



MURRAY BRIDGE, MURRAY MALLEE, MALLEE BORDER

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Information on our parishes & our communities



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25TH May 2025

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

"But the Counsellor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you."

The Gospel according to John is preparing us for the descent of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. Following the contemplation of Christ's mission on earth, through his death and his glorification in the resurrection, the role of the third person of the Blessed Trinity will begin in the Church. He will continue the revelation given by Christ. He will recall Christ's teaching to their minds, and enable them to see the full meaning of all that he had said and done.

The Holy Spirit "breathes where he wills." Today, he assists the local authorities in the Church. He inspires individual Christians if they call on him in their need. He inspires young people to offer their lives to the service of the Church and their neighbour. In moments of crisis, the Holy Spirit helps us to make wise decisions, but we should call for his assistance. The Holy Spirit will not fail us if we turn to him earnestly and sincerely. May the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth, counsel us and teach us.

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER- YR C

First reading

Acts 15:1-2,22-29

**It has been decided by the Spirit
and by ourselves not to burden you
with any burden beyond these
essentials**

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us; and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols; from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 66(67):2-3,5-6,8

R/: O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help.

R/: O God, let all the nations praise you!

Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth.

R/: O God, let all the nations praise you!

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him.

R/: O God, let all the nations praise you!

Second reading

Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23

**He showed me the holy city coming
down out of heaven**

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel

John 14:23-29

**The Holy Spirit will teach you
everything and remind you of all I
have said to you.**

Jesus said to his disciples:

'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.

Peace I bequeath you,

My own peace I give you,

A peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say:

I am going away, and shall return.

If you love me you would have been glad to know that I am
going to the Father,

For the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens,

So that when it does happen you may believe.

Children's Liturgy at MHRC will held on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month. Next month's sessions will be on Sunday (8th June) & Sunday (15th June) in the parish meeting room with Bev Villaver and another volunteer.

Weekday masses

Please note that Fr George is now offering the celebration of mass on **Thursdays at 9.30am**. Regular weekday masses in Murray Bridge: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday at 9.30am, Friday at 12nn.

Volunteers needed Urgently

We are in need of more volunteers for our parishes. Maintenance roster, Lectors, commentators etc. Please, if you would like to be part of these rewarding ministries speak to Fr George, or Trudy in the parish office. Thank you

St Vicent De Paul Society (Vinnies) Murray Bridge Conference is seeking more volunteers to help with our assistance program. Each Tuesday from 10am until around mid day, we assist people in need of food, clothing etc. We are a small number of volunteers (3 from T/B, 1 from Macclesfield, & only 1 from M/B). Being a M/B Conference, we would love to have more local members.

If you are interested in joining us, contact **Liz: 0412381116** or leave your name & number with Trudy at parish office and we will be in touch with you. Thank you. Liz Connolly.

A Community in Action

Mitzie & Alfredo Luna, parishioners and residents of Tailem Bend, wishes to thank you all for your earnest prayers and generous donations in support of their continuing struggle to overcome baby Alfrea's medical and physical challenges

Community Life and Worship Team workshops

Creating a welcoming parish

A free workshop presented by the Pastoral Services Team on **Tuesday June 3** from 7-9 pm in the Cathedral Hall. This workshop is suitable for PPC members, hospitality groups, priests, parish staff and anyone interested in providing a welcoming environment within their parish; providing practical strategies and tips in developing a welcoming parish to all who walk through its doors. Join us online or in person, bookings essential. <https://www.trybooking.com/DBQMD> For enquiries contact Community Life & Worship on 8210 8130 or worship@adelaide.catholic.org.au



Volunteer Recruitment and Retention

A free workshop presented by the Pastoral Services Team on **Tuesday June 17** from 7-9pm in the Cathedral Hall. Suitable for PPC members, parish priests, parish staff, and program coordinators in parishes. A practical workshop that explores best practices for recruiting and retaining volunteers within the life of the parish. Join us online or in person, bookings essential. <https://www.trybooking.com/DBQMM>

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MURRAY BRIDGE, MURRAY MALLEE, MALLEE BORDER PARISHES			Weekly Giving 17-18 May 2025	M/B	M/M
31 st May Saturday	Mannum (Vigil Mass) - Fr George	4pm	1 st Collection (for the Priests of the Archdiocese)	\$903.80	\$140.75
31 st May Saturday	Murray Bridge (Vigil Mass) - Fr Richard	6pm	2 nd Collection - for the Parish (Loose Plate)	\$436.70	\$70.00
1 st June Sunday	Murray Bridge (Mass) - Fr George	11am	2nd Collection - for the Parish (Planned Giving Envelopes)	\$641.00	\$70.00
1 st June Sunday	Tailem Bend (Mass) - Fr John	9am	Donation (Friday Lunch)	\$25.00	
1 st June Sunday	Pinnaroo (Mass) - Fr Richard	2.30am	Caritas/Project Compassion	\$605.15	\$175.35
1 st June Sunday	Meningie (LWHC) -	9am			
Tuesday (Mass)	Murray Bridge (Fr George)	9.30am			
Wednesday (Mass)	Murray Bridge (Fr George)	9.30am			
Thursday (Mass)	Murray Bridge (Fr George)	9.30am			
Wednesday (Mass)	Mannum (Fr George)	11am			
Friday (Adoration)	Murray Bridge (Fr George)	11am			
Friday (Mass)	Murray Bridge (Fr George)	12noon			

Thank You!

