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FIRST READING Acts 2:1-11

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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

SALMO RESPONSORIALE

Del tuo Spirito, Signore, e' piena la terra.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 12:3-7. 12-13

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

CANTO AL VANGELO

Alleluia, alleluia!

Vieni, Santo Spirito, riempi i cuori dei tuoi fedeli e accende in essi il fuoco del tuo amore. Alleluia.

GOSPEL John 20:19-23

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

THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE LAST WEEK

1 st Collection	- Thanksgiving Offering.....	\$1038.00
	- Loose Money.....	\$362.00
2 nd Collection	- Presbytery/Priests.....	\$438.00

LECTORS - THIS WEEK 11/05/08

6.00pm (SAT) – N Nadenbousch & J Gauci
9.00am (SUN) – R DeZan & S LoBartolo
10.30am (SUN) – J & J Kearney

SPECIAL MINISTERS

S Dakin
L Catena, L Cavedon & C Alberti
S Dakin, A Filippone & S Miano

LECTORS - NEXT WEEK 18/05/08

6.00pm (SAT) – Louise & M Dal Santo
9.00am (SUN) – R Fato & C Brunetti
10.30am (SUN) - G Donnini & M Sernia

SPECIAL MINISTERS

E Saliba
T Forte, G Moltisanti & R Mercuri
L DeMarco, G Santinon & S Rottura

CHURCH CLEANERS

17/05/08 A DiRico, M Pascuzzi & L Pennacchia

MONEY COUNTERS

12/05/08 J & J Kearney, E & K Bartlett
19/05/08 P Cherubin , A Sinopoli & L Cavedon

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

RECENTLY DECEASED

Giulia CARUSO, Osvaldo RETTORE

ANNIVERSARIES

Antonio & Irene TALIANA, Angelina & Giuseppe TODARO, Teresa, Emanuele & Francesco BUTERA, Maria & Annuziata LOGUANCIO, Maria-Concetta GANINO, Carmela FRANZE, Elisabetta MARAZITA, Carmela TRAMONTANA, Angela FRANZE, Antonia GRAHOR, Maria, Giulia, Claudina & Vincenzo GIARRUSSO, Ernesto MERCURI, Maria-Rosa SPOSARO, Pasquale SPOSARO, Paolina-Angela MACCIOCCA, Maria-Rosa & Ercole DIRICO, Maria-Grazia MURDICA, Giuseppina & Pasquale TIMPANO, Pasquale CAMPISI, Francesco SANTOPIETRO, Domenico MAMMONE, Luigia VALMORBIDA, Nella CAVEDON, Elvira PIAZZA, Mariangela PAOLA, Antonio, Lunella & Ines CALIGIURI, Pasquale, Angela & Mario LUNA, Giuditta PICCONE, Carmela DIGUGLIELMO, Famiglia MAZZONE, Famiglia GIAN SIRACUSA, Anna-Rosa & Rufina SCHIAVONE, Carolina & Arcangela CONTESSA, Anna & Santa PASCUZZI, Angela SOCCIO, Vito AGOSTA, Albina D'ANGILLO, Donantonio MARCOVECCHIO
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SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Sat 6.00pm - English
Sun. 9.00am - Italian
Sun. 10.30am - English

Fr Emmanuel Bonello—Parish Priest

Sr Doreen Bentley-Pastoral Associate
Mr Peter Chowne -School Principal
Mrs Liz Pistoni – Parish Secretary

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Mon. 9.10am Comm. Service
Tue. 10.00am Italian
Wed. 9.10am - English
Thur. 9.10am - English
Fri. 9.10am - English
Sat. 8.30am - English

Maltese Mass

1st Saturday of the Month 6.00pm

Baptisms – Sunday 12.00pm

Marriages - By Appointment



Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am

Pentecost, Year A

May 11, 2008

God's Breath of Life



In 1961, when Pope John XXIII announced the Second Vatican Council, he prayed for “a new Pentecost” – that the Holy Spirit would breathe new life into the Church in modern times, as in the days of the apostles. “Renew your wonders in our time, as though for a new Pentecost.”

This prayer is just as appropriate today, especially in view of the problems we face in the Church and in the world.

One of the most obvious issues within the Church in various countries is the declining number of people attending Mass. In a recent survey of non-practising Catholics in Australia, a number of those interviewed said that they regarded the Church as irrelevant to their lives.

The Church also faces opposition from outside. In the last few years all religions have come under strong attacks from a new wave of anti-religious writing from authors such as Christopher Hitchens and Richard Dawkins. They propose that believing in God is a delusion and that religion is the root of all evils.

Problems within the Church and attacks from outside could prompt us to be down-hearted. If we are feeling this way, however, we might find some consolation in remembering that the first Christians were troubled too. After Jesus' crucifixion, they felt lost without his presence. It is particularly when we are troubled or anxious that Pentecost is such wonderful news. The Spirit is given as Jesus had promised before his departure. The Spirit that Jesus breathed into the disciples is the same Spirit breathed into us. We are asked not to be afraid but rather to receive the Spirit of peace, joy and life with open hearts and to be led by the Spirit to new possibilities of living. We are also given a mission to share our experience so that others too may come to be touched and transformed by the Spirit. So do not be afraid or lose heart. We do not need to be apologetic at all in what we believe and proclaim. Just stand up and be counted. The Spirit has already been breathed into us. May each of you experience a new Pentecost in your heart.

EVENTS DURING THE MONTH OF MAY 2008

SUNDAY 18th MAY: Trinity Sunday Year A. 3.00pm Mass in Italian and English followed by a procession to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

WEDNESDAY 21st MAY: 9.30am Mass celebrated by Archbishop Denis Hart introducing his pastoral visit in our parish. (please note the change of Mass time just for that day). During the day the Archbishop will visit the school, the sick and the members of groups. The day will conclude with a Holy Hour in the church starting at 7.30pm. Please come along and gather with our Archbishop to pray for our parish's growth in faith and unity.

