

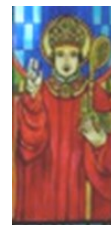


# St Finbar's Catholic Parish

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## Pentecost Sunday - Year A

28th May 2023

### *Parish Staff*

Parish Priest: Fr Ian Ranson

Retired Priest: Fr Clemente Cafarella

Parish Secretary: Mrs Carmel Cristiano  
(Tues & Thurs, 9.00 am—3.30pm)

St Vincent de Paul: 1800 305 330

School Principal: Mr Patrick Berlinger

### *Weekday Masses*

Monday - Friday 9.30am

### *Weekend Masses*

Saturday: 9:30am, 5:30pm Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am

Baptisms & other sacraments:  
please call the office to organise.



### *The Bush Fire of Pentecost*

As summer progresses in Australia, invariably great bushfires break out. Those who report the infernos speak not only of the flames, but often of a mighty roar like a great windstorm heralding the approaching fire.

The earth had quaked at the death of Jesus, but death had been conquered and the earth was supercharged with divine energy and vitality. Into all this the Risen Lord sent his Holy Spirit like a lightning strike. Divine energy was unleashed and St Luke portrays this particular event in our bushfire terms. The Holy Spirit, he says, was 'like tongues of fire' and 'like the sound of a mighty wind' accompanying the descent of the Holy Spirit on a gathering of a fearful group of followers of Our Lord.

The tangled undergrowth of fear, anxiety and timidity was cleared away. The new life of the church was germinated, took root and has been growing ever since, listening to the core message preached by St Peter: Jesus of Nazareth had conquered death and Peter and others were witnesses to the Risen Lord.

We could pause for a moment to pray for the successor of St Peter that he may preach the resurrection in a way which is understandable by people of every culture, every ethnicity, every language group around the world.

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### *Let us pray*

#### *Baptism:*

*Bolan Merry*



#### *Recent death:*

*Odino Cecala*

*Ashly Foley*

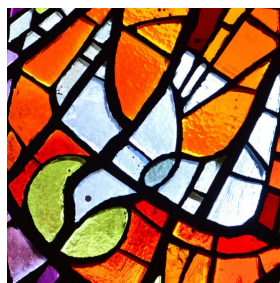
#### *Anniversary:*

*Adriene O'Meara, Don Yates*

*Valerie Tammesild,*

*Giuseppina Caia*

*Elma Church*



"Peace  
be with  
you."

John 20:20



***Congratulations to Fr Ian Ranson***

***47 years of dedication to the priesthood.***

## MAY—Month of Mary

28th St Germanus of Paris

29th St Alexander

30th St Joan of Arc

31st The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1st June St Justin

2nd St Erasmus

3rd St Clotilda



### Seniors Luncheon

Tuesday, 13th June, 12pm

Hotel Newbay—329 New St, Brighton

### RSVP

Joan Hamilton 9592 2498, 0432 449 122

Mary Holmes 0419 592 045

The Most Holy Trinity- Year A 4.6.23	5.30pm	9.00am	11.00am
Lector	Paul Dungan	Rod Watson	Richard Wakeham
Minister	Clare Sabatino	Mary Callea	Jenny Reiche
Audio Visual Operator	Carmel Cristiano	volunteer	Teresa Myer

### St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal

Our annual Winter Appeal for this year will be in two weeks time (**10<sup>th</sup>–11<sup>th</sup> June**) ... which happens to be the King's Birthday Holiday weekend. If you will be away there are some Appeal envelopes in the foyer. And if you prefer to donate online that is easily done. You can donate directly to our Brighton East Conference at this web address ...

<https://my.fundraiseforvinniesvic.org.au/vinnies-winter-appeal-2023/brighton-east-conference>

[Scan the QR-code on the posters in the foyer].

Donating here means your donation will assist people in need in our local area. (Donations over \$2 are tax deductible).

We are also appealing for donations of **blankets, doonas, sleeping bags, etc.** These can be placed in the box in the foyer. On any given night in Australia 1 in 200 people are homeless. Blankets also help people who cannot afford high energy bills.

Finally, thank you to the students, parents and staff of our **St Finbar's Primary School** who are again this year doing a **Food Drive**. Every year their wonderful generosity fills our pantry shelves to overflowing!

If you would like to donate non-perishable foods (e.g. rice, pasta, soup, etc.), those can also be placed in the box in the foyer.

Thank you, Philip McNerney



**Go forward bravely. Fear nothing. Trust in God; all will be well.**—St Joan of Arc

*Courage is very important. Like a muscle, it is strengthened by use.* © Ruth Gordon



#### SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND ALL VULNERABLE PEOPLE

St Finbar's Parish hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility for our community.