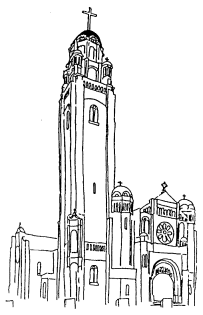

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at a glance

Today's Readings

Acts 2:1-11	*They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages*
Galatians 5:16-25	*The fruit of the Spirit*
John 15:26-27;16:12-15	*The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth*

Pentecost Sunday
Year B
19th/20th May

In a nutshell

Today we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit, who fills and kindles our hearts with love.

The Spirit of truth accompanies us on our life's journey. We do not know every-thing now; the Spirit will guide us gently, day by day.

When we do not know how to pray or what to say or do, remember that the Holy Spirit is within us.

Come Holy Spirit!

Feast of the Holy Spirit: Divine Energy and being Catholic

As summer progresses in Australia each year, there is a sense of anticipation, of expectation. It is the bushfire season. Millions of eucalypts breathe their oils which hang as a potent haze over the hills. One spark and all that potential energy would be ignited and fire would sweep through with great intensity. Those who report the infernos not only speak of the flames but often of a might roar like a great windstorm heralding the approaching fire.

The state of the world after Jesus' death, resurrection and ascension was much like Australia in summer. There was a great air of expectation. After, Our Lord had promised that he would send the Holy Spirit.

To return to the Australian landscape. There are few things more creative, more necessary than an intense fire to clear away competing undergrowth and to allow new life to germinate in the ashes, to take root and to grow.

This is what happened to the early Christian community (Mary and some women and the main male disciples) at Pentecost. The tangled undergrowth of fear, anxiety and timidity was cleared away. The new life of the church was germinated, took root and has been growing ever since. It is the birth-day of the church, the Catholic Church, the universal church.

During the third millennium, it is important that we recognise the work of the Holy Spirit at our local and parish level. We are aware of the children who will received First Holy Communion and Confirmation this year, and the adults who did so at Easter only a few weeks ago.

They are like seed pods within whom the spiritual potential had been waiting to be ignited. They Holy Spirit has, in various appropriate ways, come into their lives and had begun to open up that depth in their personalities.

Let us pray for continuous "Pentecosts" in our midst, and in the universal church. There is no better way than to do so in the words of the ancient prayer:

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.

Liturgy Help, 2018

Raise your voices

Entrance antiphon:	The love of God has been poured into our hearts by his Spirit living in us, alleluia.
Response to the psalm:	Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.
Gospel acclamation:	Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Readers

Saturday Vigil	Janet Neenan (Coordinator)
May:	Sr Jan O'Neil
June:	John Betros
Sunday 7.00 am	Peter Frost (Coordinator)
May:	Carol Miller
June:	Peter Frost
Sunday 9.30 am	Adele Cornale (Coordinator)
May 20th:	Adele Cornale
Sunday 6.00 pm	Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator)

Church Cleaners

May: Paula O'Connor

Money Counters—Parish Office

May 20th: Group 2 **May 27th:** Group 3
June 3rd: Group 4 **June 10th :** Group 1

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday Vigil	Sr Gabriel (Coordinator)
May 19th:	Anne Wright, Sr Gabriel
Sunday 7.00 am	Peter Frost (Coordinator)
May 20th:	Peter Frost, Charlie Robinson, Gary Keating
Sunday 9.30 am	Paula Hudson (Coordinator)
May:	Paula Hudson, Adele Cornale, Phil Docherty
Sunday 6.00 pm	Andrew Poidevin Coordinator)
May:	Paula O'Connor, Andrew Poidevin, Therese Compton, Denise Haylen

Gardeners

Susan & Kevin Bradley

Sacristy & Altar

Carol Miller and Pilar Ovelar

Altar Flowers

Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros

If rostered and unavailable PLEASE advise your coordinator

Offertory Gifts— Sat 5.00 pm Vigil Mass
May 19th **Dawson Family**

Offertory Gifts— Sun 7.00 am Mass
May 20th: Maureen Fitzsimmons & Elaine Haigh

Mass Offerings: ***Your prayers are requested for the following:***

Recently Deceased: **Gweneth Gecker, Sergio Ovelar, Geoffrey Martin, Wendy Watson,** Fr Brian Cunneen msc, Norma Cherry, Alex Varga, Brother Ken Clancy msc, Mark Behan**,** Adriana Miranda , Rainier Jessarun, Steven Bottrill, Anne Rouen (Nowra), Patricia De Lorenzo.

