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PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Advocate comes whom I will
send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth that proceeds from the
Father, he will testify to me." - Jn 15:26

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Weekend Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 4:30 pm (Livestreamed)

Sunday 9:15 am, 11 am

Daily masses M, T, W, F 8 am

Reconciliations Saturday 3:30 pm

Reservations are no longer required
to attend Mass.

A recording of the livestream Mass
will be posted online to our YouTube
channel every Saturday by 6 pm.

Readings for Sunday, May 23, 2021

Acts 2:1-11

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

John 20:19-23

Mass Intentions

Mon, May 24

Tues, May 25 + Robert Dungan

Wed, May 26 + Rev. William Gamber

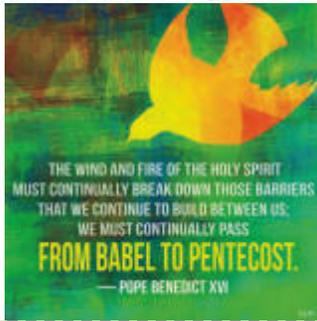
Fri, May 28 + Urban & Coletta Bares

Sat, May 29 + Robert Dungan

Sun, May 30 (9:15) The Parishioners

Sun, May 30 (11) + Dennis Weiman

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Updates

This weekend (May 22/23)

Reservations are required (this is the last weekend). The requirement for 6-foot social distancing between households remains in effect. Regarding face coverings, Fr. Lybarger has stated "do what you are comfortable doing".

Beginning May 28

Reservations for Mass will no longer be required. Mass attendees will be welcomed to seat themselves with no capacity or social distancing requirements in place. Communion is offered in-hand only, no communion cup at his time. Collection baskets will remain at the front of the church. Still remaining for local Catholics is the temporary dispensation of the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday. St. Mary's will continue to livestream and post a recording of the Saturday weekend liturgy. Masks are no longer required at in-person gatherings under 500 people. We encourage everyone to receive their COVID-19 vaccine to further safeguard our community and to continue healthy living practices to protect you and those around you. Note: The 4:30 pm liturgy on Saturdays is live streamed, therefore by attending this liturgy, you are agreeing to be included in the filming of this mass.

Pray for . . .

The following have asked for your prayers: Diane Kowalzyk, Terrie Bares, sister-in-law of Mary Fetcher-Olson, Melvin Botzet, JoAnne O'Brien, Howard Gregory, Don Schnack, Dan Kirk, Mary Reckers, Chris & Janet Meyers, Kevin Smith, Alex Marquette, Thomas Claude Smith, Jr., Aurelia Drier, Ruth Heibel, George Wolf, Nick Hitler, Arnie Kunkel, John Hatlestad, Tom Belson, Teresa Hickey, Martha Schliesman, Matty Cuta, Mike Diedrich, Daryl Sather, Lois Peterzen, Carole Svihel, Dennis Stoll, Anna Bergquist, Marian Botzet, Judy Dungan, Michelle Pajari, Eileen Cavanagh, Russell Fallstad, JoAnn Aronson and those in hospitals, nursing homes, the homebound, the families of the sick, caregivers, and the members of the military and their families.

Gospel Meditation

Begin by taking a moment to calm yourself, focus on your breathing and become aware of the life force that flows through your veins. Center yourself in the words and affections of St.



Augustine's Prayer to the Holy Spirit, "Breath in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy. " Sanctifying, bringing things to wholeness, blessing, restoring and creating are just some of the fruits of the presence of the Holy Spirit. Being filled with the Holy Spirit is not always about proclaiming loud cries of praise or singing alleluia from a roof top. It is about unfolding and encountering the ordinary in an extraordinary way. Being filled with the Holy Spirit means being filled with the fullness of God's life and in touch with the power and wonder of God's presence. It's about becoming holy.

