

INVITATION TO SUNDAY MORNING TEA
 Each Sunday after the 8am Mass we host a morning tea. Please join us. Meet and talk to your fellow parishioners.

PIETY STALL
 Please visit our piety stall if you wish to buy some religious articles. Piety stall is situated on the right side of the church as you enter through the main entrance. One could also check the catalogue and order any specific items.

ROSTER	Sat 18 th May	Sun 19 th May	Sat 25 th May	Sun 26 th May
Welcomer	Beverley	Pat	Gerard	Catherine
1st Reader	Pilar	Eris	Felicity	Susan
2nd Reader	Tom	Mary	John	Christine
Communion	Marion Tony	Cris Anne	Gerry Judy	Con Rebecca
Servers	Stazio Han	Xavier Byron Elveena Elissa Pius	Cody Chet	Elveena Elissa Pius
Musicians	Anita	Robyn	Anita	Bong
Singers	Theresa	Janette	Theresa	Filipino Choir
Mass set up	Sophie Janette	David Rebecca	Beverley Lou	David Rebecca
Morning Tea		SMC		SMC
Floral Arrgmt	Sue Flavel, Geraldine Ward and Lisa Baker			

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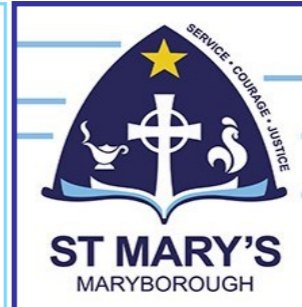
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NEWSLETTER 19TH MAY 2024
PENTECOST SUNDAY - YEAR B

THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD
 HAS FILLED THE WHOLE WORLD
 AND THAT WHICH CONTAINS ALL THINGS
 UNDERSTANDS WHAT IS SAID, ALLELUIA.

THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH

Today the church celebrates Pentecost Sunday, the great day of a fulfilled promise has come. After a period of fifty days of the resurrection of Christ, we have come to the end of Easter Season. Pentecost is a feast which occupies a very important and prominent position in the Church's history and liturgical calendar. This is because a great number of scholars have suggested that Pentecost marks the actual beginning of the church and, her missionary endeavors.

From the first reading, we see the reward of faithful obedience and steadfastness in prayer. Like the early disciples, every true believer has been empowered by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, today we celebrate a great feast, when Christ filled and equipped his church with the power of his Spirit and sent us out into the world to bring peace, unity, joy, forgiveness, love, and eternal life to all humankind.

In the second reading, Paul makes a very important statement: "No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit." This means that it is God himself that enables us through the Holy Spirit to recognize the Lordship of Christ. Recognizing the Lordship of Christ is one task that was very difficult for the Satan. Due to pride, the Holy Spirit left him. To say "Jesus is Lord" is to live humbly and have him as the Lord of our life.

In the gospel Jesus breathed the Holy Spirit upon his disciples to restore their peace and to free them from fears. This is what we need most in our world. What then will the Holy Spirit that we have received help us to accomplish? First, the Spirit we have received is not the *spirit of fear and timidity*. According to our Catechism, it is the Spirit that empowers us and makes us strong Christians and soldiers of Christ (CCC 1302).

This means that we must no longer be timid Christians, but Christians who are bold enough to call God *our Father*. Second, he will help us bear good fruits (Gal 5, 22). The Holy Spirit will lead us into the kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy. He will lead us away from all that is evil and bring us to the fullness of life. However, it is important to note that as a person, the Holy Spirit can be offended (Eph 4, 30). So, as we rejoice at this wonderful gesture that God extended to us today, let us equally ask him for the grace to be docile to the Spirit we have received, and that by our actions we might be true witnesses of the gospel.

Finally, dear sister and brothers, in the spirit of Pentecost, we pray for the Church in Australia as we await the fruits of the Fifth Plenary Council. May we continue to listen to what the Spirit is saying as we share with one another our joys and hopes, and then speak humbly of what we have heard. May the Holy Spirit who inspired us to begin this great work, guide us on the way and bring us to a point where our mind and heart will be one with God.

