

# ST GERARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH - Parish Priest: Fr. Shanthaiah Marneni

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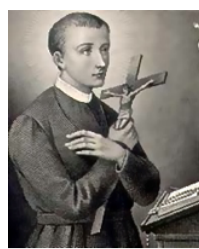
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Welcome to St. Gerard's parish, where we foster the wellbeing and safety of all children and adults at risk. Since we take the safety of our young and vulnerable parishioners seriously, we have a zero tolerance policy when it comes to abuse. All parishioners have the right to feel safe and welcome. If you have any concerns, visit <https://www.stgerards.org.au/child-safety-professional-standards/> or see the Safeguarding Officer. *"Child Safety is Everyone's Responsibility"*

## Pentecost Sunday (Year C) - June 4/5, 2022

### Vigil Mass Responses:

**Entrance Antiphon:** The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within us, alleluia.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Lord, send out Your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia!* Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in them the fire of Your love. *Alleluia!*

**Communion Antiphon:** On the last day of the festival, Jesus stood and cried out: If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink, alleluia.

### Sunday Mass Responses:

**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

When Pentecost day came round, they 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:** Lord, send out Your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

### Second Reading: Romans 8: 8-17

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you. So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live. Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

**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 - John 14:15-16, 23-26

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever. 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.'

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

## Daily Antiphons - Monday, June 6th to Saturday, June 11th, 2022 (Year C)

### Monday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time - June 6, 2022 -

#### The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

**Entrance Antiphon:** The disciples devoted themselves with one accord to prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Of you are told glorious things, O City of God!

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia!* Happy are you, holy Virgin Mary, deserving of all praise; from you rose the sun of justice, Christ the Lord. *Alleluia!*

**Communion Antiphon:** A wedding was held in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; then Jesus performed the first of His signs and manifested His glory, and His disciples believed in Him.

### Tuesday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time - June 7, 2022

**Entrance Antiphon:** The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Lord, let Your face shine on us.

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia!* Let Your light shine before all, that they may see Your good works and glorify Your Father. *Alleluia!*

**Communion Antiphon:** The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

### Wednesday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time - June 8, 2022

**Entrance Antiphon:** The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Keep me safe, O God; You are my hope.

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia!* Teach me Your paths, my God, and lead me in Your truth. *Alleluia!*

**Communion Antiphon:** The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

### Thursday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time - June 9, 2022

**Entrance Antiphon:** The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

**Responsorial Psalm:** It is right to praise You in Zion, O God.

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia!* I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. *Alleluia!*

**Communion Antiphon:** The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

### Friday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time - June 10, 2022

**Entrance Antiphon:** The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

**Responsorial Psalm:** I long to see Your face, O Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia!* Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. *Alleluia!*

**Communion Antiphon:** The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

### Saturday of the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time - June, 2022 - Saint Barnabas

**Entrance Antiphon:** Blessed is this holy man, who was worthy to be numbered among the Apostles, for he was a good man, filled with the Holy Spirit and with faith.

**Responsorial Psalm:** The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia!* Go and teach all people My gospel. I am with you always until the end of the world. *Alleluia!*

**Communion Antiphon:** I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. But I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from My Father.

## MASS and INTENTIONS

### Pentecost Sunday - Saturday Vigil, June 4

Mass 5:30pm Pasquale Campisi  
(Anniversary of Death)

and Arcangela Occhietti  
(One month Anniversary of Death)

and Pat Corea  
(Remembrance)

Mass 7:00pm Maronite Community

### Pentecost Sunday - June 5

Mass 8:30am Wilhemina Afonso & Olivio Afonso  
(Remembrance)

Mass 10:30am Eric Dias  
(Anniversary of Death)

Mass 5:30pm Thanksgiving Mass - Isaacs Family

### Monday, June 6

*No Mass to be held at St. Gerard's today*

### Tuesday, June 7-

*No Mass to be held at St. Gerard's today*

### Wednesday, June 8 - Parish Office Closed Today

Mass 9:15am Cyril O'Shaughnessy  
(Remembrance)

