



SAINT JOAN of ARC NEWS

The members of St. Joan of Arc Parish are disciples of Jesus Christ, who recognize God's love for the world & are empowered by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel to all people through joyful worship, life-long education, compassionate service, responsible stewardship, & active community living.

~ Mission Statement - Pentecost 1998 ~

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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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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Monday thru Friday: 7:00 am
Wednesday: 6:00 pm

Weekends

Saturday: 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am,
12:00 pm

Holy Day Masses

Vigil Mass: (evening prior) 7:00 pm
7:00 am, 12:00 pm, 7:00 pm

Reconciliation

Wednesdays: 5:00 pm
Saturdays 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
in the Sister Carol Center

Holy Hour

Thursdays in Church at 7:00 pm

Rosary

Monday - Friday after the 7am Mass

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Center is open:
Monday - Thursday from 8:30am - 5:00pm
Friday: 8:30am—4:00pm

Mass intentions and most services can be done in person or by calling us at 586-777-3670 during these hours.

Our after-hours emergency number: 586-777-1342.

Baptisms: Please go to our website (stjoan.church) and fill out the Baptism request form. You will be contacted to make further arrangements based on submission of that form.

Marriages: Arrangements should be made at the Parish Center at least six months prior to the desired date. Pre-marriage series required.

Registration: It is very important that every family and independent adult be registered in the Church in order to keep our records and mailings current. Please contact the Parish Office to register at your earliest opportunity: 586-777-3670.

OCIA: Please call the Parish Center: 586-777-3670.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARISHIONER?

If you would like to become a parishioner of St. Joan of Arc, please register at stjoan.church and we will contact you by phone. Or by calling us at 586-777-3670 during office hours.

Live Streamed Broadcasts at St. Joan of Arc

Live Stream Broadcasts have become a standard part of our celebrations at St Joan of Arc. This has increased our mass participation at daily and weekend masses. It has also allowed many of our parishioners to stay in touch with their faith community remotely.

Go to: livestream.stjoan.church to watch all live streaming and to view archived celebrations.

Weekday Masses

Monday thru Friday @ 7am
Wednesday @ 6pm

Weekend Masses

Saturdays @ 4pm & 6pm
Sundays @ 8am, 10am, 12pm

Holy Hour

Thursdays @ 7pm



Outsmarted by a 15-Month-Old:

Last week, our family had lots of “together time” as one of my nephews, now Dr. Adam Finn, and his fiancé, Dr. Lauren Minnear,

graduated from the University of Detroit Mercy Dental School. One of our parishioners and former SJA alums, Dr. Jordin Valenti, was also in the same dental class. Being with them at this significant milestone in their life was awesome.

The celebrations started on Thursday night a week ago at the Suburban Showcase in Novi. The dental school put on a rather large reception for all the doctoral candidates, the dental hygienists class, and their families. Right after the reception, we moved into one of the halls and watched as all the candidates were hooded or pinned. The doctoral candidates were hooded while the dental hygienists were pinned.

The Hooding Ceremony, where the doctoral hood is placed over the graduate’s head by a member of the school’s faculty or a member of their family who is a DDS, dates back many, many years. The doctoral hood, part of academic regalia which dates back to medieval times, is still part of graduation ceremonies today. Seeing other family members who were already dentists “hood” their relative was moving. Often, it was a parent, sibling, or another relative. Those who were graduating as dental hygienists each received a lapel pin signifying their entry into the dental hygiene profession.

Graduation day was on Friday at Calihan Hall on the main campus of the University of Detroit Mercy. It was a beautiful day, and it was so awesome to hear the Dean of the Dental School call each candidate with their new title of “Doctor.” After the graduation, the Dental School put on an incredible reception near the fountain area of UDM. The university grounds were just gorgeous. A big shout out to Dave Vandelinder, Director of Facility Operations and Construction Management at UDM, and his team for taking such great care of that beautiful campus. It is truly a gem!

