

Many Cultures • One Faith • One Spirit

Pentecost is not only a feast of the Church. It is the celebration of God's dream for humanity — people of every nation, language, and culture united in love through the Holy Spirit.

In today's Gospel, the risen Jesus comes among His disciples and offers them a simple yet powerful gift: "Peace be with you." He then breathes upon them and gives them the Holy Spirit. It is a beautiful image. Breath gives life. At the beginning of creation, God breathed life into humanity, and now Christ breathes new life into His Church. That same Spirit continues to breathe life into our parish community today.

In our parish, we see that gift come alive every week. We hear different accents, see different faces, and bring different traditions, foods, songs, and stories. Yet we gather around the one altar as one family in Christ. This is Pentecost. The Holy Spirit speaks in every language and touches every heart.

The richness of our multicultural parish family is not simply something we notice; it is also reflected in our parish profile. According to the National Church Life Survey (NCLS) 2021, a survey conducted every five years to understand and support the life of churches and communities across Australia, our parish reflects a remarkable diversity of cultures and languages, with more than twenty language groups represented within our community. Behind every language there is much more than words; there are stories, traditions, journeys of faith, hopes, struggles, and families seeking a place to belong.

The Spirit lives in the faithful traditions of our Maltese community. The Spirit shines through the strength and perseverance of our Croatian families. The Spirit is alive in the devotion and deep family values of our Indian and Sri Lankan communities. The Spirit speaks in the quiet prayerfulness of our Vietnamese parishioners. The Spirit sings in the joyful faith and generous service of our Filipino families. The Spirit continues through the faithful witness and rich heritage of our Irish community. The Spirit welcomes through the gentleness and hospitality of our Indonesian families. The Spirit rejoices in the joyful community spirit of our Fijian and Samoan brothers and sisters. Together with many other communities in our parish, each group adds something beautiful to the life of our Church.



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From the lands of Asia, Europe, Africa, North and South America, from the islands of Oceania, and from every corner of the world, the Holy Spirit gathers God's children into one family of faith, one Church, and one body in Christ.

Pentecost reminds us that our differences are not barriers; they are blessings. God does not ask us to become the same. Instead, the Holy Spirit teaches us to love one another, respect one another, and walk together in faith. Just as many colours form one beautiful picture, many cultures enrich the life of the Church.

May our parish always be a home where every person feels welcomed, valued, and loved. May the words "God is Love" continue to echo through every culture and every language in our community: *Alla hu mħabba* (Maltese), *Bog je ljubav* (Croatian), *ईश्वर प्रेम है* (Hindi), *கடவுள் அன்பு* (Tamil), *Thiên Chúa là tình yêu* (Vietnamese), *Ang Diyos ay pag-ibig* (Filipino/Tagalog), *Is grá é Dia* (Irish), *Allah adalah kasih* (Indonesian), *Na Kalou na loloma* (Fijian), and *O le Atua o le alofa* (Samoan).

Come, Holy Spirit. Fill our hearts with Your love and make us one.

Fr Sebastian

Parramatta Diocese Code of Conduct

Most ministers would have received an email recently with the request to complete a Code of Conduct acknowledgement form. This was sent to ministers who are *not* in child-related ministries. The parish team asks that you **complete this form as soon as possible and return it to the parish office** during office hours, or email it to lisa.bright@olqp.org.au

If you did not receive an email, you can pick up a form from the parish office or sacristy.

Please reach out to the parish team if you have any questions. We thank you for your cooperation and gifts in ministry.

Faith B4U...

Corpus Christi Procession - 4th June

Come join our Corpus Christi Procession

6:00PM Mass at Our Lady of Lebanon Co-Cathedral, Harris Park

7:00PM Procession to St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta

8:00PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Cathedral Forecourt

For more information contact: Fr Tom Green, tom.green@parracatholic.org



OLQP Men's Group—To grow as Men in the Image of Christ.

Saturday 13th June

Place: St George Preca Centre, OLQP Greystanes

Time: BBQ Breakfast from 7.45am, Discussion starts 8:15am
SHARP

Speaker: Charbel Raish of Parousia Media

Topic: My Pathway back to God—An inspirational testimony of being led back to the Catholic Faith

All men over 18+ welcome.

Pro-life rally outside NSW parliament

A pro-life rally will be held at 6pm on June 2nd in support of a bill banning the practice of sex-selective abortion. A show of significant numbers will greatly help this cause as we advocate for the protection of all unborn children and particularly our baby girls who are especially vulnerable. They have no voice but ours. Please do all you can to attend and bring others with you. This will be a family friendly event.

More information can be found at:

<https://www.drjoannahowe.com.au/sydneyrallyforlife2026>

Christian Unity Ecumenical Concert

OneSydney: Together in Christ is a groundbreaking ecumenical gathering that brings together believers from more than 55 denominations at the **Sydney Opera House Concert Hall on Sunday, 14 June 2026** for two performances at 2 PM (Matinee) and 7 PM (Evening). Website & Bookings: www.onesydney.org

Is your Safeguarding up to date?

All Clergy, employees and volunteers in parish ministry are required by the NSW Children's Guardian Act 2019 to be current and **complete their Safeguarding Training every 2 years**. *This is different to a Working with Children's Check (WWCC).*

Check with the Parish Office to see when you are due to update your Safeguarding Training or refer to the points below.

