

# St Therese's Parish Essendon



22 and 23 May 2021  
Pentecost Sunday Year B



**First Reading** Acts 2:1-11 A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

*They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.*

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? Parthia's, 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.'

**Gospel** Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

The Spirit of truth will guide you into all the truth. 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.'

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**WE WELCOME FR KEVIN BURKE** Who is celebrating 50 + 1 years since ordination this weekend at St Therese's by saying Mass this Sunday at 10:30am. Congratulations Kevin!

**THANKS TO BISHOP TERRY CURTAIN** who celebrated our two Confirmation Masses this Friday afternoon and evening. Bishop Terry is always engaging and engaged with our students and we warmly thank him for his continued contribution to our parish life.

**CHAPLAINCY APPEAL** Thank you! Last weekend we conducted the annual Chaplaincy Appeal in our parish. The presence of Catholic chaplains is a crucial witness to our faith, a crucial dimension of our service of love, and a vital testimony to the value of life in all its stages. Thank you to those who have donated generously to this appeal. If you still wish to donate or if you would like to have more information about Chaplaincy services, please visit online at [www.cam.org.au](http://www.cam.org.au) or call (03) 9287 5513.

**MASS COUNT** Our collectors will be conducting our Parish Mass 'count' throughout May.



**RECONCILIATION WEEK** Next weekend's Masses we will reflect on the rich contribution of Aboriginal and Torres Straits Islanders to our culture. Reconciliation Week is an opportunity to strengthen relationships with our First Peoples and unite with them. 27 May marks the anniversary of the 1967 referendum when Australians voted "Yes" to change the law and let Aboriginal people be counted in the national census and the beginning of National Reconciliation Week. National Sorry Day is this Wednesday 26 May.

**COVID MARSHALS NEEDED** Last Friday (7 May 2021) the Victorian Government announced that it is moving to a single QR Code Covid-19 check-in system. This means that by 6pm on Friday, 28 May, all Parishes must use the free Victorian Government QR Code Service and have Covid marshals in place to ensure people are checking in at relevant Parish activities (e.g. Mass, weddings and funerals, and use of Parish spaces for community events). We are looking for willing and able volunteers to fulfil this role.

Marshals will be rostered for each Mass to ensure people are checking in and may assist attendees by checking them in using the parish devices. If you can assist please contact the office on 9401 6330 or by email [essendon@cam.org.au](mailto:essendon@cam.org.au) All volunteers must have a current Working With Children Check.

**PARISH CENTENARY IN 2022** St Therese's Parish will celebrate its centenary in 2022 which is a significant milestone in the life of our parish community. In order to ensure we celebrate it appropriately, parishioners of all ages are invited to join the 'Centenary Planning Team', to assist in the identification and planning of activities for the 100th anniversary year. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office on 9401 6330 or [essendon@cam.org.au](mailto:essendon@cam.org.au) and let them know, or alternatively, email the Parish Leadership Team at [essendon.plt@cam.org.au](mailto:essendon.plt@cam.org.au) If that's not your thing, you can send any suggestions you have to the Parish Office, or Parish Leadership Team, as indicated above. Let's make 2022 a year to remember, so get those thinking caps on and let's make it a celebration worthy of our history!

**PARISH PASTORAL VISITATION** Parishioner Sister Cathy Meese RSC has offered to provide pastoral care to parishioners who are unable to get to Mass regularly and also to those who have been recently bereaved. If you would like her to make a call, then please phone the parish office during office hours to let us know, so that she can be informed and follow up. Sister Cathy has been a long term primary school principal, works in prison ministry, and also has provided care for the homeless in her many years of diverse mission as Charity sister. We all thank her on behalf of the parish community for her generous commitment.

**PENTECOST MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP COMENSOLI** A letter from Archbishop Peter is printed (on green paper) and available from entry tables for parishioners to take home.

PARISH DIARY		
Date	Event	Time
Sunday 23 May	Fr Kevin Burke celebrating Mass to celebrate 51 years since ordination Parish Baptisms	10:30am 12noon
Wednesday 26 May	National Sorry Day	
Sunday 30 May	National Reconciliation Week Refugee and Asylum Seeker Support Group meet in PACE	All Masses After 10:30 Mass
Saturday 5 June	School Mass – Grade One	6:00pm
Sunday 6 June	Winter Appeal – St Vincent de Paul Society	All Masses
Wednesday 9 June	SVDP Essendon Regional Conference in PACE Function room	7:30pm
Monday 14 June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday – parish office closed	
Monday 21 June	SVDP – Essendon Conference in PACE Function room	7:00pm
Friday 25 June	School term 2 concludes	3:30pm
Sunday 27 June	Parish Baptisms	12noon
Monday 12 July	School term 3 commences (pupil-free day)	
Tuesday 13 July	St Therese's students resume classes	8:45am
Wednesday 14 July	SVDP Essendon Regional Conference in PACE Function room	7:30pm
Sunday 18 July	Welcoming Mass for Baptism families	10:30am
Monday 19 July	SVDP – Essendon Conference in PACE Function room	7:00pm
Sunday 25 July	Parish Baptisms	12noon

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 Weekday Masses: Tuesday to Friday 10.00am - Weekend Masses: Saturday 6.00pm & Sunday 9.00am and 10.30am  
 School email: [principal@stessendon.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@stessendon.catholic.edu.au)  
 St Vincent de Paul helpline: 1800 305 330 WEEKDAYS 10:00am–3:00pm

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# We are filled with the Holy Spirit



Pentecost Sunday, Year A, B and C

## Gospel

Jn 20:19-23

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.'

Each person was able to hear the message of the Gospel in their own language. See if you can decipher the language below to read the special message.

∪ = A	± = H	* = R
⚡ = D	∩ = I	≡ = S
∇ = E	∩ = L	⊖ = T
∪ = F	∩ = N	∨ = U
⊖ = G	∩ = O	⚡ = W

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The Spirit Brings

# LOVE

I can show love by \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.



The Spirit Brings

# PEACE

I can be a peacemaker by \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.



The Spirit Brings

# JOY

I can show joy by \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.

# We are filled with the Holy Spirit



When Jesus appeared to his disciples he gave them the gift of the Holy Spirit.  
Draw a flame above the head of each of the disciples below.



Draw a picture of three people you know who are filled with the Holy Spirit - it could even be yourself!