After the festivities at UDM, we moved our family party up to Allenton for the rest of the day. We then had a “repeat” party for Mother’s Day on Sunday.

As I was sitting in the garage eating away on Mother’s Day, little Ford Hunsucker was seated next to me. Now, Ford is only 15 months old. He was fascinated with my watch and kept “waking it up.” He then started just pushing the screen and icons, and suddenly, and without notice, I found my watch was about to make an emergency call (a feature the watch has in the event you are in some distress). I was able to cancel the call, but little Ford continued to push all kinds of buttons and things on my screen. After a while, I decided I would try to outsmart him by turning my watch off, but it took me some time to get to that screen to power it down, only because it was now a little game with the little chuckling Ford because he knew I was trying to thwart his efforts. Eventually, I got my watch to power down, and at this point, I didn’t care how much he tried to see what he could accomplish with my watch.

Later that evening, I powered my watch back on. But I had a problem. My watch was in a weird power-saving mode, and I had to do a Google search to figure out how to turn it off. Then, my notifications weren’t working. My watch would vibrate when a new text came in, but it no longer showed a preview of the message on the watch face. I suddenly had to push all kinds of things to see the text. I’ve hunted around for a solution, but nothing has worked yet. I realize Ford had no clue what he was doing ... but maybe that’s not the case. He’s 15 months old already, and I think these kids are tech-savvy at birth! I find it ironic that I’m trying to Google solutions to undo what a 15-month-old did! There’s something wrong with this picture: the soon-to-be 60-year-old Tech Savy Priest, who thought he was on top of his technology game, has been outsmarted by a 15-month-old, and even as of this writing, he hasn’t found a solution to his “problem.”

SJA’s 55th Annual Raffle: By now, I hope you received your raffle ticket packet; it was dropped in the mail over a week ago. As I mentioned at the masses, our Kickoff to Summer event will occur on Sunday, June 9, 2024, from 1 until 5 PM. It will include family-friendly activities, food trucks, and the annual raffle. More details about the day will be provided soon.

I hope you will consider buying or selling \$100 worth of tickets! Your generosity will go a long way in helping our amazing parish continue doing everything it does. PLUS, you might be

lucky enough to win one of the raffle prizes!

Last year, we netted \$93,830 from the raffle and proceeds from the food trucks. I am grateful for your extraordinary generosity in what you did to make last year’s event a fantastic success!

To qualify for the Early Bird Drawing, tickets are due by 5 PM on Monday, May 20, 2024. If you are under 65, for every \$100 worth of tickets you return, you earn ONE chance at the Annual Raffle 100% Drawing. If you are 65 or older, you earn ONE chance for every \$50 worth of tickets you return. Thus, if you are under 65 and return \$100 worth of raffle tickets, you can turn in 1 - 100% tickets. If you are 65 or older, turning in \$100 worth of raffle tickets allows you to turn in 2 – 100% tickets. The 100% tickets are PRE-PRINTED on the YELLOW sheet mailed to you. If you need more 100% tickets, please get in touch with the Parish Center.

On Wednesday, May 22, 2024, at 6:30 PM (after the 6:00 PM Mass) (watch it live at livestream.stjoan.church), we will conduct our Early Bird Drawing. We will draw two (2) tickets from the pool of 100% tickets, and each will win \$1,500! You can continue turning in your raffle and applicable 100% tickets until the June 9, 2024 drawing. At that time, we will draw five (5) of the 100% tickets from the entire pool of tickets, and each will win \$500.

Raffle tickets can be dropped off at the Parish Center (through the mail slot in the door), in the Sunday collection boxes, or mailed to the Parish Center (although please be aware that if you MAIL your tickets, you run the risk of your tickets not arriving in time for the drawing). Please read through the checklist to help make sure your tickets can be processed quickly and accurately. Please contact the Parish Center (586.777.3670) or visit tickets.stjoan.church if you need additional tickets.

Please know of my gratitude for your extraordinary generosity! Let’s make our Kickoff to Summer Event and Annual Raffle a huge success.