### Thursday, June 9

Mass 9:15am For Private Thanksgiving

### Friday, June 10 - No Adoration until July

Mass 9:15am For the Holy Spirit to Illumine the  
World

### Saturday, June 11 - Saint Barnabas

Mass 9:15am Simone Valadon  
(Repose of her Soul)

and Eustace Freeman  
(Repose of his soul)

### Mass Schedule Cancellation

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Mass will not be held at  
St. Gerard's on Monday, 6th June or Tuesday, 7th June.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

The Church will be open for Private Prayer Monday to  
Friday between 9am and 2:30pm.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

### Please remember to pray for...

**Our sick:** Brian Edwards, Peter Shaw-Dennis,  
Allan Welsh, Peter D'Silva, Carl De Rozario,  
Doreen Oliver, Suzette Savrimoothoo,  
Kathleen James, Marie Blandin de Chalain,  
Clita Martinelli, Lalitha Kurup, Sarkis Dib,  
Alessandro Zaia, David Giacotto, Mila, Steven  
Dickson, Josie Surace, Sarah Cleary, Monica  
Kelly, Anne Moorthy, Mayelin Do Santos

**The recently deceased:** Rosemary Zaher,  
Ayesha Chatterjee, Jayde Shavak, Romano  
Micati, Greg Dannills, Fr. Eric John Hodgens  
(PE), Antonette Vettivelu, Jon Thornton,  
Rosalia Lomacchio

### Anniversaries/Remembrances:

Pasquale Campisi

\*\*Please note: The list above has recently been updated. Should you  
wish to add a name, please notify the office on 9792 4422 or email  
[dandenongnorth@cam.org.au](mailto:dandenongnorth@cam.org.au). Thank you. \*\*

### Church Cleaning

**Saturday, 11th June**

Moses Family, Vincent, Mary & Rebecca

**Saturday, 18th June**

Legion of Mary

### Reading Roster

#### Saturday, June 11th - Vigil Mass

5:30pm J. D'Souza

#### Sunday, June 12th

8:30am G. Dos Remedios

10:30am D. Naidoo, Jn

5:30pm J. Panicker

#### Saturday, June 18th - Vigil Mass

5:30pm B. Collins

#### Sunday, June 19th

8:30am M. Noble

10:30am S. Moses

5:30pm S. Hayman

### Amended Confession Times

There will be no set times for confession  
during Fr Shanthaiah's absence. You will need  
to ask the availability of the Priest whom is  
officiating the Mass on the day. We apologise  
for any inconvenience.

### Office Closure

The Parish office will be closed on Wednesday,  
8th June for the whole day. It will re-open on  
Thursday, 9th June at 9:30am.

Apologies for any inconvenience this may  
cause.

## PARISH NEWS, NOTICES AND REFLECTION

### St. Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal

The Winter Appeal of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is scheduled for the weekend of 18th/19th June (Sat & Sun Masses). The success of this appeal is dependent on the goodwill and generosity of our parishioners. Hence, parishioners are kindly requested to contribute generously towards this worthy cause of caring for those in need. Envelopes will be available on the pews and a Leaving Collection will be taken at all the Masses. The St. Gerard's Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul express our sincere gratitude for your generous contributions.

### Passing on the Faith to Our Families

Would you like to know how to pass on the Catholic faith to your children or grandchildren? This talk is for you! Dr Andy Mullins has helped thousands of families all over the world to pass the faith on to their children. He is the author of 'Parenting for Character' and 'Parenting for Faith'. God and Beer is an initiative of the Knights of the Southern Cross. Topic: Passing on the Faith in Our Families. Speaker: Dr Andy Mullins. Date: Tuesday 14th June. Time: 6.30pm for a meal, 7.30pm for the talk. Venue: The Notting Hill Hotel, 260-262 Ferntree Gully Rd, Notting Hill. Cost: Free entry! Meals available for purchase. Details and Registration: [Godandbeer.com.au](http://Godandbeer.com.au). Contact: John - [jtsmyth@gmail.com](mailto:jtsmyth@gmail.com) - 0406 747 123

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Mercy Works Ltd. is currently recruiting volunteers to academically support Refugee and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese and also adult centre. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. Training day is in July. Email: [somml@bigpond.com](mailto:somml@bigpond.com) or visit [www.mercyworks.org.au](http://www.mercyworks.org.au) or call 9326 1895.

