



ST ANTHONY'S
PARISH
MARSFIELD

THE GOOD OIL

TODAY WE CELEBRATE what is often called the birthday of the Church. We also bring to completion our celebration of the Paschal Mystery – the suffering, death, resurrection, ascension and coming of the Spirit on Jesus' disciples. Although this 'mystery' is really one great reality, we have stretched its celebration over a period of more than seven weeks. That such a time frame is not to be too excessively emphasised as historical fact is indicated by the two very different accounts of the giving of the Spirit.

Full of symbols

Most of us are more familiar with the account given in the Acts of the Apostles which is (today's) First Reading. In this account, the apostles are all gathered in one room at the time of the Jewish feast of Pentecost, which in the Jewish calendar traditionally falls 50 days after the Passover (or Easter, for us). What follows is a scene filled with scriptural symbols. First, there is the sound of a mighty wind from heaven filling the whole house. The word in Greek for 'spirit' and 'wind' is the same, so the wind clearly indicates the Spirit of God. Then there appeared tongues of fire which rested on the head of each one present. Again we have a symbol of God's presence. We remember Moses speaking to God out of the bush which was on fire. We remember that, as the Israelites wandered through the desert, they were accompanied during the night by a pillar of fire All present are then filled with the Spirit. The sign of this presence is their ability to speak in different languages.

A message for all

Immediately, the apostles go out and begin to speak to the crowds of people. Jerusalem is filled with Jewish and convert visitors from all over the Mediterranean, from Asia Minor, Egypt and North Africa, even Rome, to celebrate the feast. These people are amazed to hear men, who are clearly relatively unlettered people from the province of Galilee, speaking to them in so many languages. The meaning is clear. What the apostles are preaching is a message destined for the whole world and not just for one people.

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PENTECOST

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1st Reading Acts 2:1-11

**Resp Psalm Ps 103:1, 24,
29-31, 34**

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

2nd Reading Romans 8:8-17

Gospel John 14:15-16, 23-26

Masses This Week

Sat 6pm **Vigil Mass**

Sun 9am & 6pm **Mass**

Mon 9am **Liturgy of
the Word**

Tue-Thu 9am **Mass**

Fri 9.15am

**Mass—School celebration of
St Anthony's Feast**

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ST ANTHONY'S FEAST DAY & INTERNATIONAL FOOD LUNCHEON.

Sun 16 June is the day when our parish celebrates the Feast of St Anthony. After the 9am Mass, we will gather for an International Food Luncheon in the School Hall. Please bring a dish to share as a way to showcase your cultural heritage. Help is also needed in the set-up and cleaning up. Please ring the parish office on 9888 5222 to let us know what dish you are bringing; also to let us know if you are able to help.

Thank you!



PART-TIME PASTORAL ASSOCIATE POSITION. Our Pastoral Associate, Madeleine, is retiring in July after 12 years of dedicated service to our Parish. As a result, a part-time position is open, for 2 days (15 hours) per week. Hours/days are flexible. For further info please contact the Parish office at 9888 5222. Applications are due 16 June.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION. Children who are in Year 6 and who have been baptised & received their First Holy Communion can enrol for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Enrolment packs may be picked up from the parish office or can be found at saintanthonys.org.au.

Enrolments close Mon 17 June.

PLENARY COUNCIL. After 10 months of Listening and Dialogue and a period of analysis and prayerful discernment, the National Themes for Discernment for the Plenary Council 2020 are being announced at this weekend. More info on the National Themes for Discernment will be available soon. Find out more at: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

TRIBUNAL OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH Outreaching to all of those who have experienced a marriage breakdown and question the validity of their first marriage as understood by the Church. Inquiries: 9307 8300 or please email: admin@sydneytribunal.org.au

LISTEN WITH THE SOUL - SIX DAY RETREAT Sept 16 - 23 at St Clement's Retreat Centre Galong. Fr Kevin Dance and Sr Jill Dance will lead participants into an experience of inner prayer. There will be group sharing & times for deep silence, healing & reconciliation. Single Ensuite room \$650 Shared facilities \$550. Bookings: info@stclement.com.au

POSITION VACANT – SURRY HILLS. We currently have a secretarial position available in Surry Hill Parish. Days of work are negotiable. Need PACS and MYOB experience in addition to Administrative duties. If you are interested, please send your updated resume and cover letter to parish.support@sydneycatholic.org

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING TO LEND A HELPING HAND TO SENIORS? We need people in South West Sydney to visit seniors for a chat over a cup of tea and to help with light housework Call CCareline on 13 18 19 to find out more.

