



# St Peter's Catholic Parish

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### Pentecost Sunday - Year C

## 15th May 2016

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*"Saint Peter's Parish is a community who lives in faith of Jesus Christ and, moved by the Spirit, continues to grow in our love for God and all people."*

#### From the Pastor's Desk

#### Feast of Pentecost - an Experience called Spirit. John 14:15-26.

**Pentecost** is a feast which celebrates the continual presence of Jesus the Christ in the life of the Church. It also celebrates the birth of the Church which is led by the Spirit of Jesus. The giving of the Holy Spirit by Jesus is narrated in a dramatic manner in the first reading of today. Through this narration, a number of points emerge which help us to interpret the meaning of the feast of Pentecost. *First*, the Spirit is given as promised and on the appointed day, telling us that God is always faithful in His promises. *Secondly*, the Spirit is given when the disciples are gathered together. So there is no "my Spirit" or "your Spirit". There is no individualism or selfish appropriation; *there is only community and unity where the Spirit is gifted with.* And the language of the Spirit is not communicated with perfect or heavenly diction, but is the language of particular human groups, spoken in their own dialect and diction. God works in collaboration with real people - people who are filled with the Spirit to work on God's behalf in their own world. And it is word of love and mercy and touches the very core of one's being, transforms, and motivates one to action. Finally, it is very clear that it is 'another Paraclete' (Jesus is the first one) and will not have a different mission or orientation but will continue the same mission and orientation of Jesus the Christ. And this Paraclete will exhort and encourage and comfort and console and will be the guiding light and the pushing force that renew the Church and the world.

The mystic and poet Gerard Manley Hopkins was a man who knew a lot about being worthless. As a priest and as a teacher, his superiors found his works inadequate and unprofessional, and they kept transferring him. He wrote in a sermon that Paraclete, the Holy Spirit, is not just a comforter, but is like a spur to a horse, digging in its sides, go on, go on. Or like the clapping of hands to a speaker, spurring him on - keep going, very good. Then Hopkins finishes: "At Cricket, when one of the batsmen at the wicket has made a hit and wants to score a run, and the other doubts, hangs back, how eagerly the first one will cry, "Come on, come on". The Holy Spirit is just that, something that cheers the spirit of an individual, all zealous that he should do something. Come on, come on, The Spirit says." So, we are led to do the work of Jesus, work of God by the Paraclete.

*Fr Jacob Chacko, MCBS*

Readings	Pentecost Sunday	Year C
<b>First Reading:</b>	<b>Acts 2:1-11</b>	They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak different languages.
<b>Second Reading:</b>	<b>Romans 8:8-17</b>	Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son or daughter of God.
<b>Gospel:</b>	<b>John 14:15-16, 23-26</b>	The Holy Spirit will teach you everything.
<b>Readings for next Sunday (The Most Holy Trinity)</b>		
Proverbs 8:22-31	Romans 5:1-5	John 16:12-15







**Vinnies News:** 1. **"Step Up Loans"** a not for profit initiative between Good Shepherd Micro-finance and NAB. Loans for people on low incomes who may have difficulty accessing credit from a bank. You can borrow from \$800 - \$3,000 - low interest, no fees and up to 3 years to pay it back. Logan Phone 38084529.

2 This week is **National Volunteer's Week**. Our St. Peter's SVDP Group is looking for new members to join our team. Please contact one of our Vinnies people if you are interested

3. **St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal Launch** is on Sunday, 29 May, after the 9am Mass. It will be held on the grass area in front of the Parish Office, and everyone is invited to come along to lend your support and to enjoy the occasion. We are having a Sausage Sizzle, Tea and Coffee, Music, Dancing, a "Best Scarf" competition, a cake stall and lucky dips, and even a raffle. Parishioners are invited to bake and donate a cake, biscuits etc for the cake stall.

**See the Noticeboard for more information on the following invitations:**

**School Open Days: All Hallows:** Sunday 29th May 11am. To register please visit [www.ahs.qld.edu.au](http://www.ahs.qld.edu.au)

**Clairvaux MacKillop College** Wed 25th May 6.30pm to 8pm. Contact 3347 9223 or email [gomf@cvxmck.edu.au](mailto:gomf@cvxmck.edu.au)

**St Thomas More College, Sunnybank** Tuesday 17th May 9.15am & 4.15pm. Register attendance 3323 4600

**Centenary School Fete—Sts Peter & Paul Primary School, Bulimba** 10.00am until 8.00pm on Saturday May 21 at the Sts Peter and Paul Primary School, 33 Alexandra Street, Balmoral.

