

CAPRICORN COAST CATHOLIC PARISH



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PENTECOST SUNDAY 2020

THE OUTREACH OF "ZOOM"

The way we on the Capricorn Coast celebrate and gather has evolved during this time of pandemic. Zoom is the great 'gatherer' at the moment and many in our community have begun to explore ways of: **catching up**, meetings, **PRAYING TOGETHER**, Mass, reflecting and simply saying hello to each other. Certainly an innovation has been to use zoom to gather people to pray if they cannot attend Mass. At the moment where only ten people are allowed to be in the church, for those who are not able to attend, people can link into 'zoom' and gather with others online for the 12noon Mass for those unable to be in the church. Each day there are many who gather online this way and it also is a time to say hello and see how everyone is. The link is offered in our Bulletin each week and on the Parish Facebook and webpage. Weekly prayer and Gospel reflections have been a great comfort to those who are in their home and not able to gather with others. Many who are first time users of the online and internet, are slowly gaining confidence and are finding it a saving grace and at the moment, the best way to stay in touch. Thank goodness for 'zoom'.

During this time there have been loved ones who have died and recently, family who were overseas and not able to attend the funeral of their grandmother, attended online from America, Ireland, and in places in Australia. It was a great comfort for them. At a suitable time we will gather as a community to give thanks to God for their lives and to hold their families in prayer.

Facebook continues to be a source of outreach. Local photos are attached to the daily Scripture reading and are a reminder of the beauty and inspiration of both the Word and our surrounds.
God Bless, go gently and stay safe.

Fr Matthew

Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful,
enkindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit
and they shall be created.
And you shall renew the face of the earth.



Let us pray.
O God, who instruct the hearts of the faithful
by the light of the Holy Spirit,
grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise,
and ever to rejoice in your consolation.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

MASS is celebrated 12pm Monday to Saturday & 9:30am Sunday at Sacred Heart Church.

All local Masses can be accessed via ZOOM each day with the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2771905464>



'CONVERSATION HOUR' 9:00am Zoom Saturday

Each Saturday morning at 9.00am a "conversation hour" will be open to attend for all to chat and catch up.
People can put their name down for the Mass Roster at this time.

The link for "conversation hour": [Click here for "Conversation Hour"](#)



A MAILBOX has been installed at the Sacred Heart Parish Office for Planned Giving Envelopes or messages.

CONFESSION by Appointment contact the Parish office 4933 6171 or the Presbytery 4933 6824

Check out the Parish Website <http://catholic.yeppoon.com/>

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THE YEAR OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

I feel that it is more helpful, in terms of appropriating the Holy Spirit more personally, to use the biblical definition of the Holy Spirit, in various ways, all of them rich.

For example, St. Paul, in his letter to the Galatians, tells us that there are two kinds of spirit, the spirit of the sarx (a spirit that opposes God) and the spirit of God, the Holy Spirit. The former is the spirit of envy, anger, gossip, factionalism, idolatry, impurity, self-centredness, and bitterness. This spirit, he tells us in simple language, brings division and unhappiness.

Conversely, there is the Holy Spirit, the spirit of charity, joy, peace, patience, goodness, long-suffering, mildness, faith, fidelity, and chastity. This latter spirit, he assures us, brings unity and happiness into our lives.

In John's Gospel, the Holy Spirit is described as a paraclete, an advocate ... a lawyer for the poor. What an interesting concept! John tells us that the crucifixion of Jesus will set free the paraclete and that it will convict the world of its wrongness in crucifying an innocent person, Jesus. Among other things then, the Holy Spirit in John is the defender of the accused, of the victim, of the scapegoat, of anyone whom society deems expendable for the sake of the culture.

To live in the Holy Spirit, therefore, is to be an advocate, a lawyer, for the poor and for those who are being victimized and scapegoated by the culture.

Biblically the Holy Spirit is the person and the principle both of private renewal and of social justice. By living in the Holy Spirit, we come to selflessness and joy in our lives and we become, as well, advocates for the poor.

To read more [click here](#) or copy this address into your browser ronrolheiser.com/1998-the-year-of-the-holy-spirit/#.XsQUnsZ7k_8 www.facebook.com/ronrolheiser **RON ROLHEISER, OMI**

PENTECOST

This Sunday as we celebrate Pentecost we remember when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples & empowered them to preach the good news and build the Church. During this time we pray that the Holy Spirit would descend upon us and empower us to bring Christ's love and truth to others, and to build up the Church in our own communities.

The traditional prayer "Come, Holy Spirit" is a way that we can pray for the Holy Spirit to come into our lives and send us out into the world. Bishop Michael sometimes begins meetings with this prayer.

The first half of the prayer has been used in liturgy for centuries and is still used as the gospel acclamation at Pentecost. The second half of the prayer comes from Psalm 104.

The Catechism refers to this prayer when discussing praying to the Holy Spirit (2670-2672):

"No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. "Every time we begin to pray to Jesus it is the Holy Spirit who draws us on the way of prayer by his prevenient grace. Since he teaches us to pray by recalling Christ, how could we not pray to the Spirit too? That is why the Church invites us to call upon the Holy Spirit every day, especially at the beginning and the end of every important action..."

The traditional form of petition to the Holy Spirit is to invoke the Father through Christ our Lord to give us the Consoler Spirit. Jesus insists on this petition to be made in his name at the very moment when he promises the gift of the Spirit of Truth. But the simplest and most direct prayer is also traditional, "Come, Holy Spirit," and every liturgical tradition has developed it in antiphons and hymns.

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

The Holy Spirit, whose anointing permeates our whole being, is the interior Master of Christian prayer. He is the artisan of the living tradition of prayer. To be sure, there are as many paths of prayer as there are persons who pray, but it is the same Spirit acting in all and with all. It is in the communion of the Holy Spirit that Christian prayer is prayer in the Church.

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