

May 24, 2026

Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday



St. Thomas Aquinas

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism:

Please call the Parish Office to schedule your child's baptism. Parents who have never had a child baptized will need to receive preparation for this sacrament.

Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:30 to 5:00 p.m. or by appt.

Marriage:

Please call the Parish Office to make an appointment (at least 6 months in advance) before a date can be set.

Anointing of the Sick and/or Holy Communion for the Homebound:

Please call the Parish Office to arrange.

Funerals:

Please call the Parish Office prior to finalizing funeral arrangements.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 5:30 p.m. (chapel)

(Eucharistic Adoration at 5:00 p.m.)

Wednesday 8:15 a.m. (School Mass)

Thursday: 8:15 a.m. (chapel)

Friday: 8:15 a.m. (chapel)

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Parish Office:

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Parish News



Those in Nursing Homes: Kitty Jenkins.

Our Sick:

Jerry Ahlrich*	Bill Mannheim*
Michael Barnes	Barb Martell*
Martin Bickel*	Jan McCrea*
Haley Blanchet	Donna McLeish*
Dale Boland*	Betty Means*
Alec Booth*	John Money*
Neve Bowden	Stacey Moon*
Jenny Brown*	Eileen O'Donnell
Sam Brye	Keith & Val
Ella Comer	Preston*
Martha Corredor	Marcelino
Bob Drons*	Quintana*
Marcie Duff*	Alexandra
Mary Etienne	Radtke*
Joe Ford*	Bob Riegel
Christine	Pete Riggie
Garringer*	Michael Rosa*
Jackie Hayden	Steven Saxton*
Andy Hohman	Bill Scott
Chandra Hollis*	Kyle Sherman*
Bill Hubbs	Bob Sitzman*
Barbara Jenkins*	Ken Sitzman*
Eron Jackson*	Br. Roy Smith,
Matt Jennings	CSC*
Ed Johnson*	Sharon Sperry
Logan Juarez*	Bill Steiner
Amy King	Cecilia &
Jaime Kiesler*	Anthony Strigari*
Janice Klein	Oliver Walsh
Patricia Long	Margaret Walton
Michael Lovell*	Mary Weber
	Pat Wood*

Please contact the Parish Office in order to add somebody to the list.

*Relative a Parishioner

To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. — 1 Corinthians 12:7

† REST IN PEACE †

STA parishioner **Jose Soria Martinez**, husband of parishioner Barbara Soria, passed away on May 14, 2026. A funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, May 21, 2026 at St. Thomas Aquinas. May he rest in peace in God's perpetual light. Please pray for him and his family.

Former STA pastor **Fr. Cliff Vogelsang** passed away on Thursday, May 7, 2026 at the age of 89. He had been pastor from 1984 to 1993 serving in the years between Fr. Marty Peter and Fr. William Munshower. A funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Luke Catholic Church on May 14, 2026. Please pray for his soul. May he rest peacefully in heaven in God's loving and merciful embrace.

TRI-PARISH MEMORIAL DAY MASS

A tri-parish Memorial Day Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary (5692 Central Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46220). Everyone from STA is most welcome to attend.

SCHOOL NEWS

As we approach the end of another successful school year, please join us in celebrating our class of 2026. **Graduation Mass will be Tuesday, May 26 at 6:30 p.m.** Graduates from this year's class will attend Bishop Chatard, Brebeuf Jesuit, Cathedral, Herron, and North Central High School.

LIFE-GIVING WATER

In "Integral Ecology: A Sacramental Vision", the pastoral letter recently released by the five Indiana bishops, they say, "The Holy Spirit is the life-giving water that renews and refreshes our spirit." Read the letter or its summary at www.indianacc.org/ecology or by scanning the QR code. Don't waste this precious resource – to save water, switch from baths to showers, make sure the dishwasher is full before running, install low flow aerators, and fix any leaks and drips.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN!



Receiving the sacrament on May 3, 2026 were: Aidan Anderson, Anna Askey, Bobby Barnes, Jack Brady, Louise Denton, Margaret Dilly, Teddy Downham, Foster Edens, Avery Gunn, Ruth Hall, Jackson Kalachnik, Kingsley Keefer, Cooper Keesling, Felix Lewis, and Franklin Linard. Also, Asher Littlejohn, Declan McCorkle, Jacob Merritt, Luca Pejnovic, Riley Posch, Dylan Posch, Alice Reading, Gabriella Reuter, Valerie Rompala, Rees Tarble, Archie Theibert, Teddy Truesdell, Hadley Weir, Hudson Weir and Teddy Wells.

Parish Life & Activities

ACTIVITIES OF THE WEEK – May 24, 2026

Choose one of the following activities as a way to further reflect on the Sunday readings: **Pentecost Sunday**

- On Pentecost, God poured out upon the world the gift of the Holy Spirit. Gather your family outdoors and point out the force of the wind. Discuss with your family how the Holy Spirit is like a mighty wind. Talk about how the gift of God's Spirit strengthens your family. End your gathering with a family hug.
- Have a family affirmation time. Each member tells how he or she has seen the power of the Spirit working through another family member, bringing God's love and forgiveness.
- The Feast of Pentecost is actually the birthday of the Church. Celebrate this feast with a birthday cake for the Church. Place seven candles on the cake to represent the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. After you light the candles, pray the following Prayer Litany: *Response:* We thank you, Holy Spirit. *Leader:* For the gift of love... For the gift of peace... For the gift of wisdom... For the gift of understanding... For the gift of strength... For the gift of knowing the Lord... For the gift of our family... Amen. ~ *Our Sunday Visitor – Lifelong Catechesis*

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

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.

