

# Caloundra Catholic Parish

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**  
**23RD MAY 2021**

**Proper of the Mass** First Reading: Acts 2:1-11 Second Reading: Gal 5:16-25 Gospel: Jn 15:26-27, 16:12-15

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This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. We usually associate Pentecost with the Holy Spirit, so much so that Pentecost means the Holy Spirit. To begin with, the meaning of the word "Pentecost" has almost nothing to do with the Holy Spirit.

The name Pentecost came from a Greek word "Pente" which means "fiftieth". It points to the Jewish festival of the "Feast of the Harvest" (Exodus 23:16), which is held on the fiftieth day after the Passover. The purpose of that feast was to commemorate the completion of the grain harvest of the Jews. Thus, the meaning of the word Pentecost originally, did not say anything about the Holy Spirit.

However, the first reading today from Lukan tradition tells us how the word Pentecost became connected with the Holy Spirit. The reading tells us that on the day of Pentecost many Jews went to Jerusalem for the festival. The apostles, however, hid themselves behind locked doors because they were traumatised by their experience of witnessing the death of their master, what happened to Jesus might also happen to them! They were afraid, and confused. Then suddenly, out of nowhere, they heard a loud rush of strong wind, and tongues of fire hovered over the head of each one of them. It was the Holy Spirit that descended on them, just as Jesus had promised.

This suddenly changed everything. The apostles were somehow not afraid anymore. They rushed out of the house and began to proclaim loudly to everybody the message of the Risen Lord. The people who heard them were very amazed that, although they came from different places and diverse languages, they clearly understood what the apostles were saying. This event was such a great phenomenon that Pentecost now became known to us as the Feast of the Holy Spirit.

Thus, the feast of Pentecost is a day on which we are reminded that the Holy Spirit was promised and has been given to the disciples. The Holy Spirit transformed completely their lives! Have you ever been curious about what really happened to disciples on that day? What was it that brought about this great change in them? Of course, we can quickly and rightly say that it was the action of the Holy Spirit in them.

However, this leads me to other questions. Just like the disciples in the upper room, we too received the same Holy Spirit during our Baptism and Confirmation. We believe the Spirit of God resides in each one of us. Then, the questions are, if the Holy Spirit is already given to all, the baptised, why are many of us so uninspired in the practice of the faith? Why does the Spirit not change our lives as the Spirit changed that of the disciples? Why do we behave in many ways like unbelievers as if we have never received the Holy Spirit? Why?

Honestly, I do not know for sure the answer. However, I do believe the Holy Spirit inspires us in the same way as the disciples back then, and it's still up to us to accept or not. Perhaps so often we are unaware of the fact that the Holy Spirit is right inside of us. Perhaps, we forget the big role of the Holy Spirit in us. Perhaps, we are focused so much on ourselves that we become oblivious of God and insensitive to His Spirit.

Today as we celebrate the feast of the Holy Spirit, let the feast be a reminder for us of how the disciples were transformed by the Holy Spirit. The same spirit was given to and resides in us. Maybe today will be our Pentecost; maybe yours, maybe mine so that our lives can be transformed by his power like the disciples once did.

***A very happy feast day to all,  
Fr Dang***





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27 May – 3 June

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**Do you know our OLR history?** In view of the coming **National Reconciliation Week (27 May -3 June)**, we recognise the work of three parishioners in what they did in 1997. **This is a message from the current Sunshine Coast Reconciliation Group Incorporated flyer.** "SCRG was established in 1997 by 3 remarkable women – Dawn Wilson, Clare Devlin and Beryl Procopis, members of a social justice group within the Caloundra Catholic Church." **The SCRG became incorporated in 2017 and sponsors an annual Aunty Betty Memorial Reconciliation Walk to be held on 2 June at Buderim Forest Park, 10am-12pm. Details of the event are on the Parish Website. Connect with our indigenous cultural heritage by music and dance. Morning tea provided.** (Photo of Dawn Wilson, the only surviving member of the trio and currently at St Mary's Aged Care, Pelican Waters.)

**See Parish News and Events this Week on the Parish Website for more information and photos.**

This weekend's Feast of Pentecost brings to a close the Easter Season, which began fifty days ago with our celebration of Christ's resurrection at Easter. Indeed, the word Pentecost comes from the Greek and means "50<sup>th</sup> day". Fifty days after Easter Sunday, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and their followers, and the beginning of their Earthly ministry to make disciples of all nations.

