



FIRST READING: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11
 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 Libya 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.

1. 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.)
3. 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 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13
 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 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.

Sequence

Holy Spirit, Lord of light, From the clear celestial Height Thy pure beaming radiance give. Come, thou Father of the poor, Come with treasures which endure; Come, thou light of all that live! Thou, of all consolers best, Thou, the soul's delightful guest, Dost refreshing peace bestow; Thou in toil art comfort sweet; Pleasant coolness in the heat; Solace in the midst of woe. Light immortal, light divine, Visit thou these hearts of thine, And our inmost being fill: If thou take thy grace away, Nothing pure in man will stay; All his good is turned to ill. Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness pour thy dew; Wash the stains of guilt away: Bend the stubborn heart and will; Melt the frozen, warm the chill; Guide the steps that go astray. Thou, on us who evermore Thee confess and thee adore, With thy sevenfold gifts descend: Give us comfort when we die; Give us life with thee on high; Give us joys that never end.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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

GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

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. 'As the Father sent me, 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.'

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday - 9am OLOF Goulburn
 5pm SPP Goulburn
 5pm Taralga
 Sunday - 8am (OLOF), 10 am (SPP)
 9am (Crookwell)
 Binda - 10.30am (1st Sunday)
 Marulan - 8.30am (2nd Sun)
 Tarago - 8.30am (3rd Sun)
 Bungonia: 7pm, Thurs Rosary

CONFESSIONS

SPP: 11.30 -12 (Fri), Sat *4.15pm
 OLOF: 9.30am -10am
 Taralga: *4.30pm (1st Sat)
 Crookwell: 8.30am (2nd Sun)
 *An hour later from September to April.

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

SPP 11am Fridays
 Syra Malabar- Mass: 1st Tuesday 5.30pm OLOF
 3rd Wednesday 5.30pm OLOF
 Guided Adoration Friday: 5.30-6pm OLOF

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - 5pm (OLOF),
 Wednesday, Thursday 7.30 am OLOF,
 Friday- 9.30am STM Crookwell
 Friday - 12 noon (SPP)
 Sat - 9am (OLOF)

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 ROSTER Coordinator- judith.stuart11@gmail.com

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 We have committed to zero tolerance of abuse, and the Protection of all our people.

MISSION CALENDAR DATES

MAY -AUG: VIGIL MASSES AT 5.00- Confessions at 4.15
 MAY 25: Monday Our Lady Help of Christians, Solemnity.
 MAY 30: PIZZA and Youth Discussion 6.30 pm
 MAY 30/31: St Vincent De Paul's Retiring Collection
 JUN 04: Sacramental Retreat: St Brigid's 9.30am-2.30pm
 JUN 06: Men's Rosary Crusade 10am OLOF Forecourt
 JUN 06: Women's Morning tea- 10am Wesley Centre
 JUN 07: First Holy Communion
 JUN 07: BINDA MASS 10.30am
 JUN 28: Feast of Sts Peter and Paul's Mass & Luncheon

The Community of the Goulburn Mission works hard to ensure we are a Safe Community for all our parishioners, visitors and residence. Healthy inclusion and safeguarding practices are at the heart of our administration. Please read the information regarding inclusion and accessibility on your church notice boards as we strive to be compliant and compassionate.

REFLECTION:

Today, we celebrate the coming of the Holy as Spirit at Pentecost. We also celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit into our hearts at Baptism and Confirmation. We have all received the Holy Spirit. As St Paul teaches in today's second reading, in the one spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as free, and the one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

In that reading St Paul goes on to say that there is a variety of gifts from the Spirit, but not everyone receives the same gifts from the Spirit. We each receive different gifts to help build up the body of Christ. In that we are like the human body which is made up of many different parts all working for the good of the whole body. The eyes see, the ears hear, the arms carry, the feet walk, the nose smells, and so on. Likewise, in the Christian community, - the Body of Christ- we need different members with different gifts. So to each of us is given a particular manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. The gifts of the Holy Spirit should never be seen as a personal possession, or as a source of boasting or pride. They are given for the building up of the body of Christ. What gifts of the Holy Spirit do you have that you contribute to the whole?

