OUR COMMUNITY NEWS

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SUNDAY - 5th June 2022

Pentecost Sunday- Year C

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

Checking-in is no longer required. Face masks are no longer required in most indoor settings, but they are still recommended. Carry a mask when leaving home. They are strongly recommended if you have any COVID-19 symptoms, are with people who may be vulnerable to COVID-19 and/or are outdoors and cannot physically distance.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Monica Flynn, William Michael Fay, Mona Walters, Eddie Verlinden, Grace Foran, Keith Lofts, Mary Jane Collins, Peter(Sam) Dunn , Eva Dridan, Clarence Herbert, Leila Willison, Hughie O'Rorke, Harry Joseph Young, Rex Tiley, Monica Norbury, Max Young & Kelvin Underwood.

PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Pat Byrne, Margaret MacDonald, Roger Molomby, Graeme Dawson, Blake Dridan, Shelagh Mulcahy, Fr Adrian McInerney, Graeme Trethowan and all those in need of prayer.

ROSTER:

Introduction & Reading

Today: Sue Mahony

12th June: Bernadette Franc

Prayers of the Faithful

Today: Sue Mahony 12thJune: John Jess **Assembly Leader**

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Today: Jim & Sue Mahony

19th June: Anne Beer & Sue Mahony

Special Minister

Today: Gail Hall

19th June: Therese Jess.

Music

Today: Sue Mahony 12thJune: Sue Mahony

Church Cleaning, Linen & Flowers

June 12th – 19th:Carmel Milenkovic and Judy Franc

Church Grounds

June 12th – 19th: Peter Milenkovic and Charlie Franc

Newsletter

June - Carmel Milenkovic 0407320759

MASS TIMES for Next Week

June 12th: ss 8.30 am(The Most Holy Trinity)

World Environment Day – Sunday, June 5, 2022Celebrated every year since 1974, World Environment Day is a good time to focus on the environmental dimensions of the Sustainable Development Goals.

This year the theme is celebrating "Only One Earth". This was the slogan for the 1972 Stockholm Conference; 50 years on, this truth still holds – this planet is our only home. With nature in emergency mode, the #OnlyOneEarth campaign for World Environment Day 2022, wants you to celebrate the planet through collective environmental action. #OnlyOneEarth advocates for transformative environmental change on a global scale. The campaign shines a spotlight on climate action, nature action and pollution action while encouraging everyone, everywhere to live sustainably. While our individual consumption choices do make a difference, it is collective action that will create the transformative environmental change we need, so we can advance to a more sustainable and just Earth, where everyone can flourish. https://www.worldenvironmentday.global/

A Prayer for Our Environment from Pope Francis' Laudato Si'

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one. O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light. We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace. Amen.

A special milestone:. Fr John McKinnon was ordained 65 years ago into the priesthood. A celebratory Mass of Thanksgiving will be held at St Patricks Catherdral on June 21st 5.15pm. We thank God for the many gifts and blessings bestowed upon Fr John and for the gifts and

blessings he has bestowed on us.

Social Justice Commission

'The Ballarat Diocesan Social Justice Commission (BDSJC) is looking for a Social Justice Parish Contact. If you are interested, please email Anthea Hinchey by May 31st on: Anthea.Hinchey@clonard.vic.edu.au

Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril; let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all; we are brothers and sisters. Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity for 2022: A Christian Prayer for Unity

One only Holy Spirit of Father and Son in whom all are baptised, one giver of many gifts, one tree of many fruits one speaker of every tongue, renew in our day the wonders of Pentecost, grant that people of every race and nation may understand one another, and as one, proclaim the praises of God. Grant that all may be one as you, Spirit, with the Father and the Son are one God, one Lord. Grant unity to the Body of Christ; grant unity to the human family. Sole breath of every living thing, may all be one who, in you, live and move and have their being.

- Carl K. Moeddel, From Jesuit Resources

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Planned Giving

Please consider making a contribution to the Parish Planned Giving Program.
Contributions can be made via direct debit to:
Bendigo Bank - Acc name: Beaufort Catholic Community

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL

Jn 14:15-16, 23-26

A readingfrom 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 I have said to you.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word

THE SAVING WORD

Pentecost Sunday / C 5 June 2022

COMMUNICATING OUR FAITH

Through the gift of the outpouring of the Spirit, the first disciples were empowered to preach the message of Jesus in language that could be understood by all. To this day Pentecost remains a model for the continuing life of the Church as we seek to speak meaningfully to the people of our own time.

One of Paul's greatest strengths as an apostle was his creativity and tireless search to communicate, in contemporary language, the meaning and consequences of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Like a cutter of precious stones, he was always bringing new facets to light, always searching for new ways to explain and communicate what he believed. He knew that Pentecost was only experienced by a chosen few and yet all Christians had been baptised into the love of Father, Son and Spirit. The gift of the Spirit enables all of us to call on God as Abba, as Father, sharing in the inheritance and promises of Christ himself. With this gift comes the call to respond and for Paul, this means leaving our enslaved past behind. Since the Spirit has made a home in us, we should live accordingly.

Similarly, the Gospel calls us to actualise the gift of the Spirit we have received through our faithfulness to Jesus' command to love one another. That first Pentecost the disciples spoke in ways that could be understood by all. The simplest and most powerful language we have is being faithful to Jesus' command to love one another.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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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.

RESP PSALM

Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34. R. v. 30

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (*or* Alleluia!)

- 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

Rom 8:8-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God.

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!'