The symbols of Pentecost are the flame, wind, and the dove, which represents the Holy Spirit. That is why it is so appropriate to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation this Wednesday – we keep the young candidates and their families in our prayers. The colour of Pentecost is red and you will notice that the priest wears red vestments today. With the conclusion of the Easter Season the Pascal Candle is now removed from the sanctuary.

Even though we now return to Ordinary Time and during the week you will notice the priest wearing green vestments, on the next two Sundays the Universal Church celebrates two important solemnities, namely next weekend Trinity Sunday and the following week Corpus Christi. Our journey of faith continues.



### **A Ministry Well Done**

After 17 years, Michael Stewart and his Pastoral Care team are retiring from their dedicated volunteer roles at Southern Cross Aged Care facility at Little Mountain. For everyone at Little Mountain, their ministry and witness has been appreciated and valued. Mike and the team were formally thanked and recognised by Karen Wilson, the Resident Manager during a 'high tea' at the facility.

**Left to right - Kath Barker (15 year's service), Monica McLennan (15 year's service), Mike Stewart (Chaplin), Maria Stewart (4 year's service), and Karen Wilson (resident manager).**

On behalf of the entire parish, thank you for your ministry. We take this opportunity to congratulate parishioner, Kristie McManus, who now takes on the challenging role of **Pastoral Leader** at the Southern Cross Aged Care facility at Little Mountain.

The fast approaching end of the financial year brings into focus our Parish finances. After the next Parish Finance Committee meeting a short report will be presented outlining our present financial position and some of the challenges that lie just beyond our horizon.

Once, in the days before Covid, the collection plate would be passed hand by hand to us and we would almost feel compelled to put something on the plate. These days, because of Covid, there is a lonely plate or box at the entrance to the church, which, unless you are conscious of it, is very easy to miss or walk by. As a Parish Family we are very grateful for everyone's **deliberate** generosity and support – *it is appreciated and not taken for granted!*

Congratulations to the coordinators of this year's Hours of Grace, 48 hours of adoration at Our Lady of the Rosary church. The Hours of Grace concluded on Saturday with Benediction and Mass at 9am.



As a Parish Family we extend our prayerful congratulations to  
**Alora Kirby, Elwyn Osmak,  
Felipe Leon**

who were baptised this weekend at Our Lady of the Rosary church, Caloundra.

As a Parish family we would like to Congratulate

*Giuseppe Chessa & Johanna Heilig*

who will be married at Yandina Station this weekend.

We also congratulate two of our parishioners

*Peter Farrell & Dianne Potts*

who got married at Our Lady of the Way Landsborough on Friday.



# Parish Diary

## Monday 24 May

*Our Lady, Help of Christians*

Mass (OLR) 9am

## Tuesday 25 May

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Maleny) 9am

## Wednesday 26 May

*St Philip Neri, priest*

School Liturgy (OLR) 9am

Confirmation (OLR) 5pm & 7pm

## Thursday 27 May

Mass (Unity) 8.30am

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Currimundi) 9.30am

## Friday 28 May

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Landsborough) 9am

## Saturday 29 May

Confession (OLR) 8.30am

Mass (OLR) 9am

Vigil Mass

Mass (OLR) 5pm

Mass (Beerwah) 5pm

## Sunday 30 May

*The Most Holy TRINITY*

Mass (OLR) 6.30am

Mass (Landsborough) 7am

Mass (Unity) 8am

Mass (Kawana) 8am

Mass (Maleny) 9am

Mass (Currimundi) 9.15am

Mass (OLR) 9.30am

Mass (Lt Mt) 10.30am

Family Mass (Unity) 5pm

## WATCH MASS LIVE

To watch live-stream Mass go to the Caloundra Catholic Parish Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/caloundracatholicparish/>



**Are you having trouble booking a Mass on Eventbrite?**

Feel free to call **John & Vivienne Cooper on 0400 291 979** and they will assist you with your bookings.

## **A VOCATION VIEW**

Be guided by the Holy Spirit, because with the Spirit comes love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self control.

With God's help, come forward to proclaim to those who are searching for meaning in life. As the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

# THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

## **Sunday 23 May: *PENTECOST Sunday***

◆ Kid's Club at OLR 9.30am Mass

◆ Illuminate Youth Group at Unity for grades 9-12 - 6-8pm

◆ Unity 5pm Cuppa after Mass, you are all welcome.

## **Monday 24 May:**

◆ Adoration after the OLR Mass each Monday.

◆ The OLR craft group meet every Monday 9am-12noon in the Parish Centre. For more information please contact Helen McGlynn on 0409 050 722.

