Church of St. Matthias, Sterling Heights

Mission Statement

St. Matthias Parish is committed to becoming a prayerful community by celebrating the Sacraments together, and supporting the parish and one another by sharing the time, talents and treasures God has given us. Through prayer and good works we will strive to grow in peace and unity with God and our community.

Pentecost Sunday

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

When prayer becomes your habit, miracles become your lifestyle.
**SUNDAY’S READINGS**

**FIRST READING:**
And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. (Acts 2:4)

**PSALM:**
Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (Ps 104) or Alleluia

**SECOND READING:**
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. (1 Cor 12:12)

**GOSPEL:**
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.” (Jn 20:22-23)


**OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 31, 2020**

- **Sunday:** Pentecost Sunday
- **Monday:** The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
- **Tuesday:** Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs
- **Wednesday:** St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs
- **Friday:** St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr
- **Saturday:** St. Norbert, Bishop

**REFLECT**

**FIRST READING**
The birth of the Church occurs with the descent of the Holy Spirit onto the Apostles. Luke presents this as an experience of unity. How do you see your faith community promoting unity of mind and spirit?

**SECOND READING**
Paul speaks to the Christians in Corinth of the gifts and benefits of the Holy Spirit for believers. What Spirit-driven gifts do you possess?

**GOSPEL READING**
John tells us how the resurrected Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit directly to the disciples, empowering them to forgive sins. How often do you use the gift of forgiveness?
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“Lord send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.” Ps:104

Reflection from Carol Zuegner, associate professor of journalism at Creighton,

Have you had the experience of talking and listening to someone and feeling as if that person might as well be speaking a different language? It’s a conversation with little understanding and no communication. Or a conversation that seems to go in circles with each person trying to make is or her point and the other person not listening, not getting it, not understanding. I thought of meetings like that and conversations like that when I read the first reading today where the gathered Jews were amazed that after the Holy Spirit rested on each of them as tongues of fire, they could understand the multitude of languages around them. How wonderful to be able to understand, to hear what people are saying even if they seem to be speaking another language. The Holy Spirit can help in that understanding, in helping me find God in all people. If I am finding God in all people – even the ones who annoy me – I can find some way to listen and to understand and to communicate.

We can ask the Holy Spirit to breathe that gift of understanding into us, to refresh us like a great strong wind that blows away the dust and cobwebs. We have to be still, to listen to that Holy Spirit, to the best part of each of us, encouraging us and giving us the strength to do more than we thought we could.

The Sequence offers a wonderful prayer for today and everyday.

“...Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
On our dryness pour your dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away:
Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.

On the faithful, who adore
And confess you, evermore
In your sevenfold gift descend;
Give them virtue’s sure reward;
Give them your salvation, Lord;
...Give them joys that never end. Amen.

...Alleluia.”

I need that prayer to guide my steps and to guide my understanding. I ask the Holy Spirit to help me listen, to really hear what people are saying to me. I ask the Holy Spirit to help bend my often stubborn heart and will and to keep me on a good path.

“Veni, Sancte Spiritus”
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