Enjoy the week. Know of my prayers.

In Christ,

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THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of May 19, 2024



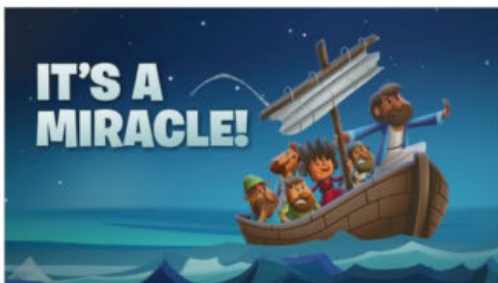
Never Alone Session 1: Belonging

The third Person of the Trinity is the one who illuminates our identity and belonging as God's sons and daughters. Presented by Nic Gutierrez



Mary: The Church's First

In the Gospel of John, we see the powerful scene in which Jesus gives to the Church his final gift: "Behold, your mother!" (John 19:27). Here we see Jesus inaugurating Mary's role as mother of the Church. Therefore, it should be no surprise that from the very earliest time of the Church, Christians have turned to Mary as their spiritual mother for her prayers and her motherly help.



It's a Miracle! | Laugh and Grow Bible for Kids

When Jesus was all grown up He traveled with His disciples doing amazing things all over the place! Learn about Jesus' miracles in this story that walks through some of the most powerful moments of His ministry.

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Along the Way

The Adventure Continues...

Last week I started sharing about my recent vacation with my dad, starting out with graduation in Bismarck, ND. I left off with our visit of Mt. Rushmore and Crazy Horse Memorial. We ventured from there to Cheyenne, Wyoming, a four-hour drive. So, we started the day in Bismarck and ended the day in Cheyenne, spending about ten hours in the car. Furthermore, because it was a Sunday, there was not a single place open in all the small towns that we passed through.

We arrived at our hotel late in the evening and get up to the room, only to read a note that the hotel left on the desk. It said something like this, "Given that your room faces the trainyard, we understand that it might get noisy. We've provided you with a pair of earplugs. Should you need an additional pair, please see the front desk." All I wanted to do was sleep, not listen to trains all night. Thankfully, it was not loud at all!

My dad and I then had an entire day to explore Cheyenne and we began with a visit to the state capitol. Built in 1887, the capitol took 30 years to be completed, at a cost of \$389,569.13



When we arrived at the capitol building, we walked right in the front door. A lovely lady greeted us and gave us a brief history lesson, handed us a map, and said, "alright, enjoy your time. If the door is locked, don't go in." That was it. We went through no

security, and we were given unfettered access to the four-story building. My dad and I could see the Attorney General working at his desk and walked right up to the Governor's office.

We did not see the Governor... until we walked outside. He was present at a tree planting ceremony for Wyoming State Arbor Day. It was a strange experience to have such freedom to walk around a state capitol and see the Governor. Surely this must be unique to the plain's states.

Wyoming has a beautiful and long history. Of course, Native Americans have inhabited the territory for hundreds of years. It was not until the early 1800's when Anglo explorers arrived. Gold in California and the lure of rich land in Oregon brought increasing numbers of pioneer wagon trains rolling over the Oregon Trails through Wyoming. Eventually a Cheyenne would become the mountain region headquarters for the Union Pacific Railroad.

Wyoming is also known as the "Equality State" because of the rights women have traditionally enjoyed here. Wyoming women were the first in the nation to vote, serve on juries and hold public office.

In 1869, Wyoming's territorial legislature became the first government in the world to grant "female suffrage" by enacting a bill granting Wyoming women the right to vote. The act was signed into law on December 10 of that year by Governor A.J. Campbell. This was 20 years before Wyoming was granted statehood, becoming the 44th state.

In 1924, Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross was the first elected woman governor to take office in the United States. She took office on January 5, 1925, 20 days before "Ma" Ferguson of Texas (elected

on the same day) took office. Mrs. Ross went on to become the first woman to be appointed Director of the United States Mint-a position she held for 20 years, from 1933 to 1953. In 1991, women held three of the state's five top elective positions and a total of 23 women hold seats in the Wyoming Legislature, three in the Senate and 20 in the House.

