

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF GERALDTON



St Francis Xavier Cathedral

Administrator Fr Gerard Totanes VG
Assistant Priests Fr Savio Nguyen & Fr Joel Nyongesa
Nagle Chaplain Fr Bernard Balaraj
Sunday Masses **Saturday Vigil** 6pm
Sun 7:30am, 9:30am and 6pm
Weekday Masses **Mon-Fri** 7am **Fri** 12:05pm
Saturdays & Public Holidays 9am
Confessions **Fri** 11:30-11:55am
Sat 11am-12pm & 5:30-5:55pm



St John's Rangeway



St Peter's Greenough

St Lawrence's Bluff Point

Mass Times **Wednesday** 10:30am
Saturday Vigil 6:00pm **Sunday** 9:00am
Confessions **Saturday** 5:30-5:55pm or by appointment



Nazareth House

Monday-Saturday 9:30am **Sunday** 10:00am

St John's Rangeway **Sunday Mass** Currently Suspended

St Peter's Greenough **Sunday Mass** 8:00am

Pentecost Sunday

Year B

19 May 2024

VOCATION VIEW: Let us be guided by the Holy Spirit, because with the Spirit comes, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self control. The Spirit is our life.

The season of Easter concludes with Pentecost Sunday, the celebration of the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem, the event which marked the beginning of the Church. Gospel of John describes three distinct but related functions of the Spirit.

1. Spirit as Advocate: John's gospel refers to the Spirit as the 'Paraclete' ('Advocate' in our translation). Literally, the Greek word means

'one who comes to the aid of another'.

2. Spirit as Revealer:

Related to this legal role as advocate and witness is the Spirit's role in the proclamation of the word - not just in the courtroom but in 'the world'. When the Spirit is sent upon the disciples, they will 'also testify' to Jesus (15:27).



3. Spirit as Abiding Presence of Jesus:

As 'another Advocate' the Spirit takes the place of Jesus and is the abiding presence of Jesus with his disciples.

With the coming of the Spirit Jesus' 'earlier promise to remain in his disciples (14:20: 15:4) is fulfilled for the Spirit is sent 'to be with you always' (14:16-17).

- Adapted from Living Liturgy | LabOra Worship

Training for Special Ministers and Acolytes next Saturday

Prior to the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, a training session is arranged for Special Ministers and Acolytes next Saturday, 25th May from 10am-12pm in the Parish seminar room. It is conducted for the new members as well as for those who could not attend and recommission last year. Any other existing members wish to attend to refresh, are also welcome. Registration is mandatory. Please contact the parish office for registration.

Laudato Si' Week

May 19th - 26th May is Laudato Si' week which is a global celebration where we remember Pope Francis urging us in his encyclical Laudato Si' to hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor and to humbly place ourselves in communion with our common home. Significantly, Pope Francis promulgated *Laudato si'* in 2015 on the Feast of Pentecost. As a Catholic Earthcare Parish we celebrate our part in the great progress the whole Church is making on its journey towards the seven Laudato Si' Goals set before us by Pope Francis to achieve ecological conversion.



Family Mass next Saturday

Vigil Mass next Saturday, 25th May will be a family Mass for Year 5 students of our Catholic Primary Schools. The readings and other ministries will be led by the children and their families. Mass duration is expected to be longer than usual.

Love thy neighbour

We need your help! Join Father Savio and Vietnamese Farmers on Tuesday afternoons at 4pm, to help the farmers with their English. Enjoy a cuppa and conversation to be held in Wandina, stay an hour or two with these delightful people, so they can learn and practice. Phone Denise 0422215606 if you wish to help or for more info.

Grand Garage Sale at Bluff Point Today

The most awaited Grand Garage Sale at Bluff Point is today in the undercover area of St Lawrence's School from 8:30am to 1:30pm.



Just make a visit, enjoy a cuppa and be a part of it.

Even your little 'drop of shopping' will be a great help for us!