Let us pray: O God, by the light of the Holy Spirit you have taught the hearts of your faithful. In the same Spirit, help us to know what is truly right and always to rejoice in Your consolation. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Source: *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults*, 2006. USCCB.



GALA 2026: JOIN US FOR A STARRY NIGHT!

Please join us for the St. Thomas Aquinas Gala & Auction on **November 7, 2026 (6–11 p.m.)** at Marian University – Alumni Hall. Get ready for a beautiful evening filled with community, celebration, and purpose.

- \$150 per person | \$300 per couple
- Free parking on site
- Limited number of tickets available this year

Sign-up today by scanning the QR code or by visiting the homepage of the STA website, www.staindy.org.



SAUSAGEFEST 2026: SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We're gearing up for SausageFest next fall and setting our sights high—raising \$100,000 to support our wonderful school community! If you're interested in being a Sausagefest Sponsor, you can register online by visiting the homepage of the STA website or by scanning the QR code. If you have questions, please reach out to:

- Jessica Reckamp: Jessica.Reckamp@elevancehealth.com
- Emily Gurwitz: Emilygurwitz@gmail.com



TITHES & GIFTS

As of March 31, 2026 (FY 25-26)

Actual YTD	\$599,090
Budget YTD	\$584,250
Over/(Short)	\$14,840
Haiti YTD	\$112,739
SVdP YTD	\$24,845
SVdP Pantry YTD	\$17,948

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

Gospel Reflection on John 20:19-23

“He breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.’” (John 20:22–23)

For those of us who go to confession regularly, there is often a familiar frustration: “Why do I keep confessing the same sins?” It can feel like a loop, cleansed but unchanged.

Pentecost reveals a hopeful perspective. When the Risen Jesus breathes on his ashamed and fearful disciples and gives them the Holy Spirit, he echoes Genesis, when God breathes life into Adam. This is not just primarily the removal of guilt, but new creation.

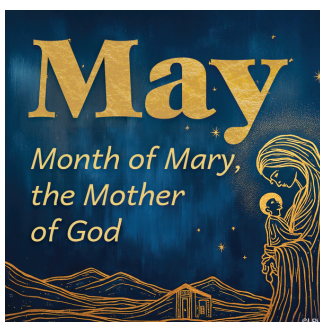
In confession, we receive more than forgiveness. We receive a fresh outpouring, the breath of the Spirit, and a renewed mission. Jesus does not say to us, “You’re forgiven, now go back to your old life.” He says, so to speak, “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” (John 20:21)

That is why penance is not just saying a few prayers. It is reorientation. It is the Spirit summoning us to live differently: with mercy and healing.

Just as Adam was sent into the world, and the Apostles were sent out after Pentecost, so too we are sent from the confessional — not just clean, but consecrated.

Pentecost Challenge: After your next confession, ask the Holy Spirit for one way you can participate in Christ’s healing will for you. Then take one small, concrete step, and do not look back.

— *Father John Muir* ©LPi



Parish Calendar with Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 23•

5:30 p.m. Mass for † Mick Delaney (*Sue & Ernie Kobets*)

Sunday, May 24• Pentecost Sunday

8:00 a.m. Mass for STA Parishioners

10:30 a.m. Mass for † Charles Williams (*Patrice Payne*)

Monday, May 25• Memorial Day

7:30-7:50 a.m. Morning Prayer, Bosler Chapel

9:00 a.m. Memorial Day Mass at Immaculate Heart

Tuesday, May 26•

7:30-7:50 a.m. Morning Prayer, Bosler Chapel

6:30 p.m. Graduation Mass, Church

Wednesday, May 27•

7:30-7:50 a.m. Morning Prayer, Bosler Chapel

8:15 a.m. School Mass

Thursday, May 28•

7:30-7:50 a.m. Morning Prayer, Bosler Chapel

8:15 a.m. Mass, Bosler Chapel

6:00 p.m. Centering Prayer, Bosler Chapel

Friday, May 29•

7:30-7:50 a.m. Morning Prayer, Bosler Chapel

10:00 a.m. Closing School Mass † for Lana Mayer

(*Lois Zentner*)

Saturday, May 30

5:30 p.m. Mass for † Charles Williams (*Jo Beck-*

Jennings)

Sunday, May 31• Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

8:00 a.m. Mass for STA Parishioners

10:30 a.m. Mass for † Rose Marie Foster (*Anne Belcher*)

Upcoming Second Collections:

- June 6-7: Education of Future Archdiocesan Priests



AUGUST 14-15, 2026

5:30 p.m. to Midnight

Readings for the Week of May 24, 2026

- Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1 and 24, 29-30, 31 and 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23
- Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
- Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/ Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Mk 10:28-31
- Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/ Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mk 10:32-45
- Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/ Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5/ Mk 10:46-52
- Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13/ Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-26
- Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25/ Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mk 11:27-33
- Next Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

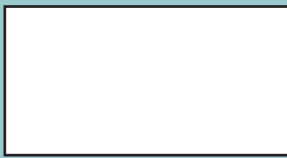


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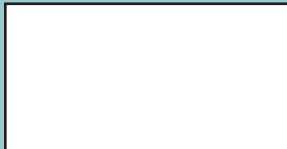


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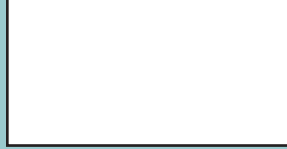
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