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28th May 2023

Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2: 1-11

1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13

John 20:19-23

The presence of the Holy Spirit is the keystone of all our hopes

- John Nelson Darby



There is a story about an eagle. A hunter found an eagle's egg in a forest. He took the egg home and hatched it along with the other chicken eggs. This eaglet started growing up with the other chicks. It started eating white ants and little worms, pecking and hopping here and there like the other chicks. But it never learned to fly like an eagle. One day, the eagle, now grown old, saw an eagle majestically soaring high in the sky. Spellbound, the eagle asked, "What is that?" "That's the king of the birds, the eagle," said his neighbour. "He belongs to the sky. We belong to the earth—we are chickens." So, the eagle lived and died a chicken for that's what he

thought he was. – Song of the Bird

We are like that eaglet helplessly admiring the power in others when we ourselves possess that power. Very often we end up in defeat, frustration and failure because we are ignorant of the power God has given us through His Spirit. Today's feast invites us to recognise the gift of the Holy Spirit given to us. Archbishop Romero once said that "the church will be fair to see, perennially young, attractive in every age, as long as she is faithful to the Spirit that floods her. And the church in turn reflects the Spirit through her communities, through her pastors, through her very life". The Spirit of God is at work not simply in the air, not simply in the fire and not simply on the tongues. The Spirit is at work in human hearts and minds, and souls. The Spirit is at work in the places the Spirit chooses to take up residence. The Spirit is at work in the waters of the baptismal font and in the laying on of hands and the anointing with the blessed oil.

The Spirit is at work in common, ordinary ways in common ordinary people. The Spirit functions as fruit-producer in our lives. When He indwells us, He begins the work of harvesting His fruit in our lives—love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23). These are the products of the Spirit's presence in our lives. The Spirit of God enables us to let go of our anger, resentments and anxiety and accept others with a spirit of forgiveness. The Spirit of God is at work in a husband or a wife who chooses to remain faithful to the other spouse in spite of the temptations to drift and the avalanche of conflicts resulting in hurts and pains. At the same time, the Spirit of God empowers us to stand for what is just and right, and defend the cause of the poor and vulnerable. The Spirit of God strengthens us to free ourselves of the bad habits and behavioural patterns and realigns our lives in the immortal values of Jesus. The Spirit of God challenges the Y-generation to find courage to stand up to friends or foes and say categorical NO to drugs, immoral activities and bullying others. The Spirit of God functions as a navigator of our lives directing us in the WAY of Jesus. Thus, the Spirit of God makes us new people with a new message.

The words of Romero resonate the words of the gospel, that the Pentecost is not just one day, but every day. The Spirit of God, who was breathed into the first disciples, still breathes in all who believe and inhale the grace and power that are Jesus' living legacy. As breath is to life, the Spirit is to the Church. Without the Spirit, the Church is a field of dry, dead bones. Fulton J. Sheen said about the Church, "even though we are God's chosen people, we often behave more like God's frozen people - frozen in our prayer life, frozen in the way we relate with one another, frozen in the way we celebrate our faith." Today is a great day to ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle in us the spirit of new life and enthusiasm, the fire of God's love. Let us repeat Cardinal Newman's favourite little prayer, "Come Holy Spirit".

God's blessings

Fr. Vince



**Pentecost
SUNDAY**

Inspired and guided by the Holy Spirit and the Gospel, St Madeleine Sophie Barat Parish, a community of faith and service, strives to be a witness for Christ's love far and wide, reflecting the humility and wisdom of St Madeleine, the Patroness of the parish.

PARISH NEWS



PRAYER AT ST MADS

The Sunday Gospel reflections	Tuesday at 10.30 am via Zoom. Contact Careyanne 0438 791 813 or careyannemoylan@hotmail.com
Prayer Group	Wednesday after morning Mass at 10am in the St Madeleine centre: Explanation of Sunday Mass Gospel, Pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy
St Mad's Book Club	To register contact Careyanne on careyannemoylan@hotmail.com
RCIA	For enquires contact Fr Vincent or Parish Office
St Mads Rosary	Thursday after morning Mass Monday Rosary Via Zoom Contact Kay Brooks & Lydia Ceccato 0400 372 561
Baptism Preparation	First Saturday of the month in the St Madeleine centre: Ring/email Parish office for booking 9654 2260 (Tues-Fri 10am-4 pm or stmads@yahoo.com.au)



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM—RECONCILIATION

For baptised Catholic children Yr 3 onwards

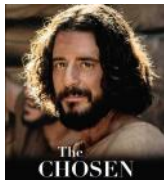
Parent Information evening:
Tuesday, 30 May at 4.30pm or 7pm
Commitment Mass on the weekend of
3 & 4 June.

