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PENTECOST SUNDAY

JUNE 5, 2022

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FATHER PHIL SPANO

Saturday, June 18, 2022
4:30 PM MASS
Most Blessed Sacrament Church

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Reception
Most Blessed Sacrament School

RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT.
WHOSE SINS YOU FORGIVE
ARE FORGIVEN THEM,
AND WHOSE SINS YOU RETAIN
ARE RETAINED.

JOHN 20:22-23

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
(Closed 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.)
Friday: 8:00 a.m. - Noon

•**BAPTISMS:** Please call the church office during pregnancy for information and to register for a Baptism seminar.

•**MARRIAGE:** Law of Diocese requires 6 month preparation period prior to wedding. Call church office for more information.

•**FUNERAL:** Please call the priest for prayer and before setting date/time.

•**RCIA:** If interested in becoming Catholic, call the church office.

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m./Confessions 3:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:45 a.m., & 11:30 a.m.
Monday: 8:45 a.m. - Communion Service
Tuesday - Friday: 8:45 a.m. except during school year when Thursday Mass is at 8:15 a.m.

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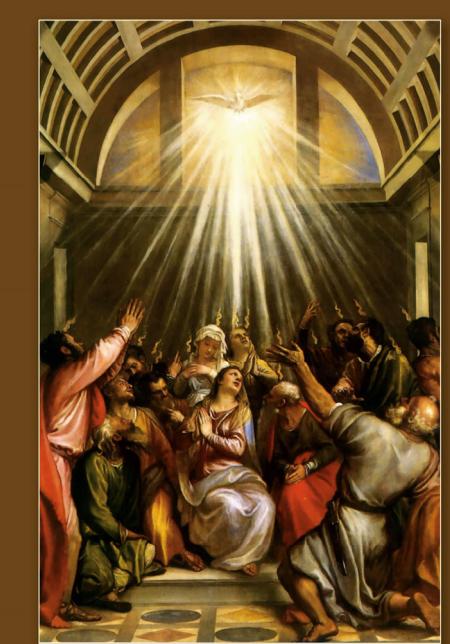
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They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.
Acts 2:4

THE SPIRIT'S ACTIVE POWER

The mystery of the Trinity refers to one God in three persons. We frequently acknowledge Jesus as "the second person of the Trinity," but referring also to the Spirit as a "person" comes less naturally. In religious art, the Holy Spirit often appears as a dove or, as in today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles, tongues of fire. Much rarer are images of the Spirit as a "person" in recognizable human form. Today's readings do not settle the issue of how to picture the Spirit, but they certainly give shape to the Spirit's active power in the world and in each human heart. In Acts, the Spirit enables people to speak and understand a variety of languages. Paul's letter to the Corinthians praises the Spirit for all kinds of spiritual gifts, services, and "workings." Finally, in John's Gospel, Jesus calls the Spirit our Advocate and our divine teacher.

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Please pray for the souls of:

Faie Headlee
Ronny Amoroso, Jr.

Let us also remember his
family and loved ones
in our prayers.



Pregnancy Crisis Help

If you or someone you know is experiencing a crisis pregnancy, STOP and call the parish office (225) 752-6230 to be put in touch with a member of the Respect Life Committee. We can provide love and compassion, support and multiple resources available to help you through this challenging time. You are not alone.

Please visit www.MBSForward.com
to make a one-time donation
or to submit your campaign pledge.

For your convenience,
we offer a monthly bank draft.

Need more info?

Contact Michael McDowell
at the church office (225) 752-6230

FORWARD IN FAITH



Adoption Matters

June 14 | 6:00 - 7:00 PM
Virtual - Microsoft Teams
Register at Eventbrite



The diocese will be hosting a virtual **Adoption Matters** on June 14, 2022 from 6:00 -7:00 pm. This free event is a great informational meeting regarding the adoption process. You will need to download MS Teams prior to attending the event. Please contact Stephanie Sterling at ssterling@ccdiobr.org if you have questions. We continue to remain available to serve you during the hours of 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM. Please don't hesitate to call (225) 336-8700 with additional questions or concerns. Please note the meeting link will be included in your registration confirmation email. If you do not receive a link, please email adopt@ccdiobr.org.

MASS TIMES ANYWHERE IN THE UNITED STATES

If you are traveling, there is a website to get the names of churches and mass times wherever you are—www.masstimes.org

Lay Apostles Of The Returning King

All are welcome to attend our evening or daytime prayer group. We will meet **Sunday, June 12th** at 6:30 pm and **Monday, June 13th** at 10:00 am in the St. Mark room. Join us for a short video, the rosary, and a reading with reflection.



If you would like more information, call Claudia Cormier at (225) 362-4508.

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The Eucharistic **REVIVAL**

Inaugural Mass and Procession

June 19, 2022 | 10:30 a.m.
St. Joseph Cathedral



Join us as we mark the beginning of the
National Eucharistic Revival with a
Eucharistic Procession after 10:30 a.m.
Mass. All are welcome to attend.



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NATIONAL
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Revival**

FAITH-FILLED COMMUNITY OF MERCY, BLESSINGS, & SERVICE

This weekend, the Church celebrates Pentecost, one of the most important feast days of the year that concludes the Easter season and celebrates the beginning of the Church.