Eucharistic Procession on Corpus Christi Sunday

We celebrate the feast of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) on 2nd of June. As part of our celebration this year, the Eucharistic procession will be commencing from the Cathedral through *Maitland St.-Augustus St.-Fitzgerald St.-Sandford St. - Cathedral Avenue* and concluding in the Cathedral with benediction. Everyone is invited to take part in this great event. The procession will be contained wholly on the footpath at all times and will not cross or be on any road at any time.



Do you enjoy working in the Garden?

Would you like to assist in some small projects at the Monsignor Hawes Heritage Centre and Cathedral gardens as to:

- ⇒ grow a tray of cuttings at your home with instructions
- ⇒ assist in a planting day at the gardens
- ⇒ assist in a maintenance day at the gardens

If you would like to assist, please contact Annalise Fosbery by email MHHLandscape@gmail.com

Make your contributions online

You can now make a contribution to the Cathedral by scanning this QR code. Alternatively you can make a transfer using **BSB 086 006** and **Account Number 826504934**, **Account Name: SFX Cathedral Parish**. Please put an appropriate reference or description such as "**donation, second collection**" etc.



Parish Office & Holy Shop

Opening Hours 9:00am - 1:00pm & 1:30 - 4pm Monday-Friday

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08 9964 1608 / 08 9964 2716

If you require a priest in emergency, phone 9964 1608 (24/7)

A Prayer for our Earth

All-powerful God,
you are present in the whole universe
and in the smallest of your creatures.
You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.
Pour out upon us the power of your love,
that we may protect life and beauty.



Fill us with peace, that we may live
as brothers and sisters, harming no one.
O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned
and forgotten of this earth,
so precious in your eyes.
Bring healing to our lives,
that we may protect the world and not prey on it,
that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.
Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain
at the expense of the poor and the earth.
Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,
to be filled with awe and contemplation,
to recognize that we are profoundly united
with every creature
as we journey towards your infinite light.
We thank you for being with us each day.
Encourage us, we pray,
in our struggle for justice, love and peace. Amen.

Pope Francis Laudato Si'



Visits to Opal and Hillcrest Residents

Our fellow-Catholics in residential care will gladly welcome parishioners who would like to come and visit. You are welcome to join me there. Our times are:

10.15 - 12.00 on Wednesday at Opal Shore in Fitzgerald St

10.15 - 12.00 on Thursday at Juniper Hillcrest in Onslow St

Please let me know in advance, if possible, if you would like to come. Thank you! - Sr Flora 0459 119 575 / flora@preswa.com.au



St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care.

More information and Applications Forms are available on our website pallottine.org.au/svpscholarship **Closing Date 31 July 2024.**

Stella Maris College Reunion

Reunion for Class of '71 (1960 to 1971) of Stella Maris College will be held on Saturday 12 October 2024, 4pm at Clement Street, Swanbourne. For 'expression of interest' please contact Judi Maurice (nee Keeffe) on 0413 588 405.

Feasts of the Week

20 May Mon The Blessed Mary, Mother of the Church

24 May Fri Our Lady, Help of Christians

26 May Sun The Most Holy Trinity



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Africa Day

Celebrate with us next Saturday | 25th May 2024 | 5-11pm

QEI Community Centre, 88 Durlacher Street, Geraldton

Fashion show | Raffles | 2 course meal | Dancing | Drumming and much more. *Tickets available at the door or online @ premier.ticketek.com.au*

Adults \$40 | Child \$20 | 5 and under free



Hawes Heritage Trail 4 Day Pilgrimage

June 9th-12th \$400 per person

You're invited to participate in a voyage of discovery, in a luxury coach departing each day from Geraldton, of the iconic buildings and sites relating to the heritage of Priest/Architect John Cyril Hawes, in Midwest Western Australia. (This is NOT a walking tour). Lunch, entry to sites, snacks and drinks on the bus, expert commentary, and daily Mass in a Hawes church are all provided. **One day Options are available for \$100 per day.**

For more information or to reserve your place, visit our website www.monsignorhawes.com or Phone Gerry Eastman 0417 912 997.



