



St Matthew's Catholic Parish



(Established 1831)

12 Tebbutt Street, Windsor, NSW 2756

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Our Parish Mission Statement:

We believe and live out the mission of Jesus Christ as a community of worship and faith shared in service.

Parish Team:

Parish Priest: *Fr Ranillo Creta*
Sacramental Coordinator: *Ms Cita Adams*
Parish Secretary: *Ms Judy Rigg*
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www.stmatthewswindsor.org.au
Office hours next week 9.30am to 4.30pm
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

Schools:

St Matthew's Primary Phone: 4560 2300
Principal: Mr Ben Ticehurst
Chisholm Catholic Primary Phone: 4573 3200
Principal: Mr Michael Mifsud
Bede Polding College Phone: 4560 2900
Principal: Mr Greg Maloney

Masses:

Next Weekend:

Sat. Vigil 6.00pm
Sun. 7.30am, 9.00am and 5.00pm

Weekday Masses::

Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am

Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.30am

Sodality of Our Lady (in hall):

Every Monday 3.30pm to 4.30pm (children)

Pilgrim Rosary (in hall):

Every Tuesday 7pm

Legion of Mary (in hall):

Every Wednesday 6pm (youth)
Every Thursday 7pm (adult)

Divine Mercy Prayer Group (in hall):

Every second Saturday 10am

Baptisms:

1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays each month.

Marriages:

By appointment

Pentecost Sunday Year B

19th May, 2024



The feast of Pentecost celebrates the power of the Holy Spirit coming upon the disciples and energising them to set about their mission of continuing the ministry of Jesus. The gospel reading is one of the post-resurrection appearances by Jesus when he breathed the Holy Spirit upon the disciples. The actual events of that first Pentecost are recorded in the book of Acts and are recalled in this week's first reading. The use of this post-resurrection gospel account is a reminder that Jesus had already imbued the disciples with the Spirit but, as so often throughout his ministry, they were a bit slow to catch on to the significance of what he had done. It seems that they needed a more tangible experience to jolt them into action and Acts records the very physical experience of the Spirit entering their midst as a roaring wind before settling upon them as tongues of flame. Jesus had breathed the Spirit upon them but it took the roaring wind to make a real impression on the disciples. There are frequent references in the gospels to Jesus being 'filled with the Spirit'. It is this Spirit with which he was filled that he breathed upon his disciples; it is that same Spirit that we receive sacramentally in Confirmation.


For the weeks following the death of Jesus the disciples had lived in fear and confusion, not fully understanding what had happened and not really knowing what to do. When they realised that the Spirit Jesus had breathed upon them was really present and urging them to action they finally had the courage to begin the mission that Jesus had entrusted to them: to spread the Good News of Jesus and continue to realise his message in the world.

LIVING THE GOSPEL – COME HOLY SPIRIT


'Come, Holy Spirit', has become the basis of countless prayers and hymns over many hundreds of years. To this day, it remains a powerful invocation that can be used in prayer or meditation. Three simple words convey a wealth of meaning. The invitation for the Spirit to 'Come' indicates recognition of the need for the Spirit's intervention and openness to accept the guidance that the Spirit brings. It is a powerful, simple prayer that can be used at the outset of any significant undertaking or whenever you find yourself in need of inspiration.

PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE CHURCH
IF YOU ARE FEELING UNWELL.

Greg Sunter www.liturgyhelp.com
Graphics young-catholics.com

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:	The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.	
FIRST READING:	Acts 2 : 1-11 <i>They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.</i>	
RESPONSE:	Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.	
SECOND READING:	Galatians 5 : 16-25 <i>The fruit of the Spirit.</i>	
ACCLAMATION:	Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.	
GOSPEL:	John 15 : 26-27; 16 : 12-15 <i>The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth.</i>	
COMMUNION ANTIPHON:	They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.	

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

 **Deceased:** Please pray for the recently deceased Margaretha La Garde, Mary Grima, Leticia Esguerra, Carmela Rites, Jacky Prentice, (Anniversaries of Noel Smith and Robert Hibberd Snr) as well as William van Vliet, Michael and Josephine Dimech, Ignatius Vella, Jessie Moloney, Rita Taylor, Wendy Williams, Agapito Perez, Francis and Carmela Buhagiar, Lesley Kilroy, Diana and Ignatius Pereira, Chris, John, Maryann Sultana and Family

Sick: Please pray for Jimmy Marinas, Thelma Rayes, Joan Dodd, Roza Galea, Roslyn Wright, Lydia Evans and Grant Leslie.

THE NEXT READER, ADULT SERVER AND ACOLYTE ROSTER IS AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. PLEASE TAKE YOUR COPY HOME WITH YOU AFTER MASS.

SYNOD 2023 UPDATE: LOCAL THINK TANK SESSIONS FROM MAY-JUNE

Parishes and other local faith communities across the diocese are holding local Think Tank Sessions, giving local leaders and anyone involved in ministry to offer feedback on the Draft of the Diocesan Plan for a Synodal Church, and contribute ideas for the practical implementation of our Diocesan Plan. Visit the website parracatholic.org/synod for more information.




MOUNT SCHOENSTATT MARIAN MAY DEVOTIONS

Everyone is invited to the Schoenstatt Shrine to pray, sing and honour the Blessed Mother daily in the month of May. All are welcome to join the sisters for half hour May Devotions in the Shrine on Sunday to Friday at 5.30pm and Saturdays at 5.15pm. Learn more about the May devotions on their website <https://schoenstatt.org.au/> or Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/MtSchoenstattMulgoa/>

DIVINE RETREAT CENTRE OFFERINGS IN 2024

The Divine Retreat Centre in Somersby, NSW is hosting a variety of single-day and weekend residential retreats throughout 2024. For more information and bookings, please contact (02) 4372 1598 or email drcretreatrego@gmail.com to confirm attendance. Visit www.divineretreatcentre.org for more information.



WINBOURNE BEING PENTECOST PEOPLE REFLECTION DAY

The Winbourne Edmund Rice Retreat Centre, Mulgoa, is holding a reflection day 'Being Pentecost People' on Saturday 8 June from 9.30am to 3pm. After his resurrection, with the admonition from the Last Supper to 'be Him', Jesus Christ still calls us towards both contemplative and active life. Cost is \$30 per person, BYO Lunch. For more information or to book, contact (02) 4773 5555 or email info@winbourne.org

ROSTERS 25TH/26TH MAY, 2024		THE MOST HOLY TRINITY YEAR B		
Church Cleaning: C. Teuma and T. May.		Sacristy: I. Willingham and M. Hutchison.		
Masses:	6.00pm	7.30am	9.00am	5.00pm
Commentator:	H. Sobiesiak	J. Wein	M. Grosvenor	M. Claravall
Reader:	M. Said	C. Attard	I. Willingham	S. Tylere
				C. Chalker
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