



Welcome to **OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH**

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Reconciliation: Saturday 4.45pm

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We acknowledge and respect the living culture of the Gialal and Jarowair peoples, past, present and emerging, the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet.

Sunday, 5th June 2022 **Pentecost Sunday - Year C**

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 languages? 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.

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](#)

A reading from the first letter of the St Paul to the Corinthians

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 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

[Mt 28:19, 20](#)

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](#)

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.'

Parish Activities

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Friday afternoons in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel from 1:00pm - 5:30pm.

ANAM CARA – Wednesday 9.30am in the Presbytery

BAPTISM information nights are held on the 1st Wednesday of the month. Please phone the office if you wish to attend.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 9.30AM Mass (except school holidays) for children in Prep - Yr 4.

CRAFT & FRIENDSHIP GROUP - meet every Thursday at 10:00am in the quiet room at the church.

ECUMENISM GROUP - meet the fourth Saturday of each month at 9:30am in the Children's Liturgy Room followed by a cuppa.

LITURGY GROUP - meet every 4th Monday of the month at 7:00pm in the presbytery.

LOURDES PRAYER GROUP - meet after the 10am Mass every Tuesday.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL – meet the first Monday of each month at 6.30pm in the Presbytery.

SOCIAL JUSTICE - meet 1st Sunday of the month at 10:30am in the quiet room of the Church.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL - meet on the second and fourth Thursday mornings in the quiet room at the church at 8:00am.

Parish Councillors

Sue Whitelegg, Robie Jayawardhana, Jon Dwan, Leisa Fanning, Julius Soriano, Brian Roberts, Cristianne Dias and Candice Poulton.

Parish Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Representatives:

Our Parish is committed to supporting the right of everybody to be and feel safe. Concerns about the safety of children or vulnerable persons may be raised with our Parish Safeguarding Representatives (**Joe & Sarah Kelly 0437 839 838**). If you believe anybody is at immediate risk of harm you should phone 000. Further details of safeguarding procedures can be found on the noticeboard.

Toowoomba Diocese Safeguarding Resources can be found at <https://www.twb.catholic.org.au/professional-standards-safeguarding-children-the-vulnerable-policy/>

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

Pentecost

The word Pentecost comes from the Greek for fiftieth day. Pentecost Sunday ends the season of Easter and comes as a Sabbath day after seven weeks of seven days. In Jewish tradition the 50th day after the Passover was celebrated as a blessing of the harvest and rather than the unleavened bread of Passover it was celebrated by leavening the bread. It was for this reason that the disciples were gathered together when they experienced the Holy Spirit empowering them. In Christian tradition, Pentecost is celebrated as the arrival of the Spirit, promised by Jesus, that animated the disciples to spread the gospel of Jesus and gather believers to form what would eventually become the Church.

Sunday Reflection...

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We have been in the in-between time since the Ascension of the Lord. Today we celebrate the dramatic inbreaking of the time of fulfilment. We celebrate the fullness of the Spirit and the great gathering of nations. The feast also brings the Easter season to its conclusion. Today's readings recapitulate many themes that appeared throughout the Easter season: Christology, Trinitarian theology, reign of God, repentance, salvation, mission, universality. All are brought together as we are brought together into the body of Christ. The plan of salvation has been brought to its conclusion. Christ is exalted next to God and 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. We gather together to discover that God has gathered us for another. Strangers assemble to fulfil personal obligations and they experience a phenomenon that bonds them together for life. Individual religious devotion is swept up into communal divine revelation. Through the Spirit of God, we are reconciled to each other and then together we spend ourselves for the common good. The world is renewed; the community is revitalised; we come to know the mysterious yet all pervasive peace of Christ.

Have you thought? The Spirit

We can sometimes regard Pentecost as the day the Holy Spirit came into the world. However, the Spirit had long been active in the world before this event. In fact, even the second verse of Genesis Chapter 1 tells us that the Spirit hovered over the waters. The Old Testament is filled with references in which 'The Spirit of God came upon (him) with power' and the Spirit was evident at Jesus' baptism and throughout the gospels. Jesus is frequently described as being 'filled with the Spirit'. So, from the very beginning of creation the Spirit has moved in the world and continues to energize it today.

