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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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Mass Intentions Week of 05/18/21—05/23/21

Charles Brown—Charles Brown Family
Tom Lynch—Jim Platteter

Mass Schedule

In-person masses are on Sunday with an 8:30 am mass at St. Pius and 10:30 am mass at St. Mary. Live-streamed masses are held Tue-Fri at 9:30 am & Saturday at 5:00 pm. These masses can be viewed on Facebook or the tri-parish website. See links at the bottom of this page.

Visitation of the Sick

We are most eager to help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us because of illness, handicap or age. If you wish to receive the sacrament please call the rectory. Please notify us of any hospitalizations so that we may be of assistance.

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May 23, 2021: Pentecost Sunday
Apr 14, 2021
by Mary M. McGlone

Last week, we celebrated the ascension, that wondrous scene where Jesus took leave of his disciples, assuring them that the Spirit would lead them through their next step as his followers.

As with the Ascension, the most detailed account of Pentecost comes from the Acts of the Apostles, volume two of Luke's Gospel. In today's Gospel, John will give us an alternative version in which Jesus imparts his Spirit on the very day of the resurrection. Obviously, the early Christian community appreciated and found truth in the diverse accounts.

The word Pentecost is derived from the Greek word for 50 and originally referred to a feast celebrated 50 days after Passover. The number 50 has great symbolic importance. It marks a jubilee: seven weeks of years culminate in a 50th year when debts are cancelled, slaves are freed and everyone celebrates God's mercy. One could say it is a time when everything is as it should be for human thriving.

Luke's narrative gives the impression that Pentecost was rather unexpected and prompted the disciples to unanticipated ways of thinking. According to the first chapter of Acts, after the Ascension, a group of 120 disciples continued to meet and pray together. During the 40 days after the resurrection, those disciples had encountered the risen Lord in various guises. They rehashed their stories and chose to remain together. Determined to carry on, they decided that they should find a replacement for Judas and reconstitute the 12 as special leaders.

Then, on the 50th day after the Resurrection, something new started to happen among them. Unlike in the days of Moses when God appeared on a mountain with fire (Exodus 19:16-18), flames now came to each member of the community, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit. In spite of their well-planned reorganization, the Spirit wasn't limited by the number 12 but rather came to the group of women and men that Luke numbered at 120 — 10 times their model.

Luke's story could lead us to believe that the disciples went through an instantaneous transformation: receiving the Spirit, speaking in tongues, then preaching effectively to a multi-cultural crowd. In reality, that which seemed to happen in an instant was the effect of meeting with the risen Lord, prayer and discernment. Instead of a miraculous conversion, it took them 50 days of communal prayer to open their hearts and minds to what God was ready to do among them and in all of them.

The entirety of the Acts of the Apostles tells the story of the community's slow opening to the breadth of God's plan, with an emphasis on their gradual acceptance of Paul and his incorporation of Gentiles into the fold. Even under the influence of the Holy Spirit, learning how to be Christians was a slow process. As the letters of Paul demonstrate, it was not easy for the disciples to adjust to the fact that the Spirit works through each individual believer, whether Greek, Jew, slave, free, woman or man. Knowing how much they would have to grow, Jesus had forewarned them that they had much to learn, but that they would only be able to bear it when they were guided by the Spirit of truth.

The Gospel of John depicts Jesus breathing that Spirit on the disciples on the evening of his resurrection. According to John 20, Jesus entrusts his disciples with his mission, equating their relationship with him to his own relationship with the Father. The mission he gives them is forgiveness. He warns them that if they do not make reconciliation available, it will not happen in their time. Pentecost celebrates the grace-filled thriving of the human community through the indwelling of the Spirit. It reminds us that Jesus' promise to bestow his Spirit upon us can be limited only by our own unwillingness to continue his mission. In the first book of Corinthians, Paul insists that we will know the Spirit to the extent that we appreciate the diversity of gifts present in our community. The Acts of the Apostles assures us that the Spirit continues to work through frail, diverse, sometimes fighting, often feisty, human beings. The Spirit of God leads us to broaden our plans and go beyond our own narrow imaginations.

