

The Living Word

Pentecost Sunday, Year A

24 May 2026

First Reading Acts 2:1-11

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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.'

Responsorial 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

(R.) 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 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13

In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.



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 20:19-23

As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again,

'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Pentecost celebrates the fullness of the Spirit and the great gathering of nations. It brings the Easter season to its conclusion. The Risen Lord has been exalted to his rightful place next to God and he has sent his Spirit to fill the earth with God's power. The world is charged with divine energy; it needs but a spark to ignite it with life and with excitement. This vitality explodes into the extraordinary. Tongues are loosed and speech overflows its linguistic constraints; charismatic gifts flood the valleys of human habitation; barred doors are burst open and frightened hearts are calmed. The Spirit of the Lord fills the whole world.

Once again we gather together for one reason, only to discover that God has gathered us for another. Through the Spirit of God, we are reconciled to each other and then together we spend ourselves for the common good. Through the Spirit of God the world is renewed, the community is revitalised, and we come to know the mysterious yet all pervasive peace of Christ.

The Spirit has been poured forth and works wonders wherever human hearts are open to its promptings. The earth is renewed each time rivalries are resolved, distinctions are recognised as merely expressions of diversity, peace is restored, comfort and solace are offered, and forgiveness is granted. We are immersed in the vigour of the Spirit of God. All we have to do is open ourselves to it and the reign of God will be born in our midst.

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Pentecost Sunday (Year A)

24th of May 2026

Franciscus: Celebrating 800 Years of St Francis

The Capuchin Franciscan Friars are hosting a two-day conference to celebrate this Jubilee Year of St Francis of Assisi, providing a unique opportunity to reflect together on the amazing life and enduring legacy of this great saint.

Each day will commence with registration at 8.30am, following by a 9am talk, with each day concluding at 5pm. Across the two days, there will be six talks, a workshop and a Q&A panel, as well as daily Mass and evening prayer at the conclusion of each day. A light lunch will be provided, as well as morning and afternoon tea.

Registration is essential.

For more information: www.capuchinfrisarsaustralia.org

Event Date:

Saturday 30 May 2026, 8.30am – Sunday 31 May 2026, 5.00pm

Location:

St Anthony's Capuchin Friary Church, 182 Power Street, Hawthorn

Register now: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1583041>



CHURCHES

St. Patrick's, Kilmore
Our Lady Help of Christians, Broadford
Our Lady of the Way, Wallan
St. Michael's, Wandong

SUNDAY MASSES

Sat (Vigil)	5 pm, Broadford 6.30 pm, Kilmore
Sun	8.45 am, Wallan 10.45 am, Kilmore

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue, Thu-Sat	9 am, Kilmore
Wed	9 am, Wallan

(Please note: out of school terms, Wednesday Mass will be at Kilmore)

CONFESSION

9.30 am, Thursday morning during Adoration

DEVOTIONS

Adoration & Benediction

Thu 9.30 am, Kilmore

Divine Mercy Chaplet

15 minutes prior to each weekday Mass, Kilmore

Rosary

after each weekday Mass, and Sunday 8.20 am (Wallan) & 10.20 am (Kilmore)

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Church Account
BSB 083 347 | ACC 672 646 971

St. Patrick's Parish is committed to safeguarding the safety, wellbeing, and dignity of children, young people, and adults.



Free call: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/united

In two weeks, we will share the story of Yamikani*, a young boy in rural Malawi whose daily journey to school is filled with hardship.

You will also meet Fr Matthew Semba who is leading a project to build a new school close to home, so children like Yamikani can learn safely and begin to imagine a future beyond survival.

Through your prayers and support, you are part of this mission, helping to ensure that no child is left behind.

To learn more about Catholic Mission and our work, please go to catholicmission.org.au/united.

*Name changed for privacy



Synod Corner: What synodality is NOT

Synodality is not about changing doctrine according to popular opinion. The faith handed down through the centuries is not negotiable. What synodality seeks to renew is how we live, communicate, and embody that faith in changing times.

ARCHDIOCESAN CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION – SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2026 AT 2.00PM, ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

Parishes, communities and all of the faithful are warmly invited to join the annual Archdiocesan Corpus Christi Procession as we walk through the streets of CBD Melbourne. **Beginning at 2.00pm from St Patrick's Cathedral and concluding at Federation Square.** Like those disciples who recognised Jesus on the journey to Emmaus, this is a wonderful opportunity for the whole Archdiocesan community to bear witness to Christ in the Eucharist, our light and hope, into the heart of the city.