Preparation sessions at 4pm: **11, 18 & 25 June**

2nd Rite of Reconciliation:
Wednesday, 28 June at 5.30pm and 7pm

CHOSEN

SHOWING EACH TUESDAY
EVENING AT 7 PM
(FINAL EPISODE 4TH JULY)
IN THE
ST MADELEINE CENTRE



Enjoy watching with fellow parishioners
Everyone is welcome
For information Loretta m. 0419260637

SOCIAL JUSTICE @ ST MAD'S

The feast of St Madeleine last Thursday reminds us that Madeleine founded an Order dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In the late 1700s Joseph Varin, a leader in the religious renewal in France following the French Revolution, sought a young woman to head an educational order modelled on the Jesuits. Today over two thousand Religious of the Sacred Heart (RSCJ) serve in 41 different countries around the world. We participate in the mission of the Church through the service of education. Last weekend Sydney Diocese launched their kit to support parishes on the Laudato Si' journey. A Care of Creation Guide for Parish Groups | Justice and Peace Office Hills Yarning have been involved with helping the Sisters of St Joseph develop their Reconciliation Action Plan which will be launched at North Sydney on June 18th "We ask the Lord that all those who come to the church find the doors open...open to meet this love of Jesus" Pope Francis May 2013

Women's Breakfast

17 June 2023

St Madeleine's Function Centre

8.30 -10am



Come to a talk about the mission of our church: examine and share our ideas, thoughts and worries, listen to Sr Anna Conway share her thoughts, and take part in the Synod.

Contacts: Carmel O'Connell 0417237013
Sue Martin 0432716577
Careyanne Moylan 0438791813

Please ensure your details are kept up to date PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

On behalf of the Parish Community, I would like to thank you so much for your ongoing support, which has been very vital to keep our Parish going strong. You can drop off the envelopes at the weekend Masses or the parish office or you can do it electronically to:

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Account Number : 0000388

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LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:

1st Collection (for Diocese) = \$1,009.95
2nd Collection (for Parish)
Envelopes = \$690 Loose = \$898.75

Avg weekly Credit cards, direct debit \$1,874.23

Congratulations to all our recently baptised: Grace Taouk, Hannah Gangemi, Isla Bonaccordo, Winter Hurst

PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS:



For the dearly departed: Vincenzo Luca, Louise & Joseph Bonello, Anthony, Rose & Lawrence Apap, Frank Agresta, Ben & Paula Dieudonne, Angelo & Lonza Farrugia, Joe Farrugia, Mary Fitzpatrick, Ky Frendo, Goeff Burham, Gildegardo Lopez, Nina Giudice, Christy & Breda Sherlock

Please pray for the sick: Yvonne Bolland, Brenda Riley, Catherine Saunders, Aura Krakowszky, Hoani Alexander Barker, Sofia Viizzo, Margaret Martin, Antonia Desanti, and Jennifer Burgess

If you would like someone to be included among these requests, please let us know by email, phone call, or by dropping a note in the locked box outside the parish office



Our Garden Chapel - please feel free to pray in our garden chapel (located to the side of the Church)

PARISH VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS

Music Coordinators: Alexandra Mifsud, Selina Calleia & Joan Sattler

Junior Ministers Coordinator: Maree McNeil

Children's Liturgy Coordinator: Pauline Chaccal

Baptism Preparation: Angelique Easton

RCIA Coordinator: Steve Fry

Playgroup Coordinator: Amy Seychell

SRE Coordinator: Maureen Jones

Friendship Group: Jenny Puleo

Ministry to the Nursing Homes Coordinator: Suzanne Kingston-Hunt

Adult Faith Formation: Careyanne Moylan

Property Maintenance Manager: Rick Jones

Piety Shop: Sandra Tabone

Altar Linen Coordinator: Catherine Diekman

Parish Council Chair: Patrick Tuttle

Finance Committee Chair: Carl Mathias

Welcomers Coordinator:

Safeguarding Champion: Suzanne Kingston-Hunt

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest

Rev Vincent Savarimuthu

Assistant Priest

Rev Adam Carlow

Parish Secretaries

Sandra De Nardi

Susie Lee

Sacramental Coordinator

Sandra De Nardi

St Madeleine's Primary School

Phone: 9654 6751

Principal: Mrs Barbara Young

Marian College

Phone: 9654 6700

Principal: Dr Gavin Hays

PARISH SERVICES

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday 8:00am, 10:00 am, 5.30pm

Children's Liturgy during school term

Weekday Masses

9:15am Tuesdays to Fridays

9:45am - 10:15am Fridays - Adoration

Prayer Group: Wednesdays after the

9.15 am Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm

Baptisms: Every 2nd and 4th Sunday
at 11:20am

(Must make a booking)

Weddings: By appointment



PRAYER FOR OUR DIOCESAN SYNOD

O God, who always walks with us
on the journey of life, we call upon you
to lead us forth united.

