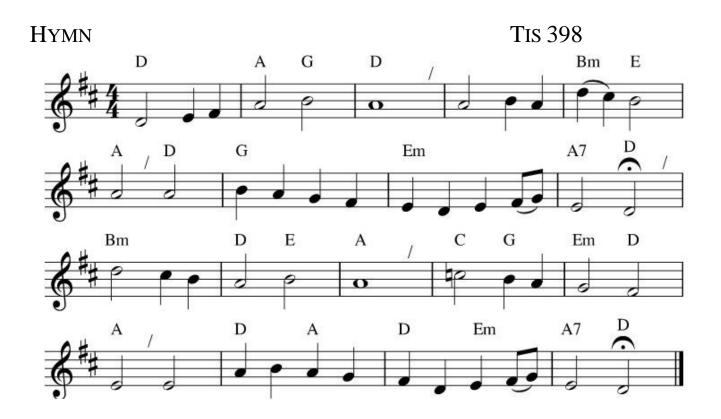


Welcome to St Mary's North Melbourne. Thank you for joining us in worship. Please join in saying the text marked in bold and singing the musical responses and hymns.

INTRODUCTION

Today we celebrate the feast of the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and upon the Church. We reflect on the vocation that the Spirit has given to us at baptism and confirmation, to continue God's work in this world. Empowered by that Spirit we are able to use our varied gifts and talents in the service of the Gospel.



 Come down, O Love divine, seek now this soul of mine, and visit it with your own ardour glowing; O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear and kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.

- 2. There let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes, in its heat consuming; and let your glorious light shine ever on my sight and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.
- 3. Let holy charity my outer garment be, and lowliness become my inner clothing: true lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part and for its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.
- 4. And so the yearning strong with which the soul will long shall far outpass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace till we become the place in which the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

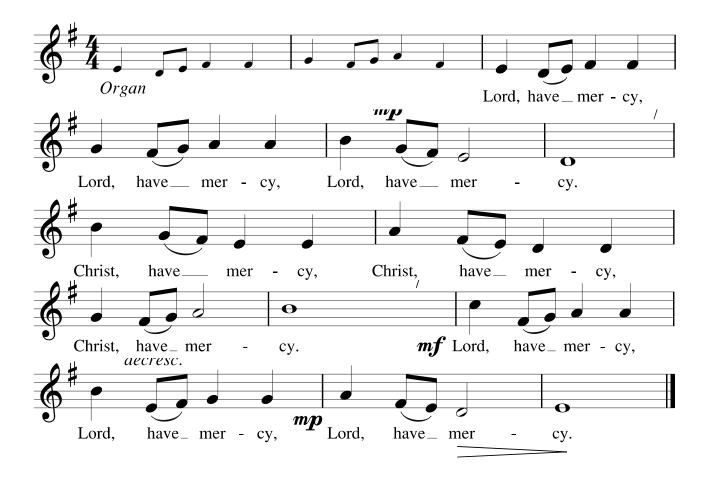
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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.** The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.



INTRODUCTION TO CONFESSION

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world and knows our every word and deed. Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Merciful God, our Maker and our Judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA



THE COLLECT

Almighty God, at the feast of Pentecost you sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: empower us with that same Spirit to witness to your redeeming love and draw all people to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

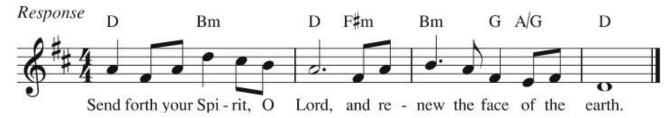
When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 104

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Response:



O 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. *Response*

You take back your Spirit, they die, returning to the dust where they came. You send forth your Spirit; they are created; you renew the face of the earth. *Response*

May your glory, Lord, endure for ever. May your works give joy to your heart! May my thoughts be pleasing to God. I find my joy in the Lord. *Response*

Anthony Gregory Murray (1905-1992)

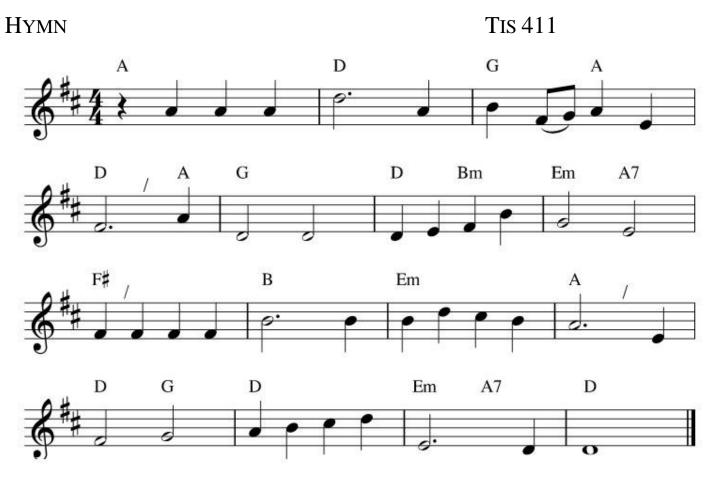
SECOND READING

A reading from Paul's letter to the Corinthians:

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12.1–13

For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



- 1. Filled with the Spirit's power, with one accord the infant church confessed its risen Lord: O Holy Spirit, in the church today no less your power of fellowship display.
- 2. Now with the mind of Christ set us on fire, that unity may be our great desire: give joy and peace; give faith to hear your call, and readiness in each to work for all.
- 3. Widen our love, good Spirit, to embrace in your strong care all those of every race: like wind and fire with life among us move till we are known as Christ's, and Christians prove.

J. R. Peacey 1896–1971 alt.

ANTHEM



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

The Lord be with you **And also with you.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

John 20.19–23

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each section: Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

And at the end:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE GREETINGS OF PEACE

Jesus says: Peace is my parting gift to you, My own peace, such as the world cannot give. Trust in God always; trust also in me. The Peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

HYMN TIS 406

- Spirit divine, attend our prayers and make this house your home, descend with all your gracious powers: O come, great Spirit, come.
- 2. Come as the light: to us reveal our emptiness and woe, and lead us in those paths of life where all the righteous go.
- 3. Come as the fire: and purge our hearts like sacrificial flame; let our whole life an offering be to our Redeemer's name.
- 4. Come as the dove: and spread your wings, the wings of peaceful love, and let your Church on earth become blest as the Church above.
- 5. Come as the wind, with rushing sound and pentecostal grace, that all of woman born may see the glory of your face.
- 6. Spirit divine, attend our prayers, make this lost world your home; descend with all your gracious powers: O come, great Spirit, come.

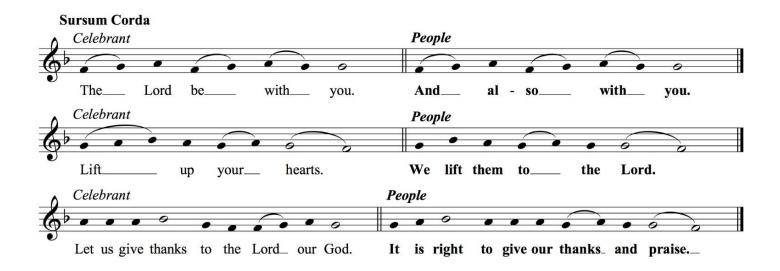
THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessèd be God for ever.

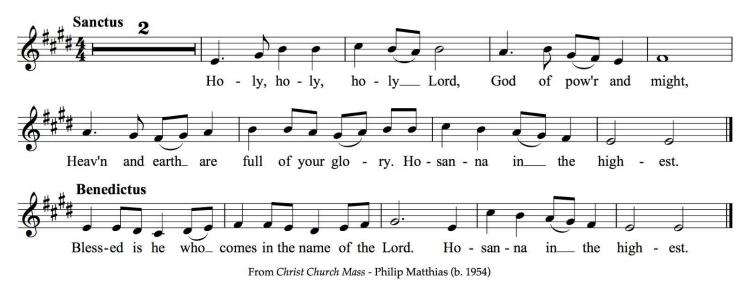
Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessèd be God for ever.



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

All glory and honour, be yours now and always, mighty Creator, everliving God. We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us. By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people. Today we give you thanks that in fulfilment of your promise you pour forth your Spirit upon us, filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth. You give us power to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:



Merciful God,

we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'



Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:

proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,

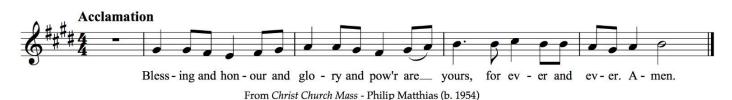
and looking for his coming again,

we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,

his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:



THE LORD'S PRAYER

As Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:

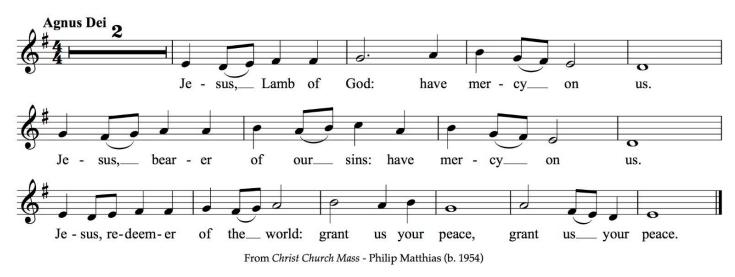
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body, **for we all share in the one bread.**

AGNUS DEI

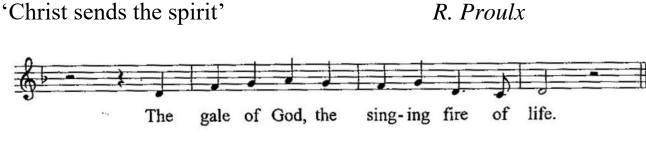


THE INVITATION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

ANTHEM:



The congregation are invited to join in the chorus line at the conclusion of each verse.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN

TIS 416



- 1. Great God, your Spirit, like the wind unseen but shaking things we see will never leave us undisturbed fulfil our dreams, or set us free, until we turn from faithless fear and prove the promise of your grace in justice, peace and daily bread with joy for all the human race.
- 2. Lord, shake us with the force of love, to rouse us from our dreadful sleep; remove our hearts of stone, and give new hearts of flesh, to break and weep for all your children in distress and dying for the wealth we keep. Help us prevent, while we have time, the blighted harvest greed must reap.

3. And then, in your compassion, give your Spirit like the gentle rain, creating fertile ground from which your peace and justice spring like grain; until your love is satisfied, with all creation freed from pain, and all your children live to praise your will fulfilled, your presence plain.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love.

Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of the Spirit.

THE BLESSING

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! In the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS

Please pray for those in need: including Ken, Neil and Tricia, Father Rob, Bianca and family, Gerard, Annie and Ben, Colette and John, Han Yu An, Karina and Anna.

Also, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Michaela Jane McMahon and Dorothy Heslop.

If there is a name that should be included please advise the Parish Office by email <u>office@stmarys.org.au</u>

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Roster	
	May 28th
8:00am Reader	TBC
10:00am Reader	Robert Gribben
Serving Team	Anne and TBC
Welcome	Rhondda Fahey
Introduction & Intercessions	Audrey Statham
Video/AV	Samuel Miller
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Rosie Moloney
Morning Tea	Marion Poynter & Elizabeth Brookes
Collection Counting	Parish Council +1
Flowers	TBC

St Mary's Parish Notices

Social Dinner at The Castle

We're holding a social dinner on Monday the 29th of May from 7.00 pm. All are welcome to join us at The Castle, 56 Courtney Street North Melbourne. https://thecastlehotel.com.au

No agenda, no speeches, no designated seating and it will be pay your own way. Come and go as you wish. Just come for a drink and a chat if you like. See you there!

Treasurer's Assistant Wanted

Parish Council is looking for someone to assist Paul with overseeing the church's finances with a view to taking over the position of Treasurer in November after the AGM. Training will be provided to anyone interested in taking on this varied and crucial role within the Parish. If you have any questions, please speak with Paul Eikelboom or a member of Parish Council.

Choir

The Choir encourages the congregation to think about either joining or encouraging acquaintances who might like to learn how to sing in a choir.

GIVING TO SUPPORT ST MARYS

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