



# PARISHES IN PARTNERSHIP

**St. Mary's Maffra [Newry & Dargo]**

**St. Michael's Heyfield-Cowwarr**

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**Pentecost Sunday – Year A – 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2023.**

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**WEEKEND MASSES: Heyfield**

Saturday Vigil: **6.00pm**  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Cowwarr: 11.00am

**WEEKEND MASSES: Maffra**

Sunday: 9.00am  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Newry: 11.00am  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Dargo : 12.Noon

**WEEKDAY MASSES HEYFIELD**

Tuesday: 9.30am

**MAFFRA**

Tuesday Mass & Adoration 2.00pm  
Wednesday to Saturday: 9.30am

**RECONCILIATION:**

**MAFFRA**

Any time by request

**HEYFIELD:**

Saturday: Before Mass 5.20pm  
**OR** any other time by request

**DAILY EXPOSITION: Maffra – Thursday,**

Friday, Saturday – 8.20am – 9.20am  
followed by Mass

**EXPOSITION AND RECONCILIATION: Maffra**

Wednesday: After 9.30am Mass

**BAPTISMS:**

During or After the Vigil / Sunday Mass

**MARRIAGE:**

At least six months' notice requested.

**PARISH SCHOOLS**

**ST. MICHAEL'S HEYFIELD**

Principal: Jenny Miller  
Davis St. Heyfield - 3858  
Phone: 5148 2514

**ST. MARY'S MAFFRA**

Principal: Julian Blackford  
4-12 Duke St. Maffra - 3860  
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**SCRIPTURE COMMENTARY by Dianne Bergant CSA**



Today's reading from Acts describes external manifestations that accompanied the outpouring of the Spirit. These phenomena were audible and visible though the actual outpouring of the Spirit was not. As those present were filled with the Spirit, they began to speak in other languages, a feat that could only

have some supernatural origin. The crowd that gathered was confused, astonished and amazed. The exact nature of this marvel is less significant than is its meaning. It was clearly a manifestation of the universal presence and power of the Spirit. The outpouring of the Spirit and the preaching of the gospel to all nations are considered the reuniting of the human race and the gathering of all into the reign of God.

The responsorial psalm depicts God as the creator and sustainer of all life. God is described as robed in majesty and glory, wrapped around with radiant light. The splendour of the natural world is attributed to the wisdom of the creator. God is also extolled as the one who cares for all living things. The act of creation and the power of the creator are perceived in the constant renewal of life that unfolds before our eyes. God is both the original creator and the one who continues to control the forces of nature. Finally, God not only creates but re-creates. Life is sustained and perpetuated. This is all reason enough to bless the Lord.

Three different yet related themes are found in the reading from 1 Corinthians: an acclamation of the lordship of Jesus; a defence of diversity within the community; the body metaphor characterising that diversity. Lord (kýrios) was the official title of the Roman emperor. It is also the Greek substitute for God's personal name. To proclaim Jesus as Lord both challenged the sovereignty of the emperor and testified to Jesus' divine character. Comparing the Christian community to the complexity of the human body, Paul insists that all of the functions within the community were manifestations of the Spirit, and none was to be considered superior to another. Rather, all gifts were given for the benefit of the entire community. John's appearance account treats the resurrection and the bestowal of the Spirit as having occurred on the same day, the first day of the week. Where previously religious meaning was given to the Sabbath, the conclusion of the week, now the focus is on the beginning, on the future. The wish of peace, a common Jewish greeting, was also a prayer for eschatological blessing. Calling attention to his wounds, Jesus shows that he is the same man who was crucified, but now he is risen. Breathing the Spirit, the risen Lord portrays himself as one who can create or re-create. With the bestowal of the Spirit, the disciples are authorised to continue the mission of Jesus.

## MEETINGS AND EVENTS:-

**Parish Luncheon Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023**, at the Sporting Club Maffra 12noon. **RSVP a Must, please ring 0411436227 for bookings.**

### All Welcome!

The parish Luncheon is a monthly event who meet for fellowship as a parish community, they meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month. RSVP is essential.

