



*Sacred Heart Parish, North Albury, pays respect to the Wiradjuri people, the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather to celebrate our faith and worship God. We acknowledge with respect elders past, present and emerging.*

## **Feast of Pentecost 18 / 19 May 2024**

*Sacred Heart Parish is a Child Safe Community. We promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all and a zero tolerance to child abuse.*

### **Parish Clergy:**

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**Bank A/c Details for Parishioners** wishing to Direct Deposit into our **Church A/c (2nd Collect)**

**BSB: 066 789; A/c No: 10000 5574;**

**Ref No:** Name # Please contact Office for a number

**Presbytery A/c BSB: 066 789; A/c No: 10000 5575**

**Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable People:**

<https://wagga.catholic.org.au/safeguarding-children-vulnerable-people/>

### **Mass Times**

**SATURDAY VIGIL:** 6.00 pm

**SUNDAY:** 9.30 am

**Live-streaming on Sunday 9.30 am Mass by accessing our website**

**WEEKDAY MASSES: This Week:**

**Wednesday & Friday 9.30am**

**RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY: 5.15 PM-5.45 PM**

**BAPTISMS—By appointment.**

### **CHILDRENS LITURGY:**

Children's liturgy is offered in Sacred Heart parish community each second and fourth Sunday at 9.30am mass during school terms.

### **BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

Our parish bible study group will not be held this month.



**Peace be with you!** With these words the Risen Lord stood among his fear-filled followers (Gospel). He breathed the Holy Spirit upon them. With their hearts filled with joy, Jesus sent them out to bring the fire of his love to all.

### **CANDIDATE'S COMMITMENT:**

HELP ME IN MY PREPARATION TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PRESENCE OF GOD'S SPIRIT IN MY LIFE. MAY THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT GIVE ME THE COURAGE TO BE YOUR DISCIPLE IN THE WORLD. MAY I ALWAYS GIVE THANKS FOR YOUR GOODNESS BY SPEAKING TO YOU IN PRAYER AND BEING AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY. I UNDERSTAND THAT I AM MAKING A COMMITMENT TO PREPARE TO RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT, CONFIRMING MY COMMITMENT TO FOLLOW JESUS AND LIVE IN HIS LIGHT.

**COME HOLY SPIRIT, FILL ME WITH THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE.**

**AMEN.**

### **PARENT'S COMMITMENT:**

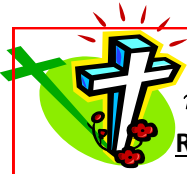
I COMMIT MYSELF TO BE AN EXAMPLE OF FAITH TO MY CHILD BY WHAT I SAY AND DO. MAY THE HOLY SPIRIT GUIDE AND STRENGTHEN ME SO THAT MY CHILD MAY KNOW THE POWER OF GOD'S PRESENCE IN THEIR LIFE. COME HOLY SPIRIT, BLESS MY PARENTHOOD WITH WISDOM, UNDERSTANDING AND PATIENCE. AMEN.

### **PARISH COMMITMENT:**

AS THE PARISHIONERS OF SACRED HEART WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO SUPPORT THESE CANDIDATES BY CONTINUING TO BE BEARERS OF THE FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT—LOVE, JOY, PEACE, PATIENCE, KINDNESS, GENEROSITY, FAITHFULNESS, GENTLENESS, SELF CONTROL IN OUR LIVES.

**AMEN**

# Parish Community



*We pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially:*

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Bishop Peter Ingham, Dudley Foley, Leon Wighton, Joan Beecher, Bob Endres, Marie St George, Carol Harrington, Peter Dower, Anthony John Bradford, Joan Travers, Maree O'Brien, & Julie Morgan.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Tony Carey, Violet Kennedy, Ella Pallot, Keith Melbourne, Maria Bresovnik, George Kennedy, Vic O'Haire, James O'Connor, Dawn McLennan, Allan Perso, Brian Twomey, Leanne Patterson, Muriel Tozer and John Lewis.

*Gather our loved ones into your arms. Quiet our doubt and anger and send us your healing grace. Through Christ our Lord.*



*This week we welcome into the community of the Christian church through the sacrament of Baptism:*

**Lotti Elise & Poppy Rose Boulton**

*Daughters of Ronald & Sophie*

**Vinnie James Cleary**

*Son of Daniel & Mollie*

## ROSTERS

**Sat / Sun: 18th / 19th May**

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
<b>Commentator</b> <b>Lector 1</b> <b>Lector 2</b>	St Anne's Primary School Confirmation Commitment Mass	St Anne's Primary School Confirmation Commitment Mass
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Kaye Deanshaw Adrian Mitchelhill	Pamela McIntosh Carey Menz-Dowling Sr Patricia Weekes
<b>Cantor</b> <b>Musicians</b>	Judy Lindsay Val Hayes	Margie, Ed & Heath

**Counters:** Moira Porter & Margaret Brown

**Sat / Sun: 25th / 26th**

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
<b>Commentator</b> <b>Lector 1</b> <b>Lector 2</b>	Justin Clancy Xavier Clancy Michael Byrnes	Cathy Nyhan Stuart Thompson Yvonne Thompson
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Anna Farrell Jan Skinner	Fran Kernaghan Eamonn Buckley Nicole Morton
<b>Cantor</b> <b>Musicians</b>	John van Lint/ Brian Waters Val Hayes	Bernadette, Wendy & Helen

**Counters:** Lorraine Willis & Anne Gordes

### Quote Pope Francis:

**"Holy Spirit, breathe into our hearts and let us inhale the tenderness of the Father. Breathe upon the Church, so that she may spread the Gospel with joy. Breathe upon the world the fresh restoration of hope."**

### Prayer for Pentecost

On this day of Pentecost, we ask for Your Spirit to bring unity among us.

