Catholic Community of St. Henry

WELCOME TO ST. HENRY'S

We extend a warm welcome to all new members of our parish. We hope you will find our parish community a place where your faith life will grow. Please introduce yourself after one of the Masses and do not forget to register. You may register on-line or by calling the parish office at the number below.

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OFFICE HOURS

The parish office hours are:
Monday—Thursday 9:00am—4:30pm
Friday 9:00am—2:00pm

STEWARDSHIP—TAKE A STEP 2019

Our weekly donations need to average $7500 to meet operating expenses. E-Giving forms are available online. Please contact the parish office to receive an email to help set it up .

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Instructional classes for parents prior to the Baptism of their children are held the first Tuesday of each month, 7:00pm, at St. Henry's Church. Please call the parish office to register for classes. Baptisms are celebrated on the second Sunday of the month during Mass and the fourth Sunday of the month following the 10:00am Mass.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION

St. Henry's Sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation & First Communion will begin after completing at least (1) year of Faith Formation. This is the prerequisite to registration into the sacramental preparation classes. Participants will attend weekly classes, Mass and a retreat to further their faith education experience. For more information, please call the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament is conferred in eleventh grade. The diocese requires a two year preparation period. That takes place in grades 9 & 10 with a retreat and two day mandatory preparation in eleventh grade.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements for marriage should be made at least 6 months in advance. Kindly call the parish office for an appointment.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm
Sunday ..... 8:00am and 10:00am
Weekdays..... 8:30am

NO MORNING MASS ON THURSDAY

Sacrament of reconciliation

Saturday .....3:00 - 3:30pm

WEEKEND OF May 15 & 16
Attendance 267

Sunday Collection for May 8 & 9
$5,886.70 Includes E-Giving

The Eucharist " is not a prize for the perfect, but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak."
Pope Francis

DAMIAN CENTER/JOSEPH'S HOUSE MEALS

For the past 15 years, we have been supplying monthly meals to Damien Center and quarterly meals to Joseph's House. Damien Center meals are on the 2nd Monday of each month and food is delivered to St. Henry's parking lot for 5:00pm. Joseph's House meals are done quarterly on Saturday and food is delivered to the parking lot at 10:30am. The next meal is Saturday, May 29th. Please contact Lynn Waterman if you would like to help with meals.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH-MAY 2021

Mental Health Awareness Month-According to the National Alliance on Mental Illness, "suicide is often the result of an untreated mental health condition". "Like any other health emergency, it's important to address a mental health crisis like suicide quickly and effectively." The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones, and best practices for professionals.1 (800) 273-TALK (8255). For information about local mental health resources visit worksofmercyschdy.org. If you believe danger to self or others is imminent, call 911

Prayer...

Loving God, You are always near to us, especially when we are weak, suffering and vulnerable. Reach out to those who experience mental illness. Lift their burdens, calm their anxiety, and quiet their fears. Surround them with your healing presence that they may know that they are not alone. We ask this through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes and in the name of your Son, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen. (chausa.org)

RESPECT LIFE

"The Lord says to us, 'Do not fear: I am with you' (Isaiah 41:10). He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicated the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God. Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new"

Congratulations to all those who made their Confirmation on, Wednesday, May 12, 2021!

Lora Rose *Maria* Acquario
Tessa Carmela *Clare* Adamo
Matt *John Bosco* Barber
Joseph *Michael* Blizinski
Mary *Anne* Bryant
Luke Thomas *Michael* Cellucci
Alicia *Ann* Cioffi
Ryan *John* Clarke
Hannah *Teresa* Crupi
Jacob *Gabriel* Crupi
Mairi Skye *Cecilia* Cumming
Jake *Raphael* Fernandez
Peter *Joseph* Floge
Ian *Michael* Giannone
Matthew *Christopher* Glanton
Jacob *James* Halpin
Mary *Helen* Harmer
Andrew *John* Keens
Olivia Grace *Maria* Kronau
Dominic Anthony *Luciano* Marrochello
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Tyler Harrison *Thomas* Michaels
Kyle *Maximilian* Millington
Thomas *Michael* O'brien
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Julia *Lucia* Skiba
Cooper *Loretta* Smith
Nick *Christopher* Tempel
Emily *Brigid* Walsh
Joseph *Michael* Wescott
Amelia *Anne* Wood
Louis Zalucky

Thank you to the following catechists for preparing this year's Confirmation class:

