



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH

Feast of Pentecost

Year B Cycle II

19 May 2024



The Holy Spirit in our Lives

Pentecost holds great significance in the Christian calendar, marking the day when the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples of Jesus Christ.

Pentecost can be a meaningful time for families to come together and reflect on the role of the Holy Spirit in their lives. As we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles, we can also consider how the Holy Spirit is present in our own families. We can talk about the gifts of the Holy Spirit, such as wisdom, understanding, and fortitude, and how these gifts can guide us in our relationships with one another. We can also celebrate Pentecost as a family by creating a special meal and this could include decorating the table with red, which is the liturgical colour of Pentecost. Additionally, we can take time to pray together and ask the Holy Spirit to bless our families and help us to grow in faith and love. By embracing the spirit of Pentecost as a family, we can strengthen our bonds and deepen our faith in God.

In these challenging times, let us remember the power of the Holy Spirit and the impact it has had on the lives of Christians throughout history. May we be inspired to live our lives in a way that reflects the love and teachings of Jesus Christ and share that love with those around us. Together, let us embrace the spirit of Pentecost and spread positivity and compassion to all who cross our paths.

Colleen Smith Pastoral Associate

Pastoral Works Appeal this Weekend

Our Diocesan-wide Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) May Appeal is being held this weekend. PWBB supports two key charitable works in the Diocese – the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine or CCD, with around 711 volunteer Catechists taking the Gospel to approximately 12,000 public school children, and our Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Programme, where chaplains and care practitioners visit more than 3,000 hospital patients each year at 7 hospitals.

Our Pastoral Works Appeal connects everyone to the mission of Jesus Christ in our Diocese. Every gift or donation brings comfort, friendship, or security, and often opens the doorway to a faith-filled life.

Your donations are never taken for granted, especially in these challenging economic times. Donations can be made at any time. The May Appeal is the last one for this financial year 2023/2024. Donations over \$2 are tax-deductible. Thank you!



**Feast Days
this Week**

**Mary, Mother
of the Church**
20 May

**Our Lady Help
of Christians,
Patron of
Australia**
24 May



**Mass at
Bateau Bay**

Mass is
celebrated at
Reynolds Court
Bateau Bay
Wednesdays at
10am and
Sundays at 11am.
All welcome!



**Nursing Home
Communion
Service**

A Communion
Service will be
held at Nareen
Gardens Bateau
Bay on Tuesday
at 10:30am.



**St Joseph
Men's BBQ**
Friday 31 May
7-8:30pm
St Mary's Church
Toukley
Register at
RB.GY/BDRTJP

Transformative Power

As we reflect on the celebration of Pentecost Sunday, we are reminded of the incredible transformation that the Holy Spirit can bring into our lives as Christians. This special occasion marks the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and the birth of the Church, a momentous event that still resonates with us today.

In the First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we hear about how the apostles were empowered by the Holy Spirit to boldly spread the message of Jesus Christ to people of all nations and languages. This reminds us that with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we too can find the strength and courage to share our faith with others, even in the face of adversity.

In the Second Reading, St. Paul emphasises the unity of the Church, reminding us that despite our differences, we are all part of the same body of Christ. It is through the Holy Spirit that we can work together to build up the Church and support one another on our spiritual journeys.

Finally, in the Gospel reading from John, we see how Jesus breathed the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and commissioned them to continue his work on earth. This reminds us that the Holy Spirit is always with us, guiding us in all truth and empowering us to forgive others and work towards reconciliation.

As we celebrate Pentecost, let us be inspired by the transformative power of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Let us be open to his guidance and direction, so that we may boldly proclaim the Good News and build up the Church. May we be reminded of the unity that we share as members of the body of Christ, and may the Holy Spirit empower us to forgive others and work towards healing and reconciliation. Let us embrace the fire of the Holy Spirit and go forth to share the love of Christ with the world.

Colleen Smith *Pastoral Associate*

Catechist Corner

Welcome to our first "Catechist Corner".

Photo is of our wonderful Catechists Johanna, Mary, Pauline and Alfia outside Bateau Bay Public school, which is 1 of the 4 State schools that our Catechists go in to teach SRE.

Thousands of volunteers have served as Catechists in the Diocese of Broken Bay since its beginnings 37 years ago. The main quality that these wonderful volunteers bring to this ministry is their desire to share their faith with others, they simply spread the Good News. Our catechists are happy and committed to the work of teaching SRE and they would love to invite anyone who may be interested in finding out more about this wonderful ministry to come forward. Research has shown that the number one reason people volunteer is because "someone asked me". So we are asking: "Would you consider volunteering to teach religion to Catholic children in public schools?" You never know who God is calling to this Ministry!!!



Our Family Groups Celebrate 30 Years!

This weekend, join our Combined Family Groups for morning tea in the Parish Hall after 9:30am Mass, to help them celebrate their 30th Anniversary in our parish. Congratulations to our Family Groups, 'Pelican Blue', 'Simply the Best' and 'Ambrosian' and all their members.