After the state capitol we visited the beautiful Cathedral of St. Mary. Surprisingly, or not surprisingly given the population of the State of Wyoming, the Diocese of Cheyenne covers the entire state. To put it in perspective, there are seven dioceses in the state of Michigan.



Our next exploration was that of the historic 1880s Union Pacific Railroad depot, now a museum. Finally, we rounded out our Wyoming experience by trying 'rocky mountain oysters' as an appetizer with dinner. They were actually delicious, and I would definitely eat them again.

The next day we made our way to Denver and to our 4th state of the trip. More on that later...

Blessings,

Fr. Adam



May 19, 2024

Written by
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Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11 | 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25
| Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Pentecost Sunday is here! If ever there was a day in the Church calendar to celebrate the transformational power of Christianity, this is it. We know from the first reading how the disciples go from being huddled and afraid in a locked room to stepping out boldly in the streets, loudly proclaiming the Good News of Jesus. What changed them so suddenly? It was the coming of the Holy Spirit, the third divine person of the Trinity, into their hearts and lives. Jesus calls the Spirit an Advocate, “the Spirit of truth,” who will remain with the apostles after he has left. That same Spirit is promised to us, continuing the Easter joy. It is only through the power and grace of the Holy Spirit that we have the knowledge, ability, and courage to proclaim Jesus as our Lord. Only in this way can we belong to Jesus and be in relationship with the Father. The very same God who created all things is here to help us become the sons and daughters he always envisioned us to be.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

“Peace be with you,” Jesus says, twice, to his disciples today. He approaches them with gentleness and a calming demeanor. He is aware of their fear and their anxiety, and that they would be confused and unsure upon seeing him in his resurrected body. Jesus offers us the same words: “peace be with you.” For he knows we, too, can be afraid and unsure about what living out his words will mean to our lives. But we need not be worried! The Holy Spirit, that helper and advocate who came to the first disciples, is here to help us fill our hearts with love and joy and speak our beliefs without fear. When we open our hearts to God’s love, Jesus tells us, the Holy Spirit “will guide [us] to all truth.” In other words, he will be there to help us. As Paul states in the reading from Corinthians, we all have different gifts of the Spirit, and the important thing is that we use those gifts and talents to model ourselves after Jesus.

PRAY The Holy Spirit is with us to be our guide and advocate. Today, we pray, “Come, Holy Spirit,” and witness the power of that first Pentecost which set the world on fire with God’s love and truth. This week, spend some time reflecting on the joy you have as a Christian – and show that joy to the world!

Readings for The Most Holy Trinity



THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY – MAY 26 B

Reading One – Dt 4:32-34, 39-40

Moses said to the people: "Ask now of the days of old, before your time, ever since God created man upon the earth; ask from one end of the sky to the other: Did anything so great ever happen before? Was it ever heard of? Did a people ever hear the voice of God speaking from the midst of fire, as you did, and live? Or did any god venture to go and take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation, by testings, by signs and wonders, by war, with strong hand and outstretched arm, and by great terrors, all of which the LORD, your God, did for you in Egypt before your very eyes? This is why you must now know, and fix in your heart, that the LORD is God in the heavens above and on earth below, and that there is no other. You must keep his statutes and commandments that I enjoin on you today, that you and your children after you may prosper, and that you may have long life on the land which the LORD, your God, is giving you forever."

Responsorial – Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Upright is the word of the LORD, and all his works are trustworthy. He loves justice and right; of the kindness of the Lord the earth is full.

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made; by the breath of his mouth all their host. For he spoke, and it was made; he commanded, and it stood forth.

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him, upon those who hope for his kindness, To deliver them from death and preserve them in spite of famine.

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and our shield. May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us who have put our hope in you.