Laura Buzon
Cheryl Glanton
John Lesniak
Peter Wrenn

DEACON BOB'S CORNER

GALATIANS 5:16-25 by Mary M. McGlone

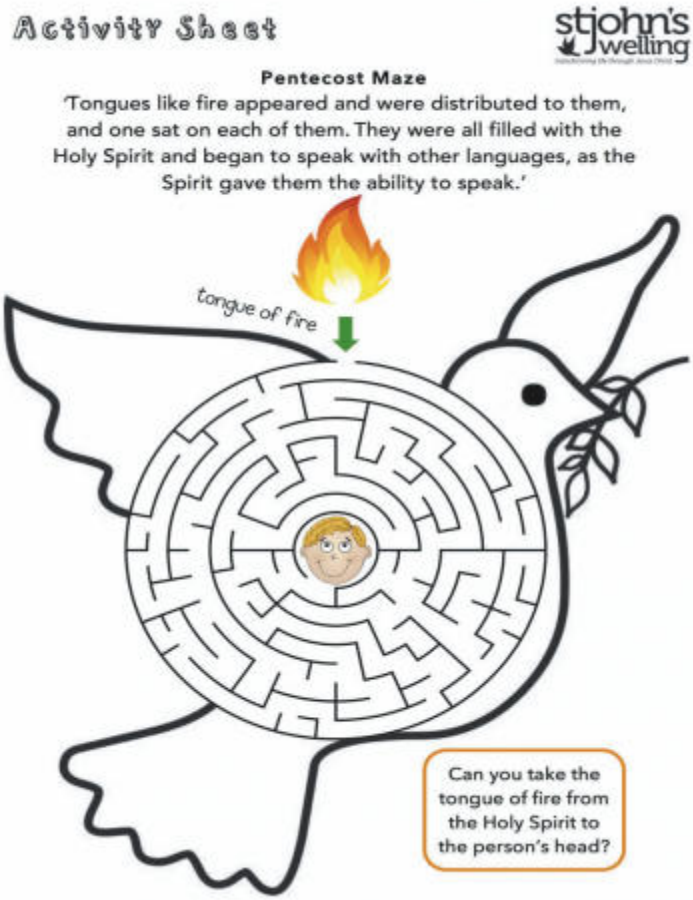
Paul opens this selection from Galatians with the injunction to "walk in the Spirit," which the New American Bible translation used in the Roman Lectionary translates as "live by the Spirit." Scripture scholar and author of Galatians, A Commentary, Paul N. Tarazi explains that in the Hebrew tradition, the five books of Moses were considered halakha, the way to walk in God's covenant, and that Paul's command to walk in the Spirit tells his readers that for Christians the Spirit has replaced the law. The idea of walking in the Spirit suggests that Christian living is a process carried out by people who continually grow in it; it is more than a simple state of being.

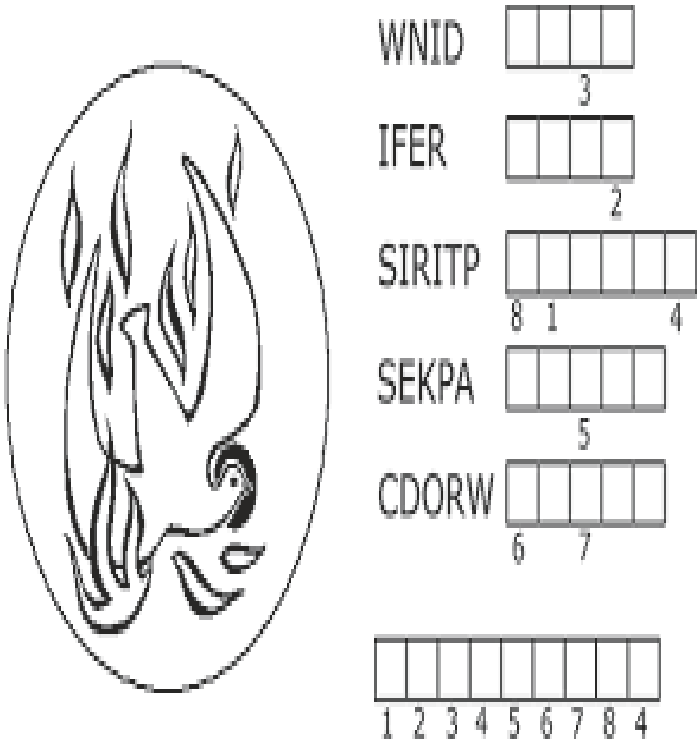
Paul sees the process of human life as struggling between two opposing tendencies: flesh and Spirit. In contemporary terms we might think of the flesh as the unbridled ego, the instinct for survival gone so wild that it is driven by an irrational "me first" attitude, infantile in its inability to go beyond self and irrational in its insatiability. The vices Paul lists as examples of this orientation are all self-gratifying and destructive of relationships between individuals and within the community as a whole. As Franciscan Fr. Richard Rohr points out in his book Breathing Under Water, they are simply perversions of our deepest human desire for communion with God and others. Paul's statement that people ruled by these cannot inherit the kingdom of God is obvious: They don't seek it and have no appetite for it when it is offered.

