

■ WHAT'S HAPPENING!

Confirmation in the Parish next weekend for H.S. children on Saturday 15th at 6 pm; others on Sunday 16th June at 10 am Mass: please pray for the confirmands and their families.

Lectio Divina: for men this Thursday at 7:30 pm in the Presbytery.

Philippine Independence Mass: St Michael's Cathedral Wagga, Sat 15th June at 3 pm. BYO plate for Merienda Cena in parish centre after.

St Josemaria Escriva Mass: on Wednesday 19th June at 7 pm - all invited, supper follows.

Recollection: with Fr Jerry for women on Thursday 20th after 9:15 am Mass.

Trivia Night: in the HS hall Sat. 22nd June from 7 pm: raffles, games, prizes.

FORMED Catholic Netflix is free for the year. Login; <https://formed.org> code VJ3GHW

Catholic Mission: appeal this year for Ghana in Africa talk at Nth Albury by Bishop Alfred on 23rd June.

Peter's Pence: leaving collection for the missions on Sunday 30th June.

PalmsEncounters: volunteer mission work in Timor, Myanmar, Samoa, beginning in September.

St. Vincent de Paul: any unwanted furniture at home please contact Tony 0429674933

Dawso's for all electrical needs; Electrical Contracting, tel. Daniel 0438732976.

Sacramental Candles: ideal as special gifts, check out the website: sacredcandles.com.au tel. 0403619044

By The Book on 3/326 Griffith Rd. open Tues -Sat morning. A large range of Christian books available. Ideal present for everyone.

Autoscreen: Buy your next windscreen from Brosolo Brs, Lavington, tel. 60252443

SJM Computer Tutoring & Support: one-on-one in your home call Sean McDermott 0419146406.

Accounting: Suryan Chandrasegaran of Albury Accounting Pty Ltd for all tax and accounting needs on 60412010



PENTECOST SUNDAY

On Pentecost Sunday, that is, the fiftieth day after Easter, the Lord sent the Paraclete whom He had promised. On that day, the Holy Spirit came down upon the Apostles gathered in prayer together with Mary the Mother of Jesus, in the Upper Room, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues ... thus bringing back to unity the scattered races. At Pentecost the Holy Spirit came and showed Himself as tongues of fire. For He will kindle charity in us: by which we shall earnestly love God, and think little of the world. In the midst of our problems and disappointments the Church remains faithful to the mystery of her birth. While it is an historical fact that the Church came forth from the day of Pentecost, in a certain sense one can say that she has never left it. Spiritually the event of Pentecost does not belong only to the past: the Church is always in the Upper Room with Christ in her heart. The Holy Spirit, given to the Apostles as the Counselor, is the guardian of hope in the heart of the Church today.

The role of the Holy Spirit is often misunderstood. A careful reading of the Catholic Catechism can clarify matters and dispel confusion.



There are seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit and each one of them perfects one of the seven virtues. Fear of the Lord is linked to Wisdom which is the greatest gift which perfects charity. What are the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit?



HOW TO MAKE LOVE GROW

Love never just happens. One needs to cultivate love. First, love needs time. Perhaps people can fall in love in a moment, but mature love is like a tree, it grows slowly with the deepening of affection and the branching out of joys and sorrows. Love also needs words to make it real. Words resolve fights and sometimes prevents them. One may communicate in a variety of ways but it must be done with heartfelt emotion being aware of the needs of the other. Some may call that empathy. Lastly, love is not a single act, but a climate in which we live, a lifetime venture in which we are always learning, discovering and growing.

CHURCH HUMOUR

A parishioner had dozed off during the service. The minister asked: "Will all who want to go to heaven stand." All stood except the one sleeping. Then, the minister said: "Will all who want to go to the other place stand." At that, he who was sleeping suddenly awoke and stood up. Smiling, he said: "Well, padre, I don't know what we're voting for, but it looks like you and I are the only ones for it."

I know that faith is like a root
That's tough, inert and old;
Yet it can send up its green shoot;
And flower against the cold.

I know there is a grace that flows.
When all the springs run dry.
It wells up to renew the rose:
And lifts the cedars high.

James McAuley



Helpful Humour

I went to the bookshop and asked the sales woman, 'Where's the self-help section?' She replied, "If I tell you, it would defeat the purpose!"

FIND THE WORD PUZZLE

Pentecost, Spirit, Tongues, Apostle, Fear, Year, Power, Equal, Holy, Seven, All, Ten, Heads, Son, Soul, Gifts, Mary.

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