### Thank You.

Frances Dwyer and family would like to thank Fr Edwin and the parishioners for their Masses and prayers for Jack and their kindness to us all. We are truly blessed.

**Congratulations to the children of St Mary's Maffra and St Michael's Heyfield who have received their confirmation this weekend. Please pray for them as they start their journey.**



## School News

**Heyfield & Maffra:  
Confirmation -**

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May 6pm in Heyfield

**Heyfield:**

**Whole School Mass**

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 9:30am

## Planned Giving Envelopes

**Are at the back of St Michael's Heyfield and St Mary's Maffra Churches. The New Year starts on the 4<sup>th</sup> of June. Please collect.**

## Cowwarr News

"A shared lunch occurs on the first Sunday of the month at Cowwarr after the 11am mass. Please join us in the St Joseph's Hall. You are most welcome. St Joseph's hall is available during the weekday with great kitchen facilities for meetings and catchups."

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DEAD:-

### Anniversaries:

Frances Bennett, Sarafina Wiwczaruk, Ted Hawes, Rebecca Masciorini, Kit Lowrie, Juliana Saleta, Tommy Marshall, Samuel Dippolito (baby), Doreen Higgins, Stephan Trbovich, Marj Mossissey, Marita Keary, Leo Wirken, Ray Cusack.

Frs Henry Bradbee, James (Jim) McGuigan, James O'Neill, Cornelius Cremin, Bishop James Corbett, Mgr Edward (Ned) Hynes.

Care for the Sick: If you know of anyone who is unable to get to Mass and would like the Eucharist brought to them, please advise us on 5147 1921.

### We pray for ALL who suffer (at present) in body, mind or spirit:

Rose Woodhouse, Linda Allman, Xavier Mills, Kevin Bennett, Marge Canny, Coral Justice, Julie Frew, Peter Smyth, Fr. Brian O'Connor, John Phelan, Lyn McLindin, Ann Martin, Gerry Gray, and all those who seek our prayers.

## WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH

*Any children, young persons and vulnerable adults have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are concerned about any form of abuse, or believe that someone is at significant risk, you should immediately raise your concerns with one of our Parish Safeguarding Officers. Contact Via the Parish Office: 03 5147 1921.*

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS  
ST. MARY'S: Terry Donahoe  
ST. MICHAEL'S: Ed O'Brien

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

PRESBYTERY: \$ 763  
ST. MARY'S PG: \$ 150  
ST. MICHAEL'S PG: \$ 910

## REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Pentecost celebrates the fullness of the Spirit and the great gathering of nations. It brings the Easter season to its conclusion. The Risen Lord has been exalted to his rightful place next to God and he has sent his Spirit to fill the earth with God's power. The world is charged with divine energy; it needs but a spark to ignite it with life and with excitement. This vitality explodes into the extraordinary. Tongues are loosed and speech overflows its linguistic constraints; charismatic gifts flood the valleys of human habitation; barred doors are burst open and frightened hearts are calmed. The Spirit of the Lord fills the whole world.

Once again we gather together for one reason, only to discover that God has gathered us for another. Through the Spirit of God, we are reconciled to each other and then together we spend ourselves for the common good. Through the Spirit of God the world is renewed, the community is revitalised, and we come to know the mysterious yet all pervasive peace of Christ.



This weekend Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May there will be a Special Leaving collection for Trinity Families Appeal at all

### weekend Masses

Trinity Families is a charity which operates to provide funding for service providers who support families in Gippsland and outer eastern suburbs of Melbourne.

Each year, Trinity Families allocates money to other charities that are supporting families within the Greater Gippsland area. It does not run programs itself but operates like a philanthropic trust to provide funding.





