and St John Bathurst.
Celebrant: Bishop Michael McKenna

Following the Mass there will be a light lunch in the Cathedral Hall.
Everyone is very welcome - Parishioners, Friends, Companions
and all those with a connection to the Sisters of Saint Joseph.

The Perthville Heritage Centre will be open for visitors from 2 pm
for the 2.30pm Launch of the audio app of the site.

RSVP by 13 June 2022 - needed for catering purposes
Please contact Sr Berenice Cornish rsj
Email: Berenice.cornish@sosj.org.au
Mobile: 0418 681 949

Several years ago in Germany, while giving the Sacrament of Confirmation, a bishop was questioning the children who were about to be confirmed: "Who can administer the sacrament of confirmation?" he asked. A young girl answered: "Any bishop, once he's attained the age of reason!"

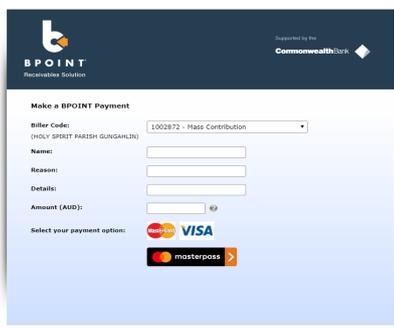


The gift of counsel:

Just after receiving his driver's license, a Lutheran minister's son wanted to talk about using the family car. "I'll make a deal with you," his father said. "Bring your grades up, read your Bible more often, and get a haircut. Then you may use the car once or twice a week." A month later the question came up again. "Son," the father said, "I'm proud of you. I see you studying hard and reading your Bible every day. But you didn't get a haircut." After a moment's pause, the son replied, "Yeah, I've thought about that. But Samson had long hair, Moses had long hair, and even Jesus had long hair." "True," the father replied, "but maybe you noticed that they walked wherever they went?"

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2. Select Biller Code 1002872 – Mass Contribution
3. Enter your payment details.

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