WELCOME

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 8 JUNE 2025

"The Love of Christ must come before all else." (Rule of St Benedict)

WEEKLY SERVICES

Mass Times:
Mon: Communion - Service @7am **(after the service, the church will be closed)**
Wed/Fri: 7am
Tues/Thurs: 9am
Sat: 7.30am & Vigil 6pm
Sun: 7.30am, 9.30am & 6pm

HOLY HOUR (STARTS WITH MASS)
FRIDAYS @7AM

Reconciliation:
Sat: **4.30PM - 5.30PM**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
Thursday: 9.30am—5pm
Friday: 8am—5pm

Rosary Groups:
Tue: 9.30am, Wed/Fri: 7.30am
Cenacle: Thurs: 9.30am

Prayer Group:
Mary Mother of Sorrows: Meetings on Thursdays @1pm (except school holidays)

Catholic Women's League (CWL)
Meet the 2nd Tuesday of the Month in the Fr Albert Lynch Room **@10am, gathering @9.45am**

Baptisms: By appointment

Marriages: By appointment

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PENTECOST SUNDAY, YEAR C

GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Fr Michael Tate

In the very old days, the 'Holy Spirit' was known as the 'Holy Ghost'. It may come from the old English word 'gust' which 'blows wherever it pleases'. St Luke's account of Pentecost tells of what 'sounded like a powerful wind from heaven'. This is the Divine Wind, this is the Holy Gust, the Holy Spirit. Out of nowhere, this mighty Gust burst into the disciples' lives with gale force, sweeping away their fear.

The Divine Wind is nothing less than the Breath of God. 'O Breathe on me Breath of God' is one of the most beautiful hymns, sung to a traditional Irish melody. One verse goes: 'O Breathe on me Breath of God . . . until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine'. It is like a log at the back of the fireplace late at night. The log is intact but absolutely glowing through and through with fire. It is to be the same with us.

Peter was inspired to preach to the crowds 'with a loud voice' about 'Jesus the Nazarene' and the fact that 'God raised him to life'. That is the gospel. That is the message which those who breathe with the breath of God have been preaching since the birthday of the Church at Pentecost.

We could pause for a moment to pray an ancient chant of the Church:

'Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful,
and enkindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they will be created,
and you will renew the face of the earth.'

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PARISH NOTICES

EVENTS

- 7 JUN — YOUTH MASS @6PM
- 8 JUN — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 7.30AM MASS
- 8 JUN — FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS @9.30AM
- 11 JUN-2 JUL — CFE COURSE: AFTER LIFE: ESCHATON-OUR LIVING HOPE, WEDNESDAYS @7.30PM-8.30PM, AT ALBERT LYNCH ROOM
- 14 JUN — FIRST HOLY COMMUNION @6PM
- 15 JUN — FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS @9.30AM
- 29 JUN — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 9.30AM MASS
- 12 JUL — YOUTH MASS @6PM

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Adult Faith Education Programme

Applecross Parish – Canning Hwy & Ardross St, Applecross

Scan the QR code for more courses and events

After Life: Eschaton – Our Living Hope

ON: Wednesdays, 4 June – 2 July

FROM: 7:30pm – 8:30pm (5 sessions)

WITH: Ms Natalie Thomas

COST: Suggested donation, $20

This unit explores the 'last things': death, purgatory, heaven, hell, the Parousia of Christ and the final Judgment. Utilising the teachings of the Church, the wisdom of Saints, Popes, mystics, theologians and the Church Fathers, the Ars Moriendi and *Dante's Divine Comedy*, students will discover the nature of Christian hope, the Christian art of dying well, the fact and mystery of resurrection in Christ and heaven, hell, purgatory and the final destiny of the Eschaton.

For further info or to register, please contact the Centre for Faith Enrichment or Applecross Parish:

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Centre for Faith Enrichment

2025 PROJECT COMPASSION RECEIPTS

Receipts are available for collection in a little box on one of the tables at the back of the church. For the credit card donations, Caritas Australia will issue the receipts directly to you. If your receipt is not there, please contact the Parish office on 08 9364 1120.

Our parish raised $12,707,60 (last year: $11,952.95). *Thank you.*

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Myrtle Nimmo, Helen Overman, Shalini Saldanha, Ng Choon Bee, Liesel Beukes, Helen Teo, Thomas McGuire Marris, Lorraine Healey, Kamani Jayaratne, Sue Miguel, Carol-Jean Wilson, Harsono Setiawan, Steven Robertson, Rev Fr Peter Meo, Lisa Bailey, Lenna Hosseini, Frank Ranieri and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.*

YOUTH CORNER

Youth Mass — 12 July @6pm

SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST

Our parish children will be making their First Holy Communion during the following masses:

Sunday 8 June @9.30am
Saturday 14 June @6pm
Sunday 15 June @9.30am.

