

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**A NOTE ABOUT CORRECTING OTHERS**

In cases when someone is being disruptive, too loud in the chapel, or dressed immodestly, etc., the responsibility of addressing the situation does not belong to the parishioners. This task falls to the priests. If there is a situation that needs immediate attention, please bring it to the attention of the priests.

The next **YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT** will be held 27<sup>th</sup> May (this Wed)

**Schedule**

6pm - 6:30pm: Rosary

6:30pm: Dinner at the back of the church.

Please RSVP to help with catering for food.

All are most welcome!  
Feel free to invite friends.

The next **ST CATHERINE WOMEN'S GROUP** will be held on 31<sup>st</sup> July (Next Sunday) at 12:30pm. We will begin with lunch, followed by a spiritual talk and group discussion. Please let Fr Leung is you are coming.

The next **St ANNE MOTHERS' GROUP** will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> May (Fri) at 10am. Spiritual talk will be given. **Topic:** Transmission of the faith to young children, followed by group discussion.

**CHILDREN'S CATECHISM** is held **EVERY SUNDAY** between 9am-9:50am.

**CASH & ONLINE DONATIONS**

17<sup>th</sup> May - 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 26

First Collection: \$ 3039.85

Second Collection: \$ 1484.1

Building fund: \$ 315.95

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

**THURSDAY ONLINE CLASS**

**Topic:** Eschatology - Death and how to prepare for it?

The class meets **EVERY THURSDAY** from 7pm to 8:15pm, except when it falls on a first-class feast day.

**SATURDAY BIBLE CLASS**

meets **EVERY SATURDAY** between 10:30am & 11:30am.

**LEGION OF MARY** meeting will be held **THIS MONDAY** at 6:30pm

**DONATIONS:**

**Cheque donations to:**

FSSP Australia

PO Box 6241, Mawson, ACT2607

**Bank Account Details:**

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**First Collection (Apostolate)**

BSB 062 786 A/c No: 00020007

A/c Name: Priestly Fraternity of St Peter

**Second Collection (Church)**

BSB 062 786 A/c No: 00021179

A/c Name: Priestly Fraternity of St Peter

**Church Building Fund**

BSB 062 786 A/c No: 00029891

A/c Name: Priestly Fraternity of St Peter (Building fund)

The FSSP District of Oceania has a zero tolerance policy towards abuse in any form.

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**St Michael the Archangel Latin Mass Chaplaincy, Canberra**

Served by **The Priestly Fraternity of St Peter (FSSP)**



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**Mass & Confession Schedule**

<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	(Low Mass)
	<b>10:00am</b>	(Sung Mass)
<b>Mon - Thurs:</b>	<b>7:00am</b>	(Low Mass)
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	(Low Mass)
	followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8:15pm	
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	(Low Mass)

**Venue: Sts. Peter and Paul Church, Garran  
2 Boake Pl, Garran, ACT 2605**

**CONFESION**

30 minutes before all Masses until circa 5 minutes before Mass.  
Also during Masses where two priests are available.

**24th May 2026  
Pentecost Sunday**

# CALENDAR

DATE	FEAST	LOCATION / TIME
Mon, 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Pentecost Monday	7AM (Low)
Tue, 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Pentecost Tuesday	7AM (Low)
Wed, 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Ember Wednesday in Pentecost	7AM (Low)
Thurs, 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Pentecost Thursday	7AM (Low), followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8:30am;
Fri, 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Ember Friday in Pentecost	6:30PM (Low), followed by Holy Hour until 8:15pm.
Sat, 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Ember Saturday in Pentecost	8:30AM (Rosary) 9AM (Low)
Sun, 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Trinity Sunday	8AM (Low); 9:30AM (Rosary) 10AM (Sung)

## Monthly Community lunch

**Date: 7th June (Sun)**

**Time: After 10am Mass**

**Please bring a plate to share with the community**

## Pentecost Octave



The Octave of Pentecost was for centuries one of the most solemn and beloved parts of the Church's liturgical year. Alongside Easter and Christmas, Pentecost possessed one of the three great octaves of the Roman Rite. Developed during the first millennium, the octave prolonged the celebration of the descent of the Holy Ghost upon the Apostles and the birth of the Church. St John Henry Newman even described the Breviary Offices of Pentecost and its octave as perhaps the "grandest" of the entire liturgical year. Pentecost was also one of the traditional times for Christian initiation. Following

Acts 2:38-41, catechumens were baptized, and the newly baptized wore white garments throughout the octave, giving rise to the name "Whitsun" or "White Sunday."

In 1970, however, the Pentecost Octave was abolished in the Ordinary Form of the Roman Rite. A famous story recounts how Pope Paul VI, arriving for Mass on the Monday after Pentecost, expected the traditional red vestments of the octave but instead found green vestments prepared for Ordinary Time. When informed that the octave had been abolished, he reportedly asked, "Who did that?" and was told, "Your Holiness, you did." Whether historically exact or not, the story captures the sadness many Catholics felt over the disappearance of such an ancient liturgical tradition.

The loss of the octave had several important consequences. First, Pentecost came to appear merely as the conclusion of Easter rather than the beginning of the Church's life under the guidance of the Holy Ghost. Previously, "Time after Pentecost" represented the entire age of the Church journeying under the Spirit until the Second Coming. Now Ordinary Time seems to replace Pentecost abruptly rather than flow naturally from it.

Secondly, the abolition weakened the Church's liturgical emphasis on the Holy Ghost. Critics argue that reducing Pentecost to a "one-day wonder" created a spiritual vacuum which charismatic pentecostal movements attempted to fill. As a result, the Holy Ghost often became what many theologians call the "forgotten Person of the Trinity."

Thirdly, the loss of the octave diminished the Church's traditional understanding of liturgical resonance. Great feasts were never meant to be celebrated and immediately forgotten. Octaves allowed the faithful to linger spiritually over profound mysteries and absorb their meaning gradually. Father Guy Nicholls compared this to the ringing of church bells before a great feast: the greater the feast, the longer its resonance should continue. Pentecost, commemorating both the descent of the Holy Ghost and the birth of the Church, naturally demanded such prolonged celebration.

Finally, the octave expressed the theological completeness of the Paschal Mystery. Easter celebrated Christ's Resurrection, while Pentecost celebrated the outpouring of the Spirit through whom the fruits of redemption continue in the Church's sacramental life. Thus Pentecost looked both backward to Easter and forward to the life of the Church under the Holy Ghost. Today, the Pentecost Octave survives only in the Extraordinary Form and the Anglican Ordinariate, while many Catholics are unaware it ever existed.