LIVING THE GOSPEL

Come, Holy Spirit

'Come, Holy Spirit', or its Latin, *Veni Sancte Spiritus*, has become the basis of countless prayers and hymns over many hundreds of years. To this day, it remains a powerful invocation that can be used in prayer or meditation. Three simple words convey a wealth of meaning. The invitation for the Spirit to 'Come' indicates recognition of the need for the Spirit's intervention and openness to accept the guidance that the Spirit brings. It is a powerful, simple prayer that can be used at the outset of any significant undertaking or whenever you find yourself in need of inspiration.

Thought of the day...



Please Pray For...

Recent Deaths: Margaret Barrie

Anniversaries: Fr Joseph McKey, Fr Kevin Noble, Fr John McGlone, Antonio Flores, Ray Russell, Thelma Kenneally, Ivy Toomey, Terence Cosgrove, William Elson-Green, Deborah Dunemann, Nancy Erbackr, John Sutherland, John (Jack) Schriek, Patrick Stewart, Francis "Frosty" O'Neill, Clive Butler

Those Who Are Sick: George Streidl, Ros Kettle, Frank Kenneally, Christene and Neil Fanning, Joan Shearer, Carmel & Ron O'Brien, Margaret Munroe, Lillian Roberts, Brian Thomson, Francis Swinson, Hazel Machin, Fiona Heneghan, Noela Vonhoff, Charles Shann, Fr Don Murray, Judy Reardon, Delima Faigl, Ava Bateman, Peggy Thies, David Martin, Damian Laurence, Patty Ryan, Valarie Reibelt, John Axtell, Ted Schulz, Noel O'Mara, Mick O'Mara, Patrick Wright, Tanya Prince, Tim Zvirblis and Olivia Zvirblis.

June Birthdays: Cassie Soriano, Ben Saunders, Helen McQuillan, June Burke, Joyce Smith, Sr Nancy Doyle, Kevin Boland, Jose Dias, Margaret Graham, Gen School, Agnes Hale, Patrick Kelly, Trish Shepherd, Rosie Glassey, Clare Ferguson

Parish News...

2022 Date Claimers:

- 5th June - Social Justice meeting – 10.30am
- 5th June - Sound of Music Sing Along 1pm – 4pm
- 12th June – Feast of the Most Holy Trinity
- 19th June – Feast of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Child Safety - toileting

The parish toilets are located away from the church and close to the carpark creating safety issues for young children. The Parish Pastoral Council asks that parents accompany their children to the toilet or send them with an age appropriate older sibling. Please be mindful of when they leave and go and check if they seem to have been gone longer than necessary. The Parish Council appreciates your support.

100% Wool Neck Warmers

These gorgeous neck warmers have been lovingly created by two of our parishioners and are available in an assortment of colours for \$15ea at the piety stall or Parish Office. All proceeds will be donated to the OLOL SVDP Conference to help support local families.



Interested in being an Altar Server?

If you have made your First Holy Communion and Confirmation and you are interested in being an Altar Server please contact the office on 46341453, (training will be provided).

Project Compassion Tax Invoice/Receipt

Please check the notice board if you requested a tax invoice/receipt for your Project Compassion donation made via cash or cheque. Receipts for donations made via credit card will be sent directly to you from Caritas Australia.

Sacramental Program

We congratulate the 45 children who received the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist over the last two weeks and we continue to pray for their faith journey.

Enrolment for the Sacrament of Reconciliation is now open and is available to all children in Year 3 and above who have been baptised. Please [click here](#) for the Initial Parent Letter and link to the enrolment form. This Sacrament will be held on Tuesday, 6th September at 7.00pm. Paper copies of these forms are also available at the back of the church.



The Sound of Music Sing-along

Come join in the fun and sing along with all the words to everyone's favourite movie!

Dress up as one of the many characters, as a few of Maria's favourite things or your favourite thing from the movie!

If dressing up is not for you, come as *Mi - a name I call myself*

Enjoy a cup of tea (perhaps with Jam and Bread), a strudel or a pretzel.

Make yourself comfy – bring a pillow or a cushion.

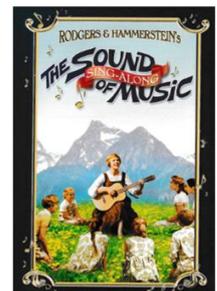
Great family fun!

