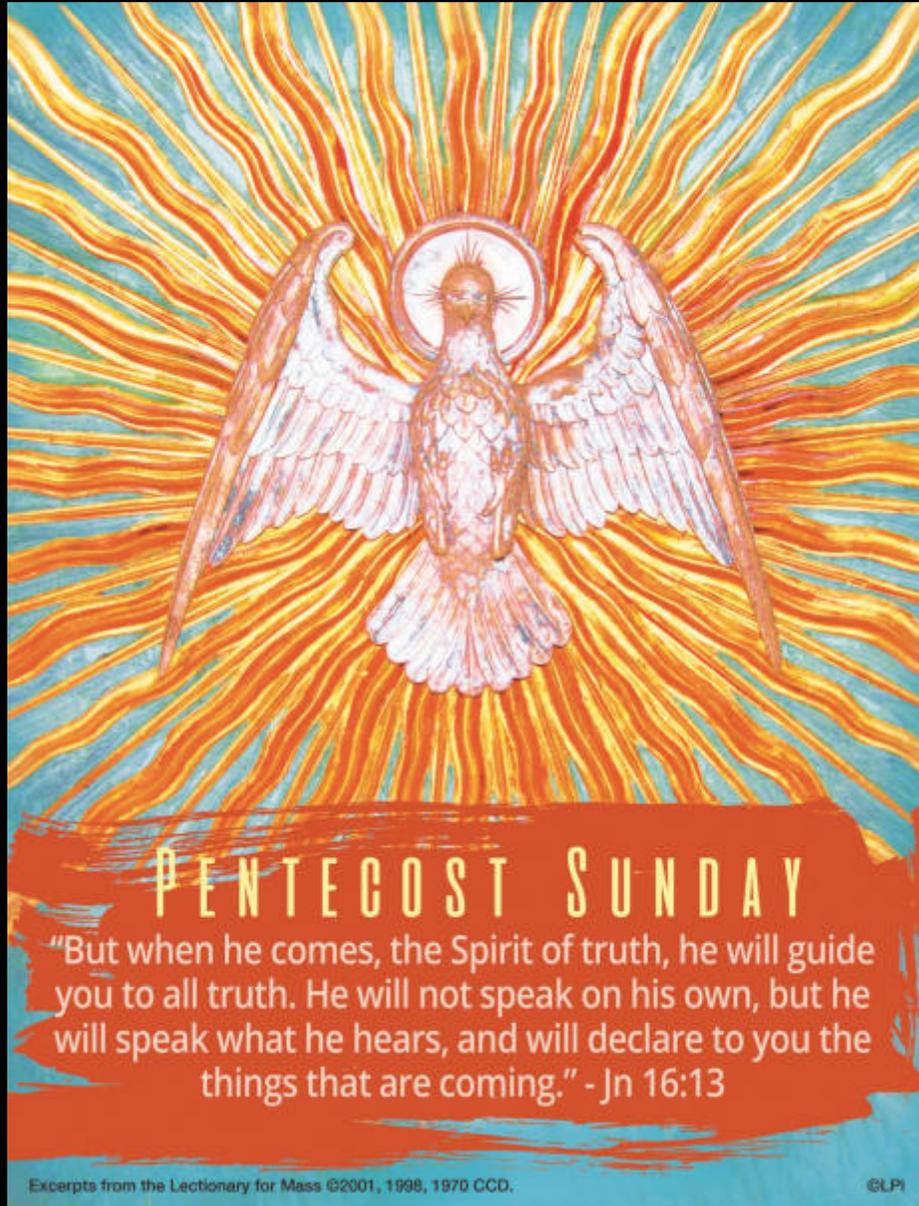




DIVINE MERCY
PARISH



PENTECOST SUNDAY

"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming." - Jn 16:13

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May 23rd, 2021

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CONFESSIONS

Wednesday 10:00 am—11:00 am

Thursday 7:00 am—7:45 am

Saturday 3:00 pm— 4:00 pm

MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY

Tuesday 6:00 pm

Wednesday 8:00 am

Thursday 8:00 am

Friday 8:00 am

WEEKEND

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 6:30 am

8:00 am

10:30 am

As we celebrate Pentecost and recall the coming of the Spirit among the church, it is a great time to also discuss vocations. As an Archdiocese, we are not in good shape. Even though we are preparing to ordain three men to the priesthood this Spring, due to other factors, we will have two fewer priests in ministry this summer, and our vocations poster is continuing to shrink. It is becoming more difficult to find subs for weekends when I am away, at some point, if we do not change the trajectory we are on, there may be a time we just have to say there is no Sunday mass for a given weekend, which is not a situation I want us to be in. As a result, I wanted to offer some thoughts as to how we can foster a culture of vocations in our parishes. By this focus, I am naturally talking about priesthood and religious life, but also a new commitment to holy marriages.

