



The only thing that counts is faith working through love. (Galatians 5:6)

PENTECOST
24th May 2026



“Paraclete” (Παράκλητος):

An Etymological and Theological Understanding

In the Gospel of John, Jesus promises that the Father will give the disciples **“another Paraclete”**— a title for the Holy Spirit. The word Paraclete is not a vague religious label; it has a real history in Greek speech, and it carries a cluster of meanings that describe what the Spirit does in believers: **advocating, teaching, interceding, helping, and comforting.**

The word’s root: “one called to your side”

The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains Paraclete literally as **“he who is called to one’s side”**— that is, an advocatus (an advocate/helper who comes to stand by you).

This literal sense is also reflected in the way the term functions in John: The Spirit is given so that the disciples are not left orphaned by Christ’s bodily absence, but are accompanied by God’s own presence and assistance.

Parish Priest:

Fr. Joby George VC

Priest-In Residence:

Fr Sebastian
Mappilaparambil VC

Parish secretary:

Caroline Allen

Parish Manager:

Gerard Antony

Principal:

Paul Sharp

Child Safety Officer:

Florida Nugara

Catechist:

Christina D’Couto

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

Sunday..... 9.15am

..... 11.00am

Healing Mass 7.00pm

Spanish Mass:

Saturday 4.00pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Saturday 9.15am

Wednesday 7.00pm

Reconciliation:

Tuesday 9.45am - 10.15am

Saturday 9.45am - 10.15am

Novena to Our Lady:

Saturday 9.00am

Wednesday 7.00pm

Baptisms: Second Sunday

Divine Kids Bible Class:

Sunday 10.15am

Parish Prayer Group:

Tuesday 7.00pm-8.00pm

Parish Halls Hire:

Contact Parish Office

PARACLETE

An Acronym for the Holy Spirit’s work

- **P — Promised by Jesus and proceeds** from the Father and the Son.
- **A — Abides with and in believers:** promised presence that continues after Jesus’ visible departure.
- **R — Reminds and brings home Christ’s teaching:** inwardly makes the externally-given teaching of Christ present to the disciples.
- **A — Announces/Testifies about Jesus:** testifies on Christ’s behalf and as “Spirit of truth” interprets God’s revelation.
- **C — Convicts the world concerning sin:** convinces regarding sin, righteousness, and judgment.
- **L — Leads into all truth:** guides believers into the truth revealed in Christ.
- **E — Eternal life through the Spirit of life:** the Spirit is a “spring...to eternal life,” giving life through Christ.
- **T — Takes what belongs to Christ and declares it:** the Spirit receives and manifests Christ’s reality to the faithful.
- **E — Eases/Comforts (consolation):** the Spirit comforts the Church and individuals; Paraclete is linked with consolation.

CHILD SAFETY

Holy Family Parish is committed to upholding the wellbeing, safety and dignity of each child and young person and ensuring that they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment in our Church.

READINGS

SUNDAY

Pentecost

Acts 2:1-11

Psalms 104:1,24,29-31,34

1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

John 20:19-23

MONDAY

Our Lady, Help of Christians

Ecclesiasticus 4:12-21

Psalms 113:1-8

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

John 19:25-27

TUESDAY

Saint Philip Neri, Priest

1 Peter 1:10-16

Psalms 98:1-4

Mark 10:28-31

WEDNESDAY

1 Peter 1:18-25

Psalms 147:12-15,19-20

Mark 10:32-45

THURSDAY

1 Peter 2:2-5,9-12

Psalms 100:2-5

Mark 10:46-52

FRIDAY

1 Peter 4:7-13

Psalms 96:10-13

Mark 11:11-26

SATURDAY

Jude 1:17,20-25

Psalms 63:2-6

Mark 11:27-33

Saint Philip Neri, Priest

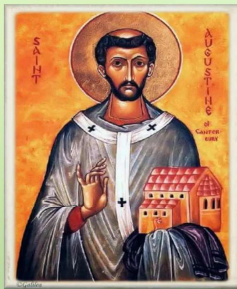
26 May



"Cast yourself into the arms of God and be very sure that if he wants anything of you, He will fit you for the work and give you strength."

St Augustine of Canterbury

27 May



"Pray in the spirit and sentiment of love, in which the royal prophet said to Him, 'Thou, O Lord, are my portion.' Let others choose to themselves, portions among creatures, for my part, You are my portion, You alone I have chosen for my whole inheritance."

Saint Paul VI

29 May



"The Holy Spirit also gives you the grace to discover the image of the Lord in the hearts of men, and teaches you to love them as brothers and sisters. Again, He helps you to see the manifestations of His love in events. If we are humbly attentive to men and things, the Spirit of Jesus enlightens us and enriches us with His wisdom, provided that we are imbued with the spirit of prayer."

POSITIONS VACANT

Parish Positions

- Pastoral Associate, St Bernadette's Parish, Sunshine North
- Parish Manager, Malvern, Malvern East & Glen Iris
- Youth Ministry Leader St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, Caroline Springs
- Housekeeper, St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, Caroline Springs

CAM Positions

- Client Experience Specialist, Retail, CDF, East Melbourne

Others

- Chief Finance Officer, Catholic Archdiocese of Sandhurst, Bendigo, Goldfields & Macedon Ranges VIC

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

Breath in me, O Holy Spirit
That my thoughts may all be holy.
Act in me, O Holy Spirit,
That my work, too, may be holy.
Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit,
That I love but what is holy.
Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit,
To defend all that is holy.
Guard me, then O Holy Spirit,
That I always may be holy.

St. Augustine's Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Blessings &
Wishes



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Pentecost

Parish Office Opening Hours

Tuesday to Friday
9.30am to 1.30pm

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