



St Mark's Parish

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Australia Day

Reflect - Respect - Celebrate

South Land of the Holy Spirit

The Beatitudes we just heard are at the beginning of the 'Sermon on the Mount'. This sermon provides a picture of a society where the usual expectations of how people relate to each other are overturned.

Australia is a place to which people have been attracted by a vision of a different future, a future where human beings could relate to each other differently to the old order in their society of origin.

De Quiros, the Portuguese explorer of the 16th Century, set out on a quest for 'Terra Australia del Espiritu Santo', South Land of the Holy Spirit.

I am convinced that 'Australia' is a work of the Holy Spirit. One of whose most distinctive works at Pentecost was the breaking down of ethnic and language barriers between people.

Australia is a place where that Pentecostal impulse is creating a new society. Have we responded to the Holy Spirit perfectly? No. Treatment of the earliest inhabitants of this land was shameful, and is not yet fully remedied as the Lord of the Sermon on the Mount desires.

But, we could pause for a moment and thank God

For our land abounding in nature's gifts of beauty rich and rare.

For the divine Spirit of Pentecost attracting us to follow Jesus in this South Land of the Holy Spirit

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A Celebration of Many People,
but One Nation O God,
powerful and gentle,
you love this southern land
and all its peoples, old and new.

As the Cross shines in our heavens
so may Christ bring light to our nation.
As the waves encircle our shores
so may your mercy enfold us all.



ST. MARK'S PARISH, DRUMMOYNE acknowledges the Wangal people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand.

We pay our respects to them and for their care of the land.
May we walk gently and respectfully upon the land.
Australia is Holy Land and the great challenge for us is to open our eyes to see the stories written, open our ears to hear the songs that have been sung and open our hearts to feel the sacredness of the Land on which we are standing today.



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Entrance Antiphon

Ps 56:9-10

All: I will praise you, Lord, among the peoples, among the nations sing psalms to you, for your mercy reaches to the heavens, and your truth to the skies.

Collect:

Grant, we pray, O lord our God, that as the Cross shines in our southern skies, so may Christ bring light to our nation, to its peoples old and new, and by saving grace, transform our lives. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

First Reading

Is 32:15-18

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The effect of justice will be peace.

Once more there will be poured on us the spirit from above; then shall the wilderness be fertile land and fertile land become forest. In the wilderness justice will come to live and integrity in the fertile land; integrity will bring peace, justice give lasting security. My people will live in a peaceful home, in safe houses, in quiet dwellings.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 84:9-14. R. v.9

(R.) The Lord speaks of peace to his people.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. **(R.)**

2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth and justice look down from heaven. **(R.)**

3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. **(R.)**



Second Reading

1 Cor 12:4-11

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.
One and the same spirit distributes different gifts as he chooses.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

Gospel Acclamation

Mt 5:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called children of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mt 5:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting Amen



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Prayer of the Faithful

Leader: The readings today have all offered us ways to bring peace into our world. Let us pray for peace in this Australia context.

Reader: We pray for the Church in Australia that the work of the Plenary Council will continue strongly and come to fruition at the second assembly in July this year. *(pause)*
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for the world and political leaders of every nation, that they can be conscious of and care for the underprivileged and the stranger, especially those present in our own communities. *(pause)*
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray especially for the leaders of Australia that they be effective and just leaders for all Australians within this ever-changing society. May they always act with integrity. *(pause)*
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for the Church of Australia and the work of the Plenary Council. May the preparations for the second assembly in July in Sydney be fruitful and true to the direction of the Holy Spirit deeds. *(pause)*
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for all the First Nations people of Australia. May they be comforted by the love and efforts for peace from within the wider Australian community. *(pause)*
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: We offer these petitions with the hope and confidence that they will be heard and granted according to God's will, through the power of the Spirit and in the name of Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Ps 102:2

Bless the Lord, my soul, and never forget his benefits.

God bless
Australia

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Solemn Blessing

Leader: May God who formed our southern land be for you a rock of strength.

(R.) Amen

Leader: May God who rules the great seas keep you safe in every storm.

(R.) Amen

Leader: May God who made the skies above turn your darkness into light.

(R.) Amen

Leader: And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

(R.) Amen

Australians let us stand as one, upon this sacred land
A new day dawns, we're moving on to trust and understand.
Combine our ancient history and cultures everywhere,
To bond together for all time, advance Australia fair.
With joyful hearts then let us sing, advance Australia fair.

Australians let us all be one, with peace and harmony.
Our precious water, soil and sun, grant life for you and me.
Our land abounds in nature's gifts to love, respect and share,
And honouring the Dreaming, advance Australia fair.
With joyful hearts then let us sing, advance Australia fair.

