



ST. OWEN CATHOLIC CHURCH
MAY 23, 2021

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Pentecost Sunday

THIS WEEK AT ST. OWEN

	MASS INTENTIONS	SCRIPTURE READINGS	CALENDAR EVENTS
Saturday, May 22	Susan Suida Req. by Betty J. Bright	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Jn 21:20-25	St. Rita of Cascia, Religious 4:00pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass
Sunday, May 23	9am Mass Jack Huldin Req. by Family 11am Mass Suad Husaynu Req. by Nezhat Acho	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	Pentecost Sunday 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass
Monday, May 24	Dave Maiorana Req. by Tim & Colleen Lafferty	Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14 Jn 19:25-34	Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church 9:00am Mass and Rosary following Mass. 
Tuesday, May 25	Edward Mielock 11th Anniversary of Death Req. by Karen Heuer	Sir 35:1-12 Mk 10:28-31	St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin 9:00am Mass
Wednesday, May 26		Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17 Mk 10:32-45	St. Philip Neri, Priest 9:30am Knit/Crochet Group-Center
Thursday, May 27	Intentions of Lauren Palazzolo Req. by St. Owen Parishioner	Sir 42:15-25 Mk 10:46-52	St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop 9:00am Mass and Rosary following Mass.
Friday, May 28	Elizabeth & John Kamphausen Req. Bill & Joanne Kamphausen	Sir 44:1, 9-13 Mk 11:11-26	9:00am Mass
Saturday, May 29	Linda Kruske Req. by Greg & Ann Seraydarian	Sir 51:12cd-20 Mk 11:27-33	St. Paul VI, Pope; BVM 4:00pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass
Sunday, May 30	9am Mass Bill Wagoner Req. by Jolene & Dennis Shrake 11am Mass Deacon Ron Rohlman Req. by Rosie Rohlman	Dt 4:32-34, 39-4 Rom 8:14-17 Mt 28:16-20	The Most Holy Trinity 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass

ST. OWEN VISION

We strive to be an open, welcoming and caring Catholic community of believers who are called to share, celebrate, renew and grow in faith, love of God and one another. We embrace Jesus by living His teachings and values and put our faith into action through service, tithing and outreach.



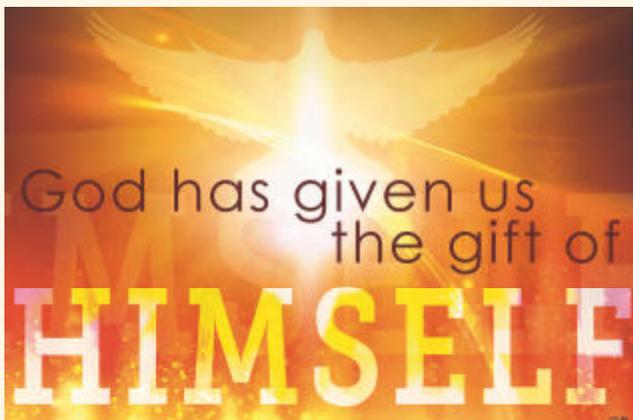
A NOTE FROM FATHER MIKE

Today's feast culminates the 50 days since our celebration of Easter and how the early church recognized its own purpose as the breath of God was breathed on them in that upper room. But in our 21st century mentality we see these scripture stories as just that, stories; we are much more focused on that next text message that will bring us even more into touch with the future.

The pandemic has changed all that; we have been fixated on our human breath for these past 14 months, not God's breath! Whether someone breathing on us will transmit the virus to us or our loved ones occupies our every conversation and how we can take steps to protect ourselves and our family.

So, the breath of the Holy Spirit this weekend gives us a great opportunity to step back from the pandemic and ponder how we let the breath of God infect us with gifts like wisdom, understanding, healing and prophecy. Breathe deeply in faith to allow this Spirit to enlighten the darkness of our life and do it.

Fr. Mike



SUNDAY'S READING

First Reading:

Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. (Acts 2:3)

Psalm:

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (Ps 104)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

In contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. (Gal 5:22-23)

Gospel:

"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth." (Jn 15:27, 16:13)

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PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, fan into flame the gifts
I received in my Baptism and Confirmation.
I want to receive the fire of Your love
as Your disciples did at Pentecost.
Come with wonder and awe,
with wisdom, understanding, and counsel,
with courage and faith in You.
Holy Spirit, may my actions witness
to Your presence in my life.
Help me to see the ways my strengths
can serve others in their weakness.
In all my interactions, I want to radiate
love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.
Breathe new life into the world through me.
Amen.

