

# ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

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## 19 May 2024 - Pentecost Sunday (Year B)

### Mass Schedule

#### SUNDAY

6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass  
7:30am Morning Prayer  
8:00am Mass  
9:30am Mass  
11:00am Solemn Mass with Cathedral Choir  
6:00pm Mass

#### MONDAY TO FRIDAY

6:10am Morning Prayer  
6:30am Mass  
11:15am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
11:15am Reconciliation (till 12:15pm)  
Rosary after Angelus at 12:00 noon  
12:30pm Mass

#### SATURDAY

7:30am Morning Prayer  
8:00am Mass  
8:30am Reconciliation (till 9:00am)  
9:30am Mass (Old Rite)  
5:00pm Sacrament of Penance (till 5:30pm)

#### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Mass at 8:00am (No Adoration or Confession)

#### WEEKLY PRAYER GROUPS

Tuesday 9:30am - Christian Meditation  
Tuesday 6:30pm - Legion of Mary  
Tuesday 7:30pm - RCIA (September - April)  
Friday 1:00pm - Cenacle Prayers

#### MONTHLY PRAYER

First Friday Devotions: 6:30pm

#### OTHER GROUPS

**Playgroup:** Wednesdays 10:00am - 12:00pm  
**Facebook:** Parramatta St Pat's Playgroup

#### Credo Youth Ministries

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### Capability versus Character?

**WHAT DO YOU VALUE** more in a person – their capability or their character? Capability is about how well someone can do a job; character is about the kind of person they are.

Both are important, but for me, character is the most important. The reason being capability is mostly just the gifts a person has been born with, whereas character is something they have had to work at. Character is formed, or forged, in the arena of life, over many years.

The reason I ask the question is because this week we celebrate Pentecost. Pentecost is all about the Holy Spirit and the Holy Spirit has two impacts on us, one relates to capability and the other to character.

When scripture talks about how the Holy Spirit impacts us, it talks about the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and the Fruits of the Holy Spirit, and there can often be some confusion over the difference between the two. So, let's take a look at them.

**The Gifts** of the Spirit are: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord.

**The Fruits** of the Spirit are: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control.

The Gifts are immediate gifts given by the Spirit that relate to our **spiritual capability**. They equip us for our mission.

The Fruits are about our **spiritual character** and are formed over time. We could think of it in terms of our lifetime journey of increasing sanctification, growing more and more into the character of Christ. This is our process of ongoing formation.

The Gifts are **different** from one person to the next. They are given to people depending on what mission God has in store for them, and they are appropriate to that specific calling.

The Fruits, by contrast, should be the **same** in every Christian and they are the true sign that the person has been engaging in a real relationship with God. While we need grace to develop these Fruits, we do have a role to play in terms of the extent to which we cooperate with, and surrender to, the will of God.

In the end the clue is in the words – a Gift is something we are given outright, whereas a Fruit is something that is cultivated over time. In the Fruit we see the action of the Vinedresser, but there is also the action of the person – cooperation, humility, surrender.

Every day we should pray for the Holy Spirit to fill us, and every night we should examine ourselves to see if we are developing the character that we should. We can ask ourselves:

“Would the people that I interacted with today use these words to describe their experience of me: loving, joyful, peaceful, patient, kind, good, trustworthy, gentle and self-controlled?”

If the answer is “Yes” then we are on the right track. If the answer is “No” then we must call on the Vinedresser to get out his pruning shears... there is some work to be done

*Wishing you a Spirit-filled week ahead,*

*Deacon David*



# THE BULLETIN

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## SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms** are celebrated in the Cathedral on most Sundays. Contact the parish office to book or fill out the form on the website.

**Weddings** are by appointment only.

**At least six months' notice is necessary.**  
Contact the Parish Secretary on 8839 8412.

**First Eucharist and Confirmation**  
Please contact the Parish Secretary.

## Hiring of Rooms

For hire of Cloister Function rooms, call the office on 8839 8400 or enquiry@stpatscathedral.com.au

## Material for Bulletin

If you have something that you would like published in the bulletin, please ensure that it is conveyed to our Parish Secretary, Pat, by **12:00noon on Thursday**. Please note that material must relate to the parish and its mission. Don't forget that businesses can advertise on the rear page of the bulletin too!