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Reading Two – Rom 8:14-17

Brothers and sisters: For those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if only we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Alleluia - Rv 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel – Mt 28:16-20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they all saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Spirit to Spirit

Talk to any couple who are devoted to one another. Ask them when they realized they were in love — call-me-in-a-crisis love, face-the-day-to-day-with-me love — and the answer will probably not be “When I realized he was only dating me to win a bet with his boss.”

If you know what movie that references, you and 12-year-old me would have been great friends.

Like any other self-respecting American tween of the early 2000s, I used to watch a lot of romantic comedies. I forget how old I was when I realized that romantic comedies are actually ... really boring. Not because they're about love — true love is *fascinating*. I could watch real-life people talk about who they love for *hours*.

Because when we say we love someone — truly love them — what we mean is we love their spirit. We love what they are. We love the qualities that escape description, the attributes we have to talk around or reduce to cliché in order to define. We cannot love a body alone. We cannot love a name or a reputation. We cannot love a story that we've built around a relationship.

To be in love with someone you need to know their spirit. Intimately. And that knowledge cannot help but change everything about you. It changes your goals, your understanding of the world. It changes the amount of courage you have to face the life ahead of you. It changes your ability to be who God wants you to be.

The disciples lived and ate and walked with Jesus for three whole years before they really knew his spirit. They didn't know it on Good Friday when they scattered and hid and wept. They didn't know it on Easter Sunday, when they couldn't believe what they saw. They thought they loved him, but when push came to shove their love failed.

But by the end of their lives, the disciples knew the kind of love that sustained them even in the face of martyrdom.

What was it that changed? It was the Spirit. They finally knew the Spirit.

“No one can say, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ except by the Holy Spirit.”
— 1 Corinthians 12:3

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

How do we know when we receive the Holy Spirit?

Answer:

My brothers and I discovered something as we got older. There's a little bit of dad in us. Each time we catch ourselves using one of his gestures, expressions, or comments about a meal, we say, “I'm getting more like Dad!” Many laughs and good-natured kidding have come out of it. Mom loves it, and so does Dad, although I doubt he'd admit it!

When we are confirmed, we receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. There is no radical change in us that makes us seem suddenly different. Over a period of time, we come to see that there is a little bit of the Spirit in us. We catch ourselves using the gifts, and often end up wondering where a bit of wisdom came from, or why we were so patient, or we feel an intensity in our prayer. Perhaps we felt drawn to deepen our spiritual life or found courage in witnessing to our faith. That's when we know we have received the Holy Spirit. We take on his image. Yes, we grow in age, grace and wisdom, but we also grow in our awareness and understanding of the working of God in our life. We become more godlike, realizing we're getting more and more like God. Our thoughts, words and actions carry that quality and others too, see it in us. You might call it holiness. But be confident! There's a little bit of him in all of us.

Save the date!

EASTSIDE CATHOLIC

EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

June 2, 2024
1:00 PM

*...and the bread that I will give is my flesh
for the life of the world.
John 6:51*

Join us as we walk with The Blessed
Sacrament along beautiful Lake St. Clair from
**St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church to
Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church.**
All are welcome!
More info coming soon.



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MI 48230



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Tuesday, June 18, 2024

Vintage House
31816 Utica Rd.
Fraser, MI 48026

Doors open at 5:30 P.M.
Delicious family style dinner
served at 7:00 P.M.

Guest Auctioneer George Blaha (Schedule Permitting)
Live and Silent Auctions and 50/50 Raffle

Live Auction



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Tree Tops Golf Resort Package • Piston's Game Tickets
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Silent Auction has something for everyone!

Please Reserve My Seat

Register online at RTL.org/events, or return this form to Right to Life of Michigan Macomb Educational Resource Center, 27417 Harper Ave., St. Clair Shores, MI 48081 by June 10, 2024. **No payments will be accepted at the door.**

Reservations

_____ \$55 · Individual _____ \$400 · Table of 8

I cannot attend on June 18th. Please find enclosed my tax-deductible gift of \$_____.