What is a Family Group? A family group is for all who wish to belong, whether they are young or old, church-going or not, married, single, widowed, separated or divorced. There is acceptance for everyone, and everyone is welcome to join. The family group's aim is to get to know each other and support one another through good times and bad, sharing each other's joys and sorrows.

Family groups are usually made up of 10-15 families including all ages, just like an extended family. They have activities which are varied and organised by the members of the group... picnics, BBQ's, special celebrations and weekends away.

The Passionist Family Group Movement was established in 1972 by Fr Peter McGrath cp at St Anthony in the Fields Catholic Church, Terry Hills in the northern suburbs of Sydney. From humble beginnings, the movement has now spread to New Zealand, USA, UK and Ireland.

If you would like to know more about our family groups please contact our Coordinators, Anne and Des Little, on 4334 1642, or for more information about the Passionist Movement go to <https://www.pfgm.org/>

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Jesus said "Let the little children come to Me, and do not hinder them."
Matthew 19:14

Are you looking for a chance to make a real difference in the lives of children while spreading the Gospel message? Then we have some fantastic news for you! Starting in term 3, we're thrilled to announce that we'll be hosting Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 5pm Vigil Mass. But we can't do it alone - we need your help! We're on the hunt for enthusiastic volunteers to lead and assist the children, who range from 4-12 years old, in learning about faith. Ideally, we would like at least 8 people to go on a 4-week roster basis (team of 2 each week) and don't worry, all materials will be provided and training will be given. Plus, you'll get to work with some of the most amazing kids around! So what are you waiting for? If you're interested in this exciting opportunity, please speak with Fr Brian or email Colleen Smith (Pastoral Associate) at colleen.smith@bbcatholic.org.au. Remember, volunteers will need to comply with the Working With Children Check (WWCC) requirements. Let's make a difference together!

Congratulations New Altar Servers

This weekend our new Altar Servers will be presented to the parish as they complete their service training. Rosan has been working with the children for the past 6 weeks, instructing them in all areas of assisting at Mass. We congratulate the children and appreciate their presence at the Masses. A big thank you also to the families who support them on their journey of faith.



Welcome
to the
Shanahan and
Dineen-Griffin
families for the
Reception of their
children for the
Sacrament
of Baptism.



**Presentation
of Eucharist
Candidates**
This weekend
we welcome the
children who are
preparing for
First Eucharist,
and pray for them
throughout the
programme.



**Christian
Meditation
Group**
All are welcome to
join us in the
Benedictine style
of meditation each
Friday from 10:30-
11:30am in the
Reynolds Room.

**The
Catholic
Weekly**

**The
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Weekly**
Now on sale
on the
Church
tables.
\$2 to the
poor box
please.

THE ENTRANCE PARISH DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

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Mass & Devotions

Sunday Masses Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am & 9:30am (11am at Reynolds Court, Bias Ave Bateau Bay)
Weekday Masses Monday - Thursday 9:00am Friday 11:45am Saturday 9:00am
Reconciliations Saturdays 9:30-10am and 4-4:30pm
Liturgy of the Hours Saturday 8:40am **Rosary** Monday-Thursday 8:35am Friday 11:20am Saturday 9:30am
Cenacle Prayer Group Wednesday 9:30am **Christian Meditation** Friday 10:30am-11:30am Reynolds Room

Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11

Galatians 5:16-25

John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

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 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.

Keep Us In Your Prayers

There is no gift more precious than prayer - Fr Benedict Groeschel

Recently Deceased: Peter Moloney (Fr Brian's uncle), Ronald Myers, Frank Robinson, Bishop Peter Ingham, Don Walker, Vera Benotic, Martin Gaffey.

Anniversaries: Arthur O'Neill, Jean Workman, Neeliya de Silva, Alfonz Matijasevic.

Remembrances: Pat Smith, Marie Powell, Jill O'Sullivan, Arthur Vella, Margaret Pizzuto, Terence & Josephine Smith, Terry Howard, John Giutronich, Sam & Carmen Ghirxi, Martin Ghirxi, Annette Howell, Daniel Heggarty, Sam Marmara, Charlie Borg, Martin & Lela Borg and all the Holy Souls.

Sick: Margaret Falzon, Phil Pannell, Jonah Langley, Susan Simmons, Maria Nassar, Jenny Balacco, Laila Calvi, Paul & Keith Snell, John McClement, Anne & Trish Knoke, Paul Smith, Emma Horton, Linda Read, Kelly Will and all with serious illness.

Welcome Newly Baptised: Lacey Bemrose.

Pearly Gates Revisited



Our Lady of the Rosary

GIFT CENTRE

For all your devotional needs...

Everyone Welcome!

The Gift Centre is open each weekend before and after the 5pm Vigil Mass on Saturdays, and before and after the 9:30am Mass on Sundays.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

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