

# The Feast of Pentecost

## **What festival is this?**

It is the day on which the Holy Ghost descended in the form of fiery tongues, upon the apostles and disciples, who with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, were assembled in prayer in a house at Jerusalem.

## **Why is this day called Pentecost?**

The word 'Pentecost' is taken from the Greek, and signifies fifty. As St. Jerome explains it, this was the last of the fifty days, commencing with Easter, which the early Christians celebrated as days of rejoicing at the resurrection of the Lord.

## **Why is this day observed so solemnly?**

Because on this day the Holy Ghost, having descended upon the apostles, the law of grace, of purification from sin, and the sanctification of mankind, was for the first time announced to the world; because on this day the apostles, being filled with the Holy Ghost, commenced the work of purifying and sanctifying mankind, by baptizing three thousand persons who were converted by the sermon of St. Peter; and because on this day the Church of Jesus became visible as a community to the world, and publicly professed her faith in her crucified Saviour.

## **Why did the Holy Ghost descend on the Jewish Pentecost?**

Because on their Pentecost the Jews celebrated the anniversary of the giving of the law on Mount Sinai, and God would show by sending the Holy Ghost on this day, that the Old Law had ceased and the New Law commenced. God also chose this time, that the Jews who on this day came together from all countries to Jerusalem to celebrate the Pentecost, might be witnesses of the miracle, and hear the New Law announced by the apostles.

## **Why did the Holy Ghost come upon the apostles in the form of fiery tongues?**

The appearance of fiery tongues indicated the gift of language imparted to the apostles by the Holy Ghost, and inflamed their hearts and the hearts of the faithful with the love of God and their neighbour.

## **What special effects did the Holy Ghost produce in the apostles?**

He freed them from all doubt and fear; gave them His light for the perfect knowledge of truth; inflamed their hearts with the most ardent love, and incited in them the fiery zeal for the propagation of the kingdom of God, strengthened them to bear all sufferings and persecutions, and gave them the gift of speaking in various languages and of discerning spirits.

# Holy Cross Parish Society of Saint Pius X

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## Pentecost Sunday

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# This Week's Schedule

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May. Pentecost Sunday. (1<sup>st</sup> cl.)**

8:00 am      Low Mass  
 10:00 am      Sung Mass

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May. Pentecost Monday. (1<sup>st</sup> cl.)**

7:15 am      Low Mass.

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May. Pentecost Tuesday. (1<sup>st</sup> cl.)**

7:15 am      Low Mass

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Ember Wednesday. (1<sup>st</sup> cl.)**

7:15 am      Low Mass

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Pentecost Thursday. (1<sup>st</sup> cl.)**

7:15 am      Low Mass  
 6:00 pm      Low Mass followed by Rosary & Benediction

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May. Ember Friday. (1<sup>st</sup> cl.)**

7:15 am      Low Mass

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May. Ember Saturday. (1<sup>st</sup> cl.)**

8:00 am      Low Mass

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May. Trinity Sunday. (1<sup>st</sup> cl.)**

8:00 am      Low Mass  
 10:00 am      Low Mass

Rosters			
Sunday	Cleaning (Sat)	Flowers (Sat)	Tea Stall (Sun)
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Liz Barling	Ella & Paul	HCP
26 <sup>th</sup> May	Stephen and Karen	HCP	HCP
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	HCP	Liz Barling	Simone Pook
9 <sup>th</sup> June	Liz Barling	Ella & Paul	Liz Barling
16 <sup>th</sup> June	George & Izabella	Susan Maloney	HCP
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Cecile Stocker	Liz Barling	Simone Pook

Altar Serving		
12 <sup>th</sup> May	Ac1: Kevin Murphy	Ac2: Joseph Murphy
19 <sup>th</sup> May <i>Pentecost</i>	Mc: Francois O'Neill Ac1: Bernie Gaynor	Th: Xavier O'Neill Ac2: Kevin Murphy
26 <sup>th</sup> May	Ac1: Riley Ignacio	Ac2: Joseph Murphy
2 <sup>nd</sup> June <i>Corpus Christi</i>	Mc: Kevin Murphy Ac1: Xavier O'Neill	Th: Francois O'Neill (BB: R. Gulapa) Ac2: Br. Joseph
9 <sup>th</sup> June	Ac1 & MC: Caleb Ioakimi	Ac2 & Th: Br. Francis
16 <sup>th</sup> June	Ac1: Riley Ignacio	Ac2: Joseph Murphy

# Announcements

## **Holy Souls**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Marianne Barling, Jean Carlile, Betty McNamara, Ivy Woulfe, Sydnam Dunderdale, Mary Jessop, Leo Moore, Philomena Richards, Bishop Vitus Huonder, Frank Lowry, Patrick Horan, Bernard David and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

## **Catechism**

There will not be Catechism today. The next Catechism will be on the 26<sup>th</sup> of May.

## **Ember days**

Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday this week are traditional Ember days. The faithful are encouraged to observe fast and abstinence on these days.

## **Easter Duty**

The faithful are reminded of their obligation to receive communion from Ash Wednesday till Trinity Sunday. There is also the obligation of Confession once a year, if one is conscious of grave sin.

## **Archconfraternity of St. Stephen**

Training for Altar boys will be held today, 19<sup>th</sup> May, after the 10:00am Mass. See the notice board for further details.

## **MI enrolments**

Anyone wishing to join the MI or renew their enrolment can do so on Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> of May after the 10:00am Mass. More information can be found in the MI corner.

## **Confessions**

Sunday 7:30am – 8:00 am & 9:15-10:00 am

Thursday & 1st Friday: 30 mins before Mass

Saturday 7:30am – 8:00am

## **Ignatian Retreats**

Ladies Retreat: 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> October. Applications via the link <https://spx.au/en/retreats-holy-cross-parish-31177> or fill out the application form in the bookstore.