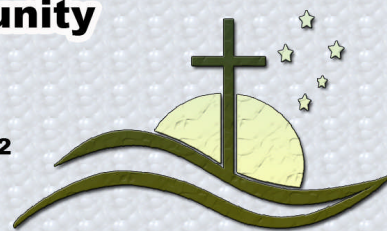




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The year of the Priest

Pentecost Sunday

22nd-23rd May, 2010: No 18

EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED

"Be grateful for whatever comes because each has been sent as a guide from beyond" - Rumi

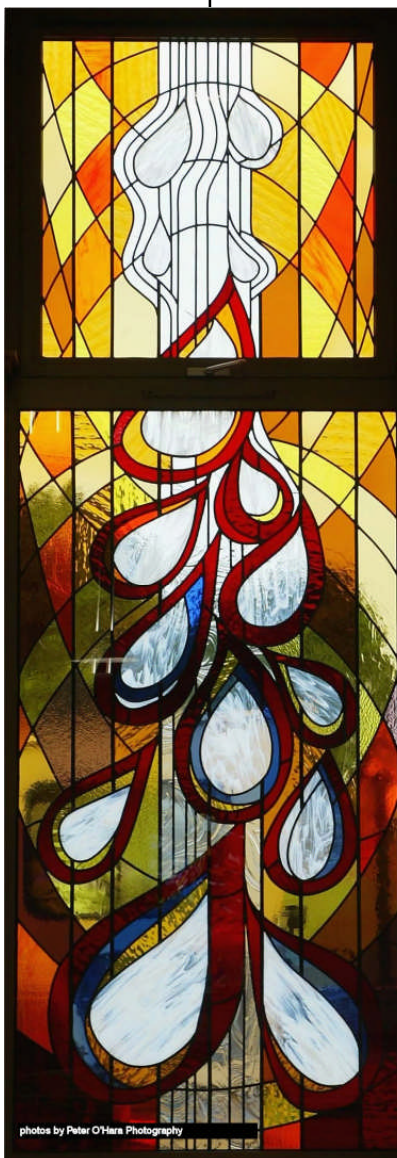
Dear Friends,
 Confusion is normal. I used to think things would get 'clearer' one day. I am still waiting! Now I am more inclined to accept that the Spirit of God always works in very mysterious ways, at a pace very different from my own impatient heart and usually in the 'small still voice' of the 'little ones' of our planet.

Rumi's advice seems fitting - 'be grateful for whatever comes.' Pentecost means living that mystery amidst the mess.

That is no easy task. For the story of the Tower of Babel in Genesis 11:1-9 was onto something very real in our human condition. According to this story, the people of the earth once spoke a common language but were then scattered into different linguistic groups because of their prideful attempt to build a tower with its top in the heavens. Indeed, the English word "babble" comes from the name "Babel". Babel is the story of the fragmentation of humankind into separate and often hostile groups who do not understand each other. Sometimes it seems our Church is full of such people babbling away - spreading division and polarization.

But Pentecost asks us to imagine another possibility. In Luke's story of Pentecost, the Spirit came upon the community with the sound of a "rushing wind" and with "tongues of fire" resting on each of them. In the Hebrew Bible, "wind" and "fire" are both associated with the presence of God. In Hebrew, the same word means both "wind" and "spirit," as in the creation story

where the divine wind (or spirit) moves over the primordial chaotic waters (Genesis 1:2). The author of Luke-Acts sees Pentecost as the reversal of Babel. For the author of Luke-Acts, the coming of Jesus and the continuation of his presence in the power of the Spirit inaugurated a new age in which the fragmentation of humanity was overcome.



But I have come to see - the new age - Pentecost - unfolds in our life and our Church very different from our 'best laid' plans. Indeed, maybe we are **all** wrong about the future of the Church! In fact - I am sure we are! Maybe the Holy Spirit is leading us all to a 'place' unexpected and beyond our wildest dreams! So what to do? Like the ancient Celtic monks who committed themselves to a small boat made of skin and set out on the water throwing away the oars to allow wind and tide to carry them wherever the Spirit willed, perhaps our Christian journey needs to be guided by promptings of the whispering wind. That voyage will bring joy but also pain. As T. S. Eliot put it:

*The dove descending breaks the air
 With flame of incandescent terror
 Of which the tongues declare
 The one discharge from sin and error.
 The only hope, or else despair
 Lies in the choice of pyre or pyre—
 To be redeemed from fire by fire.*

May the Pentecost Spirit lead us on in this adventure of faith - expect the unexpected!