Other Deceased: **Toni Baily, Billie Cotter, Harry and Muriel Colthup,** Negus and Ferguson Families, Paul Hudson, Sherry Jackson, Dale Black, Desmond & Alice Ryan, Bill Jack, Alma and Jack Saidey.

Anniversaries: **John Dawson, Austin Byrnes, Noel Hudson,** Ned Ferguson, Cecil Byrnes, Norman Lyons, Shirley Campbell.

Sick: **Geoffrey Karpin, Robyn Hutton, Alan Power, Fr Frank Perry msc, Brother Dan Geary msc,** Teresa Collins (*Ireland),* Sr Kath Conlan, Gloria Dunn, Brigid Scarlett, Ellie Herbert, Cassie Andrews, Neil Thornton, Conor Cassidy *(Ireland)*, Tony Kelly**,** Mary-Jane Saunders, Thelma Shepherd, Enid Hampshire, Anne Hampshire, Barry du Bois, Alistair Ross, John Miller, Maureen O'Connor, Maddy O'Connor, Trish Shadwick, Patrick Herlihy, Alma Reid, Steve Elias, Win Wallace, Fr John Rate msc, Fr Thoi Tran msc.

BAPTISM

We congratulate the following children received into our Parish Community this Sunday after 9.30am Mass:

Ethan Baker son of Mark & Linda
Joseph Lenzo son of Leon & Kelly-Ann
Melinda Petra daughter of Stephanie Rinnert

St Brigid's Parish Information

Mass Times	**Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30 am and 6.00 pm**
Morning Tea	Most Sundays after the 9.30 am Mass
Weekday Masses	**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30 am**
Reconciliation	**20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass**
Sacrament of Anointing	**During 9.30 Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month**
Baptisms	By appointment, usually on the first and third Sundays of the month
Marriages	By appointment, arranged at least six months in advance
Parish Office	**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9 am to 3 pm (phone 9315 7562).**

This Week & Beyond at St Brigid's

We celebrated and gave thanks to the Mothers of our school community during our Mother's Day mass last Friday, thank you to all those who were involved in preparing this celebration.

Welcome to all families attending our Vigil Mass this weekend, with their children preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. We look forward to celebrating with you on Sunday 27th May. As a parish, we will celebrate at the Vigil Mass on June 2nd.

If there is anyone in our parish that would like to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we hope to hold an instruction sessions in June, please contact Anne-Marie Snelling our Pastoral Associate on 9315 7562

Fr Phil

Feast of the Sacred Heart - Friday 8th June

As a parish conducted by the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, we celebrate this feast in a special way. Our MSC Spirituality committee have organized a number of days:-

Thursday 31st May: Fr Michael Fallon msc will be giving a presentation at ***7.30pm*** in the church or parish hall (*venue not yet finalized*).
"Reflecting on the Mission of a Sacred Heart Parish"
There will be refreshments afterwards in the Hall.

Friday 8th June: **9.30 Mass** with St Brigid's School staff and students and parents, followed by morning tea in the Hall for parishioners.

Saturday 9th June: **5pm Vigil Mass**, followed by refreshments in the Hall.

Sunday 10th June: **9.30 Family Mass + Children's Liturgy,** followed by morning refreshments.

All Masses this June weekend will use the liturgy of the Sacred Heart feast. (i.e readings, etc)

Upcoming Retreats at St Mary's Towers Douglas Park *30 & 40 day retreats offer the choice of :*

Life's Journey Experience - The Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius - Praying with the Mystic

June 1-7 I hold you, I see you - Dominic Gleeson msc **June 8-16** Praying the Psalms (Pt1, Ps1-5-) Michael Fallon msc **June 22-28** Living Silence - Everyday Contemplation Michelle Vass **June 29-1** Men's Retreat

Daily Eucharist and the Sacraments of Anointing and Reconciliation will be available. Refresh yourself in the tranquility of St. Mary's Towers Retreat Centre, Douglas Park. Ph:46300233;
e: towersretreat@bigpond.com

Position Vacant at Bondi

The Catholic Parishes of Bondi are seeking a person to work part-time as a Parish Liturgy Coordinator. If you are interested, please send your CV and covering letter to the Parish Manager, (parish phone 9365 1195 or 9130 7225), 2 Wellington Street, Bondi, 2026, or email to manager@bondicatholic.org.au

Month of May -

May Mary's pure and simple smile be a source of joy for each one of us as we face life's difficulties. (Pope Francis)

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