

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF GERALDTON

St Francis Xavier Cathedral

Administrator Fr Tai Trinh
Assistant Priests Fr Larry Rodillas
Nagle Chaplain Fr Bernard Balaraj

Mass Times
 Saturday Vigil 6:00pm
 Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am and 6:00pm
 Monday – Friday 7:00am Friday 12:05pm
Saturdays & Public Holidays 9:00am

Confessions
 Friday 11:30am -11:55am
 Saturday 11:00am -12:00pm & 5:30-5:55pm



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 A

24 May 2026

VOCATION VIEW: *There are different gifts, but the same Spirit." Each of us has been graced with certain gifts of the Spirit. And they are active, if we utilise them for the building up of the Church. Name the way the Lord has gifted you.*

The Word of God and his Breath are at the origin of the being and life of every creature: It belongs to the Holy Spirit to rule, sanctify, and animate creation, for he is God, consubstantial with the Father and the Son.... Power over life pertains to the Spirit, for being God he preserves creation in the Father through the Son.

Against all human hope, God promises descendants to Abraham, as the fruit of faith and of the power of the Holy Spirit. In Abraham's progeny all the nations of the earth will be blessed. This progeny will be Christ himself, in whom the outpouring of



the Holy Spirit will "gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad." God commits himself by his own solemn oath to giving his beloved Son and "the promised Holy Spirit . . . [who is] the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it."
 - *Catechism of the Catholic Church* # 703 & 706

Pentecost Pilgrimage Today

Bon voyage to the participants of Pilgrimage today to celebrate Pentecost and the solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia. Starts at 9:30am Mass in St Francis Xavier Cathedral followed by boarding bus to Northampton at 11am; and returning to Geraldton by 5pm.

National Volunteer Week | 18-24 May

National volunteer Week this year concludes today. The theme for this year is **"Your Year to Volunteer"**, which aligns with the United Nations International Year of Volunteers for Sustainable Development. The campaign invites Australians to find meaningful ways to give back that fit their lifestyle.

For more information please visit <https://volunteeringwa.org.au/>



Congratulations

Congratulations to Camila Nairn who receives the sacrament of Confirmation today at 9:30am Mass. May the preparations you have made through OCIA and the sacrament you receive today lead you to a deeper relationship with Christ and His Church.

Mass Count in all Churches

The Mass count concludes this weekend. On this last weekend we count the attendance in various age groups. So please raise your hands when you are prompted for your age group.

Flores de Mayo (Flowers of May) Mass & Procession

Join the Mass and Procession at St Lawrence's Church Bluff Point next Sunday, 31st May at 3:00pm followed by bring & share dinner. Everyone is invited.



Migrant Jubilee Cross in the Cathedral this Weekend

The Pilgrimage of the Migrant Jubilee Cross Australia 2025 (MJC) aims to offer an opportunity for the Catholic Church in Australia to mark the celebration of the Jubilee of Migrants in October 2025 and continue to acknowledge and celebrate the faith, gifts, contributions, and resilience that migrant communities bring to our local Church and the world.

The Migrant Jubilee Cross will be available to venerate at 6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass and 9:30am Mass in the Cathedral this weekend.

Travelling Reliquary

The Migrant Jubilee Cross is a Travelling Reliquary.

Relics of the Holy Family contained in the Migrant Jubilee Cross are fragments from the Holy Crib of our Lord, Veil of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Cloak of Saint Joseph.

Relic from the 1914 Original Cedar Coffin of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop also included in it.

What is a Relic?

A relic is an object or article of special religious significance, normally related to a saint. It can be a physical remain of the saint or one of their personal effects. They are



used as a memorial to the saint. Relics are divided into different classes. First Class Relics are relics which were an actual part of the saint, such as a limb, bone fragment or hair. Second Class Relics are something that was owned by the saint or used to torture a martyr. Third Class Relics are anything that have touched a First Class Relic.

Relics do not have "magic powers" but are often associated with miracles, as people pray for the intercession of the saint whose relics are before them. They are a unique way to directly connect with saints who inspire us through their faith and miracles.