Please pray for the sick:

Eda Abbondandola, Bill Allam, Luigino Antonello, Thomas Arnold, Marion Ayres, Lyn Ayunon, Greg Baily, Simon Boyce, Kathy Broster, Colleen Buchan, Jim Byrne, Joan Carey, Alyn Catipay, Kathalia Celestine, Jackie Clarke, Peter Connolly, Pat Connolly, John Cooper, Nucileide Jesus Da Silva, Kathleen Daniel, Eugenia Delena, Pat Duxbury, Shona Edwards, Kevin Glancy, Niall Glancy, Lottie Grabski, Alex Gregory, Angela Groves, Nilda Guadagnin, Cynthia Harbour, Helen Hogan, Vin Hollis, Carol Hunt, Roger & Raylene Hurle, Maureen Johnson, Adriana Lai, Lorraine Ledgard, Anita Lindner, Ann Loughran, Ashley Mason, Sam May, Bernard McInerney, Judith & Kevin Meaney, Lillian Nagy, Mick Nearmy, Virgie Nicholls, Joel Paca-anas, Arturo & Ronda Jean Nigro, Raelene O'Driscoll, Pat Pfeiffer, Ross & Pauline Pfeiffer, Maria & Vince Rocca, Robin Scott, Yvonne Shillabeer, Charlotte Tottman, Isobel Turner, Abby Vivian, Bernadina Wassenner, Jan Winter.

Anniversaries: Bill O'Loughlin

Deaths:

Walking Together in Unity: harmony and reconciliation

Earlier this year, we celebrated Harmony Week, recognising the rich cultural diversity that makes Australia so unique. With over 300 ancestries and more than half of us born overseas or with a parent who was, we have wonderful opportunities to enrich and strengthen our parish communities, through recognising our cultural differences and traditions. In our Catholic schools and parishes, Harmony Week reminded us of the importance of creating safe, inclusive environments where everyone, especially children and adults at risk, feel respected, welcomed and valued. As we look ahead to National Reconciliation Week (May 27–June 3), we are invited to reflect on our relationship with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, their histories

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: **(25th May 2025) Yr C**

1st Rdg: Acts 1:1-11

2nd Rdg: Hebrews 0:24-28,10:19-23

Gospel: Luke 24:46-53

Diocesan Synod formation session: What is a Diocesan Synod?

Tuesday June 24, 2025, 7pm, online gathering

The Archdiocese of Adelaide is preparing for a Synod in 2026. Each month you are invited to participate in an online formation session with other people from across the Archdiocese. Each session will explore a different aspect or theme of the Synod. The June session will include details about the Diocesan Synod, what makes a synod different from a Diocesan Assembly, foundations in synodality, and synod membership. Register at <https://www.trybooking.com/DBUKH> or contact Peter Bierer for more information pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au

REMINDERS

- StJoMB Yr 4 Mass - Wed 28th May at 9.30am MHRC.
- M&Ms 29th May– Mayflower cruise at Mannum.
- Confirmation Fri 30th May 7pm.

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- An Appeal -

Fr George has now been with us for a few weeks and is settling in well into the community. However, the Parish Finance Council is very much aware that the presbytery is sparsely furnished and is keen to offer a bit more support. Unfortunately, our finances are limited and so we are calling for parishioners to consider making a donation, of any amount, if able, perhaps towards the acquisition of a TV and a recliner chair.

Next Week's Roster

Church	Murray Bridge	Murray Bridge	Tailem Bend
Dates & Time	31st May (Saturday) 6PM	1st June (Sunday) 11AM	1st June (Sunday) 9AM
Commentator	Erin Eckermann	Meradith O'Loughlin	Sr. Michele
Lector 1	Valerie Scott	Teresa Maranan	Edwin Pope
Lector 2	Mark Scott	Bronny Rossiter	Victoria Gazzola
P.O. Faithful	Wayne Hollitt	Trudy Shirvington	Sr. Michele
Euch. Ministers	Sharon Gregory	Rodel Maranan	Peter Nearmy
Welcoming 1	Carol Giles	Kathy Bratkovic	Peter Nearmy
Welcoming 2	Jo Hancock		Music– Edwin P
Offertory			T Brereton & K Duggan
POF Writer	Trudy Shirvingtom		
Grounds Maintenance (MB)	Wayne Hollitt & Mirian Henry		