

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

2:1-11

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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R./ Lord, send out your Spirit
and renew the face of the earth.

SECOND READING

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

12:3-7. 12-13

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL READING

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

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.'



UPCOMING FUNERALS

Funeral Prayers

Tuesday 21st May at 11am (OLA)

William Hodder (RIP)

Funeral Mass

Wednesday 22nd May at 11.30am (St Agnes')

Mariangela Montirosso (RIP)

*May the souls of all our faithful departed,
rest in peace.*

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PENTECOST SUNDAY – YEAR B

18th/19th MAY, 2024



The word Pentecost comes from the Greek for fiftieth day. Pentecost Sunday ends the season of Easter and comes as a Sabbath day after seven weeks of seven days. In Christian tradition, Pentecost is celebrated as the arrival of the Spirit, promised by Jesus, that animated the disciples to proclaim His Gospel to all nations.

In John's Gospel, the Spirit is called 'The Advocate' or 'The Paraclete,' and the role of the Spirit is to teach and remind the disciples of Jesus' words. These are functions that happen within a community where people gather to share stories, to ask questions, to try to find meaning in the events of their lives. Jesus promises that when Christians gather for this purpose they will not be alone. Jesus promises that he, and the God he calls 'Father', will make their home with us, and the Spirit will be there to guide and enlighten us.

Mary Coloe PVBVM

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MASS TIMES – CHELTENHAM & HIGHETT
SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY MASSES:
Saturday [St Agnes Church] 6:00 pm
Sunday [OLA] 9:00 am, 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:
Tuesday [St Agnes Church] 9.00 am
Tuesday [OLA Church] 6.00 pm
Wednesday [OLA Church] 9.15 am
Thursday [OLA Church] 9.15 am
Friday [St Agnes Church] 9.00 am
Saturday [OLA Church] 9.00 am

COMMUNION SERVICE (except Public Holidays)
Monday [OLA Church] 9.15 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
Wednesday 9:45 am
Saturday 9.30 am
i.e. following Mass (COVID-safe protocols apply)

BAPTISMS: Contact Parish Office: 9583 6161.

WEDDINGS: By appointment, 6 months' notice required. Saturdays or weekdays (not Sundays).

The clergy, employees and volunteers of our two parishes are committed to upholding a duty of care to all children, young people and vulnerable adults, taking all reasonable steps to protect children, young people and vulnerable adults from all forms of abuse and harm and commit to safeguard their health and well-being.

PENTECOST SUNDAY
YEAR B - 18th/19th May, 2024

PRAYING FOR:

Jim Hunt, Mariangela Montirosso,
William Hodder,
...and all those who died recently.

WE ALSO REMEMBER:

Joseph D'Monte, Eliamma Mathai,
Norman Figredo, Neliya Edema, Maria Alba,
Judith Dodgson, Peter D'Souza,
Janet George, Jean-Claude Tranquille,
Irene Kowalczyk, Bilela Nada,
Bilela Franc, Joe Charters, Don Yates,

....and all whose anniversaries occur about
this time.

...additionally we keep in our prayers all
who are currently unwell.

Readings for this liturgical year from Advent
2023 to Christ the King 2024 are taken from
Year B in the Lectionary cycle

Should you wish to view the Scripture
Readings for Daily Mass (Australian Liturgical
Calendar) please visit:
universalis.com/australia.melbourne/1000/Mass

VOLUNTEERS: Please make sure that your
WWCC/POLICE CHECK documents are
current, that is, have not expired, and copies
made available to the Parish Office.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: Thank you to all
parishioners who continue to support both the
Thanksgiving and Presbytery collections through
your generous contributions. Both OLA & St
Agnes are now registered for online contributions.

The **CDF Pay** link for **OLA, Cheltenham** is:
<http://bit.ly/CDFpayCheltenham>

The **CDF Pay** link for **St Agnes, Highett** is:
<http://bit.ly/CDFpayHighett>

CHELTENHAM-HIGHETT

The Report and other documents relating to the
forthcoming formal amalgamation of Highett &
Cheltenham Parishes can be accessed via the
OLA website News Page:

<https://olacheltenham.org.au/2024/04/19/discernment-sessions-phase-2-documents/>

Download the detailed '**Implementation Plan**'
for the '**Reconfiguration of the Bayside
Parishes**' here: bit.ly/47JiBhr

You are invited to discern and submit potential
new names for the parish that reflect a
Christological charism. Submissions should
include how you think the name reflects the
charism and why you think it would be a good
choice.

Please email your submission to
Vino.Krishnan@cam.org.au with "**New Parish
Name**" in the subject line, by **Monday 27th
May**.



OLA COMMUNITY PANTRY is
now located at the end of the Wilson
Street exit to our car park. Created &
designed by the amazing Grade 3/4
students, this pantry is a symbol of our
community spirit. Offering a helping hand to
those in need, we gratefully accept donations of
non-perishable food items. Together, through
your generosity and the creativity of our young
leaders, we can build a stronger and more
supportive community for all. **Please take what
you need & give what you can.**

FR ROB McCULLOCH, a Columban
priest, will provide an update on Catholic
projects in Pakistan. He'll celebrate Mass at
St Patrick's Church, Mentone, on **Monday
3rd June at 7pm**. Supper to follow in the
Community Centre and an opportunity to
meet Fr Rob.

RSVP John Beruldsen on M: 0429 693 030 or
Email: johnberuldsen@gmail.com for catering
purposes.

OLA & ST AGNES' FAMILY BOOKS

Each of our churches have 'Family Books' in
their respective foyers, where parishioners and
visitors have the opportunity to inscribe the
names of recently deceased family members or
friends and/or their anniversaries of death.
These books assist in the preparation of our
Prayers of Intercession for the approaching
weekend. As handwriting can be difficult to
read, coupled with our obligations to meet
privacy laws, a reminder to **ALWAYS** include
your Name and Telephone Number, as the
person requesting the inclusion of a loved one's
name in our prayers and bulletin. We appreciate
your cooperation.



**BASP TRIVIA NIGHT NO TRIVIAL
RESULT!** Thank you to those who participated
in the BASP Trivia Night on 3rd May. More than
80 people across several parishes took part, with
over \$8,000 raised to help the Brigidine Asylum
Seekers Project support asylum seekers and
refugees. BASP is paying rent for about 160
people (Strength and Kindness BASP
newsletter, April 2024). Income from the trivia
nights run by the BASP Trivia team at St Mary's
Parish, Hampton helps pay the rent. Thanks to
BASP Trivia and Brigidine Asylum Seekers
Project. Enquiries: Adrian Foley
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BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND With
great joy the Church of God welcomes
those to be Baptised this weekend:

Hannah Burke, Jack Burke,
Oliver Clemente, Lucas Campbell
and Evan Campbell.

**FYI: THE ANNUAL ARCHDIOCESAN
MASS COUNT** continues this weekend and
will be conducted each weekend, across both
our parishes, throughout the month of May.