Enrol now for the Sacrament of Confirmation

Any child in year 6 (or higher) and not attending a Catholic Primary School, who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in September this year, must attend after-school preparation classes which will be commenced in July. If you would like your child to attend these classes, and have not yet enrolled with the parish, please enrol them as soon as possible.

No admissions will be accepted once the lessons have started. For more information and enrolment form, please scan the QR code or visit our website <https://geraldtoncathedral.org/after-school-sacrament-program/>



Fundraising Movie Screening next Sunday

Please buy a ticket to our Fund-raising Movie screening and support Guor's Health Clinic and school in Akot Village, South Sudan. "The Way, My Way" is a charming and captivating true story of a stubborn and amusingly self-centred Australian man who decides to walk the famous Camino de Santiago pilgrimage route through Spain. The screening will take place at Orana Cinemas next Sunday 26th May at 3:30pm. Please buy your tickets as soon as possible. Adult tickets cost \$25 and Pensioners/Students are \$20. This includes a free drink and a complimentary popcorn.

Tickets will be available after Sunday morning Masses, from Monsignor Hawes Heritage Centre or by phoning 0438 804 191.

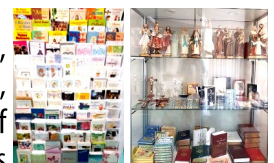


Looking for First Holy Communion Gifts or Cards?

There are many piety gift items available for First Holy Communion in our holy shop.

Beautiful statues, Bibles, Missals, Crucifix, religious books, medals, rosary beads, necklaces as well as a great selection of greeting cards for various occasions such as Birthdays, Christening, Feast days, Wedding, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Jubilees, Anniversaries and many more. . . .

EFTPOS available... Welcome to visit during the office hours!



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At the centre of Christian faith is the great paradox: there is only ONE God; yet God is THREE [Father, Son and Spirit"]. We know this because of the witness of Jesus' own life and the gift of the Holy Spirit that Jesus' promises his disciples.

Pentecost is the celebration of that promise when the disciples, "filled with the Holy Spirit", have their lives upturned, transforming them into evangelists and missionaries. This is the day the Church begins its missionary outreach to proclaim the "marvels of God" to all the world.

In Acts of the Apostles, Luke strains to explain this experience of the Holy Spirit in words. Rather, he gives us images of a mighty wind, tongues of fire, and disciples speaking in multiple languages! However else we imagine this it is, in the words of a 5th century Syrian monk Pseudo-Dionysius, a mystical experience. This same monk gives us the image of the trinitarian "dancing God" of dynamic light, dazzling darkness, gift, excess, silence and transcendence bringing humanity and creation into being to display the divine glory.

We cannot speak of the Holy Spirit as independent of Father and Son; nor should we

speaking of any 'person' of the Trinity in isolation. A 12th century monk, Richard of St Victor, speaks of the triune God as a loving wave originating in the Father, ebbing and flowing in the Son, then



spread with joy through the Holy Spirit. Richard's teacher and fellow-monk, Hugh of St Victor, speaks of the "three eyes of knowing": bodily sensation; rational thought; spiritual awakening. It is this third form of knowing — whether we call it mystical awareness or spiritual awakening — that is the gift of the Spirit.

Too often our culture dismisses the "spirit world" as a place of magic and sorcery. This is a danger if we isolate spiritual knowledge and mystical awareness from the loving embrace of Father,

Son and Spirit. Our Christian vocation is to be "Spirit-filled" people who rely not on our own resources but on the power of the living God in our midst to transform the world. The Spirit brings insight, compassion, comfort and joy to our lives, not by turning our backs on suffering and evil, but through the celebration of the liberating presence and revolutionary promises of God to redeem the world.