In order for a proper understanding of vocations we need to remember that the root of vocations come from the Latin, vocare, which means, "to call." God is calling each one of us to something specific in the world, we need to be able to listen for His voice. So, the first thing we must have is an attitude of prayer in our families. Spending time in prayer as a family is crucial, without this it will be difficult for our children to hear the Master's voice. I know it may be awkward if this is not already a common thing in your home, but please be willing to bear that awkwardness. A great place to start is at meals. First it gathers the family together, which is something our culture is losing, and it gives the family a chance to talk about life. The prayer can be whatever works for you. It can be as simple as someone reading the upcoming Sunday's Gospel, and eating in silence for a couple of minutes before you briefly discuss it or move on to the rest of your conversation. You could talk about your "highs and lows" and use that as a way to offer prayers of thanksgiving and intercession. I recommend some trial and error, and go with what is most natural.

Another key piece is parents being open to whatever God is calling His children to. Surprisingly, one of the greatest obstacles to vocations are parents. If a young man or woman is afraid that their family is going to oppose something, they are less likely to have conversations about the priesthood or religious life. Having had tough conversations with my mother, I know with a parent's love, the idea of the priesthood or religious life can be tough. Parents, please let your kids know whatever God wants for them is great and even if it's hard, you'll support them. Lastly, give them encounters with all sorts of vocations. If parents live a holy marriage (holy, not perfect) it gives children an example to follow. Encounters with priests, nuns and monks is a great way to help them get to know that they can be "normal people" too. Who would have thought a priest could have dogs, motorcycles and play softball? Any opportunity to meet these men and women can help a young person see the humanness that remains in these vocations. When Totus Tuus is here, it is a great time to introduce your children to young men and women who are discerning God's will in their life. Many former teachers end up as priests or religious, so please consider hosting them for a meal, or housing. A relatively short encounter could make a huge difference.

Let us all pray for an increase in all vocations!

Father Adam



SAT MAY 22

4:30pm † Mary Guenther

SUN MAY 23

6:30am Family of Fr. Adam Wilczak

8:00am † Louis Soetaert

10:30am People of the Parish

TUES MAY 25

6:00pm First Communicants

WED MAY 26

8:00am Frances Butkiewich

THURS MAY 27

8:00am † Michael Hugo

FRI MAY 28

8:00am † Dorothy Jesberg

SAT MAY 29

4:30pm † David Long

SUN MAY 30

6:30am People of the parish

8:00am Patty Maurer

10:30am Hattie Belczyk

Please contact the parish office for Mass intentions. The suggested offering is \$10 per Mass.

Parish Support

Collections for May 2, 2021

Regular Offertory

Budgeted	\$13,404
Collection	\$11,742
Difference	-\$1,663

Towards Christ

Budgeted	\$1,967
Collection	\$1,463
Difference	-\$504

Budget Year to Date

Income

Budget July 1- May 2	\$831,331
Actual July 1- May 2	\$856,629
Difference	\$25,297

Expenses

Budget July 1 - May 2	\$842,532
Actual July 1 - May 2	\$752,465
Difference	\$90,066

50 / 50

There was not a winner for the week of May 2nd, #1564 was drawn. The balance was \$6,758.95.

PRAYERS AND READINGS FOR HOLY MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Wisdom 1:7

6:30 am: The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

All other Masses:

The Spi - rit of the Lord* has filled the whole world,
al - le - lu - ia; and that which con - tains all things
knows ev - ery lan - guage spo - ken by men,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Confiteor (Optional)

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

KYRIE

Kyrie, eleison.	Lord, have mercy.
R: Kyrie, eleison.	Lord, have mercy.
Christe, eleison.	Christ, have mercy.
R: Christe, eleison.	Christ, have mercy.
Kyrie, eleison.	Lord, have mercy.
R: Kyrie, eleison.	Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo - ple
of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a -
dore you, we glo - ri - fy you, we give you
thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God, heav - en - ly
King. O God, al - might - y Fa - ther.
Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a -
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you take a -
way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer; you are seat - ed
at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer -
cy, have mer - cy on us. For you a - lone are the
Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the
Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men, a - men.