“Come Holy Spirit, Renew the Hearts of Your Faithful”

This Pentecost, we invite the Holy Spirit into our lives with the fervent prayer, "Come Holy Spirit, renew the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love." As we celebrate the birthday of the Church, we recall the transformative power of the Holy Spirit, who descended upon the apostles and bestowed upon them gifts that would lead to the spread of the Gospel across the world.

As we gather for worship today, let us seek the Holy Spirit's presence in our prayers, songs, and fellowship. Let us pray together: "Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth."

May this Pentecost ignite in each of us a renewed passion for our faith and a deepened commitment to our Church and community. Let the fire of God's love burn brightly within our hearts as we move forward in his grace and guidance.

Blessings on this Pentecost Sunday!



## Pentecost and Laudato Si' Week: Celebrating the Spirit and Care for Our Common Home

As we celebrate Pentecost, the birthday of the Church, marked by the Holy Spirit's empowering presence, we also embark on Laudato Si' Week (19-26 May). This week is dedicated to Pope Francis' call through his encyclical, Laudato Si', to care for our common home. It's a fitting conjunction as the Holy Spirit, who renews the face of the earth, invites us to partake in renewing our planet.

This year, Laudato Si' Week begins on Pentecost Sunday, offering us a unique opportunity to reflect on how the Spirit moves us towards stewardship of the environment. Inside this bulletin, you will find an action sheet with practical steps each of us can take to live more sustainably. These simple actions can make a significant difference in our community and beyond.

We encourage you to explore the resources available at [laudatosiweek.org](http://laudatosiweek.org), which provide valuable insights and ideas for participating in this important initiative. Additionally, this is a great time to revisit or discover Pope Francis' 2015 encyclical. For those looking for more concise information, summaries of Laudato Si' are readily accessible online. Furthermore, the follow-up document, Laudate Deum, released last October, continues to build on these teachings.

Let us respond to the call of the Holy Spirit and Pope Francis by actively engaging in efforts to protect and cherish the world around us. As we rejoice in the gift of the Spirit this Pentecost, may we also commit to being caretakers of the Earth, our shared home.



**LAUDATO SI'**  
**WEEK 2024**

**Seeds  
of Hope**

# PARISH NOTICES

## Sacraments of Initiation

The practice session for those children preparing for First Eucharist Sacrament of Eucharist will take place on **Saturday 25 May at 4:30pm** in the cathedral.

This will be for all children preparing for this sacrament, regardless of whether they will be receiving their First Eucharist on 02 or 09 June.

## Parish Pastoral Council Update

Once again, thank you to those who generously offered to share their time and talent with the parish by putting forward their nominations for the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC).

Seventeen people nominated to fill the eight positions on the PPC. We will be interviewing each of the nominees this week and hope to announce the eight successful applicants shortly.

Once we have the PPC formed, there will be some formation taking place and decisions about frequency of meetings, terms of office, how meetings will be run, priorities, and so on.

We look forward to the PPC being instrumental as our parish continues to grow and become ever more vibrant and mission-focused!

## Fr Robert on Study/Annual Leave

A note that I will be on leave for three weeks from 24 May through to 14 June. The purpose of this leave is connected to my role as Episcopal Vicar for Education. Along with some other clergy, chancery staff and Catholic school staff, I will be undertaking a two-week intensive course titled Enhancing Catholic School Identity at KU Leuven in Belgium. This course is seen as an important way of enhancing and maintaining the Catholicity of our schools in the Parramatta Diocese, and is also pursued by some other dioceses in Australia and other parts of the world. At the conclusion of the course, I will take a few days' leave before returning to Sydney. *Fr Robert*

## Barnardos Australia Seeking Help

### Case Summary

Two children, a boy (3 years 9 months old) and a girl (2 years 3 months old), have been in temporary care since September 2022 due to safety concerns at home involving their parents' mental health issues, drug use, and neglect. Currently placed with Indonesian carers, the children are of Nigerian and Sierra Leonean descent. They have shown significant improvement in their current environment, developing well both emotionally and cognitively. The boy requires ongoing occupational therapy and speech therapy, while the girl is meeting her developmental milestones and enjoys interactive play. Both children attend daycare and have supervised family visits with their parents.

