

## **PENTECOST SUNDAY: A High Holy Day of our Faith...**

As you know, **Pentecost comes from the Greek word for 50.** Its origins lie in the Old Testament, or First Testament as it is now sometimes referred to: 50 days after the Exodus from Egypt the Law was given to Moses on Mt Sinai. Later, in the time of the Temple in Jerusalem, an omer (measure) of barley was offered in the Temple on the second day of Passover. 49 days later, two loaves made not from barely, but from wheat were offered in the Temple to signal the start of the wheat harvest. This coincided with the giving of the Law on Sinai 49 days after leaving Egypt. Barley was the food of animals and it signified the life of the Hebrews in Egypt in slavery.

The Exodus was an unearned gift from God and the wheaten loaves of bread offered 49 days into their journey to freedom represent the food of humans. They signified spiritual growth and preparation to receive the Law (Torah) of God on Sinai. The event of the Christian Pentecost is recorded in Acts of the Apostles-the First Reading today. In Luke -Acts Pentecost is said to be the birth of the Church. Jesus, about to ascend to the Father, told the 11 to remain in Jerusalem until he sends the Holy Spirit whom he had promised. Those 9 days from Ascension to Pentecost form the origin of the Catholic pious practice of the

Novena. Further context: We have passed from the ashes of Ash Wednesday through the renewal of our Baptismal Promises at Easter, our great Covenant Renewal as Catholics, and now, 90 days later, we open our lives more consciously again to the indwelling, gifting, fruitful Spirit. At the conclusion of Mass you will be invited to come forward to the priests who will place their hands on your head and make the sign of the Cross on your foreheads with the words: *'You have received the Holy Spirit, bring forth the fruits of the Spirit in your life.'*

### **Our Response to the Holy Spirit will be seen in the 12 fruits of the Spirit:**

**Love:** seen in unselfish devotion to God's will for us in the care of our neighbour, especially the poor.

**Joy:** true happiness comes not from reliance on money and possessions (important as these are for our well being) but from being in a right relationship with God and neighbour.

**Peace:** freedom from worrying about trivial things because of the inner peace we experience through our union with God in Christ.

**Patience:** treating others with thoughtfulness, forbearance and tolerance.

**Kindness:** treat others as we would like to be treated – as Christ would have them treated.

**Goodness:** by living lives of justice, fairness and doing what is right.

**Faithfulness:** living our commitments to God, family, friends, Church, workplace, country...

**Gentleness:** acting calmly and avoid actions that lead to anger and prejudice

**Self-control:** think of the consequences for ourselves and others, especially before we speak or act.

**Modesty:** not being boastful, dressing and presenting ourselves appropriately for the occasion.

**Chastity:** the virtue of loving others with a pure heart.

**Generosity:** sharing our gifts, time and possessions with others, especially the poor and needy.

Let us pray for a heightened awareness of the Gifts, and the presence of mind to live them fruitfully.

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## **Pentecost Sunday, Year B** **19th/20th May 2018**

**1st Reading:** Acts 2:1-11

**2nd Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

**Gospel:** John 20:19-23

**Entrance Antiphon:** The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within us, 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 your 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!

### **Parish Office**

Monday- Friday 9am-5pm (Closed 1pm-2pm)

### **Parish Staff**

**Trish Myers** (Parish Secretary)(9am-5pm)  
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### **Our Lady of the Sacred Heart**

**Monday:** Midday Mass

**Tuesday:** 6:30am Mass,11am (Holy Hour), Midday Mass.

**Wednesday:** 6:30am Mass, Midday Mass

**Thursday:** 11:30am (Novena), Midday Mass, 5:40pm Mass.

**Friday:** Midday Mass (Anointing Mass 2nd Friday), 5:40pm Mass, 6pm (Holy Hour)

**Saturday:** 11am (Reconciliation), Midday Mass, 5pm (Reconciliation), 6pm Vigil Mass.

**Sunday:** 8am, 10am, Midday, 6pm. 10.30pm

### **St. Margaret Mary's**

**Saturday:** 5:15 (Reconciliation), 5:30pm Vigil Mass.

**Sunday:** 9.30am

### **Baptisms**

Held at OLSH, 1:15pm Sundays.

Contact the Parish Office on 9399 6775.