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COLLECT

O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation, pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now once more the hearts of believers. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R: Amen

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-11 (63B)

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then 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 and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd, but they were confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites, inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya near Cyrene, as well as travelers from Rome, both Jews and converts to Judaism, Cretans and Arabs, yet we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

R. Lord, send out your Spir - it, and re - new the face of the earth.

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Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD, my God, you are great indeed! How manifold are your works, O LORD! the earth is full of your creatures. **R.**

If you take away their breath, they perish and return to their dust. When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth. **R.**

May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD be glad in his works! Pleasing to him be my theme; I will be glad in the LORD. **R.**

SECOND READING

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

Brothers and sisters: No one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

PENTECOST SEQUENCE

Bob Hurd

Verses

1. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come! And from your ca -
2. You, of com - fort - ers the best; You, the soul's most
3. O most bless - ed Light di - vine, Shine with - in these
4. Heal our wounds, our strength re - new; On our dry - ness
5. On the faith - ful, who a - dore And con - fess you,

1. les - tial home Shed a ray of light di - vine!
2. wel - come guest; Sweet re - fresh - ment here be - low;
3. hearts of yours, And our in - most be - ing fill!
4. pour your dew; Wash the stains of guilt a - way;
5. ev - er - more In your sev'n - fold gift de - scend;

1. Come, Fa - ther of the poor! Come, source of
2. In our la - bor, rest most sweet; Grate - ful cool - ness
3. Where you are not, we have naught, Noth - ing good in
4. Bend the stub - born heart and will; Melt the fro - zen,
5. Give them vir - tue's sure re - ward; Give them your sal -

1. all our store! Come, with - in our bos - oms shine.
2. in the heat; So - lace in the midst of woe.
3. deed or thought, Noth - ing free from taint of ill.
4. warm the chill; Guide the steps that go a - stray.
5. va - tion, Lord; Give them joys that nev - er end.

Refrain

1-4. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al -

5. A - men.

le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Verse: Cantor
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. (to Refrain)

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

R. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. **R.**

GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

The Lord be with you **R: And with your Spirit**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

R: Glory to you, O Lord.

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, 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."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his
 only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy
 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
 Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;
 he descended into hell;

on the third day he rose again from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right
 hand of God the Father almighty;
 from there he will come to judge the living and the
 dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION & PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your
 goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of
 the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us
 the bread of life.

R: Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your
 goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of
 the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spir-
 itual drink.

R: Blessed be God for ever.

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may
 be acceptable to God, the almighty Father. **STAND**

**R: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the
 praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of
 all his holy Church.**

PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

R: And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

R: We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R: It is right and just.

SANCTUS

San-ctus, San-ctus, San-ctus Dó-mi-nus De-us Sá-
 ba-oth. Ple-ni sunt coe-li et ter-ra gló-ri-a tu-a.
 Ho-sán-na in ex-cél-sis. Be-ne-dí-ctus qui ve-nit in
 nó-mi-ne Dó-mi-ni. Ho-sán-na in ex-cél-sis.

Text and music: Chant; Graduale Romanum, 1974.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, save us, Sav-ior of the world, for by your
 Cross and Res-ur-rec-tion you have set us free.

GREAT AMEN

THE LORD'S PRAYER

At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching,
 we dare to say:

**R: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
 thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in
 heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us
 our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against
 us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from
 evil.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant
 peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may
 be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we
 await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Je-
 sus Christ.

**R: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now
 and forever.**

**R: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my
 roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

AGNUS DEI

A-gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se -
ré - re no - bis. A-gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta
mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis. A-gnus De - i,
qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Text and music: Chant; Graduale Romanum, 1974.

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Acts 2:4, 11

6:30 am Mass: They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

All other Masses:

Sod - den - ly, a sound came from hea - ven* like the rush of a might - y wind,
in the place — where they — were sit - ting, al - le - lu - ia!
and they were all — filled with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,
and an - nounced — the great — things — God had done,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

1. Ho - ly Wis - dom, lamp of learn - ing, Bless the light that rea - son leads.
2. Vine of truth, in you we flour - ish; By your grace we learn and grow.
3. Ho - ly God, the hope of sa - tions, Turn us toward your right - teous will,

1. Teach us judg - ment as we kin - dle Sparks of thought your Spir - it sends.
2. May the word of Christ a - mong us Shape our life, our search and grow.
3. As the sym - pho - ny of a - ges Claims our best, our fin - est skill.

1. Sanc - ti - fy our search for knowl - edge And the truth that sets — us free.
2. Joined to Christ in liv - ing, dy - ing, May we help the church — con - vey
3. Shape our search for peace and jus - tice Through pro - phet - ic deed — and word.

1. Come, il - lu - mine mind and spir - it Joined in deep - est u - ri - ty.
2. Wit - ness to the sav - ing gos - pel, Bear - ing fruit of faith to - day.
3. Christ, con - duct us, set our rhy - thm, That God's praise be ev - er heard.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, who bestow heavenly gifts upon your Church, safeguard, we pray, the grace you have given, that the gift of the Holy Spirit poured out upon her may retain all its force and that this spiritual food may gain her abundance of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.

