

# St. John THE Evangelist CATHOLIC PARISH

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the gift of  
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They were all filled  
with the  
*Holy Spirit*



**MAY 31, 2020 • PENTECOST SUNDAY**

## MISSION STATEMENT

We the family of St. John the Evangelist Parish  
commit ourselves to the call of Baptism:  
To Listen, To Learn, To Live and To Share  
the Word of God through our lives.

## PASTORAL TEAM

**Pastor** ..... Rev. Joseph Daniel Pisano  
**Dir. of Religious Ed. & Youth Dir.**..... Kristin Newton  
**Dir. of Music/Organist**..... Wendi Mitchell  
**Parish Secretary**..... Connie Cooper  
**Parish Council** ..... Wilma Stewart  
**Finance Council** ..... Bill Garvey

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday** ..... 4:00 p.m.  
**Sunday** ..... 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
**Monday, Tuesday and Thursday** .....  
**Wednesday and Friday** .....

## SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** For Infants: Parents make arrangements with the pastor/office. For Adults: Baptism will be given on Easter Vigil after completing the RCIA program. For details, please contact Parish Office.

**MARRIAGE:** Please make arrangements with the pastor. Six months minimum notice is required for the celebration of marriage.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** Please contact the parish office for arrangements.



# PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." - Jn 20:21

*To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800-352-6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 304-233-0880: Sister Ellen Dunn, ext. 264; Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Father Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304-230-1501.*



You can feel so small standing by the seashore. The vastness of all that is before you expands much farther than your eye can see. What is happening on the other side? As tides continue to ebb and flow, what occurs as they come and go remains largely a mystery and the effects of their presence unknown in your sight. Yet, things are moving and changing as you gaze upon the water, as the thumbprint of their presence is left behind. The greater the wind and wave, the greater the effect. But even a gentle breeze leaves its humble mark upon the seashore on which you stand. The smallest pebble still makes a ripple in the great blue expanse of ocean waters. It doesn't need to be big.

You never know the full impact of your smallest gesture or simplest of words. A yes or no, agree or disagree, here or there, this or that can influence time and history in ways you may never know. The Holy Spirit is like that: fierce and torrential, and then almost still and silent, creating and recreating nonetheless. Coming as a gentle breeze or a gusty wind, God's Holy Spirit continues to move over, around, and into the waters of our lives. The Spirit brings fruit and unknown possibilities to what we humbly bring with us and that same Spirit eventually brings all to fulfillment in Christ.

The first disciples didn't have much. They possessed simple faith and a willingness to go into uncharted territory with a love of their friend-God, humble offerings, and a knowledge that they were not alone. This allowed them to do amazing things with very little. Do



Sat	4:00pm	People of the Parish
Sun	8:00	Brenda Zurbuch+
Sun	10:30	The Pizi Family+
Mon		To Be Announced
Tue		To Be Announced
Wed		To Be Announced
Thur		To Be Announced
Fri		To Be Announced
Sat	4:00pm	Norma Jean Lilly+
Sun	8:00	Art Scherich Sr.+
Sun	10:30	People of the Parish

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
Saturday, 3:00—3:30pm, by appointment, and weekdays after Mass.

you believe that you are being led and that you have a purposeful life? We often do not realize our value because we do not think that the little we have is good enough. How wrong we are! A little flour mixed with water and embraced by a prayer of blessing transforms simple offerings into the magnificent Eucharistic presence of God. If the Holy Spirit can do such amazing things with these humble gifts of the earth, even more can happen with you. Don't underestimate the value of the smile you gave a stranger, the door held open for an elderly widow, the listening ear offered to one who was lonely, the tolerance given to the wounded soul who is angry, and the loving shoulder you offered as a cradle under the head of someone in pain. Modest gifts offered with love can be transformed by the Spirit into wondrous blessings you may never know. It's Pentecost. Trust. You are not alone.

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This bulletin had to be submitted by Friday, May 22nd so we do not have a Stewardship Report for last weekend.

USHERS PLEASE COUNT

The SANCUTUARY CANDLE is burning in memory of *Bill Harvey* from May 29th through June 11th.

**SECOND COLLECTION:**  
Peter's Pence—This collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the neediest throughout the world—those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. It likewise provides the faithful with a tangible opportunity to not only empower the weak, defenseless, and voiceless, but also sustain those who suffer.

**PLEASE TAKE** all trash from the pews and put it in the trash can as you leave. Pews will be disinfected after every Mass.