### Congratulations

On Friday, 20 May, Bradley Lopez and Ishan Ivan received their Guild Medals at St Patrick's Cathedral. Although the wait was long overdue, the gentlemen were proud and happy to be inducted into the program. With thanks to Ron and Fred for their tireless work with the altar servers program. They look forward to many new recruits and Guild members in the near future. St. Stephen (Patron Saint of Altar Servers), Pray for Us.



### St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

**Enrolments for Prep in 2023 are open and Parish families are our first category for enrolments.** If you have a child who will be starting school next year please contact the School Office (03) 9791 7553 or email [principal@sgdandenongnth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@sgdandenongnth.catholic.edu.au) to arrange a meeting and tour with the Principal Mr Paul Cowan. We also have Open Days planned for Tuesday, 31 May, Wednesday, 15 June and Thursday, 23 June. Please visit our website: [www.sgdandenongnth.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sgdandenongnth.catholic.edu.au)

### KSC Second-Hand Book Fair Plus More

The Knights of the Southern Cross are running a second-hand book fair. There will also be DVDs, LP/Records, video games, board games and more. Come and support the charitable work of the Knights. When: Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th June (10am-4pm each day) Where: Nazareth College, Noble Park Contact: John 0406 747 123 or, [jtsmyth@gmail.com](mailto:jtsmyth@gmail.com) Details: [tinyurl.com/ksbookfair](http://tinyurl.com/ksbookfair) Donations welcome: If you have good books, games, DVDs, etc. you would like to donate please put them in the collection box in the church foyer. If you have a large donation to make please contact John.

### A Mighty Wind: Scott Hahn Reflects on Pentecost Sunday

The giving of the Spirit to the new people of God crowns the mighty acts of the Father in salvation history.

The Jewish feast of Pentecost called all devout Jews to Jerusalem to celebrate their birth as God's chosen people in the covenant Law given to Moses at Sinai (see Leviticus 23:15-21; Deuteronomy 16:9-11).

In today's First Reading the mysteries prefigured in that feast are fulfilled in the pouring out of the Spirit on Mary and the Apostles (see Acts 1:14).

The Spirit seals the new law and new covenant brought by Jesus, written not on stone tablets but on the hearts of believers, as the prophets promised (see 2 Corinthians 3:2-8; Romans 8:2).

The Spirit is revealed as the life-giving breath of the Father, the Wisdom by which He made all things, as we sing in today's Psalm. In the beginning, the Spirit came as a "mighty wind" sweeping over the face of the earth (see Genesis 1:2). And in the new creation of Pentecost, the Spirit again comes as "a strong, driving wind" to renew the face of the earth.

As God fashioned the first man out of dust and filled him with His Spirit (see Genesis 2:7), in today's Gospel we see the New Adam become a life-giving Spirit, breathing new life into the Apostles (see 1 Corinthians 15:45, 47).

Like a river of living water, for all ages He will pour out His Spirit on His body, the Church, as we hear in today's Epistle (see also John 7:37-39).

We receive that Spirit in the sacraments, being made a "new creation" in Baptism (see 2 Corinthians 5:17; Galatians 6:15).

Drinking of the one Spirit in the Eucharist (see 1 Corinthians 10:4), we are the first fruits of a new humanity – fashioned from out of every nation under heaven, with no distinctions of wealth or language or race, a people born of the Spirit.