## **Tuesday 25 May:**

◆ Women's Prayer and Friendship Group every Tuesday in the Parish Centre from 9.30-10.45am. All welcome, any enquiries contact Vivien 0400291979

◆ Maleny Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8.30am, Mass 9.00am Maleny Rosary 9.30am after Mass.

◆ OLR St Vincent de Paul meet every Tuesday at 3pm in the Parish Centre. We make daily visits to those in need. New members welcome. Phone Dawn 5430 9390 for further enquiries.

## **Wednesday 26 May:**

◆ Kawana Waters Catholic Women's League meeting to be held on today, 26th May at 9.30am at the Kawana Good Shepherd Centre.

◆ Art class with Jude this week in the Parish Centre 10-12noon.

◆ Maleny Cards 6pm in the Pat Daley Centre

◆ Confirmation ceremony will be on tonight at 5pm & 7pm with Bishop Brian Heenan at the OLR Church.

## **Thursday 27 May:**

◆ Members of Caloundra's, Our Lady of Good Counsel Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society meet at the Parish Centre at 9:30am. New members welcome. Further enquiries contact Peter 54924402

◆ Kawana Men's sharing group 10-11.30am in the Good Shepherd Centre.

## **Friday 28 May: *PUBLIC HOLIDAY (Maleny show day) Parish office closed***

◆ Landsborough Mass this week 9am

◆ Lighthouse Youth Group for grades 6-8 in the Parish Centre from 5:15-7:15pm

## **Sunday 30 May: *TRINITY Sunday***

◆ Kid's Club at OLR 9.30am Mass

◆ Illuminate Youth Group at Unity for grades 9-12 - 6-8pm

## **What's For Dinner?**

As a faith community we all have a responsibility to encourage our young women and men to consider a life of leadership and service in the church. Each year the Archbishop hosts two dinners at *Wynberg*, his residence at New Farm for those discerning their vocation to the priesthood or religious life. The dinner for women discerning religious life is on Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. The dinner for men exploring the priesthood is on Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

Anyone interested should contact one of your priests here at Caloundra or email the Vocations Director, Fr Stanley Orji at [vocations@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:vocations@bne.catholic.net.au)

The new Archdiocesan Director of Catholic Missions, Emily Connors, paid a visit to the Parish during the week to thank the community for once again supporting the work of Catholic Missions. **Last year \$4346.50 was raised through the appeal.**

This year's appeal will take place on Missions Sunday, 23/24 October and the focus of the appeal will be supporting the work of the Good Shepherd Sisters and their ministry with vulnerable mothers and their babies in Bangkok, Thailand.

## **In Transition**

We pray for **Ray Garrigan & Liam O'Neil**, may their soul and all our deceased Priests, religious and parishioners **Rest in Peace.**





**Congratulations** to the principal of our Parish Primary School, Dr Michael Stewart and the school staff for coordinating the official opening of the new under covered area and refurbished Year 5 & 6 classrooms. The \$1,600,00 project was completed last year but because of Covid restrictions we could only gather last week to bless and officially open the redevelopment.

Official guests included Jason Hunt, State Member for Caloundra and Pam Betts, Executive Director of Brisbane Catholic Education. The prayerful liturgy was led by the senior students of the school and the OLR choir.

### **National Count of Mass attendance**

This weekend's head count will be **counting the age groups of people who will be at Mass.**

Australia's Catholic parishes are asked to undertake the five-yearly National Count of Attendance in May. Held every five years since 2001, the project is a simple head count of all attendees at all parishes over the four weekends of May. The National Count of Attendance is held in the same year as the Australian Census, which will take place in August.



We started our week off with a pancake breakfast where a horde of hungry students who ran us completely dry of pancake mix (we'll buy more next time). After that we burnt off the pancakes, playing sport with the years 6s, 7s and 8s. The rest of our week we ran a couple of Encounter sessions with the year 11s where we started a three week journey learning about Self Image. On Friday we ran a year 6 class about the Eucharist and the unifying power of affirmation. Over the weekend we had our junior and senior youth groups, where we talked about confidence and encountering Jesus through music. Please continue to pray for our ministry this year, God bless. the **NET Team**.

In the light of the COVID surge in India and the lives already lost, the Indian community in the Sunshine Coast would like their Australian brothers and sisters to join them in a **peaceful candle light vigil** to show their support and to remember those who already lost their lives, as well as those who struggle with illness and lack of resources. This vigil is open to all and according to Indian tradition wearing white is appreciated.