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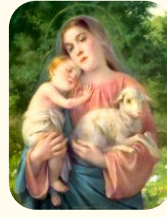


If you require a priest in emergency, phone 9964 1608 (24/7)

MONTH OF MAY - THE MONTH OF MARY

"This motherhood of Mary in the order of grace continues uninterruptedly from the consent which she loyally gave at the Annunciation and which she sustained without wavering beneath the cross, until the eternal fulfilment of all the elect. Taken up to heaven she did not lay aside this saving office but by her manifold intercession continues to bring us the gifts of eternal salvation "Mary's function as mother of

men in no way obscures or diminishes this unique mediation of Christ, but rather shows its power. But the Blessed Virgin's salutary influence on men . . . flows forth from the superabundance of the merits of Christ, rests on his mediation, depends entirely on it, and draws all its power from it." "No creature could ever be counted along



with the Incarnate Word and Redeemer; but just as the priesthood of Christ is shared in various ways both by his ministers and the faithful, and as the one goodness of God is radiated in different ways among his creatures, so also the unique mediation of the Redeemer does not exclude but rather gives rise to a manifold cooperation which is but a sharing in this one source."

Catechism of the Catholic Church #969-970

Baptism Preparation Meeting

The next Baptism preparation meeting will be Tuesday, 9th June at **5:30pm** in the Parish Seminar Room. This meeting is mandatory for the parents of the eldest child to be baptised. *For booking, please contact the Parish Office on 9964 1608 or Email: gtonparish@geraldtoncatholic.org.au*



Our Priests Are Under Attack — Will You Stand With Them?

No priests. No sacraments!

Our priests face constant spiritual battles, sacrifices, and pressures in serving God's people. They need our prayers now more than ever. The Marguerite Apostolate invites you to spiritually support priests through simple daily prayers, a decade of the Rosary, Mass offerings, personal sacrifices or sufferings. Every prayer matters. *Nominate one priest - or many - or let us help you choose priests to pray for. For enquiries or priest enrolment, please contact Cecilia at MargueriteApostolate@gmail.com*

Friday Fast

Please continue your generous giving. If you need more envelopes or have any questions about Friday Fast, please scan this QR code to access our Parish Website or via <https://geraldtoncathedral.org/friday-fast/> or contact Jan Bowen on 0438 804 191.



Looking for First Holy Communion Gifts or Cards?

There are many piety gift items available for First Holy Communion or other celebrations 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...*



Prayer for a Good Season

God, We see and feel You in so many different ways and we know that You are there. We thank You for all the good things in our lives. The stability of our governments, our political and religious freedom and the easy way of life that is part of being an Australian and which we so often take for granted.

Lord, we seek the blessing of your rain which brings hope to our communities of a good season. Continue to look upon us and send the rain we need in order to grow our crops and pastures so that we can provide for our families and fulfil our obligations.

We ask that You grant us the support and comfort of Your presence so that we can get through this season, no matter what the outcome.

Through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.



Please Turn Off your phones in the Church.

Everyone is kindly requested to **turn off** your mobile phones whilst in the Church especially during Mass and Adoration as it disturbs other people. Thank you.



Parish Finances
Contributions of 17th May 2026

	Cathedral	Rangeway	Bluff Point
Priests' Collection	\$ 1756.40		687.05
Envelopes	\$ 120.00	142.00	240.00
Parish Collection	\$ 1287.20		461.00
Friday Fast	\$ 56.60		



Safeguarding Officers of the Catholic Parishes of Geraldton

We thank them for their commitment to the children and the vulnerable in our parishes.



Amy Zinetti



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Every Child, in every community needs a fair go

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At Pentecost, Jesus' confused disciples were gathered and locked in a room. Fear and suspicion filled the air. There was more perspiration than inspiration! The disciples were afraid that they would suffer the same fate as their Master. They listened and waited for the mob to arrive. They hoped that no one would discover their hiding place.

In contrast, there's the powerful image of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit is not halted by locked doors or locked hearts. The Spirit is not excluded from the vulnerable parts of people's lives. When the Spirit came upon the disciples, it wasn't like a gentle breeze, but more like a cyclonic wind that flattens everything in its path.

The Spirit fires the disheartened disciples with new energy, enthusiasm and authority. The divine wind swept them off their feet, and drove them out of hiding. The divine fire set them ablaze with zeal for God's Kingdom and empowered them for their mission. They go out into the world, and fearlessly proclaim the gospel with its message of peace and

forgiveness. At first the crowd is confused, "because each one heard the disciples speaking in his own language". Something had happened to change

language in search of meaning and understanding. It's music in search of a melody. It's words in search of a story. It's a blank canvas in search of beauty and creativity. It's the language of the Holy Spirit.

The blaze that began at Pentecost has continued across the centuries, growing, spreading, scorching. At times, humanity has tried to avoid or escape it; and tried to ignore the beauty and disturbance of the Spirit's power and energy. We've tried to tame or dilute it into a cosy, domesticated faith, rather than subject ourselves to the Spirit's transforming and purifying fire.

But, try as we might, the Spirit blows where it will. The Spirit cannot be captured or contained; it's not conservative or liberal, it's not 'us or them.' The Spirit is free. The Spirit is everywhere, and is especially alive in us; sending us out into the world like the disciples and empowering us to bring peace and forgiveness wherever life takes us. Every day is a Pentecost..

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the disciples' outlook and behaviour. The crowd's second reaction is amazement: "are not all these people who are speaking Galileans." Yet everyone understood what the disciples were saying.

When that happened, there was communion, whereas before there had been misunderstanding and division. The disciples' 'broke through' to people, and spoke a deeper and more personal language that's actually in all of us, and which so rarely gets spoken. It's a

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.

Christian Meditation Group

The Christian Meditation Group meets every Wednesday in the Cathedral Crypt, after the 7.00am Mass. For further information, please phone Iris Bolton (Coordinator) on 0498 162 774.

THE PILGRIM ROSARY STATUE OF THE CATHEDRAL

The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be in the Cathedral Crypt in the month of May. Rosary will be prayed at **5pm Mon - Fri**.



Exposition in the Cathedral

Every Thursday after 7am Mass until 8am, Saturdays 8:30-9:00am followed by Mass and First Fridays 11 am-12 pm and 7:30-9:30pm concluded with benediction.

Holy Hour at Nazareth House Chapel

Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 4:00-5:00 pm
Sundays 3-4pm in the Nazareth House main Chapel.



Please pray for those who are ill:

Rose Ralph, Tim Conway, Maria Salamone, Maureen Burke, Andres Rodillas, Peter Scarpuzza, Diana Bennett, Erica Pirrottina, Kim-Maree Kelly, Shirley Travis, Allan Malonzo, Pat Miragliotta, Derek Levett, Ron Coumbe, Matthew Greenlees, Ramon Tan Jr., Zenaida Tan, Peg Faithfull, Colleen Salter, Sr Terri Emslie pbvm, David Muir, Francesca Guagliardo and Bronwyn Marsh.



For the deceased: Frank & Lina Zinetti, Rosetta & Anselmo Scarpuzza, Jim & Nancy Ward, Colleen Shanks and Don McDonald.

Anniversaries: Luigi Armanasco and Bing Baker.

Recently Deceased: Wilfrid Gregory, Dominic Duong (Fr Tam's Father), Minnie Shaw and John Landon.



Feasts of the Week

25 May Mon Our Lady, Help of Christians
26 May Tue Saint Philip Neri



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.



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.

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

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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!



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)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

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.'

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

Ex 34:4-6, 8-9 | Dan 3:52-56 | 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 | John 3:16-18

Make your contributions online

You are welcome to make EFT transfers using Parish bank details as follows: **BSB 086 006** and **Account Number 826504934**, AC Name: SFX Cathedral Parish.

Please put an appropriate reference/description such as **"donation, second collection, Planned Giving"** etc. For more details, visit our webpage using this QR code or via link <https://geraldtoncathedral.org/support-us/>

