



Day of Pentecost Sunday, 19th May, 2024

St Paul's, Gisborne 9 am Church of the Resurrection, Macedon 10.30 am St John's, Riddells Creek 4 pm

The Anglican Parish of Gisborne acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land, the peoples of the Kulin Nations, and we pay our respects to their elders, living, past and emerging.

The Parish of Gisborne is committed to being a Child Safe organisation.

Welcome

We extend a very warm welcome to everyone who joins us for worship. Whether you are a visitor or a regular parishioner of the Anglican Church, you are invited to join us in Holy Communion. Please make yourself known to us and if you would like more information about our community and ministry, then please take a copy of our welcome brochure, visit our website or ask one of our welcomers.

Ezekiel's well-known prophecy shows us that without breath, there is no life. We need that breath literally as well as metaphorically: we need the Spirit to vivify us, we need inspiration to really exist, endure and flourish. Otherwise, we are merely skeletons with no life in us. Pray that the Holy Spirit may enliven and inspire us so that we may truly live.

- Holy Ghost, dispel our sadness, Pierce the gloom of sinful night; Come, thou Source of sweetest gladness, Breathe thy life and spread thy light!
- Give thanks for the two dioceses of the Church of Ceylon, which covers most of Sri Lanka, remembering their ministry in a multi-religious context.

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This Week in Our Parish

Sunday 19th May Pentecost

9:00 Sung Eucharist – St Paul's 10:30 Sung Eucharist – CoR 12:30 Parish Council Meeting 4:00 Sunday Arvo @ 4 – St John's

Tuesday 21st May

10:00 - 1:00 St Paul's Op Shop

Wednesday 22nd May

10:00 Eucharist – St Paul's 10:00 – 4:00 St Paul's Op Shop 7.00 Choir Practice - CoR

Thursday 23rd May

10:00 – 4:00 St Paul's Op Shop 10:00 – 4:00 Charity's Secret 10.30 Warrina 6:00 AA – Parish Centre Friday 24th May

10:00 – 4:00 St Paul's Op Shop 10:00 – 4:00 Charity's Secret

Saturday 25th May

10:00 – 1:00 St Paul's Op Shop 10:00 – 1:00 Charity's Secret 1.00 FOMAR concert

Sunday 26th May Trinity Sunday

9:00 Sung Eucharist – St Paul's 10:30 Sung Eucharist – CoR 2.00 Afternoon Tea at Dromkeen 4:00 Sunday Arvo @ 4 – St John's 6.00 Evensong

Today's Readings:

Pentecost Ezekiel 37:1 – 14 Psalm 104:26 – 36

Acts 2:1 – 21 John 15:26 – 27, 16:4b – 15

Next Week's Readings:

Trinity Sunday Isaiah 6:1 – 8 Psalm 29

Romans 8:12 – 17 John 3: 1 – 17

Gathering Hymn

409 O breath of life, come sweeping through us (found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

Blessed be God: *Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Confession and Absolution

The Spirit of truth comes to convict of sin, of righteousness, and of judgement.

Silence may be kept.

Let us then open our hearts and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

As we prepare to hear God's Holy Word through the scriptures, **open our hearts and minds, Lord. Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Ministry of the Word

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

Ezekiel 37:1-14

May your word live in us and bear much fruit to your glory.

Ps 68.1-10, 32-35

NPCW Our God is a God of salvation



Response: Our God is a God of salvation

Let God arise and let his enemies be scattered; let those that hate him flee before him. As the smoke vanishes, so may they vanish away; as wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God. *R*

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; let them make merry with gladness. Sing to God, sing praises to his name; exalt him who rides on the clouds. The Lord is his name; rejoice before him. *R*

Father of the fatherless, defender of widows, God in his holy habitation!
God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners to songs of welcome, but the rebellious inhabit a burning desert. *R*

O God, when you went forth before your people, when you marched through the wilderness, The earth shook and the heavens dropped down rain, at the presence of God, the Lord of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel. *R*

You sent down a gracious rain, O God; you refreshed your inheritance when it was weary. Your people came to dwell there; in your goodness, O God, you provide for the poor. R

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles, chapter 2, beginning at the first verse.

Acts 2:1-21

At the conclusion the reader may say:

May your word live in us

and bear much fruit to your glory.

Please stand to greet the Gospel:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

"Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of your love."

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, chapter 15, beginning at the twenty-sixth verse

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15

For the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Breaking Open the Word

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in one God. the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven. was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Ministry of Prayer

Please sit or kneel as a member of the Parish leads us in prayer.

The response to "in your mercy" is hear our prayer

At the conclusion of the prayers, as the intercessor places the prayer requests on the Altar, we pray together:

Hear the prayer of your Church, O God, and fulfil the work you have begun in the resurrection of your Christ; so that through the gospel your truth may be made known, and through the witness of your people the world may see your salvation.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stand.

The Greeting of Peace

Christ has reconciled us to God by one body on the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Risen Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All may share a sign of peace with those around them.

The Offertory

418 She sits like a bird, brooding on waters (found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

Our gifts of bread, wine and money are collected and then offered at the Altar.

With this bread that we bring

we shall remember Jesus.

With this wine that we bring

we shall remember Jesus.