### Seeking Permanent Care for Two Young Children

We are reaching out to our parish community on behalf of Barnardos to find a permanent and culturally matching home for two young children currently under temporary care. These children have faced significant challenges but are now thriving under stable care. If you or someone you know may be interested in providing a loving, permanent home for these resilient siblings, please consider reaching out to Barnardos for more information on how you can help. Your support can make a profound difference in their lives.

For more details or to express interest, please contact Anne-Grethe Skold at Barnardos Australia via [emailaskold@barnardos.org.au](mailto:emailaskold@barnardos.org.au). Let us come together to support these children in finding a safe and nurturing home.

## Update on Fr Bob Bossini

Dear parishioners, please find the current update on Father Bob's condition below. We ask for continued prayers.

*"Dear friends, just an update on my condition. After meeting with the oncologist last Thursday, he stressed that he didn't want me to undergo any further medical procedures until after a catscan in early June and a subsequent meeting with him the following week. He stated that I need to spend the time till then recuperating. The operation, which was successful, and should have had me in hospital for a week, ended being almost five weeks. There were many complications not least of all was kidney failure. He said with all this trauma and the fact that I had lost 26kgs requires an extended period of recuperation to overcome the physical and mental stress.*

*I'm coping with the stoma bag, but I have to monitor it every two hours every night which means a very interrupted night followed by a dazed filled day.*

*Medically, I have to have keyhole surgery to eradicate a very small lesion on the liver; the removal of the primary tumour in the large intestine - which couldn't be detected in the last scan and finally the removal of the stoma bag. All this means that, God willing, I should be back in the parish [Fairfield] mid to late July. At present my sister-in-law is changing the stoma bag every second day - a process I could never attempt on my own. I ask for your prayers and patience as I move to the final stage of medication."*

Fr Bob

**YOU'RE INVITED**

**CREDO SOCIAL NIGHT**

**FOR YOUNG ADULTS AGES 18-35**

SUNDAY 16TH JUNE AFTER 6PM MASS | ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL (PARISH HALL) | JOIN FR. TOM AND OTHERS FOR FAITH, FELLOWSHIP, AND FREE FOOD!

PLEASE SEND YOUR RSVP TO [FR.TOM@STPATSCATHEDRAL.COM.AU](mailto:FR.TOM@STPATSCATHEDRAL.COM.AU)

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# PARISH & DIOCESAN NOTICES

## First Eucharist Masses - 02/09 June

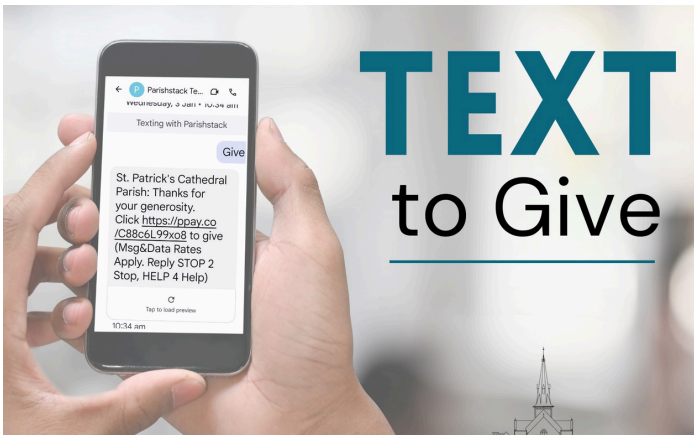
As you will be aware, children in our parish are preparing for their first Eucharist. The two Sunday Masses set aside for the children to receive their first Eucharist are the **two 9:30am Masses on both the 2nd and 9th June.**



We are expecting around 25 children at the Mass on 02 June and around 15 on 09 June. If you are a regular at the 9:30am Sunday Mass, please bear this in mind, especially in terms of parking as there will clearly be a lot more people at these two Masses. In addition, and most importantly, please keep these children in your prayers!

## Text to Donate!

Simply text the word **'GIVE' to 0488 202 202**, and you will receive a link to contribute directly to the Cathedral. Choose your donation amount and complete your gift in a few taps.



## Thanks from the Hospitality Coordinator

...for donation of supplies for Sunday Morning Teas by:

- Halina, who last week gave a box of individual chocolate bars which I'm sure the children will love!
- All the parishioners who've dropped off goodies undetected over the past few weeks.

God bless you all for being so generous!

## Seeking submissions for St Pat's Matters

The next issue will come out late July/early August.

Keen to contribute an article? Then start writing! All contributions welcome.

Watch out next bulletin for the editor's wish list of parishioner contributions.

Email to M. Polizzi: [balm5@bigpond.com](mailto:balm5@bigpond.com) as soon as possible! Or, leave at the Parish Office marked *For St Pat's Matters*.



## In Loving Memory

We extend our heartfelt condolences to Joanne Edgar on the sorrowful passing of her mother Janet Cotter and to Claire Pospischil on the loss of her father James McKee. During this time of grief we hold you both in our prayers and thoughts, asking for God's comfort and peace to surround you and your families. May the sound of your beloved parents rest in the eternal love of Christ.

With deepest sympathy from your parish family.



## Diocesan Tribunal

The Diocese of Parramatta Tribunal is available for in-person, telephone and Zoom appointments.

The Tribunal of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Parramatta is open Monday to Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm for enquiries regarding marriage annulments. Interviews are being conducted in person with Zoom and telephone appointments available in certain circumstances. Please contact the Tribunal office on (02) 8838 3480 or email [tribunal@parracatholic.org](mailto:tribunal@parracatholic.org).

## Mt Schoenstatt Marian May Devotions

Everyone is invited to the Schoenstatt Shrine to pray, sing and honour the Blessed Mother daily in the month of May. All are welcome to join the sisters for half hour May Devotions in the Shrine on Sunday to Friday at 5:30pm and Saturdays at 5:15pm. Learn more about the May devotions on their website <https://schoenstatt.org.au/> or Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/MtSchoenstattMulgoa/>



## Winbourne Walking the Labyrinth Reflection Day: 25 May

The Winbourne Edmund Rice Retreat Centre, Mulgoa, is holding a half-day retreat 'Walking the Labyrinth' on Saturday 25 May from 9:30am to 12:30pm. In the labyrinth you enter a spiritual journey. It is a safe space, but one which challenges boundaries in order to create hope. There you may safely bring to the surface that which, held within, needs to come into the light. Cost is \$15 per person, with tea and coffee included. For more information or to book, contact (02) 4773 5555 or email [info@winbourne.org](mailto:info@winbourne.org)

# PRAYER INTENTIONS

## We pray for our beloved dead...

**Recently Deceased:** Janet Cotter, Brian McCarthy, Nelly Estay, Dynes Woodrow, James McKee, Marie K El-Kazzi, Frederick Fisher, John Burrow, Yolanda Roxas, Annette Van Tilburg, Maria Davino, Kevin Smith, Adoracion Soriano, Regina Figueira, Jessica Hanna, Noreen McLean, Bridget Phelan, Hung Cheung, Valmai Costello, Dr Bill Lane, Tony Sabat, Felicidad Casenas, Moltea Iezzi, Teresa Huongle, Philip Vas

**Deceased:** Christine Vas, Lewis & Nassar Nissan, Ennas, Mrs Annanas, Lucy D'Mello, Philip Vas, Leticia Vas, Jan, Ludwig, Henry K

**Anniversaries:** Joseph Teuma, Lucy D'Mello, Pelcy D'Souza, Dems Morreiro, Waldmar Drankowski, Maxima Manlangit, Juan Montesco

