Parish of Timboon



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Plenary Council

This weekend, on Pentecost Sunday, a national prayer campaign is being launched to support a prayerful build-up to the First Assembly of the Plenary Council.

"Fan the Flame" Prayer Campaign will allow for people in any context to engage with Scripture, papal writings and documents prepared for the Plenary Council in bringing a focus to their prayers for the October assembly and beyond. Prayer has been central to the journey of the Plenary Council over the past three years. "Fan the Flame" campaign invites "prayer partners" to invoke the Holy Spirit's ongoing guidance.

We cannot keep ourselves shut up in parishes, in our communities, in our parish or diocesan institutions, when so many people are waiting for the Gospel! It is not enough simply to open the door in welcome ..., but we must go out through that door to seek and meet the people!

(Pope Francis, World Youth Day Homily at Cathedral of San Sebastian, Rio de Janeiro, July 27, 2013)

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheflame/

From 28 May 2021, venues and facilities currently using a Victorian Government Application Programming Interface (API) linked digital record keeping system must use the Victorian Government QR Service. If you don't have a phone that has the app with you, please ask Catherine or Cherolyn or a friend to sign you in. Codes are at entrances to church. If you need help please ask.

You are encouraged to hand sanitizer as you enter.

Please use a wet one, provided, to wipe down your area before you leave the church.

Womans League - Ballarat Diocesan Executive

EXPLORATION & REFLECTION DAY AT ST ARNAUD WHERE: Parish Centre & Immaculate Conception Church

37 Queen Street, St Arnaud.

WHEN: 10am to 3.30 pm Wednesday 26th May, 2021

Please: join us for a day of prayer, exploration, community and reflection as we gather at the historic Wimmera parish of St Arnaud.

For more information about the program and for booking:

Telephone: Ballarat Diocesan President: Mrs Margaret Rowe: 0419 114 435

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Our Sick: Bailey Delaney, Pat Thornton, Bernadette Moloney

Anniversaries occurring in May: Elsie O'Donnell, John Conheady. William Delahenty, John Evans, Carolina Gagel, John Gaut, Shirley Freemen, Merle Ludeman, Harry Gatens, Peter Vu, Patrick Hession, Park Kennedy, Father Barry Stickland, Betty Delaney.



A copy of the COVIDSafe Plan St Joseph's Parish Timboon is available for viewing in the office, generally open Tuesday afternoons.



A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: ACN Australia has launched a website for the Year of St Joseph. Sign up to receive monthly devotional emails to help you become closer to St Joseph in this special year. When you

ACN AUSTRALIA signup you can obtain a free copy of Fr Donald Calloway's Consecration to St Joseph book! To sign up visit www.vearofstioseph.com.au

Communion To The Sick.

If you are sick and would like to receive communion at home please call parish secretary on 0439 145 805 and arrange a time.

Votive candle stand: In accordance with general practice and guidelines regarding safety hazards, in this case fire, the stand has been removed from the body of the church and matches stored separately. We thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

| Timboon | May 23rd Assembly of Word and | May 30th Mass 9:00am | June 6th Closed |
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| Leaders | C Bullen J McInerney | | |
| Statue | G Townsend | M van Nieuwkerk | |
| Reader | C Marr | R Hoffmann | |
| POF | P Nicholson | E O'Connor | |
| E.M.H.C. | A Vogels | | |
| Bulletin | P Nicholson | P Nicholson | Denney Family |
| | M Moloney | M Moloney | |
| Slides | K Currell | K Currell | P Nicholson |
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Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the

Gospel Acciamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 20:19-23

As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

In the evening of the first day of the week. the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them. 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven: for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

or Ad libitum for Year B Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

'As the Father sent me.

The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset. I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth. since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me. since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine: that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The term 'Holy Ghost' is an unfortunate rendering of 'Holy Gust', the divine wind, the breath of God, the Holy Spirit which can come into the lives of individuals and communities, sometimes as the merest whisper of a breeze, sometimes at gale force.

This is what happened at Pentecost. St Luke, writing the Acts of the Apostles, grasps for imagery to portray the force of the Holy Spirit's descending on Mary and Peter and other disciples. This divine flaming Gust cleared away the undergrowth of timidity and anxiety imprisoning those disciples in the upper room. Then they became like seed pods germinating in the ashes, allowing a new community to take root, a community where barriers of language, ethnicity and race were overcome.

The primary task of St Peter, then as now, is to present the Resurrection in a way understandable by people of every language group around the world. Everything else his successor does is secondary to his preaching 'the marvels of God'. Pope Francis is doing this by word and deed.

We could take a moment to pray for forgiveness for the wind breaks which we, individually and as a parish or larger church community, erect to shield us from the Holy Spirit gusting into our lives. Let us ask for the courage to allow ourselves to be a windswept people ignited by Divine Love.

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The Living Word

Pentecost Sunday, Year B

23 May 2021

First Reading Acts 2:1-11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire: these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites: people from Mesopotamia. Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia. Egypt and the parts of Libva round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30

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

(R.) Alleluia.

- Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. (R.)
- 2. You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. (R.)

May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13

In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done. but always to the same Lord: working in all sorts of of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised. Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

or Ad libitum for Year B Gal 5:16-25

The fruit of the Spirit.

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since selfindulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility: idolatry and sorcery: feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels: disagreements, factions, envy, drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desire.