YOUTH GROUP



Adapted from *Ministry to Youth*, this month's Teen Meeting focused on Identity. We played reverse charades in which the teens had to act out famous people. (I was feeling old as the teens told me they didn't know who half the famous people from my list were!!!) If you haven't played charades in a while, a player describes others without using words thus bringing us to the focus of how people would describe each of them.

Throughout every stage of life, it is important to remember who we *are* has nothing to do with where we are employed, if we are married or to whom, or how many kids we have. Rather our identity should be wrapped up in who we are in Christ. Colossians 3:1-3 *"Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand. Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth. For you died to this life, and your real life is hidden with Christ in God."* Paul addresses this topic to the Church in Colossae. He's reminding these believers that they have died to this life and now, their real life is hidden with Christ in God.

...."hidden with Christ in God"? What's that about? Our identity, our life, is found in who Christ is and what He has done. We are called to live in a way that Christ can be seen in us, in the details of our every day.

Our daily challenge is to make the choice to be whom God wants us to be, and not just follow our own path. From oh so many sources, we hear who we should be.....social media, friends and loved ones have opinions about what decisions you should make, what career path you should take, and on and on. But in the end, it really comes down to a choice you will make for your own life. One only needs to remember, the only way to figure out who you really are is by understanding who God is and by becoming who He made you to be.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11



Youth Group Calendar of Events

May 23 Field Day, 3PM, St Owen. Join us!

MUSIC MINISTRY

Dear friends,

Just a quick note to share with you some of the latest regarding the piano project and it's possible replacement. Last Monday found me over at the Steinway gallery playing many sets of keys and beginning to evaluate not only what we currently have at the parish but also what might be possible.

When I chose the piano for St. Ignatius (in Oregon, Ohio where I was director) it was a process that came with some learning. We took measure of the new worship space and how much piano would fill the space suitably both with and without amplification. I learned how different pianos are made and what makes each one sound different -some special and maybe others not so much, Eventually - we settled on a 7 foot Baldwin ebony grand for the new (three million dollar) worship space. Somewhat of a Lamborghini of pianos (not a rolls Royce or a Mercedes - but one that certainly gets any job done with style).

With the Steinway gallery (that sells all brands of pianos - both new and those rebuilt) I learned what makes a Yamaha grand different than a Baldwin and a Boston different than a Steinway. And I began (like all pianists inevitably do) to be a connoisseur of pianos. And we inevitably settled on the Baldwin grand because of the color of sound and richness in the tone.

So, this could all be for naught. You might be thinking - our piano sounds fine, why do we need another. I share openly the current instrument (while functional) is somewhat limiting. The bass is really really worn and there is some literature that is difficult to bring to life because of the shape of the instrument. So the question that is inevitably emerging is - what sort of investment would suit the space best and what does that cost?

I don't have definitive answers. Many of you have been so gracious and offered to make a donation or "buy a key." Please know I'm working on this for us (as well as the finance council) and getting somewhere. I don't have numbers just yet but we have a few contenders we feel will fill out space with beautiful and rich sound. I will share more details as they emerge, but for now I appreciate your continued prayers and donation offers as I continue to work on this for the parish.

Till next time,

Bradley

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YTD Budgeted Contributions: \$631,085.

YTD Actual Contributions: \$613,486.*

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| William Rosnyai (Feb 2021) | Mark Crawford (August 2019) |
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| Father James Cronk (Sept 2020) | Donna Kelly (Sept 2018) |
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| George Fenton (Dec 2019) | Missionaries |
| Jalila Kainaya (Nov 2019) | Healthcare Personnel |
| Betty Bright (Nov 2019) | |

Liturgical Minister Schedule
May 29 – 30, 2021
 *Substitute may replace a scheduled minister after publication.

Ushers: A&B	Altar Servers*	Lectors*
May 29 Saturday 5:00 p.m.		A. Antone
May 30 Sunday 9:00 a.m.		M. Leedom
May 30 Sunday 11:00 a.m.		K. DeRonne



If you or someone you know is in need of prayers and would like to remain confidential, may we suggest you request prayers from the Prayer Line Ministry. Call Rita Lou at 248-851-0595.

Prayer List:

To add or make a change to this prayer list please call Angela in the parish office at 248-626-0840.

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WEEKEND MASS
SATURDAY: 5:00 PM
SUNDAY: 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
WEEKDAY MASS
MONDAY: 9:00 AM
TUESDAY: 9:00 AM
THURSDAY: 9:00 AM
FRIDAY: 9:00 AM

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