There will be reserved seating for candidates and their families.

Let us pray for our children who are receiving Holy Communion for the first time and their families.

THINGS THAT BOTHER US

These past few months, our Vinnies members have visited some really good people who struggle with the cost of raising families, debt and tragedies in their lives. We live comfortable lives, and it bothers us to see the suffering of those we visit. We're glad it does because nothing changes if we look the other way. Seeing what we see makes us get up every morning thinking about how we can make a difference, and we do make a difference, thanks to your help.

In donating to Vinnies, you are partnering with us, so please give generously to Vinnies via Tap N Go or through the poor box which is located in the wall inside the main part of the church, to the right side of the doors as you go out.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Maria Loss

ANNIVERSARIES:

E. Rigg, Roma Murray, Peter Colleran, Sydney Gore and all deceased benefactors of the parish and all departed family and friends. Thank you.

Sequence

The sequence may be said or sung.

Holy Spirit, Lord of light, From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come, thou Father of the poor, Come with treasures which endure;
Come, thou light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best, Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow;

Thou in toil art comfort sweet; Pleasant coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine, Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away, Nothing pure in man will stay;
All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness pour thy dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will; Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:

Give us comfort when we die; Give us life with thee on high;
Give us joys that never end.

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING

St Catherine's House of Hospitality is a retreat and conference centre located at 113 Tyler Street, Tuart Hill. In order to keep the Centre affordable for those who need it, we are reliant on the support of volunteers. We'd love to hear from you if you can offer a few hours a month. Opportunities for volunteering include: hospitality (setting up the dining room and serving in the kitchen); cooking and gardening. You'll join a vibrant community where strong friendships are made. **Volunteers are invited to a social get-together at St Catherine's on either Thursday 26 June at 1.30pm or Monday 30 June at 9.30am. Please ring Sr Elizabeth RSM on 9443 9020 or email** stcatherines@westnet.com.au

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Presence

Jesus waits, silent and unseen, to come into my heart.
I will respond to His call.
He comes with His infinite power and love.
May I be filled with joy in His presence.

Freedom

Lord, may I never take the gift of freedom for granted.
You gave me the great blessing of freedom of spirit.
Fill my spirit with Your peace and Your joy.

Consciousness

God, in Your loving presence I unwind the past day,
starting from now and looking back,
moment by moment.
I gather in all the goodness and light, in gratitude.
I attend to the shadows and what they say to me,
seeking Your healing, insight, and forgiveness.

Inspiration

Jesus understands our humanity so well and knows how poor our memories can be, especially when, like the apostles, we grow older. To guide his Church and preserve her in the truth, he promises to send the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit will lead us into all truth, but we need to trust in this promise of our Lord and be faithful to the teaching of the Church.

Conversation

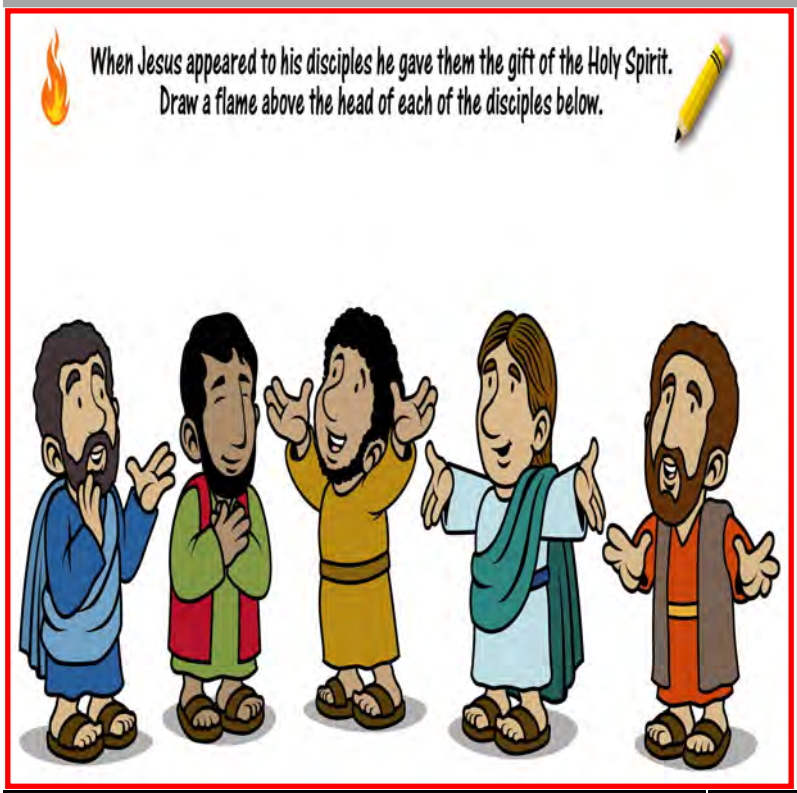
Lord, help me to become quiet and calm enough to hear Your still, small voice. Help me to trust what I hear. Your Word brings comfort, consolation and encouragement. Everything else I let go of.