Br Mark O'Connor FMS
 Director Archbishop's Office For
 Evangelisation.

This Week

SUNDAY 23rd
 9am, 11am, 6pm

MONDAY 24th
 8.30am Rosary
 9.00am Mass

TUESDAY 25th
 8.30am Rosary
 9.00am Mass

WEDNESDAY 26th
 7.00pm Mass
 7.30pm Meditation

THURSDAY 27th
 9am Mass
 North School Gr 2K

FRIDAY 28th
 8.30am Rosary
 9.00am Mass with
 Gr 1 South School
 After Mass-
 Divine Mercy Chaplet

SATURDAY 29th
 Reconciliation 10.30am
 6pm Vigil Mass
 First Holy Communion
 Mass

SUNDAY 30th
 Trinity Sunday
 9am, 11am, 6pm Mass

Parish Calendar, News & Events

May

- 23rd Pentecost Sunday**
Welcome of Baptism Families
Communion and Readers Ministry
Training for Young People
- 25th Confirmation Family Night 1
- 28th Mass at Viewhills 10.30am
- 29th First Communion Mass
Visit of Fr Adriano –Timor Leste
Lectors and Communion Ministers update
Presentation of Confirmation Candidates
- 30th Trinity Sunday**
Presentation of Confirmation Candidates

"Hope is a Gift": The Archbishop's Pentecost Letter to Youth available at both entrances to Church. Please take home a copy.

Christian Stewardship—"A way of Living": Stewardship Program: In a few months the parish will embark upon a Stewardship Program. Currently known as our thanksgiving Program the renewal will challenge us to accept Christian Stewardship as a way of living our lives—and not just as a fundraising program. More details later.

Caritas-Project Compassion: Receipts on notice wall in 'old foyer—if you requested a receipt, please take it home.

WYD 2011—Madrid, Spain: Expression of Interest: If you are interested and would like to attend or find out more information about World Youth Day in August 2011 in Madrid Spain, Email Bridget at bridget.flood@stpaulapostle.com.au for more information or to register your interest.

St Vincent de Paul Conference Endeavour Hills: Needs help with **Bread Deliveries** on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. For more detail contact Liseby, 9700 1827 or 0405 470 638 or

you may wish to leave your details at the Parish Centre, which will be passed on.

First Communion Masses for 2010: Saturday 29th May, 6pm; Sunday 6th June, 11am; Saturday 12th June 6pm and Sunday 20th June 11am.

New Entertainment Books 2010-2011: this year they have included local eating places, (around Berwick, Narre Warren) from fine dining to your local pizza shop, etc. Lots of good discounts, from restaurant meals, accommodation to car hire & more. CanCare receives \$13.00 for every copy sold, so you can be assured your money is going help us in our efforts to support family & friends who have been touched by cancer. Call Jen on 0418-105-401 See www.entertainmentbook.com.au

This Sunday: Communion and Readers Ministry Training for Young People: 3.30pm-4.30pm in the Church. All young people are invited. Please contact Sr Brigid.

Tuesday: 25th May: Confirmation Family Night 1: All children who are receiving Confirmation this year are expected to attend this night accompanied by a parent/s. Bring a pencil/pen. Sign in at 6.45pm. Registrations for Confirmation close on the night. Contact Bev at the Parish Centre 9700 3781 if needed.

Saturday: 29th May- 6pm Mass: We welcome Fr Adriano former parish priest of Ermera, Timor Leste.

Saturday, 29th May 3.00-4.30pm and Thursday, 3rd June, 7.00-8.30pm: Lectors and Communion Ministers: Reflective time and update for Eucharistic Ministers (includes those who visit the Sick) and Lectors in the Prayer Room or Church.



