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MAY 31
2020



Pentecost SUNDAY

There appeared to them tongues as of fire,
which parted and came to rest on each one of them.
And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.

ACTS 2:3-4

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When we put the Gospel in its context, John 20 starts with the empty tomb and the appearance to Mary Magdalene. Still, the disciples were scared and confused. They gathered together to regroup. They locked the door for fear of the Jews, whom they had just experienced as an angry mob, whom they had just seen crucify their friend Jesus. These disciples were afraid of the Jews, but they may also have been feeling guilty and confused for running away from Jesus at the cross, for hiding, for trying to protect themselves.

Now the risen Jesus comes to them saying, "Peace be with you," showing them his wounds, and greeting them again. Jesus is modeling something very powerful here. Most of us hate to be vulnerable. We try to hide our wounds and scars. We try to protect ourselves and show everybody that we have it together. In order to be healed, to receive the Spirit, to move on in our lives, we need to unlock our internal doors. We need to let Jesus into our house, into our hearts, and into those darkened corners of ourselves. It might be frightening. It might mean going to the sacrament of reconciliation or speaking with a spiritual director or even with a therapist.

RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT

We often worry about how others will respond if we are less than perfect. Jesus knew the disciples were flawed humans. He did not get angry or give them a guilt trip. He said, "Peace be with you." He was gentle. Jesus gave them the gift of new life through a simple gesture. He breathed the Spirit into them. This is reminiscent of Genesis, when God breathed life into Adam, and Ezekiel, when God breathed life back into the dry bones. Jesus concluded with, "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." So not only did Jesus entrust them with this role, this power, he first showed them how it is done. How do we in turn breathe life into our families and friends? Our coworkers? The stranger we meet?

Today's Readings: Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104: 1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34;
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

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MASS INTENTIONS

MAY 30 4:00 P.M.	SATURDAY Frank Wallington† <i>(Kathryn Wallington)</i>
MAY 31 8:00 A.M.	SUNDAY Stephanie Eddy† <i>(Danny Prado)</i>
10:00 A.M.	Frank & Gen Cicholski† <i>(Gina & Dean Hoops)</i>
JUN 1 8:00 A.M.	MONDAY Tom Ferris† <i>(Libby Magnone)</i>
JUN 2 8:00 A.M.	TUESDAY Don Leonard† <i>(Sandina Leonard)</i>
JUN 3 8:00 A.M.	WEDNESDAY Jim Novel† <i>(Cathy & Roger Frame)</i>
JUN 4 8:00 A.M.	THURSDAY Stephanie Phillips Eddy† <i>(Mom & Dad)</i>
JUN 5 8:00 A.M.	FRIDAY Mary Stees <i>(Libby G. Magnone)</i>
JUN 6 4:00 P.M.	SATURDAY Pat Kleinedler† <i>(Ed & Maryann Palmer)</i>
JUN 7 8:00 A.M.	SUNDAY Phillip Salcines† <i>(Cecilia Salcines)</i>
10:00 A.M.	Norma & Fred Holmes † <i>(Sue Church's Parish friends)</i>

Pope Francis @Pontifex



Receiving the joy of the Spirit is a grace. Moreover, it is the only force that enables us to preach the Gospel and to confess our faith in the Lord. Faith means bearing witness to the joy that the Lord gives to us. A joy such as this cannot be the result of our own efforts.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Lectors:

6/6	4:00 p.m.	D. Prado
6/7	8:00 a.m.	M. Hitt
6/7	10:00 a.m.	L. Freeland

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Rev. That Son Ngoc Nguyen, pastor

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

Sat. 3:30 p.m., or any other time upon request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the parish office at least six months before the date of the marriage.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (P.S.R.):

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MASS SCHEDULE:

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Sunday - 8:00 a.m./10:00 a.m.

Weekdays: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m.

Holy Day Mass Schedule:

8:00 am, 7:00 p.m.

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS

Prayer Request: Toni Smith, Deanne Ferraro, Jim Ali, Joseph Grampa, Anna Mae Veronis Holiday, Ronnie Hill, Connie Howard, Eleanor Smith, Catherine Pellerin, Mary Coffield, Jim Conner, Thomas Sullivan, Sara Walters, Diane Young, Bobby Kleinedler.

Homebound: Semon & Phyllis Prado, Doris Murphy, Rachel Kerekes. **Nursing Home:** Bertie Gaughenbaugh, Bill Tennant, Gary Dobbs, Helen Remke, Barbara Meyer, Ron Jaworski.



PENTECOST

Unless the eye catch fire,
God will not be seen.
Unless the ear catch fire,
God will not be heard.
Unless the tongue catch fire,
God will not be named.
Unless the heart catch fire,
God will not be loved.
Unless the mind catch fire,
God will not be known.
—William Blake

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