PARISH DIARY:

Sat, 23 May : SATURDAY OF THE 7TH WEEK OF EASTER

9 am Mass, St. Patrick's Church
11 am Baptisms, Our Lady of the Way Church
5 pm Mass, Our Lady Help of Christians Church
6.30 pm Mass, St. Patrick's Church



Sun, 24 May: PENTECOST SUNDAY

8.45 am Mass, Our Lady of the Way Church
10.45 am Mass, St. Patrick's Church

Mon, 25 May: FEAST OF OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

9 am Mass, Our Lady of the Way Church

Tue, 26 May: ST. PHILIP NERI, PRIEST

9 am Mass, St. Patrick's Church

Wed, 27 May: WEDNESDAY, 8TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

No 9 am Mass

Thu, 28 May: THURSDAY, 8TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

9 am Mass, St. Patrick's Church

Fri, 29 May: FRIDAY, 8TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

9 am Mass, St. Patrick's Church
4pm First Reconciliation 5th lesson, St Patrick's Parish Office

Sat, 30 May : SATURDAY, 8TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

9 am Mass, St. Patrick's Church
2pm Wedding of Erin Gough & Mert Aslan, St. Patrick's Church
5 pm Mass, Our Lady Help of Christians Church
6.30 pm Mass, St. Patrick's Church



Sun, 31 May: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

8.45 am Mass, Our Lady of the Way Church
10.45 am Mass, St. Patrick's Church



Catholic Theological College

Online Information Session

Explore Philosophy, Theology, and

Ministry-related courses

Monday 15 June at 7pm (AEST)

Register via our website:

ctc.edu.au/information-session

For more information contact

Dr Maureen Saclot, Registrar:

ctc.edu.au/connect-with-us/contact-the-registrar/

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH OPEN DAYS: Please note that St Patrick's Church will be open this week from 9.30am to 2.30pm on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, for private prayer.

Thanksgiving Envelopes: Please do not split/divide your Thanksgiving envelopes in half. Please keep them intact and write the amount on the front. Thanks

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS: Pauline Duff, Brian O'Dwyer, Ben Boyd, and Laura Garland (Northern Region, Safeguarding Unit). kilmore@cam.org.au or Laura.Garland@cam.org.au

VOLUNTEER ROSTERS:

	<u>23/24 May</u>	<u>30/31 May</u>
BROADFORD 5pm (Sat):	23 May	30 May
Reader	A. Leahy	J. Dixon
EMHC	B. O'Dwyer	A. Donovan
KILMORE 6.30pm (Sat):	23 May	30 May
Reader	M. Fleischmann	R. Emmanuel
EMHC	J. Jain	C. Clancy
PowerPoint	P. Duff	P. Duff
WALLAN 8.45am (Sun):	24 May	31 May
Reader	N. Poulyin	F. Thompson
EMHC	A. Moore	M. McGowan
EMHC	M. Hoban	V. Lawrence
PowerPoint	F. Thompson	R. Quinn
KILMORE 10.45am (Sun):	24 May	31 May
Reader	C. Dodd	TBA
EMHC	L. Dunlop	K. Archer
PowerPoint	W. Reece	K. Clancy
FLOWERS:	H. Clancy	J. Jain
HOME EUCHARIST:	TBA	H. Clancy
	TBA	P. Duff
CLEANERS KILMORE:	Giena Pereira & Ben Collier	L. Beaumont & Carry Eid

LET US PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Recently Deceased

Judith Gunston & Elisa De Britto

Anniversaries

Matthew Edward Sorraghan, Anthony Hunt, John Hayhoe, June Bush, John Coustley, Marie Garlick, James Johnson, Lucy Patricia Spencer, Carol Scully, Giuliano Enrico Iacono, Kathleen D'Aloia, Myra Dixon, June Margaret Bush and all anniversaries which occur at this time.

The Sick

Fr Prakash Cutinha, Pina D'Agostino, Theo Aitchison, Julie Ahearn, Bernadette McWhinney, Pa'i Su'a, Liam Heffernan, Nancy Ryan, Joan O'Brien, Michelle Chatfield and all people who are in need of our prayers.

PLEASE NOTE: Names in the sick list will remain there for 4 weeks.

If you wish for that person to continue to be prayed for, please advise the parish office again. If you are submitting the name of someone other than yourself and family, please obtain their permission.

For your prayers

Please hold the following people in your prayers:

- For peace in the world. 'To the Lord we entrust all hearts that suffer and await the true peace that only he can give.' - Pope Leo XIV
- For young people in our Archdiocese that they may encounter Christ and grow deeper in friendship.
- For those who have received the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter, and have entered into the life and mission of our Church.

St. Patrick's Parish is a Child Safe Environment. All children are to be supervised by a parent/guardian at all times.