Next Weekend 29th-30th May: Australia Biggest Morning Tea . CanCare will host the Morning Tea after all Masses. All funds raised will go to the Cancer Council to fund their vital work. Gold coin donation for a cuppa and one of our "little tea cups". Chance to go into the Raffle, tickets will be available.

Saturday 5 June: Friends of Ermera Trivia

Night: 7.00 pm, at Gleneagles Secondary College, Endeavour Hills. Cost: \$15 per person (ten people to a table). BYO nibbles and beverages. Tea and coffee supplied.

A variety of sporting memorabilia will be auctioned and there will be a raffle to support our work in Timor Leste.

Saturday: 5th June: Retreat Day for

Women: An opportunity for women to enjoy some peace and quiet, at Holy Cross Centre, Templestowe—9.30am-4pm. Cost \$50pp includes morning/afternoon tea and lunch, hand out material. Registration needed. See notice Wall for detail RSVP 28th May

Our Parish Ecumenical and Inter Faith

Group is hosting another Interfaith Meal on Thursday Evening, **June 10**. There has been a

great response from the other local faith groups wishing to share a meal together with us. You too are invited to be part of this event. Seats are limited



Saturday: 10th July: Parish Annual Dinner Dance:

“Celebrating Friendship in our Community” - The Grand on Cathies Lane, 90 Cathies Lane, Wantirna South.

Pre-dinner drinks/hot and cold savouries, 3 course dinner with wine, beer, soft drinks tea/coffee. Band: “The Journeyman with Fr Chris. Tickets \$55, on sale now - Zoe 0411 759 784; Oswyn 0434 429 579; Kathy 0418328 847; Andrea 0433 300 458; Bernadette 9706 1294; Lionel 0416 032 752. Always a good night, don’t miss out.

Other News & Events

Resurrection Parish, 402 Corrigan Road, Keysborough has a Mission outlet which contains a good range of quality Christian art, handicrafts and Sacramental gifts at very reasonable prices. Open Monday – Friday from 9.30am to 1.00pm (during School term only) and after Weekend Masses (Saturday 6.30pm and Sunday 9.00am & 11.00am.)

Proceeds from the outlet support local craft makers from the Holy Land, Peru, El Salvador and the Philippines as well as local charities such as Caritas, St Vincent de Paul, St Columban Missions, Villa Maria, Redemptorists and Good Shepherd Services.

Yarra Theological Union 2nd Semester En-

rolment Dates: 24th May—11th June 2010. Graduate and Undergraduate Awards in Theology. See Gathering Space

Sunday Readings

THIS WEEK (Pentecost)

Acts 2:1-11

Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13 or
Romans 8:8-17

John 20:19-23 or John 14:15-
16,23-26

NEXT WEEK (Trinity Sunday)

Proverbs 8:22-31

Romans 5:1-5

John 16:12-15



This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick:

Nellie Icaro, Francisco and Angela Lai, Khoshaba Zaia, Steve Blackburn, Rose Allen, Mary Dirckze, Pat D’Cunha, Don Nelson, Alyzée Dromart, Maria Sepulveda, Markis Theodore, and Edgardo Sotiar

Those who have died

Analeen De Alwis, Illa Jayasundera, Rudolf Pahor, Pierre Ramalinga, Kayl McLachlan, Tyronne Cooke, Richard Quinless, Sofia Godilano, Angela Arena, Milton Collins, Frank Meyers, Gloria McPhail, Winston Orton, Trinidad Bonaobra, Cybille Dromart, Ida Gomesz, Edward Gatt, Clarita Aguila, Fr Guiseppa Moja, Billy Grossen, Eugenia Bracerros, Vincent Scordo, Jack Ward, John Joseph O’Hara, Andre Robert, Francisco Siry, Itolo Amoruso, Mariagiuseppa Costanzo, Maximo Tuazon, Giovanni Stravato, Renee

**St Paul Apostle
Catholic Community**

Priests:

Fr Tim O'Toole CP (PP)
Fr James Fernandez CP
Fr John Auram CP

Pastoral Associates

Sr Joan Smith CP
Sr Brigid Murphy CP

Parish Staff

Mrs Bev Cresswell
(Pastoral & Sacrament Support)
Mrs Liz Spear
(Administration & Finance)

