## **PENTECOST SUNDAY - Year B**

### FIRST READING Acts 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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 All: Thanks be to God. 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.

All: 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.)
- 2. 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.)
- 3. 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** Gal 5:16-25

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since selfindulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When selfindulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,

goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desire.

Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

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!

# **SEQUENCE** (PLEASE SEE OVERHEAD)

#### GOSPEL Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John Jesus said to his disciples:

'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness.

And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset.

I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

**Next Week: The Most Holy TRINITY** 

Readings: Deut 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

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# ST GERTRUDE'S PARISH

# St Benedict's Church

Corner Justin & Neville Street **SMITHFIELD** 

# Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm;

8.00am (Italian): 10.30am: 6.00pm.

#### Weekday Masses:

9.15am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday;

7pm Wednesday

Weekday Public Holidays: 10.30am

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Adoration:

Wednesdays after evening Mass with Novena to St Benedict till 7.30pm; Saturdays from

4.45pm-5.45pm; & Fridays after the 9.15am Mass

# First Friday of the Month:

7pm Mass & Adoration

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Tuesdays after Mass



### **Parish Priest** Fr Jarek Zan OSPPE

#### **Assistant Priest**

Fr Wojtek Sliwa OSPPE



#### Weekday Masses: Mon - Fri 7.00am; Saturday 8am Weekday Public Holidays: 8.00am

St Theresa's Church

Saturday Vigil 5pm (Vietnamese);

**FAIRFIELD WEST** 

**Sunday Masses:** 

Corner The Boulevarde & Stella Street

7.30am & 9.00am; 12 noon (Spanish); 5pm (Arabic)

First Friday of the Month:

First Saturday of the Month: 7am Rosary 8am Mass

**Chaplet of Divine Mercy:** Tuesdays after Mass

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

# 20 May, 2018



# We welcome the following

Ava Taranto, Miguel Clark, Maverick Roberts, Ratu Seremaia Kingston Naivalurua Baptised in our Parish Community

# We pray for the sick of this parish

Santina Ponili, Maria Blanda, Max Hazmoth, Indu Vassallo, Kartia Grace Russell, Frank Trimboli, Gino Mifsud Rina Favotto, Neang Nep, Eric Pasquetti, Emely Jade, Sandra Roy, Patricia Battistel, Ivy Fernandes, Maria Perre, Tania Perre. Alina Przewoznik, Philomena Greenwood, Ernesto DiDomizio, Stella Zappacosta, Antoinette Jansen.

Bless our sick today so that they may bear their illness in union with Jesus' sufferings and restore them quickly to health

## Please remember in your prayers

Allan Henry Neaves, Fr Jose Maria Enedaguila, Nancy Phillips, Josipa Yelenazza, Teresa Faccin, Natalina Del Santo, Giorgio Mascia, Giovanna Vurchio Natalina Dal Santo, Giovanna Vurchio, Elio Forner, Joseph Furfara

# Recently Deceased

And for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

Rita Colaiacolo, Maria Zasso, Maria Dos Anjos



# PARISH INFORMATION

# Parish Office:

6 Justin St, Smithfield Tuesday-Friday 10am - 2pm Phone: 9604 1199 Fax 9609 6585 Email: office@stgertrude.org.au Website: www.stgertrude.org.au

Parish Council:

Denise Namroud

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Reconciliation/Eucharist/Confirmation

Liturgy: 9725 4317 Anna Kleibert liturgy@stgertrude.org.au

# Adult Sacraments (RCIA) Mariola Herbert

Every Sunday at 8.30am in the Crying Room (in front of St Benedict's) Contact Mariola: 0421 944 051.

# Children's Liturgy Mariola Herbert

Reconciliation:

Smithfield - Sat 4.45-5.45 pm (or by appointment)

Baptisms: Parish Office 9604 1199 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays of the month during the 10.30am Mass at St Benedict's Church; & Every 3rd Sunday at 12noon St Benedict's

Marriages: Parish Office 9604 1199 By appointment only (6 months required)

Sick Calls: 9604 1199

Any Time

# Novena to St Benedict

Every Wednesday after the 7pm Mass with Rosary & **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** 



Reconciliation is available during this time.

Everyone is encouraged to participate!

Rosary for Vocation to Religious life and Priesthood. After Mass on Thursdays at St Therese's Church, Fairfield West



# Funeral of the late 'Nancy' Anne Phillips

(who was previously a long time parishioner of Smithfield) will be held at St Benedict's on

Tuesday 22nd May 2018 at 12pm

## Church Cleaners

Monday 21 May Mary's Group

Parish Collections Week- Ending 13/5/2018

1st Collection \$1,5997.95 goes to Fr. Jarek & Fr Wojtek as well as the upkeep of their Order of St Paul the First Hermit.

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Envelopes and/or Credit Card payments: \$1,854.55 and \$1,581.5 Loose Money.