As we contemplate our celebration of Pentecost, we might do well to remember the story of how Jesus' disciples discerned that they should choose one man to fill out Judas' place, only to realize that Spirit had chosen more than a hundred men and women, empowering them all to continue Jesus' mission. This 50th day of Easter reminds us that when we are willing, the Spirit takes our best plans and multiplies them by 10 — over and again.

[St. Joseph Sr. Mary M. McGlone serves on the congregational leadership team of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet.]

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Total	\$1884.00	\$1231.00	\$764.00
CSA Goals	\$10,609	\$6,603	\$14,693
CSA Results (2/9/21)	4,975	5,135	4,995
% of Goal	46.9%	77.8%	34%
Electronic Donations (Monthly)	720.00	335.00	1155.97

Mass Schedule

In-Person: Sunday: 8:30 am St. Pius, 10:30 am St. Mary
Live-Streamed
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/StPius.StMary.StAnthony>
 Tuesday–Friday: 9:30 am
 Saturday: 5:00 pm
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Memorial Day mass will be held on Monday, Mat 31st at 10:00 am at the St. Pius cemetery in Solon Springs.

Minong Community-Wide Garage Sales

A Citywide Rummage Sale will be held in Minong on Saturday May 29th. St. Mary's parking lot will be available to those who pay \$10 for a table. Our hours will be 8-2, although Raelene will be there at 7:30 am to open the shed for the tables. Please note that I would appreciate a call (612) 618-4039, text, or email at: rdonarski@hotmail.com so I know how many to expect.

First Communion and Confirmation

Allison (Alli) Theien made her First Communion on Sunday, May 9th at St. Pius. The sacrament of Confirmation was conferred on three St. Pius students by Bishop James Powers on May 7th at St. Francis Xavier in Superior:
Nathan Burger, Benjamin Dickenson and Trent Meyer

Congratulations to each of you!

Pray For our friends and neighbors who are ill or homebound. If you know someone who should be put on or removed from this list, please call the office.

Dawn DenHartog	Joseph Treb
LaVerne Treb	John Poole
Virginia Bartelt	Cami Marie DenHartog

Readings for the week of May 23, 2021
 Sunday: *Vigil:* Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/ Ps 10:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
 Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15
 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: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 [23b]/Mk 10:28-31
 Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [Sir 36:1b]/Mk 10:32-45
 Thursday: Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Mk 10:46-52
 Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mk 11:11-26
 Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 19, 11 [9ab]/Mk 11:27-33
 Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

Kids Corner

Hey Kids!
 During these past fifty days of the Easter Season of our Liturgical calendar we have been celebrating the wonder and joy of Jesus' Resurrection from the dead. Jesus left his disciples and he promised to send His Spirit to guide and comfort them after His resurrection into heaven. His disciples were all gathered for Pentecost (Jewish Festival of Weeks) ...**suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving rain.... Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.** Imagine being there among the disciples, witnessing the miraculous events of the first Pentecost. Would we have been amazed? confused? skeptical? The Holy Spirit empowers us to share the Word of God with others. When we were baptized we received the Holy Spirit so what kind of speech could we give to touch people's hearts today with the Good News of Jesus Christ?

Do you want to know something else very spectacular? At every mass Father Kinney prays the Eucharistic Prayer.... he can choose from several versions but no matter which form he uses the core of the prayer is always the same.... Father Kinney extends his hands over the bread and wine and calls down the Holy Spirit and changes the bread and wine into Jesus' Body and Blood.... Wow! If we thought the First Pentecost was amazing what should we think about Father asking God to send... **down your Spirit like the dewfall, so they may become for us the Body and (+) Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.** Isn't that something we should go out and shout about? Can we get the Holy Spirit going in us? We have it in there so let's share it!



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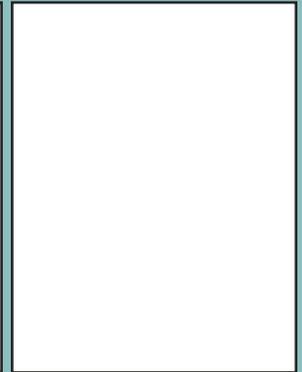
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