Pentecost reminds us the Church exists to herald and proclaim the Gospel to the world. Our primary concern must always be with outsiders, people who have not yet come to know the presence of Christ nor the gift of the Spirit.

To appreciate this gift of faith is to be a mystic — and to live this faith is to be missionary. Pentecost was not a one-off event. Rather, Pentecost is the ongoing experience of the movement of the Holy Spirit in our world calling us to the ever-deepening, always surprising, realisation that God is with us, God is in us, and God works through us. And so, we pray: "Come Holy Spirit".

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Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son; Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, **(bow for the following line *)**

*born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

THE PILGRIM ROSARY STATUE OF THE CATHEDRAL

The rosary statue will be in the Cathedral Crypt from 29th April to 31st May during the month dedicated to St Mary, Holy Queen. Rosary prayed at **5pm, Monday-Friday**. All welcome.



Parish Finances

Contributions of 12th May 2024

	Cathedral	Rangeway	Bluff Point
Priests' Collection \$	1650.75		628.50
Planned Giving \$	414.00	200.05	425.00
Parish Collection \$	1001.40		290.00
Friday Fast \$	102.10		

Thank You

If you require a priest in an emergency please phone 9964 1608 (24/7)

Adoration with Benediction at St Lawrence's

Every second Sunday of the Month 8.15-8.50 am

Last Sunday of each month 3-4pm - Divine Mercy holy hour.



Exposition in the Cathedral

Every Thursday after 7am Mass until 8am, Saturdays 8:30-9:00am followed by Mass and First Fridays 7:30-9:30pm with benediction.

Please pray for those who are ill:

Fr Peter Downes, Brad Borrows, Ray Sloan, Isabelita Calimag, Sue Harris, Rose Ralph, Noli Soliven, Reg Maisey, Megan Aylmore, Maria Salamone, Bernard Rooney, Tim Conway, Margaret John, Maureen Burke, Joe (Giuseppe) Gaudio, Laura Drew, Andres Rodillas, Derek Levett, Peter Scarpuzza, Diana Bennett, Erica Pirrottina, Kim-Maree Kelly, Shirley Travis, Allan Malonzo, Una McFadden and Cherrille Quilty.



For the deceased: Frank & Lina Zinetti, Jim & Nancy Ward, Don McDonald, Emilia & Novello Amazzini, Alessandro & Ida Caratti, Giovanni & Severina Giudicatti, Gliceria-Chan Rebano, Ian & Colleen Shanks, Tony Baker, Isabella Campbell, Rosetta and Anselmo Scarpuzza.

Anniversaries: Fr Frank Fitzgerald, Luigi Armanasco, Anita Lagliva and Dominador Lagliva Sr.

Recently Deceased: Liliana Ricciardi, Simplicio Gabutero (Philippines).

Entrance Antiphon

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

First Reading (Acts 2:1-11)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 103)

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

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.**

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 (Galatians 5:16-25)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence 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. Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



SEQUENCE

Love

Holy Spirit, Lord of Light,
From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance give.

Joy

Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come with treasures which endure
Come, thou light of all that live!

Peace

Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow

patience

Thou in toil art comfort sweet,
Pleasant coolness in the heat
Solace in the midst of woe.

kindness

Light immortal, light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill:

Goodness

If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay
All his good is turned to ill.

Trustfulness

Heal our wounds, our strength renew,
On our dryness pour thy dew
Wash the stains of guilt away:

gentleness

Bend the stubborn heart and will,
Melt the frozen, warm the chill
Guide the steps that go astray.

self-control

Thou, on us who evermore,
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:

let us
be directed by
the Spirit

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 15:26-27;16:12-15)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

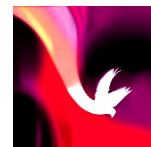
Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset. 'I still have many things to say to you but they would 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.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Deuter 4:32-34,39-40 | Ps 32 | Romans 8:14-17 | Matthew 28:16-20