MEN'S MINISTRY BREAKFAST. The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney is holding its second Men's Ministry breakfast at St John the Baptist Parish Bonnyrigg. We will be exploring the theme of "Faith under Fire" which will be led by the Head of New Evangelisation with Sydney Catholic Schools, Robert Haddad. It's going to be a great morning of brotherhood and spiritual growth for all who attend. All men are invited.

Location – St John the Baptist Parish,
45 Mount Street, Bonnyrigg
Time – Sat 29 June, 8am

THE AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (ACSA) is holding their Annual Conference at St Joseph's College Hunter's Hill, 5-7 July. A great opportunity for tertiary students to be nourished spiritually, intellectually and pastorally. [facebook.com/australiancatholicstudents](https://www.facebook.com/australiancatholicstudents)

CALLING ALL PARISH SINGLE SENIORS—St Patrick's Social Club, Church Hill, Sydney, monthly on the second Sunday at 1.45pm in the crypt, and outings on the other Sundays. Enquiries to 99534909 or 98881359 after 6.30pm.

YOUTH CHOIR The parish Youth Mass is on every fourth Sunday of the month at 6pm, except during school holidays. Teens in the parish are welcome to join us in the choir.

ST ANTHONY'S LADIES CLUB next meets for lunch on **Thu 13 June** at **11am** at the Parish Centre. Please bring a plate to share. All ladies of the Parish are welcome.

PARISH DIARY

9 JUNE — 16 JUNE 2019

SCHOOL MASS—FEAST OF ST ANTHONY'S	Fri 14	9.15am
PARISH CELEBRATION - FEAST OF ST ANTHONY'S & INT'L FOOD LUNCHEON	Sun 16	9am onward

PASTORAL SESSIONS

Mon: Rosary in Italian 7pm.

Tue: Cenacle 9.30am. Cenacle & Adoration 4pm.

Wed: Adoration 9.30am. Meditation 10am Parish Centre.

Fri: Rosary 9.30am. Adoration 6pm.

Reconciliation by appointment or Sat 5.30-5.50pm

THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY is available at the church doors. Please put \$2 in the Poor Box.

Parish Collections

1st collection supports the needs of the Parish Priest, presbytery upkeep, food, utilities, support of the Archdiocese, care of elderly priests.

2nd collection supports the maintenance & upkeep of Parish buildings and grounds, pastoral works, Parish administration, insurance, utilities, salaries, priest car expenses & Charitable Works Fund shortfall.

COUNTERS ROSTER JUNE/JULY

9/6 - Team 8; 16/6 - Team 9; 23/6 - Team 10;
30/6 - Team 1; 7/7 - Team 2; 14/7 - Team 3

COMMUNION UNDER BOTH KINDS

- If you have a cold or flu symptoms (or any other communicable disease, cold sores, etc.) you **MUST NOT** receive communion from the Chalice.
- In accordance with the General Instruction, we **DO NOT DIP** the Host in the Chalice.

Please turn off your mobile phone in Church. Thank you.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY
CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE IS A CRIME. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

PRAYER MINISTRY

PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER:

Those who are sick, especially-

Irene Tija, Fr Michael Walsh CM,
Phillip Hopson, Eddie Yap,
Ian Lim, Moonki Nam,
Chris South, Kevin South,
Konrad Wrzesinski, Terry Wallace,
Barbaro family, Janet Godsell,
Bishop Geoffrey Robinson,
Victor Galea, Margaret Cusack,
Karen Kuek Ah Lan, Alan Griffith.

The recently deceased

Bryan Barton

(father of Samantha Briggs)

Joseph Carmelo Mesiti

(husband of Mary Mesiti)

Lawrence Alexander Sheehan

(Father & father in-law of Vicki Sheehan & Andrew Hill)

And those with anniversaries around this time

Mui Hiang Chua

(Anniversary 6 June)

Phyllis Tay

(Anniversary 8 June)

Tony Papallo

(35th Anniversary 12 June)

Due to privacy laws, if you would like the name of a family member or friend printed in the Good Oil, please contact the Parish Office.