**Perpetuals:** Paul Mahoney, Louisa & Arthur Baxter, Nat Fedyk, Robert Dearie, Norm Hector, Bokeyar family, David family, Japour family, Paula Loto'aniu, Peter Van Tilburg, Margaret Angela Roberts, Sally & Frank Martlew, Sherwood family, Pat & Jim Hartman, Mark Fletcher, Royan & Andrews families, Don & Pat Andrews, Juliet Noronha, Dr Joseph Malouf, Abel Moses, Jimmy, Anna & Frank Grainda, Frank Agostino, Bernadette Melhen & Sally Boujandy, Jack & June Barrett, Ann O'Brien, Watson Lee, Ian & Pat Sanders, Bill & Alice Kendall, Allan Kendall, Maria Patterson & Ellen Bancan, Hooper family, Giuseppina & Giovanni Rechichi, Mary Coady, Mary & Jack White, Vincent & Rebecca Vella, Walter Townsend, Ferris Grugeon, McInherny, White, McWilliam & McGuckin families, Mary Abela, Robert Andrews, Sylvester family, Rogan family, Adcock & McMillan families, Love family, Gabrielle Baker, Paula Cowling, McDermott & Starr families, Repose of the Souls in Purgatory and all deceased parishioners of St Patrick's and St Monica's

## We also pray for...

**Sick:** Anne-Maraie Douaihy, Fred & Odette Harb, Colleen Johnston, Melissa Carter, Kathleen, Patti Murphy, Mary Tito, Fr Bob Bossini, Fatima Rodricks, Azar Al-Ters, Melissa Carter, Terry Pumati, Leonora, Shana, Fr Peter Henry, Nasr Nasr, Athony Tran, Leonardo Close, Michael Perez, Franz Tito, Soane Kikanoi, Sharon Melville, Orvil Noe M Villalobos, Olivia Harb, Maria, Samira, Maria & Tony Obeid, Tony Chang, Francisca Olay, Maximilian Epondulan, Vasvi V Arcot, Stephen Borg, Nicole Slatter, Seini Loto'aniu, Sharon Webb

**Special Intentions:** Peter Newman, Naleen, Tian, Raveen, YT Hsu & Deanna Hsu, Michael Perez, Sarah Ferguson, Kate Middleton, Agnes Patacsil, Patrick N, Madeleine Suttie, Fancesca Ryan, Helen Perrottet, Paul & Mouzel Carson, Stephen Senjak, Peter Newman, Raveen, Felicitas Appathurai, Santiago Tito, Antonio Tito, Dianne Mary Tito, Elizabeth Perez, Dynes Woodrow, Nikola, Ankica, Mara & Stephen Senjak, Vera, Rita & family, Allwyn & Jasmine, Chris Dias, Liam D'Souza, Tian, Arthur Lopez, Rebecca & Alex Mann, Zayne Bumactau, Myrna R Santos, Roser North, Jeanette Joseph, Margaret Jerome, BVM & Infant Jesus, Clara Cabezas

## BAPTISMS



We welcome into our Catholic Christian family the following children who were recently baptised here...

**Faith Cadion**

## WEDDINGS



We also pray for the following couple recently married here...

**Elise Pham and Reno Cheong**

## POPE FRANCIS' Prayer Intention for May



***For the formation of religious and seminarians***

"We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel."

From Pope Francis...

*From a tweet dated 15 May*

"The charity of Christ compels us to care for our smallest and most marginalised brothers and sisters. It is a tangible and courageous love that embraces even what seems unlovable. Christ's love forgives, forgets, blesses, and gives without measure."

# Saint of the Week

25 May - St Bede the Venerable (673-735), Monk

He was born in the north of England, near the monastery of Wearmouth. He joined that monastery, and spent all his life there or at Jarrow, teaching and writing. He was the outstanding ecclesiastical author of his time. He wrote commentaries on Scripture; an ecclesiastical history of the English people, which is a unique and irreplaceable resource for much of early English history; and the first martyrology (collection of saints' lives) to be compiled on historical principles. He was also the first known writer of English prose, though this has not survived. He died at Jarrow on 25 May 735: he taught and worked until the last moments of his life, which are narrated by Cuthbert in today's Office of Readings. He is venerated as the "light of the Church" in the Dark Ages, and as a forerunner of the 8th and 9th century renaissance of the Western Church.



Information: Universalis

## “Quote of the Week”

“If you seek Jesus in all things you will surely find Jesus. And if you seek yourself you will surely find yourself, but only to your ruin.”



**Thomas a Kempis**  
(1380-1471)  
Spiritual Master and  
Mystic

## Did You Know...?

...that there are several islands named Pentecost Island?

We are all familiar with some islands and other geographical features being named after Christian feast days and festivals, for example Christmas Island and the more famous Easter Island.

