

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.'



CHRIST OUR LIGHT CATHOLIC PARISH

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PENTECOST SUNDAY YEAR C - 7th/8th JUNE, 2025



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.

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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
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Wednesday	[OLA Church]	9:45 am
Saturday	[OLA Church]	9.30 am

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 C – 7th / 8th JUNE, 2025

PRAYING FOR:

Giuseppe Barca, James Ryan,
Kevin Skidmore, Allan Gomes,
and all those who died recently.

WE ALSO REMEMBER:

Rita Thomazios, Jack Pattison,
Frederick Herft, Christopher Herft,
Michael McGannon, John Rigby,
Saturnina Lucas, James Andrews,
John Imlach,

...and all who we remember at this time.

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

**Readings for this liturgical year from Advent
2024 to Christ the King 2025 are taken from
Year C in the Lectionary cycle.**

Should you wish to view the Scripture
Readings for Daily Mass (Australian Liturgical
Calendar) please visit:
universalis.com/australia.melbourneP1000/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 generously support our
parish i.e. through their contributions to both our
Thanksgiving and Presbytery collections. With the
assistance of the Archdiocese we are currently working
on refining the facility for parishioners to contribute to
Christ Our Light Parish via an online portal.



BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND With
great joy the Church of God formally
welcomes **Henry, Dottie, Sophia,
Oliver, Liam and Lilliane**, who will
be Baptised this weekend.



2025 PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH APPEAL

For women like Sharon, who must
choose between feeding her
children or selling her crops to survive, and
Grace, who risked her life traveling 160km for
safe childbirth, Sr Jane and Kayula offer hope.
Through sustainable farming, Sr Jane helps
women provide for their families. At the
Chilonga Mission Hospital, Kayula ensures
mothers and babies receive the dignity and care
they deserve.

**Next weekend, 14th / 15th June, as a part of
World Mission Month, you are invited to
extend your generosity to help enhance the
vital work of the Church. A special collection
will be taken up at all Masses.**

Your financial and prayerful support can make
a significant difference to the lives of many,
offering hope to the people of Zambia. Please
click on the following link to view the
Archbishop of Melbourne's video message
about this year's Propagation of the Faith
Appeal: <https://youtu.be/B67lgrcLzfM>



VIOLENCE IN OUR WORLD AND ON OUR DOORSTEP.

WHAT ONE GROUP IS DOING TO COUNTERACT IT.

There will be a presentation at the
Hampton RSL on **Wednesday, 25th
June** for Spirituality in the Pub by **Sr. Colleen
Jackson**. Bookings are essential by Friday 20th
June. Meals from 6pm, followed by the
presentation at 7pm, conversation and
conclusion about 9pm. Sharing a meal is an
important part of the evening. For bookings and
further enquiries please contact Sr Michele
Kennan PBVM: 0415 956 107 or
michelekennan@presvic.org.au, or Catriona: 0419
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**RCIA – Curious about the Catholic Faith? Do
you know someone interested in becoming a
Catholic? Are you interested in supporting
those on their journey of Faith? The Rite of
Christian Initiation of Adults** is an established
'Journey of Faith' that has parishioners
accompany discerning adults, i.e. those seeking
to become Catholic, on their path to Sacramental
initiation into the life of the Church, at Easter. The
RCIA gives those preparing for the Sacraments
an opportunity to explore many facets of the
Christian life. An invitation is extended to anyone
seeking Baptism, as well as to those Baptised in
another denomination who may desire full
communion with the Catholic Church, to get in
touch. If you know of someone who'd be
interested in taking up this journey, or you'd like
to be a part of their accompaniment, or would like
any more information, please contact the Parish
Office on: 9583 6161.



**DO YOU KNOW OF ANY
AVAILABLE RENTAL
ACCOMMODATION IN
THE AREA?**

**Nepean Welcoming Immigrants and
Newcomers with Dignity (Nepean Wind)** is a
group made up of parishioners from our
parish of Christ Our Light and the parish of St
Mary of the Cross, Mordialloc/Aspendale.
We are supporting a Syrian refugee family (2
parents, 3 young daughters) who arrived in
Australia on the 29th of May. We are still
exploring all options, however, in the
meantime, if you or anyone you know can
assist with accommodation, please get in
touch. Contact: Theresa Thomas (0400 126 010)
or Joan Kenny (0428 584 327).