I would like to donate an auction item or become a sponsor.

Information

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Payment Method

Amount enclosed \$ _____
Payable to Right to Life of Michigan Educational Fund

Check Visa MasterCard Discover

Card number _____

Expiration date ____/____/____ Security code ____-____
Month Year See back of credit card

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Card-holder's signature _____

The amount of your contribution over \$34 per ticket may be tax-deductible as a charitable contribution per IRS regulation. For more information call (586) 774-6050 or email MacombRLM@rtl.org.

Calendar of Events / Words on the Word

Weekly Calendar of Events

Monday, May 20th

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed

10:00 AM Walking with Purpose - EH

7:00 PM Walking with Purpose - EH

Tuesday, May 21st

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed

7:00 PM Wind & Fire - Emmaus Hall

Wednesday, May 22nd

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed

12:00 PM Knitting & Crochet Ministry

5:00 PM Reconciliation

6:00 PM Mass - Live Streamed

Thursday, May 23rd

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed

10:00 AM Funeral for Lenore Hayes

7:00 PM Holy Hour - Live Streamed

Friday, May 24th

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed
School and Parish Center Closed

Saturday, May 25th

11:00 AM Reconciliation

4:00 PM Mass - Live Streamed

6:00 PM Mass - Live Streamed

Sunday, May 26th

8:00 AM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed

10:00 AM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed

12:00 PM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed

Words on the Word

May 19, 2024 – Catching the Draft

Several weeks later, there's still a buzz and a glow around town as people celebrate the great success of Detroit's hosting of the NFL Draft.

Not just the politicians are ecstatic, it seems. And not just the people who organized the event. But citizens from all walks of life, including those who don't care anything about football.

By all accounts the event was safe. It was clean. It was organized. It was visually cool, especially the overhead shots on television. And even the weather was perfect.

At the event itself, according to news accounts and people who were there, pretty much everyone was friends. It didn't matter what nationality people were, or what their political preferences were, or even, hard as it may be to believe, which team they were rooting for.

There was peace and harmony.

Contrast that, for a moment, with the regular headlines of the day, where political rivals are always clashing, protests turn violent, and even the most routine of issues sets people against each other on social media.

We're warned against such negative behavior in today's second reading from St. Paul's letter to the Galatians. It specifically lists "works of the flesh" such as "hatreds, rivalry, jealousy, outbursts of fury, acts of selfishness, dissensions, factions, occasions of envy," and so forth.

"In contrast," we are reminded, "the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self control."

Not every day, not even every year or decade, to be sure, brings with it the kind of "everybody's welcome to come and party" type of event that the draft brought to Detroit.

But perhaps, in some small way, starting with and led by the Spirit, we can continue to act towards others with the same mix of love, joy, peace, kindness and generosity.

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Mass Intentions / Weekly Readings

Mass Intentions

- Monday** **May 20, 2024 Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (White)**
7:00 am Catherine Braga
- Tuesday** **May 21, 2024 Weekday, Saint Christopher Magallens, Priest and Companions, Martyrs (Green/Red)**
7:00 am Deceased members of the Calisi family who died in the month of May
- Wednesday** **May 22, 2024 Weekday, Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious (Green/White)**
7:00 am Elaine Hernwick
6:00 pm Robbie Battani
- Thursday** **May 23, 2024 Weekday (Green)**
7:00 am Kathleen Doak
- Friday** **May 24, 2024 Weekday (Green)**
7:00 am Erveill Mozingo
- Saturday**, **May 25, 2024 Vigil for The Most Holy Trinity (White)**
4:00 pm William Heck, Patricia Golla, Sam Ciaramitaro, Michael Ciaramitaro, Bonnie Batche, George & Sophie Rupinski, Joe Basirico, Richard Fredette, Mary Lou Bartoszek Racine, and Special Intentions for the J. Champine Family, the Thomas Family, Alison Reslow, Lorraine Jonas, Pam Haisenleder, Linda Frank
6:00 pm A Special Intention for Curtis Ketelhut
- Sunday**, **May 26, 2024 Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity (White)**
8:00 am For the Intentions for St. Joan of Arc Parishioners
10:00 am Ivan DeClercq
12:00 Barbara Gaines, Joseph Poirier, Dennis Venuto, Jeannie Richard and Special Intentions for Alison Reslow, Pam Haisenleder, Lorraine Jonas, and Linda Frank