Australians let us strive as one, to work with willing hands.
Our Southern Cross will guide us on, as friends with other lands.
While we embrace tomorrow's world with courage, truth and care,
And all our actions prove the words, advance Australia fair,
With joyful hearts then let us sing, advance Australia fair.
And when this special land of ours is in our children's care,
From shore to shore forever more, advance Australia fair.
With joyful hearts then let us sing, advance . . . Australia . . . fair.
*Lyrics from "The Australian Cities Suite" Words by Judith Durham -
Additional Words by Kutcha Edwards, Lou Bennett, Camilla Cahnce and Bill Hauritz Based on words by P.D. McCormick (1878)*



St Mark's Drummoyne Masses

Monday & Friday 8:00am

Tuesday & Thursday 9:30am

Wednesday 7:30am

Saturday 12 noon

Saturday Reconciliation 11:00am - 11:55am

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm

Sunday 9:00am & 6:00pm

We ask you to support all covid conditions in our Church.

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Masks are mandatory, thank you for using QR on entry, please respect the sacredness of our church and remember to turn off your phone during the Mass.

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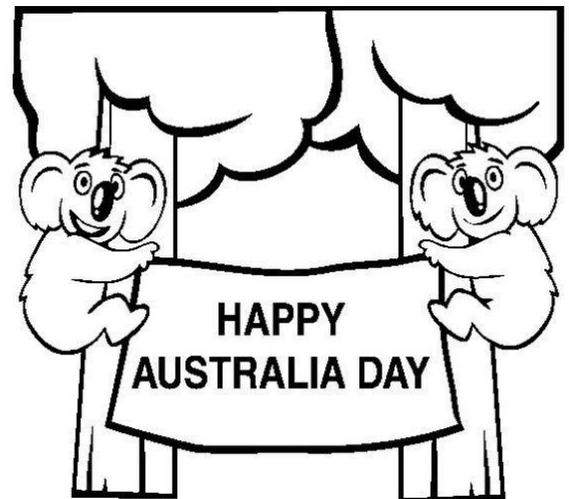
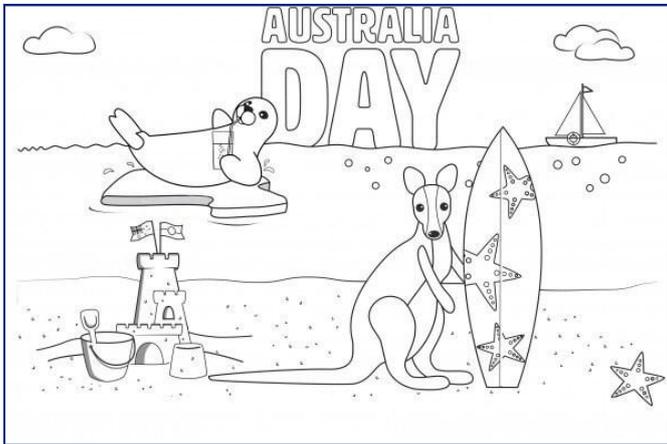
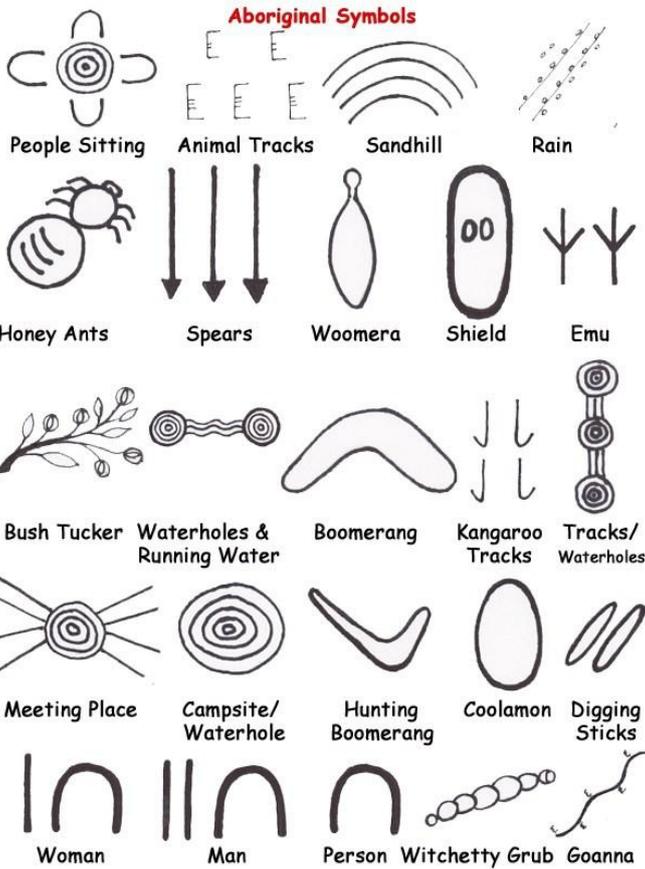


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 Bookings not required.
 QR Code on entry, Masks are mandatory and it is recommended to sanitize, and social distance.



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