9th June 2019 - Pentecost Sunday Year C

Embracing the Holy Spirit!

At the centre of Christian faith is the great paradox: God is one, yet God is three. Our tradition also speaks of God as “three persons – Father, Son and Spirit.” But how do we know this? We know this because of the witness of Jesus’ own life and the gift of the Holy Spirit that Jesus promises his disciples. Pentecost is the celebration of that promise when the disciples are “filled with the Holy Spirit” who upturns their lives, transforming them into teachers, preachers, evangelists and missionaries.

The testimony of St Luke in the Acts of the Apostles strains to explain this experience of the Holy Spirit in words. We are given images of a mighty wind, tongues of fire, and the disciples speaking to people from every known land in their own language!

Certainly, we cannot speak of the Holy Spirit as independent of the Father and the Son; nor should we speak of any ‘person’ of the Trinity in isolation. Too often our culture is inclined to dismiss the “spirit world” as a place of magic, sorcery and the occult. This is a danger if we isolate spiritual knowledge and mystical awareness from the loving embrace of Father, Son and Spirit.

Our Christian vocation is to be “Spirit-filled” people who rely not on our own resources but on the power of the living God. To appreciate this gift of faith is to be a mystic, and to live this faith is to be missionary. Pentecost was not a one-off event, but is the ongoing experience of the movement of the Holy Spirit in our world, calling us to the ever-deepening, always surprising, realisation that God is with us, God is in us, and God works through us. And so, we pray: “Come Holy Spirit”.

Gerard Hall SM
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CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to all the children who were confirmed by Bishop Gregory on Thursday 6 June at St Carthage’s Cathedral. Please keep them in your prayers.

Our Sacramental Program will continue with preparation for Reconciliation as listed below.

Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation Lessons
Tuesday 11th June, 6pm, Farrelly Room, Doyle House
Tuesday 18th June, 6pm, Farrelly Room, Doyle House
Tuesday 25th June, 6pm, Farrelly Room, Doyle House
Tuesday 2nd July, 6pm, Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation – St Carthage’s Cathedral.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPS

Envelopes for the next financial year will be available for collection after masses from this weekend at the back of the church.

If you would like to give by direct deposit or credit card or if you are not already on our planned giving program and would like to give regular contributions to assist with the cost of running the parish and to support the clergy, please contact the Parish Office on 66260200, Mon - Fri 8:30am - 4:00pm.

MISSA CANTATA

The traditional Latin Mass of the Catholic Church is celebrated regularly in many churches and Cathedrals all over Australia.

In Lismore it takes place at 11.00am on the third Sunday of each month in the Chapel of the Carmelite Monastery, 591 Ballina Road, Goonellabah.

It is a "Missa Cantata" or sung Mass, with the Gregorian chant supported by the Sisters and all invited to join in. The regular congregation is made up both of older people who remember how Mass was up until the 1960's, and younger people who are discovering it as something new which they find very beautiful, prayerful and reverent.

The next celebration is on Sunday 16 June.

AUS SIE SUN  DAY LUNCH

The Aussie Sunday Lunch is an initiative of Southern Cross University Student Support Services and will be held on Sunday, July 7th. The aim is to provide a community welcome to new students, facilitate their meeting people within the wider community and provide a cultural experience for overseas students.

To host a lunch you will need to be willing to provide transport to and from the University Campus and lunch for two students - whether it be at your home, or at a picnic spot.

If you would like to take part, please fill in the Registration Form at the back of the Church and return it to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

Any enquiries can be directed to Robert Lingard at SCUchaplaincy@scu.edu.au

BAPTISM INTO CHRIST

Our Parish family welcomes into the faith and life of the Catholic Church this week:

Sophia Rose Wright

DISABLED PARKING AND CATHEDRAL ACCESS

There is disabled parking available for parishioners in the main car park and on the Dawson Street side of the Cathedral. Wheelchair access to the Cathedral is via the ramp at the Dawson Street entrance. We encourage parishioners to use this entrance if they have mobility issues.

St Matthew’s Self Care Units, Jubilee Avenue, Goonellabah

We have a two bedroom unit for sale at St Matthew’s Units in Jubilee Avenue, Goonellabah.

If you are interested please contact Peter Butcher at Ray White Lismore Real Estate 66212438.
Please remember in your prayers:

**THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** John Muscat, Elsa Dumlao, Noel Bell, Carmel Windred, Mary Mason, Pat Cree, Margaret Amos, Georgia Rhodes, Barbi Osborn, Dawn Brohier.

**THOSE WHO ARE RECENTLY DECEASED:** Nathan Hayward, Margaret Clifford, Joyce Wallington, Patricia Mary Jung, David Behan, Sr Jill (Josephine) Kennedy, Josepha Yap

**THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES ARE AT THIS TIME:** Jim and Regina Bazzo, Ted Clifford, Margaret Foody, Bishop Jeremiah J Doyle - 1st Bishop of Lismore, Bishop Patrick J Farrelly - 3rd Bishop of Lismore

**OTHER SPECIAL INTENTIONS:** Kit Nestor, Phyllis Whitney, Billy and Vergie Monteagudo.

### Sunday Morning Tea

The next morning tea following Sunday 9am Mass will be held Sunday 16th June in the Farrelly Room of Doyle House. Please bring a plate to share.

### Collection Totals - Weekend 2 June

- First collection: $1035.05
- Second collection: $742.00
- Loose: $266.10

### This Week's Mass Times

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### Old Religious Calendars

Our Catechists would appreciate any old religious calendars that you may have. These can be great resources for the lessons they prepare for the children. Please bring them to the Parish Office and we will forward them on.

### Congratulations to Frank Tooley

Congratulations to Frank Tooley who celebrates his 80th Birthday this weekend. Hope you have a wonderful day with many more to come.

### Liturgy Roster – for 16th June - The Most Holy Trinity

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FIRST READING
Acts 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, Judaea 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.
Response: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30
(R.) 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.)

SECOND READING
Romans 8:8-17
People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live. Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, ‘Abba, Father!’ The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The Word of the Lord.
Response: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Alleluia, alleluia!
Come, Holy Spirit; fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL
John 14:15-16. 23-26
Jesus said to his disciples ‘If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever.

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own; it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you.’

The Gospel of the Lord.
Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS
The Most Holy Trinity
Proverbs 8:22-31
Romans 5:1-5
John16:12-15