Daily Readings

Monday, May 20

Genesis 3:9-15, 20
John 19:2-34

Tuesday, May 21

James 4:1-10
Mark 9:30-37

Wednesday, May 22

James 4:13-17
Mark 9:38-40

Thursday, May 23

James 5:1-6
Mark 9:41-50

Friday, May 24

James 5:9-12
Mark 10:1-12

Saturday, May 25

James 5:13-20
Mark 10:13-16

Sunday, May 26

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40
Romans 8:14-17
Matthew 28:16-20



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“Heavenly Father, welcome home those who you have called from this world and grant peace and consolation to their families.”

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“I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the Year: Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown. and he replied: Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light, and safer than a known way.” *Minnie Louise Haskins*



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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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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

We hear how the Holy Spirit allowed the mighty acts of God to be heard by people of all languages in every nation. Where do you see God at work in the world or in your workplace?

Second Reading:

Paul encouraged believers in Galatia to be guided by the fruit of the Spirit (joy, peace, self-control) rather than by the works of the flesh (immorality, lust, idolatry) in order to inherit the kingdom of God. How might you practice the fruits of the Spirit this week?

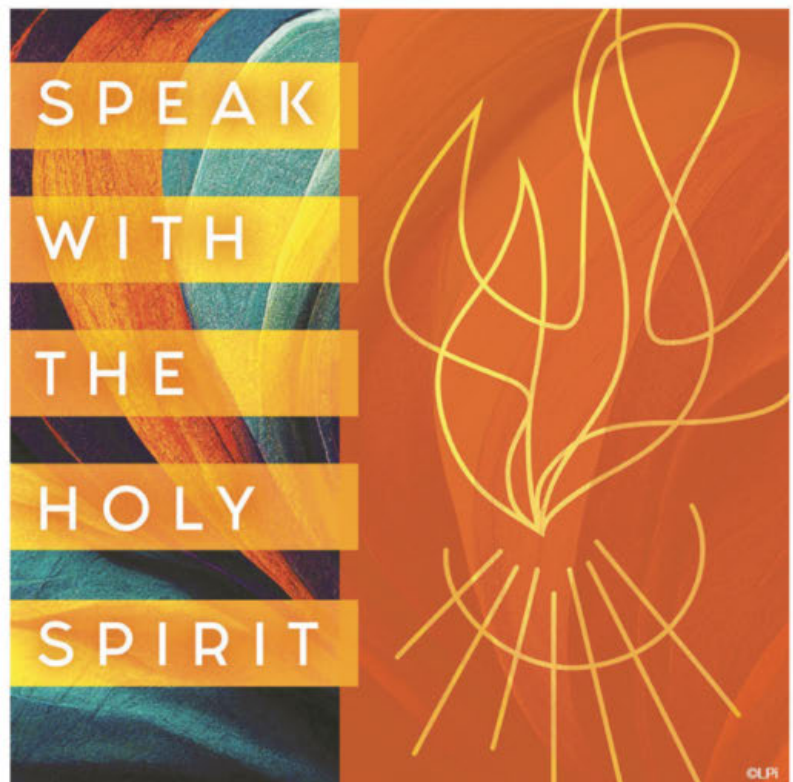
Gospel:

Jesus taught his disciples he would send the Advocate, the Spirit of truth, to guide them and offer them divine gifts. What guidance are you seeking from the Lord?



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Bringing Home the Word

Pentecost Sunday (B)
May 19, 2024

Tongues of Fire

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

When I was a child, I thought the flames I saw atop the heads of the apostles in pictures depicting Pentecost turned them into living candles. That certainly is what the images suggested. Only many years later did I come to realize that was exactly what had happened: the Spirit of God set them on fire.