- If you are **new to Ministry or have not yet completed any Safeguarding training**, you need to complete the Introductory Modules 1 to 3 (Cycle 1)
- If you **completed Modules 1-3 in 2024 or earlier** You are now due to complete Modules 4 & 5 (Cycle 2)
- If you **completed Modules 4 & 5 in 2024 or earlier** You are now due to complete the Refresher Module 6 (Cycle 3)

Safeguarding Training Modules can be completed online at: <https://learning.safeguarding.org.au/>

Onsite Face-to-Face Mandatory Training will be available on the **19th September at OLQP for Modules 4 & 5 (Cycle 2)**

Please register at: <https://parracatholic.org/events/mandatory-safeguarding-training-cycle-2-modules-4-5-19-september/>

Or contact the parish office at: parishoffice@olqp.org.au or phone: 9631 8135

Let us pray...

FOR OUR SICK, that they will be nourished with hope & recognise the loving presence of God in their lives.

Chantel Adrien, Elie Aboumelhem, Mary Anjoul, Rita Attard, Amara Bewert, Ellen Boissett, Frank Borg, Haryono Budiono, Ann Bugaya, Karl Croning, Mario Curmi, Kathleen Davies, Nerida Fabri, Gabrielle Farfus, Delina Galea, Dorothy Gatt, Kay Jaunais, Margaret Jones, Rachel Karbic, Tulla Kavich, Patrick Kelly, Tyler Kenedy, Peter Kennedy, Maxine Kroebel, Michelle Makin, Joyce Mifsud, Elsie Moran, Joseph Moses, Alex Noble, Benjie Santiago, Barbara Stanton, Carmel Thompson, Cathy Vella, Eddie Vella, Joe Vella, Sue Watters, Gerard Watts, Grace Widjaya, Maureen Zarb, Joseph Zerafa, Melissa Zerafa, Muna Zora

FOR DEATH ANNIVERSARIES, that they now know the fullness of life & delight in God - may they pray for our active purpose in God's Mission. Monica Kelly

FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED, may our Lord embrace them with unimaginable joy & bless those who grieve with the power of hope. Carmello Cassar, Stephen Ellis - 27/5 @ 11am, Teresa Gauci - 26/5 @ 10.30am,

Carmen Mercieca - 29/5 @ 10.30am, Jeanette Naaman - 25/5 @ 10.30am, Ignacio Cruz Sr.

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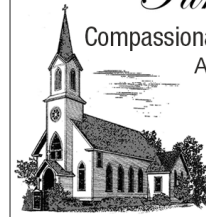
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Our Mission: To grow as a community in the likeness of Christ.

Annual Laudato Si' Week

Join the Catholic Church across Australia and Catholics around the world in celebrating Laudato Si' Week. This annual commemoration of Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si' encourages us to care more deeply for God's creation. This Laudato Si' Week and Pentecost, let us gather in community to nurture "seeds of hope" for our suffering planet. Can we also continue to pray as Pope Leo XIV encourages us to offer "a prayer to the Lord who conquered death without weapons or violence." You can find more ideas for contemplation and action, resources, and events in the following sections:

Laudato Si: [LaudatoSiWeek.org](https://www.laudatosiweek.org)

Caritas: <https://www.caritas.org.au/resources/parish-materials/laudato-si-week-parish/>

NAIDOC Day Celebration

Join us for **NAIDOC Day 2026** at Whalan Reserve as we celebrate **50 Years Deadly!** Hosted by Baabayn Aboriginal Corporation & Holy Family Parish Mt Druitt, and supported by Blacktown City Council, Diocese of Parramatta, and Catholic Care WSBM. All welcome to this free community event.

Please register your interest as a volunteer or stallholder: <https://parracatholic.org/events/naidoc-week-celebration-9-july/>

Ministry of Care Course

Those who visit the sick and are involved in the Ministry of Communion to the Sick and Dying in Hospitals, Aged Care Facilities and in Homes are invited to attend this course on the Ministry of Care. The course will take place **Wednesdays, 3rd – 24th in June at 7pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown.**

Please **register via parracatholic.org/ministry-of-care-courses** to reserve your spot. For enquiries, please contact ofw@parracatholic.org or 0460 037 795.

Did you know...

Pope Saint John Paul II is noted as stating strongly that the greatest poverty is the 'inability of joy'.

• **As we celebrate the gift of the Spirit this Pentecost, we might ask ourselves: to whom could I bring joy at this time?**

FEAST DAYS



This week we celebrate

25th Monday **OUR LADY, HELP of CHRISTIANS**

26th Tuesday **St Philip Neri, priest**

Positions vacant

Housekeeper Supervisor - Holy Spirit Seminary, Harris Park.

Parish Secretary - St Monica's Catholic Church, Richmond

More details at: parracatholic.org/jobs

This Sunday's Readings

1st Reading

Genesis
11:1-9

2nd Reading

Romans
8:22-27

Gospel

John
7:37-39

Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading

Exodus
34:4-6, 8-9

2nd Reading

2 Corinthians
13:11-13

Gospel

John
3:16-18

Mass Times

Monday - 9:15am

Tuesday - 9:15am

Wednesday - 6:30am | 9:15am

Thursday - 9:15am

Friday - 6:30am | 9:15am

Saturday - 9:15am (except January

- Vigil 5:00pm (live streamed)

Sunday - 7:00am | 8:30am | 10:30am | 6:00pm

Mass for Peace - all welcome - followed by Anointing of the Sick - 1st Saturdays 9:15am (except January)

Memorial Mass - all welcome - and offered for recent losses and 1st/2nd anniversaries - 2nd Saturdays 9:15am

Reconciliation:

Saturday - 4:00pm - 4.45pm

Please join us via Facebook or Website, olqp.org.au, every Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00pm

Rosary in the church: Weekdays at 8:30am & Friday nights at 6:30pm

ZOOM option available Friday night for those who cannot travel to the church for rosary.

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