

**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 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.'

**Second Reading - Rom 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.

**Gospel - Jn 14:15-16, 23-26****A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

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.'

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*A house of welcome to all and a place of service to all*

Pentecost, Year C

May 15, 2016

## A puzzle to solve

It is relatively easy to convey to children the importance of today's feast: just talk to them about birthdays. From our youngest years we learn to celebrate the anniversary of our birth. It is a time for partying and rejoicing and although as we grow older we would rather turn back the clock, we still make a fuss when people reach milestones, particularly if they get to 100. As a family of believers we celebrate the birth of Christ, which is very much the children's feast, and today we celebrate the birth of the Catholic Church itself.

The dramatic story of Pentecost captures the imagination. Here was a group of men and women, who were still struggling to come to terms with events that had unfolded before their very eyes. All the resurrection stories are accompanied by elements of dismay, even disbelief. In spite of Jesus' efforts to prepare the disciples for his passion and death – as he prepared them for his return to the Father and the gift of the Holy Spirit, the advocate who would "teach them everything" – they had still not put the jigsaw pieces together.

After the Ascension they waited and prayed. The description of Pentecost in the Acts of the Apostles captures the

**Weekly Mass Times:**

Monday: 7.00 am      Tuesday: 5.30 pm      Wednesday: 8.00 am

Thursday: 7.00 am      Friday: 5.30 pm      Saturday: 8.30 am

**Saturday:** Vigil 6.30 pm (Novena 6.00 pm)

**Sunday:** 8.00 am, 9.30 am, 11.00 am & 6.00 pm

**Reconciliation:** Saturday: 11.00am - 12.00 noon and 5.00pm - 6.00pm



Fr. Phong Nguyen  
Parish Priest



Fr. Jeronimo  
Assistant Priest



Fr. Cyprian Shikokoti  
Priest in Residence



Deacon Bruce  
Parish Deacon

effective great orators can be and we also know that it is not just what they say but how they say it which matters. Is it too simplistic to say that everyone understood them because they were speaking the universal language of love? And they were able to speak with the authority of Jesus because their actions matched their words.

In every generation, the followers of Jesus need to spend time in prayer, begging for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit. In all his letters, Paul encourages the early communities to lead spiritual lives. In his letter to the Romans, he tells them that the spirit of God has made his home in them, echoing the words of Jesus to his disciples when he assured them that he and the Father would make their home with them. This is the invitation to you and me again today: we are invited to be at home with God and take our rightful place as brothers and sisters of Christ and children of the Father. St Paul is concerned that we put the jigsaw together and recognise that we are heirs to the kingdom.

For this birthday, pray that the spirit renews for you the gifts of wisdom, knowledge and understanding, so you can grasp these mysteries; and also the gifts of judgement, courage, wonder and reverence for you to live faithfully as a child of God.

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### Baptisms:

We welcome Grayson Funk, Avery Katherine Nugroho into our Parish Community.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

#### Deaths:

Please pray for Stephen Cheah Wee Hee who passed away recently.

#### Anniversaries:

Please pray for Jack McManus, Kathleen Phillips, Derek Rodrigues, Tommaso Boccando, Epifania Satinitigan whose anniversaries occur around this time.

# R O S T E R S

## for 22nd May

NEXT WEEK					
<b>Bulletin:</b>	Sai Mascarenhas				
<b>Flowers :</b>	Geneveve				
<b>Counter:</b>	1. P Pickersgill	2. P Golding	3. J Teo		
	Saturday 6.30pm	Sunday 8.00am	Sunday 9.30am	Sunday 11.00am	Sunday 6.00pm
<b>Greeters</b>	A Mourad R Oetomo	G Moriarty P Owens	A Faleiro G Dunsford	A Wijaya P Zulkifli	J Murphy E Ring
<b>Acolytes</b>	P Doss	P McManus	J Nonis	P Doray	D Da Cruz
<b>Altar Servers</b>	T Soanchez G Wan R Ye	L Cherry O Mapfumo	A Gan S Ho A Ho	Yan Ni Sng A Teixeira J Teixeira	S Hwang S Jones R Joseph
<b>Special Minister</b>	Only Those Special Ministers with Working With Children's Card				
<b>Catechists</b>	(Yrs 1-4) L Sequeira (Yrs 5-6) K Phua		(Yrs 1-4) Ira Kusnadi (Yrs 5-6) C Plottke		
<b>Readers</b>	V Ng R Oetomo	H Murray P Murray	A Thomas G Thomas	E Tweed K Vincenti	R Thomas M Want
<b>Piety stall</b>	Jessica	Mary	Pat	Poake	Ayenis
<b>Readers' Coordinator:</b>	Vivian Ng 9337 7446				