It is not just for saints or people who have a religious vocation. Holiness is for the ordinary, simple run-of-the-mill person who desires to love God, others, and all of creation. When an ordinary, humble person becomes connected with life and the wondrous power of God's love, they begin to live life more deeply, a bit more reverently, desire a simple fare and find themselves relishing in ordinary beauty. Their senses become attuned to the Author of life and they realize that they are not alone. The Holy Spirit connects all of the dots of human experience and existence, bringing everyone to center on the Divine Presence. The Holy Spirit does not just breathe "on me" but "in me" and is the force behind every breath I take. Take a moment to soak that thought in. There is the Divine Presence of the Holy Spirit in me, right now. When a person becomes in touch with truth, they know that when inspired by the Holy Spirit, his or her actions are not solely their own. They realize that they are moved by Divine Grace and drawn to things not found in secular affairs.

We live in a world where it is hard to discover truth. Real truth is veiled by so many imposters that it is hard to find, especially for those who are young. It is easy to get fooled and duped and often, without full conscious awareness of doing so, we choose to walk down a path of self-absorption and destruction. It is only the Holy Spirit, through the ministry of the church most especially, who guides us to truth and shows us the way to be the graced and holy human beings God made us to be. The wonders and inspirations of today's Feast of Pentecost are necessary to share with both those we love and those who only casually cross our paths. The first disciples, touched by the Holy Spirit, brought the Gospel to the ends of the earth one step at a time. Is it unrealistic to ask that we assist in that same mission by helping people understand who they are and who God is one at a time? Ask the Holy Spirit to alleviate the fear in your heart that prevents you from doing so. ©LPi

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Ongoing General Safety Protocols

- If you are sick, stay at home. Please take care of yourself, and do your part to protect others from becoming infected. 
- Vulnerable persons and those caring for them should stay safe. Attend nonobligatory gatherings only to the extent that you judge the risk of infection to be low.
- Do what you are comfortable doing. You may always practice more restrictive facemask and social distance standards than are required.
- Sanitization is effective. Regular washing hands with soap and water and using hand sanitizer helps avoid both contracting and spreading infection.
- The more who are vaccinated, the sooner herd immunity will be achieved.
- Sign of Peace and other physical contact: Because the coronavirus spreads mostly through respiration, hand to hand touch is less risky, especially during this wind down phase of the pandemic. After July 1, persons from different households may exchange the Sign of Peace with a handshake or other touch. However, this should not be forced upon those uncomfortable with physical contact.

We are excited to again experience the community, fellowship and love that our church community has to offer!

Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute — School of Discipleship

Tuesdays, June 22-August 3 and Saturday, September 25 at St. Vincent de Paul, Brooklyn Park or via Livestream

Taught by Jeff Cavins, this course is open to all adults and teaches the basics of discipleship, how to share your faith with confidence, and how to cultivate a deeper life of prayer. In this 7-week course, students become "activated disciples" and embark on a guided 40-day discipleship challenge to help put what they learn into practice. The course culminates with an interactive seminar with Dr. Mary Healy. The cost for the course, materials, and seminar is \$125. Sign up with a friend and get a discount! For more information visit semssp/ci.

Why a Two-Year Program for Confirmation?

Did you know that St. Mary's has a two year Confirmation Class? All incoming 7th Grade students (or 8th Graders who have not been in our program the year previous to the Sacrament year), will be enrolled in the First Year Confirmation Class. It will prepare those students, better, for the actual sacrament year. Our incoming 8th Graders will be enrolled in the Sacrament year of Confirmation. Both years will consist of service hours, special outreach activities and parish community building activities. See our website for more details. Registration will start on August 1st.



Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute — Applications Available for Class of St. Joseph!

Mondays, 7-9 p.m. at Transfiguration, Oakdale and other satellite sites

Ever Wonder What God has Planned for Your Life? This fall, the Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute will offer the two-year Pillars Program in person at Transfiguration Catholic Church in Oakdale and at various CI Satellite Sites, where students will participate in the small group dynamic and gather together to watch the lectures via live stream. Taught by some of the best instructors in the Twin Cities, such as Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Jeff Cavins, Deacon Joe Michalak, Deacon Dan Gannon, Fr. John Klockeman, Dr. Todd Flanders, Christina Smith, Liz Kelly, and more, the CI: Pillars Program follows the four pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church and will make sense of all things Catholic, deepen your faith, and layout the roadmap to heaven. Applications are now being accepted for the Class of St. Joseph. For more information, view satellite site locations and view an application, visit semssp/ci or call (651) 962-5072.

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