In both the Old and New Testaments, the phrase “Spirit of God” refers to the dynamic power of God at work in the world. To be filled with the Spirit is to operate with this dynamic power. Today’s first reading tells us that those in the

house “filled with the holy Spirit” began fearlessly to tell of “the mighty acts of God” (Acts 2:4, 11). They were indeed set on fire.

This Spirit might be dynamic, even forceful, but it is not violent or destructive. The sequence for the feast lists some of the ways we experience the Spirit of God: the Spirit enlightens and comforts us; refreshes us and lets us rest; heals our wounds and washes away our guilt; softens hearts that are stubborn and melts hearts that are cold; grants us gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. This is a Spirit of gentle and loving power. It is a Spirit that transforms us so that we, in turn, might transform our world. In other words, it sets us on fire so that we too might fearlessly tell of “the mighty acts of God.” †

Sunday Readings

Acts 2:1–11

And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were.

1 Corinthians 12:3b–7, 12–13 or Galatians 5:16–25

[T]here are different forms of service but the same Lord.

John 20:19–23 or John 15:26–27; 16:12–15

But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth.

The Holy Spirit transforms us so that we, in turn, might transform our world.



A Word from Pope Francis

The Spirit is asking us to embody the comfort he brings. How can we do this?... Not with trite words, but with prayer and closeness. Let us remember that closeness, compassion and tenderness are God’s “trademark,” always. The Paraclete is telling the Church that today is *the time for comforting*.

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REFLECTION QUESTIONS



- How is the Spirit of God working through me?
- What gift of the Spirit am I praying for?

Discovering Our Mission

Rev. Warren J. Savage and
Mary Ann McSweeney

We all have a special calling or mission. We are drawn to a way of life that gives us a sense of purpose. Some people feel called to raise a family, to become an educator, a social worker, an engineer, a scientist, a doctor, a nurse, a lawyer, an electrician, a carpenter, a law enforcement officer, an accountant, a politician, a spiritual leader, a musician, or an artist. It takes time to discern our calling in life. We need to observe and work with others to get a sense of what we would like to become. Our calling in life is not about ourselves; it is connected to a universal vision of a world in which all people can live and work together in



love and peace. Inherent in our calling is a common desire to serve people, to improve the quality of life, and to teach others what we have learned.

After Jesus rose from the dead and before he ascended into heaven, he gave his disciples a mission to carry out. Their mission was to be a sign of Jesus' presence in the world, to gather people together into one family, and to teach them how to love one another. At baptism, we received the same mission. God's mission must be reflected in our lives and in our work. We have been called in the risen Jesus to be God's presence, to build community, to love and serve others. †

From *Hopeful Meditations for Every Day of Easter Through Pentecost* by Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney, (821417) available at Liguori.org.

Wisdom from Catholic UPDATE

From "Who Is the Holy Spirit" by Elizabeth A. Johnson

Who is God? A typical Catholic woman or man would probably answer this question by referring to God the Father and to Jesus Christ. A few might speak of God as "Mother." Only the rare person would answer, "The Holy Spirit." The Holy Spirit is often forgotten among Catholic Christians, especially in the Western world. To downplay the Holy Spirit is to diminish our sense of God's presence and activity among us in the world today. For the Holy Spirit is God's own self in outreach to the world. The Holy Spirit is God's presence and activity among us. The Holy Spirit is God continuously drawing near and passing by to vivify, renew, and love us and all of creation. †

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Lord Jesus, fill us with your Spirit and give us this day what we need to be fearless, truthful, loving witnesses to the gospel, we pray. Amen! Alleluia!

The Redemptorists

WEEKDAY READINGS

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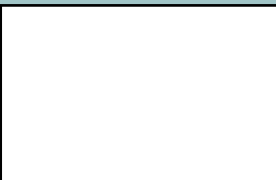
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