**WE WILL NOT** be using Hymnals at this time.

Please **DO NOT LIGHT** any Candles yourself. Ask Fr. Dan or call Connie at 304-737-0249 and they will light the candles for you. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Readings**

- Sunday:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 Jn 20:19-23
- Monday:** Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
- Tuesday:** 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/ Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16/ Mk 12:13-17
- Wednesday:** 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/ Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef/Mk 12:18-27
- Thursday:** 2 Tm 2:8-15/Ps 4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Mk 12:28-34
- Friday:** 2 Tm 3:10-17/Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168/ Mk 12:35-37
- Saturday:** 2 Tm 4:1-8/Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22/Mk 12:38-44
- Next Sunday:** Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/ Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/ 2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

**Stewardship Report ~ May 24, 2020**

Offertory Collection.....\$00  
Budgetary Needs.....\$2900.00  
Envelopes Issued.....201

Envelopes Returned.....  
Active Parishioners.....274





**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

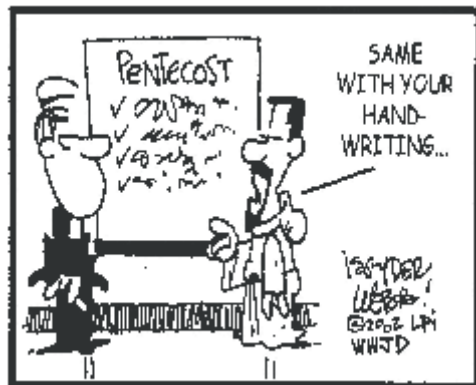
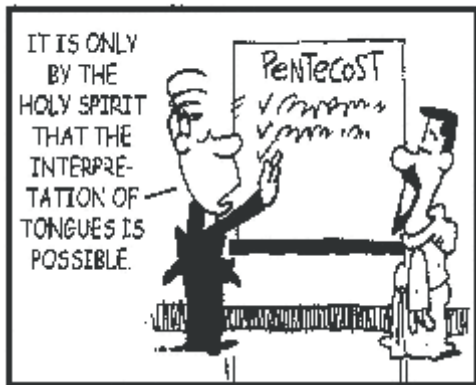
Like the disciples in today’s gospel, there are times we shut the doors of our hearts to people or events. It’s how we create emotional distance. Permanent distancing is lethal and prevents the PEACE Jesus offers you today.

**WWW.COMEPRAYTHEROSARY.ORG** is a website where you can join people praying the rosary 24 hours a day around the world.



**REMEMBER** in your prayers all those men and women of our parish who are homebound or living in assisted living facilities and nursing homes.

**PENTECOST**



**WHILE YOU ARE AT MASS please turn off all Cell Phones and dispose of your gum properly. You are also asked to keep the space around you clean. Do not leave any trash or papers in the pews. Thank you for your cooperation and for keeping the pews neat & tidy.**

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**WE ARE CONTINUING** to collect contributions for the Elevator Fund. Thank you to all the donors who have given to this project.

**WE WILL NOT** have Servers, Lectors or Eucharistic Ministers on the Altar per the Diocesan Guidelines.

**THE FOOD PANTRY** is open on Wednesdays from Noon to 3:00pm to assist Brooke County residents with food. Clients are asked to remain in their vehicle and a worker will come outside and get your info.

**LOTTERY TICKETS AND 50/50 RAFFLE TICKETS** are available in the parish office. Please send a request for tickets or call the office at 304-737-0429 and leave a message with your name and the number of tickets needed. I will mail them or you can pick them up at the office.



**SAT:** ; **SUN:** Frank Martino;  
**MON:** Charlotte Mills; **TUE:** ;  
**WED:** ; **THUR:** ; **FRI:** Ellie Evans,  
Cory Ferguson, Isabella Rosso; **SAT:**;  
**SUN:** Susan Mullenbach.

**Question:**

Why do we celebrate Pentecost when we do?

**Answer:**

The book of Acts unpacks the events immediately following Jesus’ ascension into heaven. The Apostles and other disciples were told to pray in Jerusalem and await another outpouring of the Holy Spirit. As the weeks ticked on, the Jewish Festival of Weeks approached. This festival took place 50 days after Passover and celebrated the giving of the law on Mount Sinai. The Festival of Weeks (or “Pentecost” in Greek) was a great pilgrimage feast, with Jews from all over the ancient world convening on Jerusalem for the celebration.

It was on Pentecost that God chose to send the Holy Spirit. Here, the new law of love was etched into the hearts of the disciples. As he burst out onto the balcony above the multinational crowd, Peter proclaimed the message of the resurrection, and the Holy Spirit enabled every listener to hear in their native language. 3,000 people were baptized that day! The disciples — and every baptized person — receives the gifts and zeal necessary to bring a new message of salvation to the people of God.



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