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**PENTECOST SUNDAY -
YEAR B**

**18TH & 19TH MAY,
2024**

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Divine Energy and being Catholic

The term 'Holy Ghost' is an unfortunate rendering of 'Holy Gust', the divine wind, the breath of God, the Holy Spirit which can come into the lives of individuals and communities, sometimes as the merest whisper of a breeze, sometimes at gale force.



This is what happened at Pentecost. St Luke, writing the Acts of the Apostles, grasps for imagery to portray the force of the Holy Spirit's descending on Mary and Peter and other disciples. This divine flaming Gust cleared away the undergrowth of timidity and anxiety imprisoning those disciples in the upper room. Then they became like seed pods germinating in the ashes, allowing a new community to take root, a community where barriers of

language, ethnicity and race were overcome.

The primary task of St Peter, then as now, is to present the Resurrection in a way understandable by people of every language group around the world. Everything else his successor does is secondary to his preaching 'the marvels of God'. Pope Francis is doing this by word and deed.

We could take a moment to pray for forgiveness for the wind breaks which we, individually and as a parish or larger church community, erect to shield us from the Holy Spirit gusting into our lives. Let us ask for the courage to allow ourselves to be a windswept people ignited by Divine Love.



We, the people of Corpus Christi,
seek to grow in living
a Christ-centred mission,
sharing our gifts to foster welcome,
justice and community in today's world.



A very warm welcome to anyone who
is new to the parish.

So that we can get to know who you are,
it would be great if you would
please fill out a Census Card available in the foyer.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL 6PM
SUNDAY 7.30AM & 9.30AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday & Wednesday at 6pm
Thursday & Friday at 9.10am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday evening from 5.15pm—
5.45pm in the Meeting Room

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(anointing of the sick)

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(Tuesday, Thursday & Friday)

PARISH TEAM:

Administrator - Fr Jessie Balorio
- jessie.balorio@parra.catholic.org

Mrs Marie Cottee - Parish Secretary/
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- mc@corpuschristi.org.au

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- sw@corpuschristi.org.au

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SCHOOLS OF THE PARISH:

Corpus Christi Primary - ph 4726 2200
(Principal - Mrs Sarah O'Rourke)

Xavier College - ph 4777 0900
(Principal - Mr Michael Pate)

Parish News

Catechists and Catechist Helpers Needed

Are you willing to share your faith journey?
Whether you are young, middle-aged or retired,
at university or a shift worker we need you!!!

What's Involved?

- * Teaching time (30 minutes) and preparation.

What do I need?

- * An interest in children and the ability to communicate with them.

What help will I get?

- * Training to help you develop basic teaching skills and make the best use of your talents.
- * A teacher's manual containing easy to follow lesson plans.
- * Student activity books for each child.
- * Other resources to help make lessons interesting.

If you feel you can help as a teacher or assistant or to find out more you can call Marie at the parish office or call our Catechist Co Ordinator, Lorrene Gorman on 0414 471 329.

Counting Roster Volunteers Needed

We are in need of a few more people to join the Counting Team. Counting is usually done after the 9.30am Mass on Sundays.

We hope to get enough people so that **everyone is rostered on every 4 to 5 weeks.**

We currently have three teams and are hoping to create a fourth team as well as adding an extra person to each of the current teams.

Training will be provided.

Please contact Marie at the Parish Office if you would like to join this roster.



Planned Giving

Please contact Marie at the Parish Office if you

- ◇ are contributing to the Planned Giving Program via the envelope system and would like to change to credit card or direct debit;
- ◇ would like to join the Planned Giving Program.

Planned Giving/Parish Donations

Your gift to Planned Giving helps cover the running of the parish and also contributes towards outreach in our parish community and beyond.

If you would like to contribute directly, the parish bank details are:

BSB: 067 950
Acct No: 100000698
Acct Name: Cranebrook Parish

Please ensure you put your details in the reference section (ENVELOPE N# OR SURNAME)

Adoration and Devotion will take place the first Friday of each month after 9.10am Mass. This will also be an anointing Mass.

Let us Offer Gifts of Prayer:

Recently Deceased:

John Lennon (28/04), Charlie Vella, Louis Simiana

Anniversary:

James Vella (02/05/17), Margaret Vella (11/05/20), Michael Pace (24/05/23), Maryann Azzopardi (14/05/16), John Lowery (22/04), Julita Sison, Paulose, Nazzareno Said (12/04), Valentino Nadalini, Kevin McCormack

For those who are sick:

Rose Zahra, Eleanor Albertyn, Rosa Pronesti



Please keep in your prayers the children in our Parish Community preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

May their families be great models of faith for them during this important time.