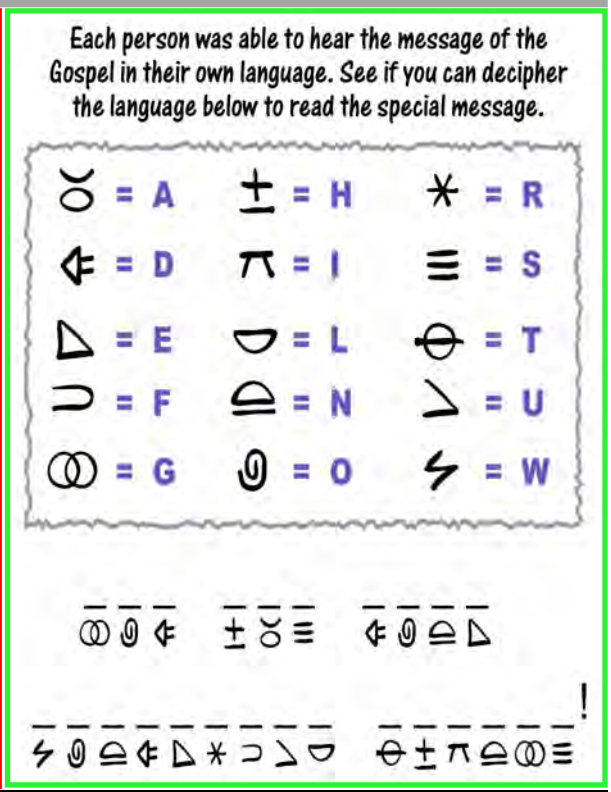
Conclusion

Filled with the loving presence of God,
I ask Him to bless me and guide my steps
as I go to do His work in my daily life.

Amen

CHILDREN'S CORNER





Church/School Parking – Reminder

Please park on the allotted bays in the church carpark and in the school carpark at Alness Street. **Do not park on the neighbouring residents' lawns across the road from the church & the church's lawns.** *Thank you.*

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: The Most Holy Trinity, Year C

1st: Prov 8: 22-31 **Ps:** 8: 4-9

2nd: Rom 5: 1-5 **Gospel:** Jn 16: 12-15

READINGS FOR THE DAY

Entrance Antiphon *Wisdom 1:7*

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world
and that which contains all things
understands what is said, alleluia.

First Reading *Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

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.'

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.

1. 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 *Romans 8:8-17*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

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.

Sequence (see page 3)

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*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything.

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.'

Communion Antiphon *Acts of the Apostles 2:4,11*

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - 14 & 15 JUNE 2025

	SAT 6PM	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	BRYAN MEYERKORT	ROD DOWLING	LUKE HANDCOCK	ROB PAUL
ALTAR SERVERS	HAILEY CORREIA JOSHUA & ETHAN TSIA	TAYAHNA PRETORIUS OLIVIA & JOEL DOWLING	JACKSON HANDCOCK REGINALDO CAMMARANO LETICIA AVERY	SOFIE GABRIEL VALERIE & RAPHAEL WIBAWANTA
COMMENTATORS	STEFANI CHEN	ADELE PARSONS	MARGARET HANDYSIDE	KATRINA MCINNES
COLLECTORS	ANTONIO VARNAKULASINGHAM LOUIS BOVE	JAMES GALVIN	PATRICK LEECH	OSBOURNE D'SOUZA ROSS FRANCHINA GRAHAM KNIGHT
READERS	YVONNE GARBIN AYLMYR SEQUEIRA	ALICE BATY LORNA D'SOUZA	MOIRA BUNN TERESA LEECH	KELVIN GRACE ANDREA D'SOUZA
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ALTAR SOCIETY: JOSEPHINE YUSTIRA	**PILGRIM STATUE:** MAY ARNOLD
COUNTERS: MARGARETH ALBUQUERQUE, YULIANA VAN DER BURG, ELIZABETH NORONHA & SUCHITA RATHAKRISHNAN	**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** –