## MORE CARE

### Do you need help or know someone who does?

† Geraldine	9332 8795	(Visiting)
† Monica	9364 9358	(Meals)
† Caroline	9313 5452	(Transport/Meals)
† Silvia	9417 7131	(Transport)
† Juliana	9310 1747	(General-office hrs)

Rose Garden  
May 2016

Section A  
Sharon Vong

Section B  
Craig Mclver

## Youth

### STRONGER TEENS YOUTH GROUP

Our next stronger teens youth group meeting will be on the 20<sup>th</sup> of May. Last time we had a look at Why am I here, and what are some of the goals we have in our lives as well as a brief introduction as to what Chosen is. We hope to see you all back next time to keep learning new thing about our faith!

For those of you who weren't at the previous one remember to bring down your **\$30 for the workbook** which we will be using for our studies!  
AND REMEMBER... YOU ARE CHOSEN!



### YOUNG ADULTS DINNER

Our next young adult's dinner is on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> of May after the 6pm youth mass. We are still to decide on the venue so keep an eye out for further details. Just remember to keep the date free. See you all again then!

### Diocesan Notices

#### CYM HOLY HOUR

Come and join CYM for Holy Hour on Wednesday evenings!

They will have Mass from 5.30pm, to be followed by Holy Hour at 6.30pm then dinner (\$5 donation) from 7.30pm. Reconciliation is also available for those who are looking for an opportunity to receive this wonderful Sacrament. We are located at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40A Mary St Highgate. Entrance to the Chapel, Seminar Room and FREE parking is at the back of the building through Harold St. We are located at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40A Mary St Highgate. Entrance to the Chapel, Seminar Room and FREE parking is at the back of the building through Harold St.

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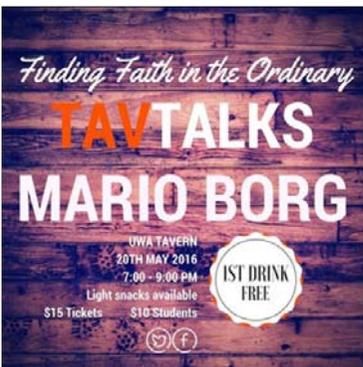
#### TAVTALKS "Finding Faith in the Ordinary" (18+)

Entrance to the Chapel, Seminar Room and FREE parking is at the back of the building through Harold St. located at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40A Mary St Highgate. located at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40A Mary St Highgate.

TAV Talks is a series of casual conversations discussing the relevance of theology and faith in everyday life, with the next event being held this Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> of May.

Led by speaker Mario Borg on "Finding Faith in the Ordinary" at UWA Tavern from 7-9pm.

Tickets are \$15 or \$10 for Students (1<sup>st</sup> Drink FREE)



## Parish News

### PARISH 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION—Sunday 19th June 2016

Come celebrate the 30th Anniversary of our parish on Sunday 19th June 2016! We will commence our celebration with a thanksgiving Mass at 11.00am followed immediately after with a free sausage sizzle and not to be missed musical entertainment in the parish courtyard. For more details see posters in the church foyer.

We look forward to seeing you all there! HAPPY 30TH ANNIVERSARY!!!



### RCIA ENQUIRY NIGHT - 02<sup>ND</sup> JUNE 2016 AT 6.30PM

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or want to know more about the Catholic faith or do you know someone who wants to be Catholic?

We would like to invite you to RCIA Enquiry Night on **02<sup>nd</sup> June 2016 at 6.30pm in the Parish meeting room.** RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process for preparing and welcoming new members into the Catholic Church. Brochures regarding this are available at the church foyer, feel free to take one for you or pass it to someone who may benefit from it. Come and join us to start our journey together.

### HOME ROSARY – MONTH OF MAY

All those interested in having the Rosary in their homes during the month of May are invited to write their names on the list in the church foyer. A statue of Our Lady and some books are available. Enquiries to Juliana at the Parish Office on 9310 1747.



### SVDP CAKE SALE

St Vincent de Paul cake sale is on Sunday 15th May. Please support this worthy cause by donating cakes and savouries. For further enquiries contact Geraldine at 9310 1747.

### BATEMAN PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Our parish runs an intensive after school Religious education program for children not attending Catholic Schools. The program will prepare children for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation (2 year program). There is also a comprehensive program commencing on **11 May 2016 for high school children** who may not have received all of their Sacraments. Enrolments for the Sacrament of the Eucharist classes have now closed. For enq. contact Jenny on 9310-1747 (Tue and Wed).

### SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST PARENT/CHILD WORKSHOP

The Sacrament of the Eucharist will be celebrated in Bateman Parish on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of June 2016. An information parent night/workshop for parents of all Eucharist Candidates who have committed to preparing for the Sacrament of the Eucharist this year with Bateman Parish, will be held at 6.30pm on Tuesday 24th May 2016, at Corpus Christi College (Sadler Centre). It is essential that all candidates and at least one parent attend this meeting.

## Parish News (continued)

### 2016 NATIONAL COUNT OF ATTENDANCE (MASS COUNT)

The Parish will participate in the 2016 National count of Mass attendance over four weekends in May starting from 30th April 2016. This is a simple headcount of all Mass attendance by the appointed counters at every Mass celebration in our church throughout May. This is a national exercise throughout the Archdiocese and Australia wide to determine the number of people in attendance including language and frequency of celebration. Thank you.

### 2016/2017 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK NOW ON SALE

Yidarra Catholic Primary school is again fundraising with the Entertainment Book (vouchers plus a gold card) or also available on multiple phones as a DIGITAL MEMBERSHIP that puts all the offers in the book on your smartphone to redeem at the touch of a button. All pre-orders will receive BONUS early bird vouchers that you can use straight away. Order online at [www.entbook.com.au/8g3295](http://www.entbook.com.au/8g3295) or phone Alex Rossi 0419 962 963.

### PARENT'S PRAYER HOUR AT CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE

Corpus Christi College will begin a weekly prayer hour as part of regular community prayers for its students, parents, leadership and staff. This will commence from Friday 20th May, 9am - 10am at the college's chapel, held during school terms. Parishioners who are parents/grandparents of students at the college can contact Kenneth Phua at [kenaphua@gmail.com](mailto:kenaphua@gmail.com) for more info.



### ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?

If you have recently moved into this area and have not registered with the parish, please register in the foyer and make yourself known to the priest after Mass. We warmly welcome you to our Parish.

### PRAYER!

O God, the Creator and Giver of all good things, bless our parish and St. Thomas More and the community that worships here.

Inspire us to work together to spread your love. Strengthen our faith and grant us the spirit of service so that, With your grace and help of Mary, **our Blessed Mother**, We may glorify You, provide for the needs of the wider community and make ourselves holy.

We ask you this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Diocesan Notices

### NOURISH YOUR FAITH:

The Centre for Faith Enrichment has a great variety of short courses available (including "Exploring the Mass," "Grace-Filled Parenting," "Last Things" and many more!) at several locations throughout Perth and online (no need to travel). No prior studies are required, courses are presented in a relaxed and friendly environment, and there are no exams or assignments. For more information, visit [www.cfe.org.au](http://www.cfe.org.au) or call 9241 5221 for a Term Two brochure.

### MERCY - THE HEARTBEAT OF JESUS' LIFE RETREAT

A weekend retreat on May 21 & 22, 2016 with Fr Gino Henriques at James Nestor Hall Catholic Education Centre 50 Ruislip Street West Leederville. 9 am – 6 pm. Daily Mass. \$30 each. Bring your own lunch, Bible and writing materials. Call Ann Loo 0412166164 for enquiries.

### PRAYER DAY AT SAFETY BAY

**Theme:** *Transformation: - from a new heart peace is born. Reflections on experiences of transformation in the journey of faith.*

**When:** THURSDAY 26TH MAY

**Time:** 10.00am 1.00pm

(9.30am morning cuppa and 1.00pm lunch included, Cost by donation)

**Where:** *Kilmolee at Safety Bay*, 182 Arcadia Drive, Safety Bay

**RSVP:** Please - for catering purposes to Sr Dianne Colborne rsj 9527 3240, [dianne.colborne@sosj.org.au](mailto:dianne.colborne@sosj.org.au)

### MONSTER BOOK SALE 2016

Pater Noster Parish Myaree

When: 9am To 4pm on Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th June

Where: School Parish Hall; Entrance: Evershed St, Myaree

### WE NEED BOOKS.

If you have any to donate please contact:

Margaret Tel: 9330 3848 E: [peg.cabassi@bigpond.com](mailto:peg.cabassi@bigpond.com)

(No Encyclopaedias or Text Books please)

### CREATION SPIRITUALITY RETREAT IN THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

At *Kilmolee at Safety Bay*, a ministry of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart. 29th Sept. - 5th Oct. 2016.

For enquiries, flyer and registration, please contact:

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### ABORTION GRIEF- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Young Volunteers (18 – 25 yrs) needed to advise Abortion Grief Australia on Social Media. AGA has received an international award for its ground breaking initiatives and a WA Mental Health Grant to engage to community to respond to women, men & families struggling with abortion related mental illness and/or pregnancy crisis. Join our Making A Difference team. Enquiries: [info@abortiongrief.asn.au](mailto:info@abortiongrief.asn.au) or Ph 9313 1784.