PENTECOST SUNDAY PARISH BULLETIN, 5th June 2022

Jesus said: 'If you love me you will keep my commandments.'

WYONG CATHOLIC PARISH
ST CECILIA'S CHURCH & ST JOHN FISHER MASS CTR
Under the Pastoral Care of the
Society of Our Lady of The Most Holy Trinity (SOLT)

VISION The Wyong Catholic Parish is a welcoming, caring dynamic community

MISSION STATEMENT We will live and proclaim the message of the Gospel:

Engage, Participate, Reach out and Transform



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Pentecost Sunday commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus' disciples fifty days after his resurrection. This day coincides with the Jewish festival of the Harvest (Weeks), which occurs seven weeks—plus one day—after the Feast of the Unleavened Bread that commemorates the Passover meal (Exodus 23:16). Jewish pilgrims from many parts of the world had gathered in Jerusalem to celebrate the harvest feast and all could understand in their own language what the disciples were saying. That all could understand reveals the universal mission of the Christian community—to bring the Good News to all people.

This event also reversed the curse of the Tower of Babel. In the ancient story, God confused the speech of the whole world because of the arrogance of humankind who had tried to build a tower reaching up to the sky, the realm of heaven. As a result, the people were scattered all over the earth (Genesis 11:1-9). With the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, people from every nation and tongue were able to understand each other, enabling them to come together. Before his departure at the arrival of the 'hour'- his passion, death, and resurrection—Jesus assured his disciples that he would not leave them orphans as he would ask the Father to send them another Advocate, the Spirit of truth, to be with them.

This indwelling Spirit would be like a flame that would kindle their love for one another, thus enabling them to keep the commandments of Jesus. The Spirit is also the source of peace, who could enable the disciples to experience peace and joy while remaining in the world.

Pentecost Sunday – 5th June 2022

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD Reproduced from Liturgia

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.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34

R. Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading Romans 8:8-17 (Year C)

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 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.

Gospel Acclamation SeqAccl

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.

Gospel John 14:15-16, 23-26

Sacrament of First Eucharist
Over the coming weeks the children are
preparing for the Sacrament of First Eucharist. We
ask you to please keep them and their
families in your prayers as they grow in their love
of God.





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Free Firewood

If anybody would like some free firewood, please collect from the curbside opposite St Cecilia's Church.

Church Flower Arrangers

A huge thank you to the ladies who recently volunteered to assist with our flower arrangement.

We would dearly love a few more volunteers, please consider.

Upcoming

June

During the Month of June SVDP Winter appeal

Sunday 5th Pentecost Sunday Sunday 12th The Most Holy Trinity Friday 17th 5pm and 6.30pm First Eucharist Ceremony

Sunday 19th The Most Holy Body, and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Wednesday 22nd St John Fisher Feast Day

Friday 24th 5pm First Eucharist Ceremony

July

Sunday 4th Peter's Pence Appeal Friday 29th Christmas in July Sunday 31st Confirmation Ceremony

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Breathe into me Holy Spirit, that all my thoughts may be holy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy.



CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Our elderly parishioners are invited to come together for our 'Christmas in July' function to be held at <u>St Peter's</u> <u>College, Tuggerah on Friday 29 July.</u> This is a sit-down luncheon with entertainment, all provided by the students from the College. As numbers will be limited the catering organization must be completed before the coming July school holidays. An early booking and closing date has been necessary.

Bookings must be made by Friday 13 June to Jo Helm on 0424 763 734 or Parish Office 43 52 1011, or Kerry Bugden 43 88 2938.



Wyong Catholic Parish Cook Book

We have an amazing fund-raising project commencing, where the proceeds will go towards the cost of major maintenance of the St Cecilia's car park as well at an awning for the Chapel at St John Fisher.

We invite parishioners to share there favourite/family recipes for this cook book.

We would love you to include photos of the recipes or the region of where they are from.

Please contact Milva Kefu by email to milvakefu.mk@gmail.com or can drop them off to Wyong Parish Office by 18 September 2022.



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MASS TIMES

ST CECILIA'S CHURCH

23 Byron St Wyong Saturday Vigil / Sunday Mass Times Sat Vigil 5.00pm Sun 7.30am & 9.30am

Weekday Mass Mon-Sat: 8.00am

Reconciliation/Confession Saturday morning after

the 8am Mass & Saturday at 4.30pm

ST JOHN FISHER MASS CENTRE

Hicks Lane Tumbi Umbi

Saturday Vigil / Sunday Mass Times Sat Vigil 5.00 pm Sun: 8.30am & 5pm

Weekday Mass

Mon, Wed, Thurs 8:00am Tue & Fri: 9.15am

Reconciliation/Confession Saturday at 4.30pm

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Anointing of the Sick First Friday of the Month

St Cecilia's During 8.00am &11.30am Mass

St John Fisher During 9.15am Mass

St Barnabas, Yarramalong 1st Sun of month 11.15am

Eucharistic Adoration St Cecilia's Daily 7am-8am St John Fisher 1st Fri 8.15 - 9.15am

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sat St Cecilia's & Wed St John
Fisher (after the 8am Mass)

Devotion to the Divine Mercy St Cecilia's Fri after the 8am Mass **St John Fisher** Fri after the 9:15am
Mass

Fr Raul/Fr Alex and the Legion of Mary **visit Berkley Vale Nursing home** 3rd Wednesday of the Month

Children's Liturgy

St Cecilia's 5pm Mass Saturday St John Fisher 5pm Mass Sunday

Prayer groups

St Cecilia's Rosary Group Tues after 8am mass followed by Divine Mercy **St Cecilia's** Legion of Mary 9am Wed

Meetings

St Cecilia's Choir practice every Tues night 5pm to 6pm

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting PPC Secretary; Kerry Bugden ph 4388 2938

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayer: The most valuable gift you can give someone.

SICK: Len Miller, Harriet Powell, Danae Roe, Peter Ford, Harry Hall, Michael Briggs, Christine Heffernan, Jennese Thompson, Leeann Hazelton, Bernadette Kiely, Steve Durnford, Ann Durnford, Maureen Mulheron, Angela Watts, William Martin, Terence (Ted) Dafter, Finn McConnon, Margaret Hobbs, Christine, John Baxter, Jacqui Stacey, Josie Campbell, Carol Dafter, Dave Rodney, Gwen Dwyer, Helen Waters, Rod & Pauline Cornwell, Marie & Peter Rheinberger, Hannah Hopwood, Fay King, Joan Mabbutt, Irene Dainty, John Cornwell, Eoin, Paula.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Antonio Barnedo Jr **ANNIVERSARY JUNE**: Thomas Mayne, Fr Williams, Brian Myers, Margaret Skimmings.

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