



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 23rd / 24th May 2026

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

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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/>

Safeguarding Officer for Sacred Heart Parish:

Adrian Mitchelhill

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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**

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

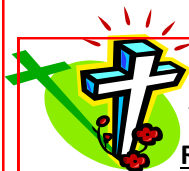
BAPTISMS: By appointment.

CHILDRENS LITURGY:

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

Unfortunately there is no Children's liturgy this weekend.

Parish Community



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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kevin Tracy, Leo Corrigan, Sr Marie-Jean Butler, Anastazija Jerin, Patricia McNamara, John Hurley, Josh Power, Mary Thorne (Friedlieb), Bill Robbins.

ANNIVERSARIES: Michael & Hilda Ryan, Jenny Howe, David Dynan, Ellen Haynes, Barbara Arnold, Violet Kennedy, Maureen Wesley, Joe Kolek, Veronica Croft, Mary Toon, Margaret Hayhoe, Vic O’Haire, Alan Mildren, Leslie Steward, Muriel Tozer, Charles Stevens, Anne Cronin, Les Furst, Anna Toner, Thelma Hayden, Lillian Whelan, Lena Stuhr, Francis Helm, Kylie, Luke & Ben Chant, Herb Hicks, Emily Nichols, Matthew Ward, Julie O’Farrell.

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



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

*Hannah Louise & Theodore Casizzi
children of James & Catherine*

*Jack Patrick & Arthur Mark Harris
children of Samuel & Rhiannon*

*Billy Ray Monte
child of Andrew & Erin*

ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 23rd / 24th May

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator Lector 1 Lector 2	Children’s Commitment Mass	Children’s Commitment Mass
Eucharistic Ministers	Pauline Mulquiney Justin Clancy	Belinda Shelton Trish Parkinson Sue McLaurin
Cantor Musicians	Brian Waters/John Van Lint Judy Foley	David Hicks Val Hayes
Counters: Trish Parkinson & Anne Gordes		

Sat / Sun: 30th / 31st May

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator Lector 1 Lector 2	Michael Byrnes Adrian Mitchelhill Paula Waters	Natalie Osborne Margy Brown Liz Phegan
Eucharistic Ministers	Jan Skinner Kaye Deanshaw	Fran Kernaghan Sue Betts Carey Menz-Dowling
Cantor Musicians	Ann McIntyre Judy Foley	Margie, Ed and Heath
Counters: Margaret Brown & Moira Porta		

Thought for the week Pope Leo XIV

God waits for us with open arms, no matter how late we are in responding to His call, and also reminds young people that if they are seeking meaning in Life, God will offer it to them and never disappoint.

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.



PENTECOST
8 JUNE 2025

Parish News

TO PONDER:

Pentecost celebrates diversity in the unity of Christ. In Acts, the spirit descends upon “all” and reveals itself through the diversity of language. First Corinthians describes a range of spiritual gifts that build up Christ’s Body, the church. In the Gospel, the disciples receive the gift to unify through forgiveness. Our readings challenge us to view diversity as essential for unity.

Diversity is the path to a harmonious whole when we foster each other’s unique gifts, embrace our differences, listen to each other, and work to build bridges instead of trenches.

It is the Spirit who helps us to walk the path of honest and authentic wholeness as the Body of Christ and the glory of God. How do you walk this path in your daily life?

Sacramental Information—Confirmation 2026

Bishop Mark Edwards will confer the sacrament of confirmation on candidates (usually Yr 6 children and beyond) on Friday 19 June at 6.00pm in Sacred Heart Church.

Parents of possible candidates not attending St Anne’s Primary School are asked to contact our parish office by email or phone so that you can be informed of the process for preparation. Over the next few weekends the candidates and their parents will make a commitment to enter a period of spiritual formation and preparations at one of our parish Eucharistic celebrations. Please remember in your prayers the children and their parents and families in their commitment to continue to open their lives to the inspiration and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Commitment Masses—Feast of Pentecost—Saturday 23 May 6.00pm; Sunday 24 May 9.30am.

Confirmation Preparation Day—Thursday 4 June at St Anne’s School Hall during school hours.

First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion will be celebrated in the parish of Sacred Heart Parish at both masses over the weekend of 22-23 August, 2026.

Works and Maintenance

We are in the process of having a new roof installed on the presbytery (weather permitting). While the roof is off the opportunity will be taken to install three split systems in the bedrooms most in use. I thank you for your ongoing contribution to the second collection as this is the only way we can accumulate funds to address such ventures.

Counters Roster

We are looking for parishioners who would be interested in joining our counter roster. It would involve either counting on Sunday after 9.30am mass or Monday mornings at 9.00am every 7th or 8th week.

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors Roster

Your new roster for June—September will be available next week so if you would like to participate in these ministries please add your name, phone number & email address to the sheet provided Swan Street entry.

For those already on the roster please advise of your unavailability during these months.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

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, “*There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling*” (Ephesians 4:4).

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 world wide Christian church.

Parish Pastoral Council

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will take place on Thursday 4 June at 6.00pm in the Parish Hall. All agenda items need to be sent to the Secretary, Marjorie Serbinek: m4serbinek@gmail.com

Sisters of Mercy—Jubilee Celebrations

Our parish community offers its congratulations to Sr Loretta Corrigan and Sr Eileen Driscoll who celebrated 60 years of commitment to religious life last weekend. We thank them for their faithful service in the areas of education, healthcare and pastoral care.

More importantly we are grateful for their prayerful and living witness to the presence of the Holy Spirit alive and active in our world.

PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE DAY MASS

Saturday 13 June 2026 at 11.00am in the Sacred Heart Parish church—North Albury.

Please bring a plate to share for fellowship at the parish hall. Contact: MACE Sisters—0402 090 438 ALL ARE INVITED

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference 2026

National Count of Attendance

All parish communities in Australia have been asked to participate in the national attendance survey. To this end we will complete our head count at both Masses next weekend. No names. Numbers only.

Sacred Heart Football Competition Ladder

End of Round 10

All participants including email and snail mail contributors:

72—Cathy Nyhan, Nannalil; **71**—Roo Boy; **70**—Kate Tracy
69—Bwgriff, Fr Martin, Wendy Glazebrooke; **68**—Kay, Judy;
67— Valerius, Liz Jones, Mannix; **66**—Ray Trebilcock, Brian Butts, Ben & Adrian, Bomber, Les, Xavier Clancy; **65**—A Mitchelhill, EJ, Matt Boyd; **64**—Enbee; **63**—Melissa Daniher, Coyle Family, Denis Shirley, Chrissie Trebilcock; **62**—Finners21, Ironsides, Dormitor, Joan Mylan, Terry Cruickshank; **61**—Retired Gentleman, Mr Miller, Brian Millgate; **60**—Richard Hickey; **58**—Bookside 5; **57**—Paul, Barry; **56**—Carmel Butts; **50**—Go Kangas; **46**—Haz Miller, Bucks.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: From the Acts of the Apostles 2:1—11

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, 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 forever!
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 letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless they are 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.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

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 20:19—23

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.' The Gospel of the Lord.