The timing and origins of Pentecost

Pentecost always occurs 50 days after the death and resurrection of Jesus, and ten days after his ascension into heaven. Because Easter is a moveable feast without a fixed date, and Pentecost depends on the timing of Easter, Pentecost can fall anywhere between May 10 and June 13. The timing of these feasts is also where Catholics get the concept of the Novena - nine days of prayer - because in Acts 1, Mary and the Apostles prayed together "continuously" for nine days after the Ascension leading up to Pentecost. Traditionally, the Church prays the Novena to the Holy Spirit in the days before Pentecost.

The name of the day itself is derived from the Greek word "pentecoste," meaning 50th.

What happens at Pentecost?

In the Christian tradition, Pentecost is the celebration of the person of the Holy Spirit coming upon the Apostles, Mary, and the first followers of Jesus, who were gathered together in the Upper Room.

A "strong, driving" wind filled the room where they were gathered, and tongues of fire came to rest on their heads, allowing them to speak in different languages so that they could understand each other. It was such a strange phenomenon that some people thought the Christians were just drunk - but Peter pointed out that it was only the morning, and said the phenomenon was caused by the Holy Spirit.

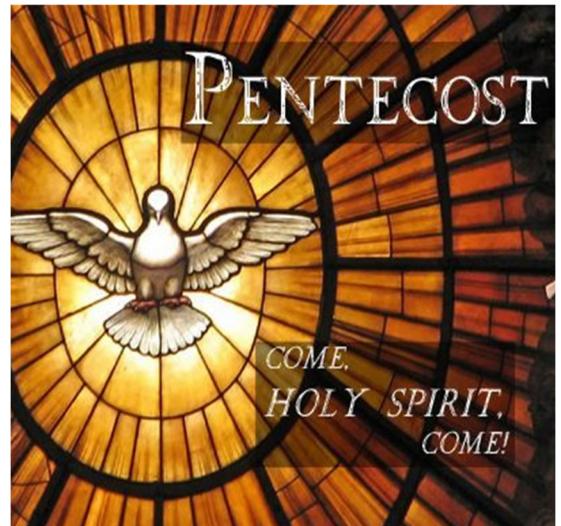
The Holy Spirit also gave the apostles the other gifts and fruits necessary to fulfill the great commission - to go out and preach the Gospel to all nations. It fulfills the New Testament promise from Christ (Luke 24:46-49) that the Apostles would be "clothed with power" before they would be sent out to spread the Gospel.

Happy Birthday, Church

It was right after Pentecost that Peter, inspired by the Holy Spirit, preached his first homily to Jews and other non-believers, in which he opened the scriptures of the Old Testament, showing how the prophet Joel prophesied events and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

He also told the people that the Jesus they crucified is the Lord and was raised from the dead, which "cut them to the heart." When they asked what they should do, Peter exhorted them to repent of their sins and to be baptized. According to the account in Acts, about 3,000 people were baptized following Peter's sermon.

For this reason, Pentecost is considered the birthday of the Church - Peter, the first Pope, preaches for the first time and converts thousands of new believers. The apostles and believers, for the first time, were united by a common language, and a common zeal and purpose to go and preach the Gospel.



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Most Blessed Sacrament Church Mission Statement

The mission of Most Blessed Sacrament Church is for members to witness the real presence of the Lord in word and sacrament, and that they may live out the message from the gospel and serve one another as followers of Jesus Christ.

Mass Schedule and Intentions		
Sat. June 4	4:30 pm	For The People
Sun. June 5	8:00 am	Irma Melancon Rosalie Mistretta Tassin Family Irene Beary M. Ban & J. Morel Famileis Sam C. Barbera, Jr. Sam C. Barbera, III
	9:45 am	The Arthur Aucoin fmy. Ed & Rosemary Evans The Cantey Family Rosalene Sanzone Judy Hartmann John Lawrence
	11:30 am	Sebastian Cordova Suzette Fontenot Don Militello Kim Vankerkhove Bonnette Celeste Ivvon Lewis
Mon. June 6	8:45 am	Communion Service
Tues. June 7	8:45 am	
Wed. June 8	8:45 am	
Thurs. June 9	8:45 am	Dillard Normand
Fri. June 10	8:45 am	

A PRAYER TO THE SPIRIT

*Spirit of Jesus,
poured out in flames of fire upon your disciples
on the day of Pentecost,
we pray to you:
Set afire the hearts of your faithful
so that they will announce
in all the languages of the world
the wonders of the salvation of God.*

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13) or **Romans 8:8-17**.

Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23) or **John 14:15-16, 23b-26**.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14;
Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday:1 Kgs 17:7-16; Ps 4:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: Kgs 18:20-39; Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab, 8, 11; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday:1 Kgs 18:41-46; Ps 65:10-13; Mt 5:20-26

Friday:1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Mt 5:27-32

Saturday:Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-10; Mt 5:33-37

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING

May 21-22, 2022

Identified Contributors	\$19,107.00
Unidentified Contributors	\$ 2,432.00
Total	\$21,539.00

Masses - June 4-5, 2022	4:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Celebrant - Subject to Change	Fr. Phil Deacon Don	Fr. Phil Deacon Mark B	Fr. Phil Deacon Mark R	Fr. Phil Deacon Mark R

June 4-5, 2022 Pentecost Sunday

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers
4:30 pm	N/A	T Hollis, A Torregrossa	T Hollis, M Weger, C Willis, J Culivan
8:00 am	N/A	G Burns, S Werling	S Vermaelen, L Bayhi, E Barber, W Rabalais
9:45 am	N/A	A Thibodeaux, D Ourso	M Messina, M Delafield, B Walker, M Leger
11:30 am	N/A	C Ryan, C Lieux	K Browning, J Johnson, D Kennedy, C LeBlanc



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