Electronic Payments

In keeping with the Parramatta Diocesan financial processes, the parish will be installing the Tap and Go facility for the First and Second collections at weekend Masses. The machines will be placed at the two entrances to the Church within the next two weeks.

THE BISHOP'S GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL

Bishop Vincent, Parramatta Catholic Foundation and our Holy Spirit seminarians thank you for your kind-hearted generosity and support for our future priests.

WE HAVE SO FAR RECEIVED \$1421.00 OF OUR \$3251 QUOTA.

If you would still like to contribute, please pick up an envelope from the foyer and place it in the collection plate. This will help our Holy Spirit Seminary to support the faithful men who have answered God's call to become priests for his people.

Advertising in The Net

Are you interested in advertising your business in The Net??? Ads run for 12 months for a cost of \$420 commencing in April. There is also the opportunity to run an ad on a monthly or three monthly basis. For details, contact Marie at the Parish Office during office hours.

'Young in Spirit' Seniors Group

Our seniors group meets on the last Friday morning of each month after 9.10am Mass/Communion Service, in the Parish Office. Please bring a small plate of food to share for morning tea. New members are welcome.

Parish News

Save the Dates...

Parish Feast Day

SUNDAY 2ND JUNE

Morning tea after the 9.30am Mass in the school hall.
Parishioners are invited to bring a plate to share.

Corpus Christi Youth Mass

SUNDAY 16TH JUNE AT 5.00PM

Mass will be followed by pizza and drinks.

More details for both of the above events coming soon.

Synod 2023: Corpus Christi Parish Local Think Tank Session

SATURDAY 8TH JUNE

2.00PM – 4.00PM

in the

Corpus Christi Primary School Hall

This session aims to give anyone involved in ministry the opportunity to offer feedback to support the Diocesan Plan for a Synodal Church and to contribute ideas for the practical implementation of our Diocesan Plan.

If you did not receive a letter regarding this and feel you would like to contribute, please contact the Parish Office.

Parramatta Diocesan News


Safeguarding Face-to-face Training Opportunities

More training opportunities for Mandatory Safeguarding Training will be available throughout May. Please register directly for this training or for other convenient dates and locations by clicking on the training event at: <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training>

For more information, please email: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

Expression of Interest:

Ministry to the Sick in Hospitals

 Are you interested in bringing Communion to the Sick in the Hospitals of the Diocese? You will receive formation and information necessary for this ministry. Note you will not be required to do this every week but will be placed on a roster. For more information, please contact bernard.ellis@catholiccarewsbm.org.au by 15th June.

Online Formation on Synodal Spirituality

Dive into 'Synodal Spirituality' with this FREE online short formation course, taught by Sr Patty Andrew OSU. Enrol now and take part in Pope Francis's vision for a synodal Church: <https://pfparra.thinkific.com/courses/synodal-spirituality/>

Celebrate Laudato Si' Week: Seeds of Hope

Are you ready to sow "Seeds of Hope"? Join the Catholic Church around Australia and worldwide in celebrating Laudato Si' Week: 16 to 24 May 2024. This annual commemoration of Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si' encourages us to care more deeply for God's creation. You can find useful resources at linktr.ee/met.pje

Peace Justice Ecology Table Talk "Laudato Si' Week - Seeds of Hope"

You are invited to an engaging conversation about caring for God's creation: Hear and discuss inspiring stories from lived experience and play a role in creating positive change in the spirit of Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si'. Join this Diocesan Table Talk on **Monday 20th May, 6pm - 8:30pm at St Finbar's Parish Glenbrook**. Light dinner will be provided on arrival. Please register by 12 May and find out more at tinyurl.com/laudatosi-table-talk

Mount Schoenstatt Women's Breakfast

Saturday 15th June, 9.00am – 11.00am

Family Hall, Mount Schoenstatt Mulgoa

Guest Speaker is Sr M Isabell Naumann ISSM ThD STD FCES, the President of the Catholic Institute of Sydney, specialising in ecclesiology, theological anthropology and Marian studies.

Cost is \$25 including breakfast.

Bookings: 4733 8338 by 7th June or contact Ann Panitz on 0419 219 572 if you would like more information..

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