R: Amen

CONCLUDING RITES

CREATOR SPIRIT, BY WHOSE AID

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

1. Cre - a - tor Spir - it, by whose aid The world's foun - da -
2. O Source of un - cre - a - ted light, The Fa - ther's prom -
3. All a - do - ra - tion ev - er be, E - ter - nal Par -

1. tions first were laid! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Give us thy - self
2. ised Par - a - clete; Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Thrice ho - ly Font,
3. a - clete to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! From sin and sor -

1. that we may see The Fa - ther and the Son by thee.
2. thrice ho - ly Fire, Our hearts with heav'n - ly love in - spire.
3. row set us free That we may live e - ter - nal - ly.

1-3. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: LM with alleluias; composite.
Music: Ausriessene, Catholische, Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne, 1623.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

Saint Joseph Terror of Demons

R: Pray for us

Mary Refuge of Sinners

R: Pray for us

GRADUATES

Congratulations to all the graduates! We pray that wherever life takes you, you put Christ at the center, and allow the Holy Spirit to guide you in the decisions you make for your future. If you would like information on how to stay connected with your Catholic faith community at college, or wherever you end up, please contact the church office. Best wishes to you!

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| Owen Wesley Massaro | Owen Cole Prothe |
| William Anthony Guzman | Lauren Carter |
| Peyton R Robertson | Kendra Riley Wait |
| Dylan Matthew Jacobs | |



MEMORIAL DAY MASS

Join us for Mass at 9am on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31st at St. Columbine Catholic Cemetery in Edgerton. If the weather is poor, this Mass will be celebrated at our church in Gardner.

COUNTERS NEEDED

We are in need of a few more volunteers to count the offertory collection every Monday at 8:30am. The schedule consists of a 4 person group that is rotated among all the counters. All counters must be VIRTUS trained. If you are interested, email: sarah@divinemerckyks.org

LECTOR and JR. SACRISTAN TRAINING

Please attend one of these upcoming trainings for ALL Lectors and Jr. Sacristans, Sunday May 23 at 9:15am or Tuesday May 25 at 6:30pm. We are excited to welcome the return of lectors for Masses starting the weekend of June 13. These trainings are for ALL who plan to serve in the future. Please join us for this refresher even if you have served in the past.

Do you have questions about Catholicism? Are you (or someone you know) thinking of joining the Church? Join us for **Catholic Conversations** every Tuesday evening from 5:30 - 6:15 p.m. in the CFC Conference Room to get answers to your questions or to learn about faith formation.

PARISH EVENTS

- 24 Mon- 7:00pm Knights of Columbus meeting
- 25 Tues- 6:00pm Mass & evening prayer**
- 25 Tues-5:30pm Catholic Conversations
- 25 Tues- 6:30pm Lector & Jr. Sacristan Training
- 26 Wed- 8:00am Mass & morning prayer**
- 26 Wed- 9am-1pm Saint Anne's Sewing Circle
- 26 Wed- Harvesters Mobile food pantry
- 26 Wed- 10 - 11 am Confession
- 26 Wed- 10am-9pm Adoration
- 26 Wed- 5pm Legion of Mary meeting
- 27 Thurs- 7-7:45am Confession
- 27 Thurs- 8am Mass & morning prayer**
- 27 Thurs- 7pm Spanish Rosary
- 28 Fri- 8am Mass & morning prayer**
- 29 Sat- 3-4pm Confession
- 29 Sat- 4:30pm Mass**
- 30 Sun- 6:30am Mass**
- 30 Sun- 8:00am Mass—Live Stream**
- 30Sun-10:30am Mass**
- 30 Sun- 11:30am Youth Group

JUNE 5th and 6th—CORPUS CHRISTI

Join us on June 5th and 6th as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) everyone who attends Mass will receive a special gift. This is also the day our diocese will reinstate the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. As a special celebration of this Solemnity, to welcome back new parishioners and to celebrate those who have been with us, our parish will provide donuts after the 6:30am and 8am Mass in the parking lot. The 10:30am Mass will end with a Eucharistic Procession around our church parking lot. The faithful will then return to the church for a short period of Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction (Eucharistic blessing). Immediately after please join us for a FREE lunch (hotdog & chips) and fellowship in the parking lot! Bring lawn chairs and celebrate, tailgate style with your fellow parishioners! Saturday evening Father Adam will do a special in person Pints with Padre in the CFC immediately after the 4:30pm Mass. You

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