Bless and guide our Diocesan Synod.

Keep us anchored in your love.
Open our hearts as we listen and discern.
Reveal to us the way we are called
to go out into the deep.
Give us the courage to pursue
the mission with bold humility.

May we experience renewal in our local
Church today, and for generations to come.

We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ,
who in the power of the Holy Spirit
continues to guide your Church, to the
fullness of your Kingdom now, and forever.

Amen

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.



INFORMAL DINNER

ALL WELCOME!

PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, CHILDREN,
YOUNG ADULTS, ADULT MENTORS

Monday 29 May 2023

7pm at St Madeleine Centre

Catch up with parishioners from your

Mass or other Masses

Join in the discussions

for the Diocesan Synod

Please bring a plate to share!

RSVP Selina Calleia –

s.calleia@hotmail.com or 0416 265 233

For further information on the
Synod

[https://parracatholic.org/
synod2023/](https://parracatholic.org/synod2023/)



DIOCESE of
PARRAMATTA

Save Calvary Hospital

There is a petition to the Members of the ACT Legislative Assembly to reverse a decision of the ACT government to compulsorily acquire Calvary Hospital in Canberra. This removes the ownership and management from Calvary Health Care – a Catholic operator – and gives the ownership to the government-run, non-faith-based Canberra Health Services instead. To find out more about the implications of this decision and to sign the petition please visit: www.savecalvary.com.au.

National Reconciliation Week—Be a Voice for Generations

Following National Sorry Day on 26 May, we observe National Reconciliation Week, from 27 May – 3 June; an opportunity for Australians to take part in the process of reconciliation. This year's theme, Be a Voice for Generations, urges all Australians to use their power, their words and their actions to create a better, more just Australia for all of us. At its heart, reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples, for the benefit of all Australians. Visit the ACBC Justice, Ecology and Peace website for resources: socialjustice.catholic.org.au

Safe Parishes Week: 5-11 June

From 5 to 11 June, we celebrate our third Safe Parishes Week in the Diocese. Safe Parishes Week is a tangible reminder of our shared commitment to having a zero tolerance of abuse across our Diocese. The Safeguarding team are presenting a Training Festival of mandatory and elective face to face modules at Bishop Bede Heather Centre in Blacktown. Please contact your Parish Office or maria.kervin@parracatholic.org for the full Safe Parishes Week Training Program

PARISH PLAYGROUP

Each Thursday during school term

At: 9.30am

in the St Madeleine Centre

Any questions please contact

the office on 9654 2260

PIETY SHOP

Are you looking for a gift for a special person for Holy Communion, Confirmation, Baptism & Birthdays? Come and have a look in the piety shop.

We have an ever changing array of gifts and religious items. Special orders are welcome too. We are open after every weekend Mass.

Contact Sandra Tabone on 0413272400 for any special requests.



St Joan of Arc

Feast Day: 30 May

Joan was beatified in 1909
and canonized in 1920.

Born of a fairly well-to-do

peasant couple in Domremy-Greux southeast of Paris, Joan was only 12 when she experienced a vision and heard voices that she later identified as Saints Michael the Archangel, Catherine of Alexandria, and Margaret of Antioch. During the Hundred Years War, Joan led French troops against the English and recaptured the cities of Orléans and Troyes. This enabled Charles VII to be crowned as king in Reims in 1429. Captured near Compiègne the following year, Joan was sold to the English and placed on trial for heresy and witchcraft. Professors at the University of Paris supported Bishop Pierre Cauchon of Beauvais, the judge at her trial; Cardinal Henry Beaufort of Winchester, England, participated in the questioning of Joan in prison. In the end, she was condemned for wearing men's clothes. The English resented France's military success—to which Joan contributed. On this day in 1431, Joan was burned at the stake in Rouen, and her ashes were scattered in the Seine River. A second Church trial 25 years later nullified the earlier verdict, which was reached under political pressure. Remembered by most people for her military exploits, Popular devotion to her increased greatly in 19th-century France and later among French soldiers during World War I. Theologian George Tavard writes that her life "offers a perfect example of the conjunction of contemplation and action" because her spiritual insight is that there should be a "unity of heaven and earth." <http://franciscanmedia.org>



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