*Accessible Seats - Rows  
5,6,7 and cross aisles.  
Front 6 seats either side  
of centre aisle.*

**Into your loving care we commend :**

**Recently Deceased:**

Elizabeth Tierney, Marta Zielinski, Frank Shortt, Barry Egan, Ada Tulloch, Michael Freeman

**Anniversaries/Remembrances/Deceased:**

Gerard Lohan, Joaquim Morais, Ray & Louise Andrade, Phyllis Mills, Maria Filomena Conti, Celsa Vila, Frank & Dolores Corry, Henri de Polignac, Margaret de Martin, William Crothers, Sue Rowley, Robin McNair, Estelle McNair, Stella McNair, Percy Newcombe, Anthony Chong, Margaret Connor, Maria & Anthoni Limb, Faustina Vincencio, Bob Flahive, Lal Durrant, John Molan, Rustum Gamo

**Special Intentions:**

Charlie Morella

**We welcome into our Catholic family:**

Gideon Gant, Faith Adair, Gavin Rodriguez

**Men's and Women's Groups**

Combined meeting to be held on Monday 4th June with Fr Doug Smith msc

**Communion from the Chalice:**

As the cold/flu season is on us with some parishioners already suffering, we will discontinue distribution of communion from the chalices beginning *Monday 21st May*.

**Readers Not on Email**

The new roster will be available in the Sacristy from this Tuesday, May 22.

**Charitable Works Collection**

So far \$16706 which is wonderful news indeed. Peter Hearn MSC

**Coming Up**

- ⇒ **Weekend 19th/20th May**  
Pentecost Sunday
- ⇒ **Monday 21st May**  
New Mass: Mary Mother of the Church
- ⇒ **Tuesday 22nd May**  
St Rita of Cascia
- ⇒ **Thursday 24th May**  
Our Lady Help of Christians
- ⇒ **Friday 25th May**  
St Bede (England)
- ⇒ **Weekend 26th/27th May**  
St Philip Neri  
Confirmation in Cathedral 3.30pm
- ⇒ **Friday 8th June**  
Sacred Heart
- ⇒ **Weekend 23rd/24th June**  
St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

**Walk with Christ Procession**

Begins corner Pitt St & Martin Pl, 2.30pm. Sunday 3rd June. Concludes at Cathedral around 3.30pm with Adoration and Benediction. Book for your intentions is on the foyer table. The procession will help mark the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of a little known, but most heroic and faith-filled time in the history of the Australian Church. In 1818, the Government forcibly removed the only Catholic priest in Australia, Fr Jeremiah O'Flynn, from Sydney. Fr O'Flynn's last pastoral act was to leave the Blessed Sacrament reserved in a faithful Catholic's home so that the colonists and prisoners could come to adore Christ present there. For two years, the Blessed Sacrament, in this lay Sydney home, was the source and centre of worship and consolation for the priestless Catholics of the Australian colony.

**'TODDLER TALES' FOR**

**PARENTS WITH PRAMS**

every Friday AT 9.30am  
Cloister Room

**All Welcome!**

**Spirituality in the Pub**

Wed. 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018. 7.30 - 9pm at the PADDINGTON RSL CLUB

Topic: **"Running Charities"**.

Speakers: **Sophie Cotton Smith**, Marathon Runner, founder of *Running for Premature Babies* charity; and **Brad Anderson**, Sydney Service Manager of *Orange Sky Laundries* Donation entry. Info Marea: 0414 873 910.

**OLSH Youth Group**

Friendship, Fun and Faith starts at 4pm on the 3rd Saturday and finishes at the conclusion of the Vigil mass. Please contact us at [youtholsh@gmail.com](mailto:youtholsh@gmail.com)

**Australian Catholics**

**Available in the foyer: Especially for Youth:**

articles: Choosing Life from babies to the vulnerable; Rethinking the Abortion debate; Dating App; Homelessness

**Confirmation Photography**

If you would like to order photos of your child's confirmation, orders are due by the 6th June 2018. You can order online at [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) using the online code QEK P4V VXR.

**New Parishioners (Hand to a Priest or Acolyte after Mass)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact No: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Submitted: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Mass usually attended: \_\_\_\_\_

**OLSH CHURCH REPAIRS:**

ACCESSIBLE ENTRANCE WILL HAVE TO BE VIA THE CHOIR SIDE – ACCESS WILL BE FROM THE FRONT OF THE CHURCH ON THE SOUTH SIDE. THIS WILL MEAN THAT THE FIRE DOORS WILL NEED TO REMAIN AT LEAST AJAR DURING MASSES. Peter Hearn MSC

**Catalyst for Renewal**

Speaker: Robert Fitzgerald AM was a Commissioner on the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to child Sexual Abuse for 5 years. Sunday 27 May 2018; 1.30pm – 3.00pm; The crypt St Patrick's Church, Grosvenor Street, The Rocks; \$10 per head or donation

E: [catalyst-for-renewal@tpg.com.au](mailto:catalyst-for-renewal@tpg.com.au)

**Spirituality of Jules Chevalier**

*"Those who take the glorious name of Missionary of the Sacred Heart can consider themselves worthy of it only in so far as they succeed in living the very life of the heart of Jesus."* 1877 Constitutions

**Young Adults:**

We meet every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm in the cloister room. Bring a friend and enjoy the laughs, meals, laid back companionship, prayer and reflections. Fr Peter Hearn MSC