SATURDAY 24th MAY: Archbishop Denis Hart will celebrate the 6.00pm Mass.

SUNDAY 25th MAY: Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi).
First Eucharist celebrations during the 10.30am Mass.

TUESDAY 27th MAY: 8.00pm Maintenance Committee meeting in the Parish Meeting Room.

SUNDAY 1st JUNE: Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A
First Eucharist celebrations during the 10.30am Mass.

A PRAYER FOR MOTHERS - UNA PREGHIERA PER LE MAMME

Lord, we ask your blessing upon all the mothers in the world especially those here present with us today. Strengthen them with your wisdom and understanding, so that they may continue to be a reflection to us of your love. Amen.

Signore, chiediamo la tua benedizione su tutte le Mamme di questo mondo, aiutaci ad essere per i nostri cari un riflesso del tuo amore, quell'amore che comprende e rimane sempre fedele. Così sia.

FUNERAL NOTICE

The Rosary for Osvaldo Rettore will be recited on Monday 12 May 2008 at 7.30pm. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 13 May at 10.00am.

MEMORIAL MASSES

Tuesday 13 May at 7.30pm – Giulia Caruso (d. rec. Italy)

ARCHBISHOP HART'S PENTECOST LETTER TO YOUTH 2008

The Archbishop's annual Pentecost Letter titled "Take This Task Upon You" has been prepared with input from young people of Catholic schools and youth apostolates. The letter is intended to encourage young people to appreciate and use the gifts they have from God and how they can draw closer to Christ and bring Him to the world.

Copies of the letter are available at the doors of the Church. Please take one.

FESTA DI NOSTRA SIGNORA DI FATIMA



Domenica 18 Maggio nella chiesa di San Giuseppe Lavoratore
3.00pm – Santo Rosario
3.30pm – Santa Messa
4.30pm – Processione con la Fiaccolata
5.30pm – Benedizione Eucaristica



WORLD YOUTH DAY

66 Days to Go.....



WE NEED MORE HOST FAMILIES

Pilgrims are coming to Australia in July. Where are they coming from? Look at these numbers.

North America 27,000, Central America 8,000, South America 4,000, Europe 54,000, Asia 10,000, Africa 4,000, Oceania 10,000 & New Zealand 10,000.

Approximately 20,000 pilgrims are coming to our Melbourne Diocese. So far we have beds for 9,240 pilgrims. **WE NEED MORE HOST FAMILIES**

Our parish has over 1200 families. Check the "Host Thermometer" on the back wall of the church. Only 8 homes have offered to host pilgrims so far.

Remember Jesus' words: **"COME YOU HAVE MY FATHER'S BLESSING. FOR I WAS A STRANGER AND YOU WELCOMED ME."** (Matthew 25 vs 34)

For further information please ring any three of our great parishioners who are volunteers for Days in the Dioceses Melbourne. Ray & Glenyce Silvio: 9460 6607, Diane Chybowsky : 9471 1060

PREP ENROLMENTS AT ST JOSEPH THE WORKER FOR 2009

We are now accepting enrolments for Prep in 2009. Our aim is to offer a Catholic Education to all Catholic families in the Parish. As we have a great number of families wishing to enrol in Prep 2009 it is essential that you enrol your child immediately to ensure they have a place. Any enrolments after May 26 may not be accepted into the school. Please call the school office on 9460 7506.

Peter Chowne – Principal St Joseph the Worker School.

MAGGIO DEVOZIONE DELLA MADONNA/ ROSARY IN THE HOME MONTH OF MAY

Maggio mese dedicato alla devozione della Madonna. Continua il Pellegrinaggio della statua per le famiglie della nostra parrocchia. Per prenotazioni rivolgersi al gruppo delle donne; Paola: 9460 7990, Gina: 9462 1641, Rosa: 9357 1089 & Maria: 9469 2141 o a qualsiasi membro.

The month of May is a time of great devotion to the Mother of God. We are encouraging families to pray the Rosary in the home. If you would like a visit of the pilgrim statue of Our Lady with the Rosary recited in English, please phone: Paula Sparano on 9460 7990, Gina: 9462 1641, Rosa: 9357 1089 & Maria: 9469 2141.

FEAST

Wednesday 14 May – St Matthias

Cont..... Francesca BONGIOVANNI, Sofia NISI, Santa SALEMI, Vita CICITTA, Carmela PUGLIESE, Nicola –Rocco BARRESI, Teresa & Sebastiano VERGA, Archangela NARDELLA, Angela & Maria CURSIO, Maria NARDELLA, Nardina NARDELLA, Rosa MATERA, Filomena RENDINE, Fioralba VARRASSO, Angela BRUNO, Angelina VILLELLA Maria-Rosa RUGGIERO, Maria-Giulia RICCIO, Fidalma & Vincenzo CIPOLLA, Domenico & Marco OCCHIUZZI, Antonietta SPITERI, Lucy CACHIA, Anthony Francis CACHIA, Teresa BRANCATELLA, Caterina FERRARO, Giuseppe MOTTA, Nicola & Antonietta DI DIO, Raffaele & Vittoria PENNACCHIA, Angela CENTOFANTI, Diamante & Rocco REMENEGILDO, Linda FELICIANI, Paola PRECOMA, Maria PAONESE, Vito CASALINUOVO, Maria & Raffaele MACCARONE, Assunta & Pasqualina SPARANO, Rosina LOTITO, Maria-Domenica FERRARO,