Paul's alternative to walking under the tutelage of the flesh is to allow God's Spirit to guide us. Paul tells us that this Spirit prays within us, yearning for God's future and interceding with inexpressible groanings, or sighs too deep for words (Romans 8:26).

What Paul describes as walking in the Spirit can also be understood as the metanoia that Jesus called for. It is an alternative life trajectory that comes from the grace of conscious contact with God. Jesus taught us to pray, "Thy will be done." Rohr quotes Thomas Merton's explanation of that saying, "The will of God is not a 'fate' to which we must submit, but a creative act in our life that produces something absolutely new."

Paul lists some of the virtues or experiences that characterize people walking in the Spirit: patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, etc. He summarizes this pattern of life saying, "Against such there is no law." There is no pre-determined plot line, no rule book. Walking in the Spirit implies the adventure of discovering God's ever-creative options to anything and everything that diminishes human life, love and communion with God and neighbor.





Mass Intentions

Monday, May 24
8:30AM **No Mass**
Tuesday, May 25
8:30AM **No Mass**
Wednesday, May 26
8:30 AM **No Mass**
Thursday, May 27
8:30AM **NO MASS**
Friday, May 28
8:30AM **No Mass**
Saturday, May 29
4:00 PM The Coffey Family
Sunday, May 30
8:00 AM Lorene Bowes—John and Pat Mulligan
10:00 AM Jacqueline A. Wandler—Gram
James Carmody—Linda Hourigan
Ben Lindeman—Wife

Monday, May 31
8:30AM For the People
Tuesday, June 1
8:30AM For the People
Wednesday, June 2
8:30AM **No Mass**
Thursday, June 3
8:30AM **NO MASS**
Friday, June 4
8:30 AM **No Mass**
Saturday, June 5
4:00 PM Marjorie Bassett—Linda Biittig
Catherine Elizabeth Curran—Family
Ruth Kerin VanAmburgh –Family
Sunday, June 6
8:00 AM Walter & Marjorie I. Powers—Son
10:00 AM Judith Lee "Hennan" Armstrong
Mary & Sal Franze
Carol Dunigan—Nancy & Mike Fresina
Chic Smith—Nancy & Mike Fresina

Calendar of Events

5/31 Office Closed (Memorial Day)
6/1 Prayer Group meets 1:00pm in the Blue Room
Rosary Group meets at the Wind Harp at 7pm
6/2 Diabetes Group Chair Yoga 5:00pm to 5:45pm
Men's Scripture meets 7:00pm in the Blue Room
6/8 Prayer Group meets 1:00pm in the Blue Room
Rosary Group meets at the Wind Harp at 7pm
6/9 Diabetes Group Chair Yoga 5:00pm to 5:45pm
Men's Scripture meets 7:00pm in the Blue Room
6/15 Prayer Group meets 1:00pm in the Blue Room
Rosary Group meets at the Wind Harp at 7pm
6/16 Diabetes Group Chair Yoga 5:00pm to 5:45pm
Men's Scripture meets 7:00pm in the Blue Room
6/22 Prayer Group meets 1:00pm in the Blue Room
Rosary Group meets at the Wind Harp at 7pm
6/23 Diabetes Group Chair Yoga 5:00pm to 5:45pm
Men's Scripture meets 7:00pm in the Blue Room

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Sat.—Sun 5/29 & 5/30
1. Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40
2. Romans 8:14-17
3. Matthew 28:16-20

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Sat.—Sun 6/5 & 6/6
1. Exodus 24:3-8
2. Hebrews 9:11-15
3. Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Sat.—Sun 6/12 & 6/13
1. Ezekiel 17:22-24
2. Corinthians 5:6-10
3. Mark 4:26-34

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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Saturday, May 29
4:00pm
Altar Servers
Lectors Dave Helwig, Kathy Jimino
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Sunday, May 30
8:00am
Altar Servers
Lectors Chris Hough, Bob Lutringer
Counters The Dolans

10:00am
Altar Servers
Lectors Rita Evans,
Counters The Dolans

Saturday, June 5
4:00pm
Altar Servers
Lectors
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Sunday, June 6
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