Happy Pentecost Sunday!
Fr Lucius

This Week's Mass Schedule

22/05/2024	Wednesday	8:00am
	Chelsea	10:00am
23/05/2024	Thursday	12:00pm
24/05/2024	Friday	8:30am
25/05/2024	Saturday	6.00pm
26/05/2024	Sunday	
	Maryborough	8.00am
	Tiaro	10:00am

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION
EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

Please Ensure Silence
In The Church By
Supporting Silent Prayer

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2024
St. Mary's.

Confirmation:
 2nd Session
 Saturday 25th May 5pm.

First Holy Communion:
 1st Session and Parent
 Information Meeting: Saturday
 10th August 5pm.

READINGS

Pentecost - Year B (p.583 in St Pauls Missal)

- 1st - Acts 2:1-11
- Psalm - 103Resp. hymns page
- 2nd - Galatians 5:16-25
- Gospel Accl. hymns page
- Gospel-John15:26-27;16:12-15

Next weekend: The Most Holy TRINITY - Year B (p.589)

- 1st - Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40
- Psalm - 32
- 2nd - Romans 8:14-17
- Gospel - Matthew 28:16-20

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PLANNED GIVING: We are in the process of preparing to order the new sets of envelopes for Planned Giving for the next 12 months for weekly donation from July 2024 to June 2025. We are unable to meet the day-to-day expenses without your assistance. We encourage more people to participate in this essential financial support of our Parish. If you would like to have a set of envelopes or prefer to give by direct debit (weekly/fortnightly/monthly), please contact/visit the Parish Office.

UPDATE ON GARDEN MAINTENANCE

12 people attended the meeting on 10th March to discuss ways of making the gardens more manageable by reducing the size of the ones fronting Adelaide Street and the rose gardens nearest the Presbytery. Due to the slope of the land, this will require considerable planning and cost so ongoing discussions will be necessary. The hedge along Bazaar Street and the shrubs in the car park have been trimmed to the recommended height. The small area in front of the Memorial Garden signage will be grassed. For the time being, we will keep the maintenance in check with a general tidy up every Tuesday afternoon from 2.30 – 4.00 commencing on 21st May. Tools will be provided or BYO if you prefer.
Mary Kirkpatrick

Ignite Conference 24

Rise Up is a national Catholic conference with something for everyone. Experience the Church gathered in powerful rallies, workshops and keynotes for people at all stages of faith.

This is an opportunity to rise up out of the ashes of modern life and discover hope, meaning and purpose again. We are constantly seeing the crisis of mental health and loneliness – Ignite Conference is a chance to be risen again in Christ, for Him to heal us and make us new. To gather as one people in the name of Jesus and proclaim His victory.

We'll be joined by incredible speakers at two locations. In Brisbane, we are excited to continue our partnership with St. Laurence's College in the heart of the city. And in the Sydney region, we will be hosted again this year in the Diocese of Broken Bay! Ignite Conference is the place to see a generation rise up and experience Jesus in a life transforming way and be empowered to take the Gospel to the world.

If you haven't been to Ignite Conference yet, this is your time. Come along for four days of unforgettable Catholic worship, speakers, creativity, sacraments, and workshops. There are streams for kids, teenagers, and adults – this is an opportunity for all types of Catholic communities to grow deeper, together.

Find out everything you need to know about coming along, bringing a friend or bringing a whole group at igniteconference.com.au



**2024
St Mary's Parish
Debutante Ball**

This year's Debutante Ball will be held on Friday 7th June. The event has a change of venue this year; it's heading back to the Ball's traditional home, being the Maryborough City Hall.

