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Mission Statement: We, the Catholic Community of Sacred Heart Church and St. Joseph the Worker Mission, strive to be a living sign of Christ's love and healing power in and for the world.

Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 9, 2021

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Spotlight on Ministry:

Immigrant Ministries provides resources for immigrant families, and empowers parishes to develop immigrant programs. We've hosted regional Know Your Rights trainings, immigration summits, walking pilgrimages, vigil Masses and other events to soften hearts and comfort immigrant families.



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'LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU'

6th Easter Sunday Year B {1st Rd. Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98;

2nd Rd. 1 Jn 4:7-8; Gospel Jn 15:9-17}

The Good Shepherd (4th Week of Easter), who is also **the True Vine** (5th Week of Easter) continues to instruct us what to do if we are to be His good listening flock. He is **the True Love for us, the object and subject of our love**. There are some striking phrases in this Gospel that hint on the purpose and end of this love.

'Remain in my Love', and then 'Love one another.' 'I chose you and I appointed you to bear fruit that will remain.'

They all sound like last instructions before His departure, based on prior teaching. They can also be viewed as a summary of the instructions the Lord had given to his disciples and all hearers. God is love {1Jn 4:7-21} and whoever loves Him has to imitate this love in Christ Jesus. Peter and his Jewish friends in the first reading, are edified by God's impartiality in loving all people to the extent of sending His Holy Spirit even to those (*the unclean Gentiles*) who are not initially among the chosen ones (*the Jews*). In the end they also become chosen ones by virtue of the baptism they are ordered to receive in the name of Jesus. This is how God loves, without limit, partiality, or prejudice. This is where it makes sense for you and me to love **NOT** as we want or feel, but simply as God loved us.

Experience has it that sometimes it may not make sense to continue loving others because of what we have gone through, **BUT** because of Christ, it does so. I would think this is what led Paul to retell his conversion experience as being completely taken over by Christ: "*It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me*" {Gal 2:20}.

The measure of our love for others should be Christ's love. Because Christ loved us, we too are called in our families, communities and among our neighbors to be at the service of others for Christ's sake. Jesus demonstrated this earlier on with the washing of the feet of His disciples (Jn 13:1-11). His love led Him to lay down his life for the sheep. We are therefore no longer slaves (*having been freed from sin*) but friends. We are now His chosen ones, and His Father has also become our Father {Jn 20:17}. We are His brothers and sisters. We share in His mission of discipleship.

The apostles asked Jesus how to pray and He did teach them to do so {Lk 11:1-13}. Right now, in this troubled world of ours that is full of challenges, we need to ask Him to constantly teach us and remind us **HOW** to love as He loves each one of us. This is why it is so important for you and me to always find a moment of silence to allow Him to speak to us, instruct us, and show us the way of love. Therefore, it makes sense for all of us to reconnect to our Creator through Him (*Jesus Christ*) in prayer, ministries, and services of different kinds, constantly checking on how we can live the love of God in order to bear good fruits. May the Lord who chose us and called us to be His own, enlighten our minds and souls to understand His way of Love, even where we would feel there is no way forward. For God nothing is impossible. Amen.

Fr. Aloysius G. Ssensamba

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

There are several ways to request Mass Intentions: Use the pink envelope in your giving packet, choose "Mass Intention" on the donations page of our website, or send your request to our office.

Wed, May 5	9:00 am	SH + Ann Kelley
Fri, May 7	9:00 am	SH Lyndon Fischer
Sat, May 8	5:00 pm	SH David Fischer
Sun, May 9	8:30 am	SH Blessed Mary and all mothers
	10:30 am	SH Pro Popula
	12:15 pm	SJ Blessed Mary and all mothers

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Jonathan Zumwalt, Paul Lehner, Ann Babauta, Jimmy Sparrowgrove, Nona Dooley, Iesha Moore, Ramecca Moore, , Ivana Tarabachia, Mack Ensley, Alvina Campbell, Tabitha Kemp, Ron Marquez, Dianne Poer, Vi Arola

Those who are sick and unable to join us today.

All those affected by Covid-19.

The men & women serving in our Armed Forces.

All the faithful departed, especially Cecil Whiley and Patricia Somdalen.

To add your name to our prayer list, please contact Garri in the parish office: info@sacredheartbg.org or (360) 687-4515. Names will be kept on the list for one month.

A PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

FOR THE RENEWAL AND SPREAD OF THE FAITH

On the feast of Pentecost, May 23, Archbishop Paul D. Etienne will promulgate a new pastoral plan for the Archdiocese of Seattle. The archbishop invites Catholics to pray a novena to the Holy Spirit leading up to Pentecost (May 14-22), for the intention of "the renewal and spread of the faith." The novena prayer is a translation of the traditional Pentecost hymn *Veni Creator Spiritus*.



Come, Creator Spirit,
visit the minds of those who are yours;
fill with heavenly grace the hearts that
you have made.

You who are named the Paraclete, gift of
God most high, living fountain, fire, love
and anointing for the soul.

You are sevenfold in your gifts, you are
finger of God's right hand, you, the Father's
solemn promise putting words upon our
lips.

Kindle a light in our senses, pour love into
our hearts, infirmities of this body of ours
overcoming with strength secure.

The enemy drive from us away, peace then
give without delay; with you as guide to lead
the way we avoid all cause of harm.

Grant we may know the Father through
you, and come to know the Son as well,
and may we always cling in faith to you,
the Spirit of them both.

Amen.

Congratulations!

We welcome our new member at Sacred Heart.

McKenzie McMahon, daughter of
Kristen and Devon McMahon
was baptized on Saturday, May 1st.

We give them our prayerful support!



Happy Mother's Day

"I remember my
mother's prayers
and they have always
followed me.
They have clung to
me all my life."

Abraham Lincoln

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Pastoral Assistant for Youth Ministry – St. Joseph Church is seeking a full time benefit eligible Pastoral Assistant for Youth Ministry. The successful candidate will be bilingual in English/Spanish and preferably have experience working in Hispanic ministry. St. Joseph is a bicultural community with a growing Hispanic/Latino population.

Application materials and complete job description are available at <https://www.stjoevan.org/156>. Position is open until filled.

Custodian – St. Rose Church and School in Longview, Washington is looking for 2-3 part-time custodians to join our team! The custodians will clean and maintain our campus. The ideal candidate will have basic written & verbal communication skills, and at least one year of custodial experience. This position will require the physical ability to bend, stoop, twist, and kneel. For more information please contact hr@strose-longview.org

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