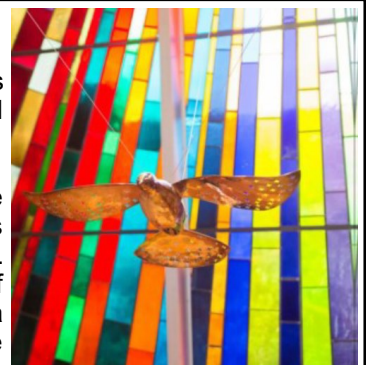
**Saturday June 5th,  
Kings Beach Amphitheatre, 5.30 - 7.30pm**

**Your continued generous support is appreciated and not taken for granted – a grateful Parish says *thank you*.**

### **XAVIER SCHOOL OF MISSION — JUNE 20 – 25**

As our parish seeks to become more mission-orientated, *Adult Faith Formation* stands out as an aspect of parish life that is sorely missing. You are therefore invited to attend the annual Xavier School of Mission at Holy Spirit Seminary.

The Xavier School of Mission aims to equip and form leaders in evangelisation at the service of the Dioceses of Queensland and beyond. It is a dynamic and flexible resource that places the Church's mission to evangelise at the heart of Holy Spirit Seminary's formative process. The event is hosted at the Seminary at Banyo where attendees enjoy the experience of seminary life and also, if desired, may apply for accreditation as single units or as part of a Graduate Certificate in Theology (Mission and Culture). Excitingly, we already have three parishioners from our parish who have committed to this opportunity for mission formation.



The 2021 theme is Spirituality for Mission: The Spirit Calls, Apostles Listen.

*What is the prayer life of one who is called to be an apostle? In what way can I work with the Holy Spirit? Does the mission field of my life drain me or energise me? How do I love and accompany those whom God entrusts to me? What are the skills and strategies I can learn and bring back to my parish or community that will enable me to introduce others into a place of shared mission?* These and other questions will frame the experience of the week together as attendees seek to respond to the Spirit's call for a new generation of apostles.

Key speakers include Lismore Diocese's Bishop Gregory Homeming OCD, Retired Bishop of Darwin Eugene Hurley, Dr Doseena Fergie, Professor David Tacey and Associate Professor Robyn Horner.

If you would like to attend the Xavier School of Mission next month, please contact that parish office for registration details or see Fr Josh.



## NATIONAL RECONCILIATION PRAYER

Creator Spirit,  
All creation once declared your glory,  
Your laws were honoured and trusted,  
Forgive us our neglect as our country approaches  
the most critical moment in its history.  
Listen to our prayer as we turn to you,  
Hear the cry of our land and its people,  
Just as you heard the cry of Jesus,  
your Son, on the Cross.  
Help us to replace our national shame  
With true national pride by restoring the  
dignity of our First People whose antiquity is unsurpassed.  
May our faith and trust in you increase.  
Only then will our nation grow strong and be  
a worthy place for all who wish to make their home in our land.  
Amen.

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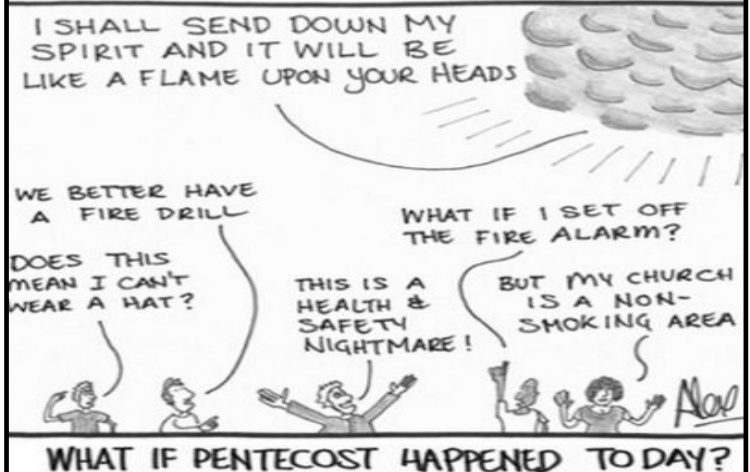


Eastern Curlew



Most of our Alpha Team leaders recently met for dinner to debrief the last course which 25 participants completed. This meeting also saw the emergence of three new Alpha's commencing in early July - watch this space! Please pray for Alpha in our parish, that it may be an effective tool for Evangelisation.

**NATIONAL** 17-23 MAY 2021  
**VOLUNTEER**  
**WEEK**  
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### SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION AND PROTECTION POLICY AND PROCEDURE

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.  
Policy is available from the Parish Office.

### Towards Healing Information Qld Professional Standards Office

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Lord is your  
**STRENGTH**  
NEHEMIAH 8:10



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Signed:

David McGovern  
DIOCESAN DIRECTOR