Now in its 96th year, the Debutante Ball continues to attract strong numbers, with quite a large cohort of participants for 2024...23 Debutantes plus their Partners, which is fantastic. All four Maryborough high schools are well represented, which is also fantastic. Participants are currently about a third of the way through the preparation program, and all are doing very well.

The move back to City Hall does mean that some extra hands are required, and the Committee has asked us to do a call-out to members of the Parish for volunteers for the following tasks and roles:

Thursday 6th June:

- From 10am - Assist with set up of tables and chairs, tablecloths, chair covers, table runners

Friday 7th June:

- From 1pm - Set up of bar
- From 1pm - Laying out of placemats, cutlery and napkins on tables
- From 5.30pm – Ushering until approx. 6.45pm
- From 5.30pm - Gallery Ticket sales in foyer until approx. 8.30pm
- From 7.00pm - Door Security until approx. 11.00pm
- From 5.30pm - Bar sales (preferably RSA holders) until approx. 11.00pm
- From 7.00pm - Glass collection until approx. 11.00pm

Saturday 8th June

- From 10.00am - Assist with pull down of event and restoring hall back to pre-event state

The Committee would be grateful for any assistance. If you are able to help out, please contact Lisa Lewis on 0408 232 613 or email stmarysdebball@outlook.com.

For those who have attended our Debutante Ball in the past, we're sure that you would agree that this is a wonderful event and a very special part of our Parish's history.

ENTRANCE: HOW SHALL I CALL YOU?

How shall I call You?
Maker of Heaven,
Poet of sunset and painter of sky;
Father Almighty Who's running to find us.
Giving His Son Who must suffer and die.

Refrain:

Glory to the Father, the Son and the Spirit,
Let's sing it again and again.
Glory to the Father, the Son and the Spirit,
For ever and ever. Amen.

How shall I call You?
Lover of children,
Shepherd and teacher and brother and friend;
Healer of blind man and healer of leper:
You are beginning and middle and end. R/.

How shall I call You?
Spirit of comfort,
Cloud in the daytime and fire in the night;
Guide as we wander, protector in danger,
List'ner and helper and giver of sight. R/.

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PSALM RESPONSE: (SAID)

Lord, send out your Spirit
and renew the face of the earth.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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

**COMMUNION:
AN UPPER ROOM
DID OUR LORD PREPARE**

An upper room did our Lord prepare
For those He loved until the end:
And His disciples still gather there
To celebrate their risen friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave His own:
To share His bread, His loving cup.
Whatever burdens may bow us down,
He by His cross shall lift us up.

And after supper He washed their feet,
For service, too, is sacrament.
In Him our joy shall be made complete—
Sent out to serve, as He was sent.

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THANKSGIVING: SPIRIT, COME, TRANSFORM US

Refrain:

Spirit, come, transform us. Come, be our breath, be our hope.
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RECESSIONAL: PULSING SPIRIT

Pulsing Spirit, rippling river,
Source of mercy's tender might,
Gentle power, humble glory,
Subtle, ever dancing light:
Healing Wisdom in us flowing,
Now reveal our human worth.
Play beneath the muddied waters:
Come, renew the face of earth!

Spirit free, unbounded motion,
Beauty's mirror, heart's delight,
Gift abundant all around us,
Flood the world with life and light.
Fountain ancient, ever springing,
Play in new, creative ways.
Lift us, stream of lavish loving,
High on waves of joyful praise!

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Please remember in your prayers:

Those in ill health: Bevan Stephensen, Bohdan Pastuch, Janet Jackson, Joan Lucas, Ailsa Wickbold, Betty Hove, Evelyn Keys, Carmel Bird, Gregory Massingham, David Brettell, Anna Pecar and Ame Cox.

The Recently Deceased: Carmen Macua, Marie Hayes, Mark Vincent Singho and Margaret Twomey.

Anniversary of Death: Margaret Hogan, Philip Bertram, Agnes Mallet, Tim Hogan, Doug Seymour, Allan Schmidt and Steven Wroe.