**Gregory Terrace Old Boys Assoc Annual Gathering** Fri May 27th 6.30pm. Primary Quad. To book: go to [www.terrace.qld.edu.au](http://www.terrace.qld.edu.au), click on About Us / College Events / GTOBA Annual Reunion.

**2016 Terrace Past Mothers' Mass and Gathering** Mass at 10 am, Sunday, 12 June 2016, in the Chapel of the Holy Family, followed by High Tea in The Founders' Room, St. Joseph's College, Gregory Terrace. \$20 per head. To book: go to [www.terrace.qld.edu.au](http://www.terrace.qld.edu.au), click on About Us, and then click College Events. Bookings close 8 June.

**Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care** St Dymphna's Day Celebrations to be held on Saturday 30th May at St Patrick's Church, 58 Morgan St, Fortitude Valley commencing with Healing Mass at 10am. Principal concelebrant Bishop Joseph Oudeman. Lunch – Barbeque ( no cost) There will be Raffles, a Lucky Wheel and a Cake Stall. All welcome. Free parking is available in the grounds of the Church.

**St Benedict's Church East Brisbane** will be celebrating its **centenary** on the 12th August 2017. We would like to invite anyone who has been part of this journey to help us with our celebrations. We are currently searching for photos or any memorabilia from St Benedict's church or the school. If you can assist, please contact Catherine Goldsworthy on **3391 4633**.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Those who have died:** Colin Garner, Helen Ware, Marby Obeyesekere, Valda Temple, Kevin O'Donohue

**Book of Life & Mass Requests:** Clara Tronchini, Audrey Wren, Rita van der Haar, Dora Saldanha, Francis Lamberth, Sid Edwards, May Young, Murty King, Bev Handy, Herbert Ruthven, Bryn McGarvey, Colin Towne, Megan Rejefek, Evelyn Jean Bishop, Joyce Lynagh, Beatrice Jones, Jeffrey Martin, Carl Becker, Dulcie Johns

**Please pray for those who are sick, especially** Rod Johnston, Ramona Cruz, Bonnie Dematillar, Ronald Mack, Rufino Tuazon Jr, Nassib Jabbour, Josefina Ilagan, Leticia Sevilla, Nicolas Tendrio, Nora Estanislao, Anne Cosico, Bella Aguas, Terri Mills, Johnny Summers

*Prayer requests should be recorded on the form on the back table of the church nearest to the lectern. Please ensure you have the permission of the person who is sick to make their name public.*

**Roster 21st & 22nd May 2016**

Communion		Readers		Altar Servers	Musicians
Sat 6:00pm	Joseph Dedigamuwa Kevin Healan Jo Cullen	C 1 2	Anthony Della Brooke Della Geoff Hondroudakis	Saidat Samson Nafisa	Carmel
Sun 9:00am	Lydia Chew Diane McKeone Del Reynolds	C 1 2	Arthur Leow Lydia Chew Kevin McMahon	Volunteers please	Madden family
Sun 6:00pm	Deacon Mike Jones Kevin Fry	C 1 2	Anne Fry Rosemary Moore Helen Graczyk	Volunteers please	Liz

**Church Cleaning:** 6 Neil Mone, Greg Rosso, Michael Porter, Dona Thomas

**Children's Liturgy:** Christine Allison      **This week: Linen:** Elizabeth Wang      **Counting:** Carl's team

**Cuppa:** there will be no cuppa next weekend 21st/22nd May due to the Confirmation workshop



**Are you new to our Parish?** If you've recently joined the Parish, WELCOME!! Please make yourself known to us. We'd like to formally greet you, so please complete a 'New Parishioners Card' at the back of the Church and place it on the collection plate or hand it to Fr Jacob.

**Parish Ministry Group Co-ordinators**

In our parish we have many ways you can be involved. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to speak to one of our Co-ordinators whose numbers is not listed.

- Baptism Preparation:** Julie Hondroudakis
- Bereavement Group:** Contact the Parish Office
- Care & Concern:** Transport: 0412267337  
Co-ordinator Jo Cullen 0419733878
- Children's Liturgy:** Jodie Baigent
- Family Groups:** Alan & Kristy Scanlon  
Facebook: St Peters Rochedale Family Groups
- Memorial Wall & Gardens:** Les O'Gorman 3341 3862
- Mothers' Prayers:** Trish Bakker
- Music Liturgy Group:** Liz Fort

**Parish Pastoral Council:**

- Chairperson: Malcolm Carroll
- Play Group:** Kristy Scanlon
- RE Teachers in State Schools:** Rita Bishop
- Rosary Group:** Fridays 9:00am  
(1st Fridays 8.30am)
- Social Justice Group:** Erika Meerwald
- St Vincent de Paul Rochedale Conference:**  
John Blake

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