### MAFFRA PARISH LITURGICAL ROSTER (JUNE)

LITURGY:	Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Office
READER:	Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Maureen Moulton
COMMENTATOR:	Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Mary Hartwig
EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTER	Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Trevor Fogarty
COMPUTER:	Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Mary Fjellner
COLLECTORS:	Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Nick Munro and Dick Moulton.
ALTAR SERVERS:	Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	N/A
FLORISTS:	Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Trish Vardy & Aileen Romanin
SACRISTANS:	Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Pauline Phelan & Sylvia Neaves
HOLY VESSELS:	Month Of JUNE	Donna Sebastian

### HEYFIELD PARISH LITURGICAL ROSTER (JUNE)

READER:	Sat. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Philip Taylor
FLORISTS:	Sat. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Pittari Family
ALTAR LINEN –	MONTH OF JUNE	Carmel Pittari
READER	Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	N/A
CHURCH CLEANING	MONTH OF JUNE	Nellie Bebbington

### ST BRIGID'S COWWARR (JUNE)

#### PERSONAL ORDINARIATE MASSES

##### COWWARR: ST BRIGIDS'

MONDAY: 9.00AM

TUESDAY: 6.00PM

WEDNESDAY: 10.00AM

THURSDAY: 10.00AM

FRIDAY: 6.00PM

SATURDAY: 10.00AM

SUNDAY: 9.30AM

MIRBOO NORTH: ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 2ND

SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: 4.00PM

4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: 4.00PM

CONFESSION: BEFORE EACH MASS

ANY ENQUIRES PLEASE CONTACT:

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#### Sunday Gospel Reflection

Sunday gospel reflections written by the clergy, religious and laymen and women of our diocese are published weekly through the diocesan website and the diocesan Facebook page enabling us to reflect and prepare ourselves on the Gospel before we get to the weekend masses.

The link to our website

is <https://www.cdsale.org.au/news/sunday-gospel-reflections>

and the link to our Facebook page

is <https://www.facebook.com/dioceseofsale>

#### "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop"

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 17 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry.

For more information, questions, itinerary and application form, can be obtained at [national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au](mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au) or on 89124818.

Anyone can read the scriptures in public; only the believer can proclaim them.

## THE ART OF PROCLAMATION

A workshop for readers in proclaiming the word of God

10.00 - 1.00pm

14 JUNE

St Mary's Parish,  
Bairnsdale

2.00 - 4.30pm

17 JUNE

St Patrick's Parish,  
Pakenham

#### Are you a reader or would you like to be a reader at Mass?

You are welcome to attend one of our two formation workshops. Learn more about your ministry as a reader and share some practical tips about proclaiming the word.



#### Presenters

Sophy Morley  
Sr Rose Duffy (Pakenham)

Please register using QR code

or

Contact your Parish Office



*Yours is a share in the work of the Lord's spirit  
who opens our hearts to God's holy word.  
Fr Austin Fleming*

For more information contact Siji Dominic at 03 5614 5163 / email [SijiDesale.catholic.org.au](mailto:SijiDesale.catholic.org.au)

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

### FIRST READING Acts 2:1-11

**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? 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.**

1. Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. **(R.)**

2. You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. **(R.)**

3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. **(R.)**

### SECOND READING: 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13

**In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.**

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.

### SEQUENCE

Holy Spirit, Lord of light, From the clear celestial height Thy pure beaming radiance give. Come, thou Father of the poor, Come with treasures which endure; Come, thou light of all that live! Thou, of all consolers best, Thou, the soul's delightful guest, Dost refreshing peace bestow; Thou in toil art comfort sweet; Pleasant coolness in the heat; Solace in the midst of woe. Light immortal, light divine, Visit thou these hearts of thine, And our inmost being fill: If thou take thy grace away, Nothing pure in man will stay; All his good is turned to ill. Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness pour thy dew; Wash the stains of guilt away: Bend the stubborn heart and will; Melt the frozen, warm the chill; Guide the steps that go astray. Thou, on us who evermore Thee confess and thee adore, With thy sevenfold gifts descend: Give us comfort when we die; Give us life with thee on high; Give us joys that never end.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

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

**Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL Jn 20:19-23

**As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.**

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.'

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.



### NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS: SUNDAY MASS

First Reading: Ex 34:4-6. 8-9

Second Reading: 2 Cor 13:11-13

Gospel: Jn 3:16-18