**Passionist
Community**

Fr Peter Addicoat CP
Fr Brian Gleeson CP
Fr Tim O'Toole CP
Fr James Fernandez CP
Fr John Auram CP

**Sisters of Cross and
Passion**

Sr Anne Cunningham CP
Sr Joan Smith CP
Sr Brigid Murphy CP

**St Paul Apostle
North Primary
School - 9700 6068
Principal
Mrs Christine White**

**St Paul Apostle
South Primary
School - 9700 3663
Principal
Mrs Helen Greenhill**

**St John's Regional
College - 9791 3366
Principal
Mr Andrew Walsh**



Rosters for this Weekend: 4th week of the month

	6pm	9am	11am	6pm
Welcome	S Stone, Euch Min	J Bilton M Nadarajah Euch Min	A Gargano Euch Min	Euch Min
Sacristan	M Maillard	N Raveche	L Forkgen	S Jayamaha
Gifts	R Vaz	M Magee	Volunteers	Volunteers
Readers & Commtrs.	L Flood, M Ryan M Rolfe	J Callery, L Lapi- erre	H Greenhill L Newman	N Fernando C Bird
Communion	S Stone, D Arena S Sharp, P Louden S, B & J Herbert	B & E David J Aldag, F Hall D Mariette M Nadarajah K McArdle	F Lucette, J Solari Y Sherwin C De Souza J Foenander H Greenhill G Calixto	K Jayasinha R Mathias J Catania N Sangalang
Servers	K Maillard N De Zilva J Ferrao, S Dang K Fernandes J D'Souza	D De Silva V Jayetileke M Harper S Jayasuriya K Dimitrakis	M O'Connor K Mehes A Del Socorro E Gubatanga	E Schumacher & Volunteers

Rosters for Next Weekend: 29th - 30th May, 2010 (5th week of the month)

	6pm	9am	11am	6pm
Welcome	Eucharist Minist.	S de Rozairo	Eucharist Minist.	Eucharist Minist.
Sacristan	Volunteer	K McArdle	Y Sherwin	Volunteer
Gifts	V & C De Zilva	J Bilton M Magee	Volunteer	Volunteer
Readers & Commtrs.	M Daly, B Lock M Quirin	Volunteer	J Jornet M Martyn R Albuquerque	L Spear M Mignonne
Communion	P Miller, A Dang H Sanders B Henstridge L Flood, M Rolfe S Fernandes L & B Cresswell	Volunteer	A Anthony G Jornet	Volunteer
Servers	N De Zilva J Ferrao, S Dang K Fernandes J D'Souza K Maillard	V Jayetileke M Harper S Jayasuriya K Dimitrakis D De Silva	K Mehes A Del Socorro E Gubatanga M O'Connor	E Schumacher & Volunteers
Cuppa after Mass	CanCare	CanCare	CanCare	CanCare
Communion to the Sick	A: S Tranquille	B: G Calixto R Martyn	C: J & M Duyker (fortnightly)	
	Church Prep. -2 K Jayasinha S Stone, V Vaifale B Amaral M Magee	Flowers S Lou	Counting L Cresswell R & B Barnfield C Quinless	Rosary Thaddeus Family

Parish Finances

Parish (1st)	Pledged Weekly	Rec'd
T/G Envelopes: (326 pledges)	\$3323.70	\$1946.00 (141 received)
Credit Card & Direct Debit		\$1859.38 (121 pledges)
Cash		\$561.15
Total		\$4366.53
Priests (2nd)		\$1093.35
Caritas		\$2170.75

.....**Thank you**

Parish Sacrament Information

Baptisms are held on the 1st Sunday of the month. Preparation is on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Information from the Parish Centre.

Marriages require 6 months notice to one of the priests, participation in a FOCCUS marriage preparation program, or a Centacare Course. Information Forms at the Parish Centre.

Anointing of the Sick is held during Mass on the 1st Friday of the Month at 9am. Before going to hospital for major surgery, why not ask one of the priests to pray with you and anoint you.

Children's Sacraments require full participation in the preparation phase. Registration forms and Information from the Parish Centre.