WHEN: Sunday 5th June

WHERE: In the Church

TIME: 1pm – 4pm

COST: Free Entry



Time	Altar Servers	Welcomers	Commentary	Ministers of the Word	Extraordinary Ministers	I pad Operator	Piety Stall
11 th June at 6pm	I Whittaker	J O'Sullivan Ward Family	M Cleary	J Wilson R O'Brien	D Clark	C Juillerat	G School
12 th June at 9.30am	M Kelly T Kelly	Webb Family	M Ondrus	J Coman Cleber Dias	Christianne Dias	Kelly Family	M Webb
12 th June at 5.30pm	M Obst N Obst	S Whitelegg A Hickey	J Johnston	J Axtell K Tague	B Reardon	J See	M Stark

How to live in the Power of the Holy Spirit – Daily Devotional

On Monday June 6, after Pentecost Sunday, join people across the country and around the world for a short, practical, and inspiring Daily Devotional video that you will receive in your inbox every morning to help you live in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Presented by Bruce Downes, known as The Catholic Guy, you will be inspired, refreshed, and renewed through these powerful and prayer daily reflections.

The Daily Devotionals are FREE, and you can sign up here: BruceDownes.org/HolySpiritDaily or go to our website BruceDownes.org

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



The Spirit is a Godly get-up-and-go that moves our lives.

Ann Rennie Austrlian Catholics

The feast of Pentecost commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit 50 days after the Resurrection. In a twilight zone of indecision, waiting and wondering, the apostles gathered in a room in Jerusalem, bereft at the physical loss of Jesus. Suddenly at 9am, according to the evangelist Luke, the sound and fury of a great wind was unleashed and strange bright tongues of fire alighted on them.



In this miraculous mayhem, a torrent of understanding astounded the apostles. All comprehended in their native tongues the universal language of the Good News. The truth was not lost in translation but found in the heart of each hearer. In this vast, shivery, tumultuous wind of change the Holy Spirit energised human history and began to underwrite the faith of all the generations who call Jesus of Nazareth the Messiah.

As a child I learned about the agency of the Holy Ghost. The good and gentle sisters of the Faithful Companions of Jesus taught me that it was through the power of prayer and the action of the Spirit that things could be accomplished, changed, renewed. The Holy Ghost, co-equal in the Trinity, played on my childish mind in a supernatural way, a celestial Casper who made good things happen. Meanwhile, I was singing up the words Breathe on me breath of God, fill me with life anew. Over the years, I have come to learn that the breath of God is what makes us do more, reach beyond our grasp, tick more than the box of attendance and affiliation. There is always the possibility of life anew if the Spirit is with us.

DIOCESAN UPDATE
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A NEWSLETTER FOR PARISHIONERS,
PARISH STAFF, CLERGY
AND MEMBERS OF THE WIDER CHURCH COMMUNITY

Ordination Choir

Calling all singers. As the Diocese prepares to celebrate priestly ordinations on 25 June, a combined choir is being formed for the occasion. If you are interested in singing for the celebration, please contact Vicky Coccozza:

vickycoccozza@hotmail.com | 0428 781 209.

Practice will be each Tuesday night from 5.30-7:00pm.

Position Vacant

Catholic Diocese of Toowoomba
Re-advertised position for an Operations/Accounts Officer
We currently seek to employ an Operations/Accounts Officer on a permanent part-time basis for 30.4 hours per week with the Catholic Diocese of Toowoomba. This position's main purpose and primary objective is to provide high quality data entry for Diocesan entities on a daily basis as support to the operation of the Diocese. Please go to seek.com.au to apply.

People of God invited to surround plenary council in prayer.

Catholics across the country are being invited to participate in a new prayer pilgrimage as the Church journeys towards the second assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia. The “Walking in the Spirit” pilgrimage has been prepared to encourage individuals, families, parishes, schools and other ministries to keep the Plenary Council in their prayers. The 'pilgrimage' goes through to the opening of the second – and final – assembly on Sunday, July 3.

Access resources at:
<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthspirit/>

Catholic Education Week Launch

Reminder: Tuesday 26 July from 10am
St Patrick's Cathedral, Toowoomba

Vinnies Winter Appeal

Domestic violence is the leading cause of homelessness for women and children. Domestic violence forces too many women to make desperate choices.

Tragically, the number of women experiencing domestic and family violence has increased significantly in the past two years, leaving many emergency refuges and support services unable to cope.

Your gift this Winter will provide the emergency accommodation and material assistance needed for women and children like Leah and Charlotte to escape the danger and rebuild their lives.

Give more women and children the chance to escape violence.

[Click here](#) to donate online or find more information.

Envelopes can also be found on the seats.

