



In the name of the + Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Opening prayer:

We now take a moment of quiet reflection, to open our hearts and minds to God who wants to draw close to us in a communion of love.

We now call on the Holy Spirit to come among us.

Adapted from 'Without Fear' – Jane Mitchell

Come Holy Spirit, open our hearts to the needs of the church in our time.

Come Holy Spirit, open our ears to the hearts and voice of your people.

Come Holy Spirit, guide us to wisdom and courage as we journey, as one.

Come Holy Spirit, with solitude and rest, so we may be the heartbeat of God,

Come Holy Spirit, guide us to hope, to love and live the joy of your word.

Amen.

Scripture Reading (Jeremiah 29: 10-14)

Let us now listen to God's Word from the Prophet Jeremiah:

For thus says the Lord: I will visit you and fulfill my promise to you and bring you back to this place. For I know full well the plans I have for you, plans for your welfare and not for your misfortune, plans that will offer you a future filled with hope. When you call out to me and come forth and pray to me, I will listen to you. When you search for me, you will find me. When you seek me with all your heart, I will allow you to discover me, says the Lord.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Silence (5 min)

What pastoral priorities and actions do we believe the Holy Spirit is calling us, as individuals and faith communities, to focus on during the next five years, to give renewed life and purpose to our shared mission?

- **Eucharistic Celebration**

How can we develop a more active & meaningful involvement in our Eucharistic Celebrations?

- **Faith Formation & Development**

What information would you need to help you develop a deeper understanding of your faith?

- **Young People, Parents & Families**

What suggestions do you have to help our Parish build relationships with our schools, teachers, children & parents?

- **The Aged, Frail, Sick & Disabled**

Can you suggest any specific programs to assist these important groups within our parish become more involved or supported in Parish Life?

- **Communications**

How do you think our Parish can improve both our internal & external communications in all forms?

- **Our Wider Community**

How do you think we can build a closer, active engagement with our local community?

Please use the space on this page to add any thoughts or relevant information you would like to share.

Please bring your responses back to church next week and put them in the box in the foyer.