Fill us with love for one another, and help us to spread Your peace and joy. Spirit of God renew our hearts, minds, and spirits, so that we may serve You with faithfulness.

We pray for a renewed outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our lives, in our parish and in the life of the Church, that we may be strengthened and empowered to do God's work.

Help us to walk with you, Spirit of God. You are the one who produces these in us: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. We cannot live out these things alone; we need you to fill us with Your strength and boldness.

Help us to proclaim Your good news, and live our lives as witnesses to Your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



# Parish News

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Bishop Mark Edwards will confer the sacrament of Confirmation on candidates on Friday 14 June at 6.00pm in the Sacred Heart Church.

Over the next few weekends the candidates and their parents will make a commitment to enter into a period of spiritual formation and preparation at one of our parish Eucharistic celebrations.

Please remember in your prayers the children and parents in their commitment to continue to open their lives to the inspiration and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

**Confirmation Student Preparation Day:** Thursday 30 May during school hours at St Anne's Primary School.

## Feast of Pentecost: Prayers of Intention

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has been marked by Christians around the world for over one hundred years towards the fulfilment of Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper "that they all may be one" (John 17:21). This year, a focus for prayer is, "You shall love the Lord your God ...and your neighbours as yourself (Luke 10:27)." Rather than fearing differences or a loss of denominational identity, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity inspires reflection on the shared love of God in Christ, and the experience of knowing God's love. All are equal in God's love and everyone is different.

As the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity reaches its conclusion on Pentecost Sunday we pray for a new and fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our parish community and throughout the worldwide Christian church.

## PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

*Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of your Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit, we may be truly wise and ever enjoy his consolations. Through Christ our Lord. Amen*

## Preparation for the 70th Anniversary of our Parish 2025

**In preparation for the celebration of the 70th Anniversary of our parish in 2025 we are hoping to see how many parishioners are still around who were in the parish in 1955. If you were part of the parish either as a child, teenager or adult could you record your name and present town location in one of the folders at the back of the Church.**

## SACRED HEART PLANNED GIVING

We wish to thank those who contribute to our planned giving program. If you would like to be part of this program either via envelopes or direct deposit please fill out a form at the back of the church or contact the parish office between 9am-2pm Monday, Wednesday or Fridays.

## PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE DAY MASS

Saturday, 8 June at 6 pm at Holy Spirit Church, Lavington. Please bring a plate to share at the Meeting Room. All are invited. MACE Sisters – 0402 090 438

## MELODIES IN MOTION

Murray Concert Choir will present a concert of songs from the movies ranging from Casablanca to Barbie: St Matthew's on Saturday 25 May at 7.30pm and St John's Wodonga on Sunday 26 May at 2.30pm. Tickets \$25 (\$20 concession) available at Regent Cinema, choir members at the door. On line: [trybooking.com/eventlist/murrayconcertchoir](http://trybooking.com/eventlist/murrayconcertchoir)



## ALPHA INVITATION

Every day we ask so many questions. What should I wear? What's the weather going to be like? How am I going to fit everything in? But then there are those bigger questions like Why am I here? Where am I heading? Is there more to life than this? ALPHA brings people together to explore, connect, share and enhance our faith. Join us on a fun filled adventure to explore the big questions of life, faith and meaning. You're invited to attend our next session on **Tuesday 21 May at 10.30am** in the parish hall. All welcome.

## SACRAMENTAL DATES—First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

**The Second Rite of Reconciliation for students (Yr 4 and beyond)** receiving the sacrament of penance for the first time will be held on Tuesday 28 May at 6.00pm in the Sacred Heart Church.

**The Sacrament of First Eucharist** will be held over the weekend of Sept 7/8 at both 6.00pm & 9.30am masses.

## Footy Tipping Competition

*Just a reminder to those who have not paid as yet. Please place your \$24 clearly marked with your name and Footy Tipping in an envelope on any of the collection plates.*

**Ladder as of end of Round 9:**

58: Carmel Butts, 56: John Dowling, 55: Brian Butts, Coyle Family, Val Hayes 54: Bede Hart, Liz Phegan.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—Riverwood Pick Up

Thank you to those who have volunteered already. We need volunteers to add to our list for picking up parishioners from Riverwood Village (West Albury) to attend Sunday morning 9.30am mass. Only once a month or longer depending on the response to this request. Expressions of willingness to participate in the current roster will be gratefully received by contacting the parish office by phone or email.

## Save the date—Farewell Mass and Morning Tea on retirement of Mr. Bede Hart Sunday 30 June 2024 9.30am

As mentioned in previous newsletters Mr. Bede Hart will retire as Principal of our parish primary school, St Anne's at the conclusion of Term 2.

As part of the celebrations to honour and give thanks for Bede's incredible commitment of service to Catholic Education in our diocese for forty years a special mass of thanksgiving followed by morning tea will be held on Sunday 30 June at 9.30am in Sacred Heart Church. All welcome and encouraged to attend.

# Liturgy of the Word

## First Reading: Acts of the Apostles

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 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, Judea 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.' The word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm 103

(When the Psalm is sung, the words will vary slightly but the meaning remains the same.)

**Response:** *Lord send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.*

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**

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**

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**



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

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 baptized, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness.

And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset.

I still have many things to say to you, but they would be too much for you now.

But when the Spirit of truth comes, he will lead you to the complete truth,

since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learned: and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine.

Everything the Father has is mine; this is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

The Gospel of the Lord.