Thank you for your generous support & May God Bless you all!

# PASCHAL PRECEPT

Each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is to be done between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday unless for a good reason, it is done at another time during the year. All the faithful are obliged to confess their grave sins at least once

# **Pentecost Sunday**



With the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the wake of Jesus' resurrection, the early Christians celebrated Pentecost as a feast of the 'new law' of Christ's love and gathering of all peoples in Jesus Christ.

# Rosarv

Please join us for the Rosary Week nights at 7pm in St Therese's Church, Fairfield West during the month of May.

Memorial ~ Mary, Mother of the Church Monday 21st May

National Patronal Feast Our Lady, Help of Christians Thursday 24 May

> Masses: 7am F/West 9.30am (School Mass) Smithfield

Solemnity of the Corpus Christi ~ 3rd June After the 10.30am Mass there will be a

Eucharistic Procession.

## Safeguarding Training

Thank you to all who attended the training on Thursday

If you were unable to attend, please contact the Parish office on 9604 1199 and leave a message for Helena or email psso@stgertrude.org.au to find out what to do next.

The Archdiocese of Sydney requires EVERY Parish Volunteer to sign a Code of Conduct regardless of whether or not you directly work with children. If you are unsure whether you have met this requirement or you need to sign the code of conduct, please contact the parish office to make an appointment to meet with Helena/Maria as soon as possible.

By the end of May 2018, it is expected that ALL VOLUNTEERS have signed the Code of Conduct in our Parish. If you have not signed by the end of May, you will need to cease in your ministry until this requirement has been met.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office on 9604 1199 or email psso@stgertrude.org.au.

Thank you for your cooperation - Maria and Helena - Parish Safeguarding Support Officers.

# **CONFIRMATION 2018**

Important dates for your diary:

- SMALL GROUP SESSIONS continue for a further 3weeks.
- PARENT ONLY WORKSHOP TUESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> MAY at 7:30 p.m. in the Montefano Hall.
- RETREAT Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- REHEARSALS:
- Ceremony 1 Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 7 p.m.
- Ceremony 2 Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 7 p.m.
- CONFIRMATION MASSES:
- Ceremony 1 Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 2 p.m.
- Ceremony 2 Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 4 p.m.

# Smithfield YOUTH MASS

Held on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month at the 6pm evening Mass

Next Mass: Sunday 20 May at 6pm

Youth Program is held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month . 7pm - 8pm in the Montefano Hall. All Youth Welcome!

> YOUTH PROGRAM: 20 May 2018 **Everyone Welcome!**

# **ALTAR SERVERS MEETING**

Tuesday 22nd May 4.30 – 5.15pm St Benedict's Church

#### YOUTH GROUP ~ MUSIC REHEARSALS

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm Group 1 (Second Monday of the Month)

Monday 28th May at 7.30pm Group 2 (last Monday of the Month

# Ordination to the Priesthood



You are invited to the Ordination of

# Br Deacon Joseph Maria Buckley OSPPE 11am on Saturday 9th June 2018

At Marian Valley, Shrine of Our Lady Help of Christians Canungra Queensland.

# Celebrated by Bishop Columba Macbeth-Green OSPPE

Please remember Br Joseph in your prayers.

# Book of Life

The Book of Life Petition books are kept in the Church Foyers at both churches. Please write your prayer intentions that will be offered at the end of the Walk with Christ Procession on 3 June 2018. (See below Notice)

#### Walk with Christ - 3 June 2018

All are invited to participate in this year's Walk With Christ Eucharistic Procession on the Feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday 3 June 2018.

Participants will gather at the corner of Pitt St and Martin Place in the CBD at 2:30pm. The procession will follow the Blessed Sacrament through the Sydney CBD, finishing at the St Mary's Cathedral Forecourt with Adoration and Benediction. If you are unable to join us for the Procession, you are more than welcome to join us for Adoration and Benediction from approximately 3.30pm in the St Mary's Cathedral Forecourt. The event will conclude at approximately 4:30pm.

The procession will help mark the 200th anniversary of a little known, but most heroic and faith-filled time in the history of the Australian Church. In 1818, the Government forcibly removed the only Catholic priest in Australia, Fr Jeremiah O'Flynn, from Sydney. Fr O'Flynn's last pastoral act was to leave the Blessed Sacrament reserved in a faithful Catholic's home so that the colonists and prisoners could come to adore Christ present there. For two years, the Blessed Sacrament, in this lay Sydney home, was the source and centre of worship and consolation for the priestless Catholics of the Australian colony.

# **Fairfield Active Maltese Seniors**

Tuesday 29 May @ 10.00am. St Theresa's Church Hall Cnr Stella St & The Boulevarde, Fairfield Heights. Guest Speaker from **Dementia Australia on Healthy** Brain Ageing.

Members & Parishoners welcome.

Talk will be in English.

Contact Marisa Previtera on 0414 863 123 This is a Welfare Service of the MCC

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