Bread for his body, wine for his blood,

gifts from God to his table we bring.

God, whose name we praise, let our hearts be set on Christ, and our lives be lived in thanksgiving for all your blessings to us. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Why we give thanks and praise:

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

This day we give you thanks because in fulfilment of your promise you pour out your Spirit upon us, filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth, and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith.

Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father, to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

We join the everlasting song:

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name, for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Our thanks

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live.

Setting aside the Bread and Wine

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

Why do we share this bread and wine?

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread.
He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.

As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

How do we follow Jesus Christ?

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

We join with the whole company of heaven in our prayers:

And now with your Church united in our wave of prayer, and with all the wonderful faithful who have gone before us we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread and Communion

As this broken bread was once many grains, which have been gathered together and made one bread:

so may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

Agnus Dei at St Paul's

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

Agnus Dei at Church of the Resurrection

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

Come let us take this holy sacrement of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Anthem (CoR)

Veni sancte spiritus, G J Vogler (1749-1814) SASC II, p. 87.

The Sending out of God's People

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal:

> open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silence is kept.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting him to be your guide?

By the Spirit's power, we will.

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love?

We will.

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need?

We will.

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings of God?

We will.

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places? **We will.**

Post Communion Hymn

411 Filled with the Spirit's power (found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Today we have remembered the coming of God's power on the disciples and we invite that same Spirit to drive us out into the wild places of the world.

The president blesses the people, saying

May the Spirit,

who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe into you the life he gives. **Amen.**

May the Spirit,

who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord. **Amen.**

May the Spirit,

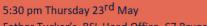
who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, the ₱ Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Filled with the Spirit's power, go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Father Tucker Commemorative Eucharist



Father Tucker's, BSL Head Office, 67 Brunswick St. Fitzroy



You are warmly invited to the annual celebration of Holy Communion in commemoration of the Founder and founding spirit of the Brotherhood of St Laurence, Father Gerard Tucker.

He is remembered in Melbourne public life for his enormous contribution to the social life of Melbourne, standing up for the most disadvantaged in our communities – he got things done! But in a quiet and private way, Holy Communion was a central source of inspiration and sustenance for him.

This contemplative service of Holy Communion takes place on the eve of the date of Father Tucker's passing. The homily will be delivered by Assoc Prof Jane Freemantle OAM.

A light supper will be served afterward.

Please RSVP to Hadeel Alshuraymi by Monday 20th of May at Chaplaincy@bsl.org.au or 0482169036 for catering purposes. We look forward to you joining us.

5:30pm Thursday 23rd May 2024 Father Tucker's, 67 Brunswick St Fitzroy

MOTHERS' DAY STALL

Many thanks to all our contributors, to the Mothers' Day stall – to all those who transported tables, set up, packed up and served on the stall throughout the morning. Many were also part of the Working Bee Team, working in the Op Shop or preparing for and attending the CWA Afternoon Tea at which our own Ngaire Elwood AO was guest speaker.

A huge day in which multitasking and generosity of time, effort, skills and talents were a feature of the day. Those who took part had a marvellous, happy time interacting with the customers and themselves. After some extra selling on Sunday, we have raised

\$2,248.10. A wonderful achievement. Alison



Agatha in Vivaldi's Venice







Saturday 25 May@ 3 pm

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Sunday 26 May, 6pm Church of the Resurrection

with the choirs of

St Patrick's Catholic Church and Church of the Resurrection

ROSTERS NOW AVAILABLE

Rosters are now available on the website. Please let the office know if you would like a hard copy.

AN APPEAL TO PRESERVE THE PARISH BUS

Our beloved Parish Bus needs some body work and a repaint. The cost of the required works is \$5,000.00. Our Parish Bus is a valued asset and has dutifully served the Parish through supporting the Bus Ministry, couriering Parishioners, and local community members on outings, to Parish events as well as moving stock and equipment between various parish sites. The Bus is carefully maintained and garaged by James Lindsay who continues to actively support the Bus Ministry program as Bus Driver, as well as supervising Bus maintenance. The Parish Bus enables outreach to community members who live alone and others who are isolated. The Parish Council wants to find a way to maintain the Parish Bus and asks for your help in raising the required funds.

During this month you have an opportunity to contribute to the Bus Appeal, you may be able to donate personally or join with others in the parish to run a fundraising event. \$2,190 has already been generously donated, so the current target is \$2810. A weekly update will be provided on the Appeals progress.

Donations to the **Bus Appeal** can be made electronically to the **Parish Special Bus Account (Bendigo Account BSB 633000 A/c No 198264707)** or by handing to a Church Warden **cash in a marked envelope – Bus Appeal.**

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PETS IN THE PARK COMMUNITY APPEAL

Following on from last year's very successful Pets in the Park Community Appeal, our Parish Animal Welfare Group is once again organising pet food donations from our Macedon Ranges community to assist people who are homeless/at risk of homelessness to provide for their pets. Donation trolleys are at Riddells Creek Foodworks and Macedon IGA supermarkets for the remainder of April (from April 24 at Macedon) and throughout May.

Pets can be a vital source of companionship and emotional support for people experiencing homeless or the threat of same.

Janine Mc Dougall & Rosemary Homewood, Co-convenors, Parish Animal Welfare Group





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