There are at least three islands in the world (according to Google Maps, anyway!) named after today's Solemn Feast of Pentecost. One is in Australia, part of the Whitsunday Islands group ("Whitsunday" meaning Pentecost Sunday), one in Canada in the Great Lakes system, but the most famous is an island of Vanuatu, famous for inventing bungee jumping!



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# Taking Action to Respond to the Call of Laudato Si'

## 10 Things You Can Do



Reduce your energy consumption by switching off lights, appliances and computers when not in use



Use products made from recycled materials such as toilet paper and printer paper



If your superannuation fund invests in fossil fuels, ask it to stop supporting coal and oil projects



Use biodegradable detergent in your kitchen and laundry



Buy FairTrade certified products such as coffee, tea and chocolate



Grow native plants suitable for your locality in your garden



Get involved in Clean Up Australia Day on the first Sunday in March



Be aware of how much food you throw away and make a conscious effort to reduce food waste





Don't buy fruit and vegetables which are pre-wrapped in plastic

Read a few paragraphs of Pope Francis' encyclical, Laudato Si', each day and use it as the basis for your private prayer and reflection.



# The Kids' Bulletin

 Pentecost Sunday   
May 19th, 2024



Who came to the Apostles on Pentecost Sunday?  
Fill in the blanks with the letters in the flames:  
go around the Apostles clockwise,  
skipping every other letter. Start at Mary's.

## Pentecost Word-Find

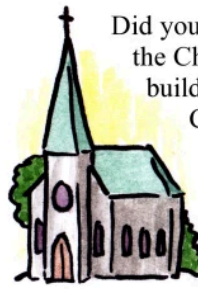
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On Pentecost Sunday, when the apostles went out of the upper room, there was a great crowd in Jerusalem for the Jewish feast. So they began to tell the people the good news of Jesus. See if you can find the names of all the different groups of people who were in the city listening to them.

All these people heard the apostles speaking in their \_\_\_\_\_!



## Happy Birthday, Church!

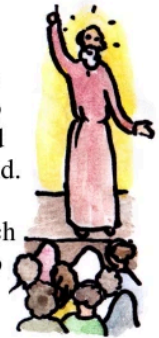


Did you know that Pentecost Sunday is the Church's birthday? Not the church building, but the people who are the Church.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Why is Pentecost the Church's birthday?

Because on that day, the Holy Spirit first came to the apostles and sent them out to become the Church and to teach the good news about Jesus everywhere in the world.



The Holy Spirit works through the Church in many ways. He inspired the men who wrote the Bible. He teaches us through priests and missionaries and teachers.

Did you know that He even inspires us to pray?

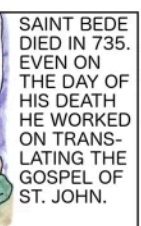
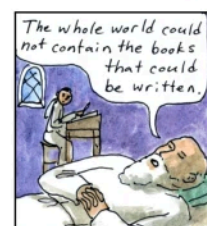
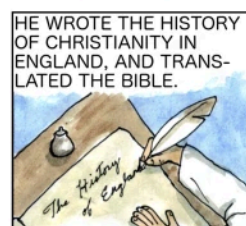
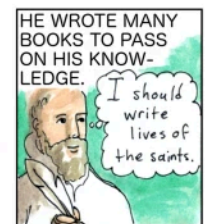
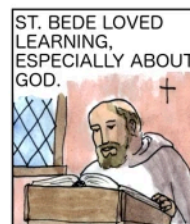
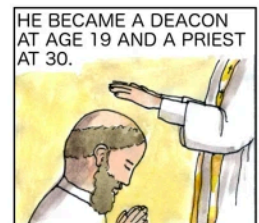
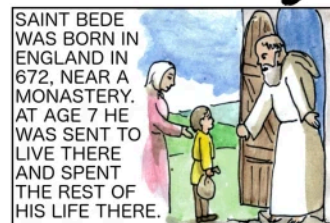
You can pray that God will send you the Holy Spirit every day. Jesus tells us in the Gospel that God will give the Holy Spirit to whoever asks.



Answer to Word-Find: native language.  
Answer to puzzle on front: The Holy Spirit.

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## Saint Bede the Venerable May 25



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