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Goulburn Mission Notice board

*First Holy
Communion
Sunday 7th June*

Good Vibes Community
Choir
Wednesdays at 12 noon in
the Old Ceramics Hall
Verner St Goulburn

Men's Breakfast
SECOND WEEKEND IN JUNE!
Saturday 13th 7.15am for a 7.30 start:
Tatts Goulburn
Michael Lamarra- 0419 019 304

 **OLOF Church**
Family Adoration
Friday's 5.30-6pm School Term Only

 **Sts Peter and Paul's
Feast Day Luncheon**
28th June
11.40 am Goulburn Workers Club
After 10am Mass
Tickets available through the Goulburn
Parish Office or QKR! App (Goulburn Mission)
\$50 per person
Special Guest Speaker Ron Tesoriero-
Lawyer, Author and Documentary filmmaker
Ticketing closes on Wednesday June 10th.

SVDP Winter Appeal Bulletin Notice
Goulburn Conference of Saint Vincent de
Paul will hold its collection for the
Society's Winter Appeal on the weekend
of **May 30/31**. This Appeal is our most
important fundraising event. Requests
for food assistance continue to increase.
Our resources are being stretched to
the limit. Donations of \$2 and over are
tax deductible, and receipts will be
available on request.

PIZZA NIGHT
Youth discussion **May 30th**
6.3.0pm Bishops Room

INSTAGRACE is a three-day Catholic residential program organised by Jesus Youth Canberra for teenagers aged 13 to 17. Running successfully for nearly a decade, it helps young people grow in self-understanding and develop a personal relationship with Jesus through talks, music, and life testimonies.
Venue: Outward Bound Australia, Naas Road, Tharwa, ACT
Date & Time: Friday, 17 July 2026 (9:00 am) to Sunday, 19 July 2026 (4:00 pm)
Registration Fee: \$290
Registration Closes: 12 July 2026
Registration: Register via the [link](#) or QR code provided For any further enquiries, please contact Jerin Niju on 0469 738 253.



GOULBURN MISSION CEMETERIES, BURIALS AND NICHES.
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Cemeteries under the Legal operation of The Mission include
Spring Valley, Mummel, Bungonia, Marulan, Laggan and Collector.
Please call the office for any bookings, maintenance and hazard reporting.

Recently Deceased: Gwenda Romer, Maryanne England, Christopher Yeadon, Sr Patricia Bell, Mildred Hogan, Assunta Apap,
Anniversaries: Richard Kennedy, Joanne Kennedy, Perry McCormack, Lorna Staude, Shirley Evans, Molly Johns, Fr Murphy, Patricia Anable, Brendan Small, Beatrice & Herbert Fardy, Foth Butz, Martin Stait, Bernard Croker, Rod McCabe, Maria Misfud, Stefan Karwowki, Irene Bobrowski, Zdzislaw Peplowski, Val Elliott, Winifred Elliott, Peter O'Brien,
Prayers: All Mothers, the Wellbeing of the Children at the Kenyan School " Suluhisho", Parnika Anju, Arlo Saccilotto, Dennis Boreham, Eva Lowe, Anita Jeisman, Mike Ryan, Lisa Polley, John Murrell, John Bowen, Tony McCormack, Brendan Walsh, John Murrell, Christopher White, Leslie King,

Entrance Antiphon: Wisdom 1:7
The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

Communion Antiphon: Acts of the Apostles 2:4,11
They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia

Article provided by Fr Michael Lim

PRAYING for PENTECOST

Every generation needs to experience Pentecost for itself. It needs God's spirit and it needs it in its own particular way. Indeed scripture assures us that the Holy Spirit is not a generic force, one-size-fits-all, but a person, a relationship, a spirit that has "particular manifestations" and gives itself to each of us uniquely so that the understanding and strength that we receive are geared to help us in our own particular struggles. If this is true, if Pentecost is so differentiating, an important question arises: Where in life today do we most need the Holy Spirit to transform us? What are our peculiar spiritual disabilities? **Our** unique weaknesses, like our strengths, are legion. However, for our generation, a number of things might be singled out as particularly debilitating to the soul: Our propensity for distraction, our tendency to see individual fulfilment as salvation, our proclivity for ideology and fundamentalism, and our obsession with sexuality. We could use a particular infusion from the Holy Spirit to help us with these.

For example: Distraction is perhaps the most powerful narcotic on the planet. Simply put, what this means is that our daily communion, the manna that sustains us, is distraction – television, game-shows, sporting-events, sit-coms, talk-shows, entertainment-news, scandals reported in the daily papers, pop music, movies, theatre, and the like. Not that these are bad. What's bad is that they eventually anesthetize us: We watch the late-night comedians on TV, scotch in hand, laugh as they spoof the day's events, let the tensions of the day subside, and sleep pretty well. Not bad, not bad at all, except we do it again the next night and the night after and onwards ever after, slowly numbing ourselves to the deeper issues of meaning, pain, justice, self-sacrifice, love, death.

For our own Pentecost, we need then to pray for the spirit of wisdom, the spirit of depth, the spirit of courage, and (given the over-sophistication of so much of today's entertainment) the spirit of chastity. Beyond distraction lies another struggle. Aidan Kavanaugh once said: "Today our icon is not a city, whether of man or God, but the lone jogger running through suburbia, in order, we are told, to feel good about himself." We struggle today with individualism and the problem is not just with the obvious, the all too-common breakdown of our families, neighbourhoods, parishes, and communities, the "bowling-alone" syndrome. The deeper struggle is with what Dorothy Day used to call "the harshness of love." What we can't deal with is the painful give-and-take of ordinary community, the habitual slights and hurts that arise in every marriage, family, community, parish, and civil group. We can't interrelate without hurting each other. So we withdraw, jog and bowl alone, not out of an ideology of individualism, but because we haven't the resiliency needed to deal with the bruises and disappointments that come with bowling and jogging in a group. **What** Pentecost needs to pour into us today is the spirit of resiliency, the spirit of forgiveness, the spirit of patience, the spirit of long-suffering, the spirit of understanding, and the spirit to not go jogging or bowling alone.

We need too a Pentecost that can help us cope with the ideologies and fundamentalism (social and ecclesial) that constantly beset us like so many nasty viruses. We are forever infected with ideologies, be they of the left or the right, that block us from living vital parts of the gospel. Whether we rationalize it as protecting proper values, defending a divine creed, or advocating an issue of justice, over and over again we compromise the hospitality, charity, respect, catholicity, and tolerance called for by the gospels, all in the name of sacred cause. Our hearts, unlike God's, are forever wanting to lodge in just one room. We need a Pentecost to mellow us with the spirit of mildness, stretch us with the spirit of catholicity, and especially fill us with the spirit of hospitality so as to take us beyond the hardness that we rationalize as creed or cause.

Finally, we need a Pentecost to help us deal with our sexuality. In a world in which sexual intimacy is held up as salvation, we have lost the proper balance between what our sexuality's DNA seems to demand and the place that marriage, family, friendship, fidelity, inclusive community, and innocence hold in the overall schema for meaning and happiness. We need new tongues of fire to bring us the spirit of chastity, the spirit of full respect, the spirit of fidelity, and the spirit for emotional martyrdom, so that, even as we defend the goodness of sexuality, we are able too, on any given night, to sweat blood in a garden so as to not violate the bigger picture.

1 Corinthians 12:7 suggests that Pentecost is "the particular manifestation of the spirit, granted to each of us." We need to pray for such a particularised Pentecost to happen. Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI