St John Vianney's Catholic Parish

embracing the worshipping communities of
Manly & Gumdale

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Pentecost Sunday - Year A

23 & 24 May 2026

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Sacraments of Initiation
All enquiries for Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation, please contact the parish office.

Funerals and Weddings
All enquiries regarding Funerals and Weddings, please contact the parish office.

Parish Mission Statement

We follow the words of our patron, St John Vianney, who said "He is here."

We recognise Christ is in the Word, the Eucharist, and in us, His people, with a special reverence for Him, in the poor and marginalised.
We are called to make Christ present through our prayer and charity.
We seek to grow in our spiritual lives and create a community where everyone is welcome;
the young and the old, together to experience the loving presence of God.
We believe He is here amongst us and we joyfully go out to make Him present to all.

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet, the Quandamooka, Yuggera and Turribal Peoples, and pay our respects to Elders past, present, and emerging. We recognise their continuing connection to land, waters, and culture.

From Pentecost to Mission: Inviting Others to Christ Through RCIA

As the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Pentecost, we are reminded once again of the powerful coming of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples of Jesus. Gathered together in fear and uncertainty after the Ascension of the Lord, the apostles were transformed by the gift of the Holy Spirit and sent out into the world to proclaim the Gospel to all nations. Pentecost is therefore not simply an event of the past; it marks the birth of the Church's mission, a mission that continues in every generation through the work of ordinary believers responding to the call of God.

This year, our parish has been greatly blessed to witness this mission continuing in a very visible way through the reception of four newly initiated parishioners at Easter. Through prayer, formation, and the grace of the sacraments, they entered fully into the life of the Church and began a new journey of discipleship in Christ. Their presence among us is a joyful reminder that the Holy Spirit is still active today, continuing to touch hearts and lead people to faith in Jesus Christ.

As one RCIA journey concludes, another is about to begin. In the coming one or two months, our parish will commence a new RCIA cycle for those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or preparing to become Catholic Christians. RCIA is open to those who have not been baptised, Christians from other denominations seeking full communion with the Catholic Church, and baptised Catholics who have not yet received Confirmation and First Holy Communion and/or systematic catechetical formation.

Pentecost also reminds us that the mission of evangelisation belongs to every member of the Church, not only to priests, deacons, or catechists. The apostles did not keep the gift of the Holy Spirit to themselves; they went out courageously to share the Good News with others. We are called to do the same in our own daily lives — within our families, friendships, workplaces, and communities.

I warmly encourage all parishioners to prayerfully consider inviting someone who may be interested in the Catholic faith to participate in RCIA this year. Perhaps it may be a family member, a friend, a colleague, or a neighbour who has never encountered Christ in a personal way or who has quietly been searching for deeper meaning in life. A simple invitation may become the beginning of a life-changing journey of faith.

If you or someone you know would like to enquire about RCIA, please contact the Parish Office for further information.

The week ahead...

25th May	**Mon**	No Mass **Parish Office Closed**
26th May	**Tues**	6pm Mass **Parish Office Closed**
27th May	**Wed**	9am Rosary 9.30am Mass, followed by morning tea **Parish Office Open 8.30am - 1.30pm**
28nd May	**Thurs**	No Mass **Parish Office Closed**
29th May	**Fri**	No Mass **Parish Office Closed**
30th May	**Sat**	4.30pm Reconciliation [or by appointment] 5pm Sunday Vigil Mass
31st May	**Sun**	**The Holy Trinity** 7am Mass (St Jude's) 9.30 am Mass (SJV)

Fr Baiyi's Weekly Prayer

Almighty God, you sent the Holy Spirit upon the apostles in tongues of fire and with the sound of a powerful wind, revealing his heavenly origin.

Strengthened by the same Spirit, may we proclaim in words and deeds the language of love that all can understand.

Help us to follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit and to walk in the footsteps of the apostles as we carry out the mission of your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen

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love has no borders

Our Parish community continues to support ***The Romero Centre, Brisbane,*** a support centre assisting people arriving in Australia seeking asylum and safety from torture, war and violence.
The Centre helps thousands of people each year – free of charge - through trauma counselling, legal advice, English classes, food packages, shelter, medical and social support.

The Romero Centre relies heavily on volunteers and community donations to operate and, in recent times, demand for this service has increased.

PLEASE consider helping this vital work by donating **GROCERY GIFT CARDS or CASH** (in a sealed envelope marked ROMERO CENTRE provided in the church) ANY TIME through the usual weekend collection.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Weekend Rosters	Altar Servers	Commentator	1st Reader	2nd Reader	EMHC	Screen	Counter
23 May	Denis Henry Sienna	Alison	Gerardina	Jane	Denise Colleen Carmel	Carmel S-K	C
24 May	Lita Julieta	Carolina	Helen	Steve T	Trish Mark	Aurelie Charlotte	
30 May	Peter Harvey Sienna	Colleen	Jen	Denise	Mikaela Alison Gerardina	Pam	D
31 May	Lita	Sonia	Trish	Mark	Heather Donna	Donna	

"The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all."

This policy applies to **Clergy, Religious, Staff, Parishioners, Volunteers, students on placement and visitors to our sites.** For information or to report an incident, please contact our local Safeguarding Reps: Jane O'Brien & Neil Taylor on **lsr.manly@bne.catholic.net.au**

IMPORTANT

UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION 25-29 MAY Please see calendar on page 2 for Parish office and church hours. **Reminder:** When we are closed, PLEASE DO NOT ENTER the church or office, as there is HIGH RISK of accident/injury. **Please note:** Aurelie will still be available Mon/Wed/Fri 8.30-1.30pm by email and telephone. Josephine will be available Thursday 8.30-1.30pm via email and telephone. If you need access to the church at other times, please call Aurelie (Parish Manager) on 0413 915 374. Thank you for your patience.

Sending and receiving communication within the Parish…

Please complete the brief survey by using the QR code in the newsletter, or from the poster near the entrance of the church, use the suggestion box at the back of the church, or speak directly with a member of the PPC.

Holy Hour of Adoration - The Knights of the Southern Cross, Wynnum-Manly Branch, hosts a Holy Hour of Adoration on the FIRST FRIDAY of each month from 5pm – 6pm. Venue: Guardian Angels church, Wynnum. Our next Adoration is on Friday 5th June. Everyone is welcome.

INTERNATIONAL MORNING TEA **POSTPONED**

For parishioners looking forward to our traditional International Morning Tea on Pentecost Sunday, this will unfortunately not take place this year, due to problems with access to the hall because of current building works.

However, on **Sunday 2nd August** we are planning a special morning to celebrate our patron saint. So watch this space!!

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Sacrament of
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Preparation Sessions - Your choice of Saturday or Sunday
LOCATION - Sessions will be in the CHURCH not the hall.

Final Preparation - Week 4: 23 May 3.30pm or 24th May 8am
Tuesday catch-up session will be led by Denis Hohnen 4.30pm to 5.30pm.

Rehearsal: 10am Saturday 30 May
Ceremony: Sat 6th June 5pm Mass; or Sun 7th June 9.30am Mass

Children: Remember to have your attendance card signed after Mass.

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PLEASE PRAY for those who are recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Ethel Barker, Bernardo Barot Jr., Ramona Mackay Barot, Simeona Violeta Barot, Dennis Biggs, Andrew Caltabiano, George Carney, Breeanna Castillon, Sr (James) Cavanagh, Sr Emmanuel (Mary) Conneely, Gerald Costello, Agnes (Nancy) Davies, Andreas de Bruijn, Hester Deutschmann, Clarence Dunlop, Bill Dyer, Jacqueline Farmer, Geoffrey Harrison, Kathleen Hodge, Alan Kane, Francis Kate, Naomi Keller, Jackie Kneeshaw, Ian Lennon, Bessie Lucker, Eva Mancktelow, Agnes Marano, Patrick McDonald, Christins McMahon, Clara Mills, Monica Mulheran, Kevin Mawn, Kate Newman, Mary O'Shea, Sr Francis Perry, Richard Pittock, Josefa Raleigh, Francis Ritchie, Lenore Segeren, Terence Shephard, Annie Smith, Harold Smith, Lawreen Smith, Helen Stewart, Phyllis Sticher, Dudley Taylor, Lothar Thiel, Monica Wells, Kenneth White, Geoffrey Williams, Crispolo Zerna.

WE ALSO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

John Abberdan, Laurie Atzeni, Jocelyn Barron, Jack & Mary Beard, Rafferty Beaumont, Ailbe Caplis, Reg Carmichael, Dell Chapman, Sue Wynne-Davies, Emily de Looze, Anne Dixon, Irene Gavrila, Maureen Handcock, May Horneman, Chris Lee, Elizabeth Lisenski, Dennis Long, Grace Moon, Carlos Manabat, Sue McDonald, Patrick Nofoakifolau, Robert Patterson, Richard Pook, Francis Raisch, Edward Rawhiti, Eric Roberts, Glenda Rogers, Therese Shepherd, Joanne Small, Barry Smith, and Emma Walters.

To include a name in our 'Recently Deceased', or 'For those Who Are Sick' the Privacy Act requires the permission of a close relative.

MAKING DONATIONS TO OUR CHURCH

By EFTPOS -
The EFTPOS terminal is at the Manly parish church.
You can swipe, tap or insert your card for the amount of your choice.

By direct deposit -
BSB: 064-786 Acc No: 100002778
Account Name: **St John Vianney's Parish, Manly.**

Or call in to the parish office and ask for gifting envelopes.

Liturgy of the Word
Pentecost Sunday Year A
Sunday 24 May 2026

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 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

Responsorial Psalm Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34.

(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

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.

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Sequence – Please see screen during Mass.

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

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