

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

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.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK - REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading: The descent of the Holy Spirit onto the Apostles marked the birth of the Church. One of the initial gifts of the Spirit was the overcoming of language barriers. What gifts of the Spirit do you think are most needed today?

Second Reading: Paul speaks of the unifying force of the Holy Spirit in the life of the community. Where do you see evidence of the Holy Spirit's power to unite believers in your faith community?

Gospel Reading: In his farewell discourse, Jesus spoke to the disciples about the Father sending the Advocate (Holy Spirit) in his name to teach us and remind us of Jesus' words. When do you find yourself thinking about Jesus' words?

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

I am a sports fan, and perhaps you are one, too. I don't follow all sports, but those that I do follow usually involve a team. There is something about a team of individuals coming together for the goal of victory that is compelling. A team is only as good as the sum of all its players. If you have all the right talent at the right positions, great things can happen. What is hard for a fan to watch is a team that has great talent but fails to achieve its goals because some players choose not to give their all to the team. Selfishness, apathy, or immaturity keep some from giving fully of themselves. The hopes and dreams of a team and fan base are dashed even though they had all they needed to be the best.

A parish is a lot like a team. Those in a parish community work together to achieve goals that ultimately lead others to Christ. We come together to give of ourselves to advance the mission of the parish. When we all are committed to fully giving our gifts and talents, fulfilling our position in the Body of Christ, then our hopes and dreams of transforming the world around us can become reality.

However, when we sit out on the sidelines, we hurt our team. When we hold back and choose not to give of ourselves, we diminish what is truly possible for our parish community. I believe God always provides our parishes with what they need to be fruitful and vibrant. His gifts to us exist in each other. If you think your parish could be so much more, than perhaps this week you should call your pastor or other pastoral leader and say, "Put me in coach!" -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

"God is always more." Have you ever heard that? If we truly believe that He is infinite, then this statement is worth exploring. Today, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit in power upon the early Church. But Pentecost wasn't the first time the disciples received the Holy Spirit. The Gospel actually occurs chronologically before Pentecost. Soon after the Resurrection, Jesus already "came and stood in their [the disciples'] midst... he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"

God is always more. Sometimes we might think the grace of God as one and done. God might break through in people's lives, but it's a one-time event on a retreat or preceding a dramatic conversion of life. But there's always more to come. Even today's Gospel isn't the first time the breath of God stirred. In Genesis, it's God's breath that stirs life into Adam in the garden. Jesus breathes on the Apostles, giving them the Holy Spirit in the quiet and silence. Later, that breath will stir into a "driving wind", and the Spirit will descend with flame ? not unlike Moses on Mount Sinai.

God is always more. He has spoken throughout salvation history, and continues to speak into our lives through His Church and through the Holy Spirit alive in our hearts. This Pentecost Sunday, let us come before Him with expectant hearts! Like the disciples in the Gospel and first reading, let us await what "more" God will do.

Readings for the week of June 9, 2019

Monday: Gen 3:9-15 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [cf. 2b]/Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15--4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 116:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [17a]/Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Mt 5:33-37

Next Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2a]/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15



St. Peter the Apostle Announcements

Regular Support \$1413
CFSA Goal is \$16,600 and 100% participation
Total CFSA collected \$13,000(78%) Remaining \$3,600
With 49/95 families participating (52%) so far.

Saturday, June 15th-6:00pm

Lector: Mary V.
EMs: Marcella D., Kathy T.
Servers: Kelly S., Halle & Hayden S.
Greeters: Darren & Katie D. Family

June 23rd KC Parish Potluck Picnic at Platte Creek

June 23-29: Work week at Marty.
If interested in helping, contact Deacon Joe.

Platte Community Blood Drive

Monday, June 10 from 12:30—6 PM

Platte Community Center

To make an appointment, contact LifeServe Blood Center at 800.287.4903 or www.lifeservebloodcenter.org



Women's Conference is an opportunity for women to be refreshed and renewed in the Father's Love. Experience Jennifer Fulwiler, Barbara Heil, and local favorite Bobbi Meyer Saturday, June 15th, 2019, 8:30AM – 5:00PM at the Sioux Falls Convention Center. Go to www.sf catholic.org/womensconference to register!

St. Ann Announcements

Regular Support \$593 Ascension \$100
CFSA Financial Goal has been met.

Sunday, June 16—9 a.m.

Lector: Bill Millar
EM: Sandy DuFrain and Mary Beth Kok
Servers: Weston VanderPol, Hadli and Emmit Holzbaurer
Set up for Mass: Brenda Millar

Altar Society Meeting

The next meeting is Sunday, June 9th following Mass.

Celebrating Fr. Roger Geditz's 50th Jubilee

There will be a celebration brunch at St. Ann's (French Toast, sausage, fruit) following the 9 AM Mass on Sunday, June 9th

St. Ann's Parish and Finance Councils

Tuesday, June 11th following Mass

Totus Tuus is July 28th– Aug 2nd at St. Ann's



Sharing the Gospel

The disciples must have missed spending time with Jesus after he went back to heaven. But they knew that the Holy Spirit would always be with them, helping them remember what Jesus taught them. The disciples kept learning about God and kept growing closer to him. The Holy Spirit will help you remember Jesus, too.



Dear God, thank you for sending the Holy Spirit.



How many spirits can you count?



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THE ANSWER IS FOURTEEN



Pray to the Holy Spirit. Ask him to help you learn more about Jesus.

LIVE THE LITURGY -

When faced with a decision or a dilemma, where do we turn? Whenever we have to discern the proper course of action, the Holy Spirit is available as our advocate and guide. As Christians, we look not to our world for direction but to God. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are given to help us find our path to proper thought and conduct. Wisdom, right judgment, knowledge, understanding, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord are all perfect tools for discernment. These gifts allow us to keep our relationships and perspective in proper order. It is the Holy Spirit who opens our eyes to see that which we would otherwise overlook and opens our hearts to receive those people who would otherwise be ignored. Ask the Holy Spirit to enlighten you today.

From the Workbench

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There wasn't any wind in Germany. Maybe it was just a window in the weather when we were there, or maybe it is a quirk of the region but the days were very quiet. And then I came home.

Wind seems to be a constant companion here in South Dakota, I didn't mind it pushing me up to Ipswich last Sunday, but it gets tiresome on bike rides. There is a raw invisible power we experience in wind that is unlike anything else. You feel the effects, but you cannot see the source.

In the upper room the disciples heard the roar of a mighty wind when the Holy Spirit came down upon them, they were filled with its power, and they changed the world. This Pentecost Sunday let us ask for an outpouring of the Spirit in our parish so we will be able to proclaim the good news to all we meet.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

Fr. Grant Lacey

PRAYER FOR A NEW BISHOP

Heavenly Father, you sent Jesus to shepherd your people and the Holy Spirit to make your people one. Look with favor upon those who will select our new bishop. Give them your vision and let their judgment be clear. Speak your will to them. We thank you for our past shepherds and the blessings they have been for the people of this diocese. Lord, send your Holy Spirit to anoint our new bishop that he may continue the work of renewal in the Church, and unite our parishes, priests and people in love, truth and wisdom. Give him a true shepherd's heart like that of Jesus, that he may give strength to the weak, heal the brokenhearted, console the lonely, bring back the wandering and be a power against the evil of our day. In the powerful name of Jesus we pray. Amen

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

Today's gospel tells us God actually wants to take up residence in your family, "We will come and make our home with you." Every family is called to be a tabernacle where God dwells. Is Jesus a permanent member of your family or a temporary guest? Today the promise is given. The choice is ours.

POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

The Mode of Life of Priests

That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

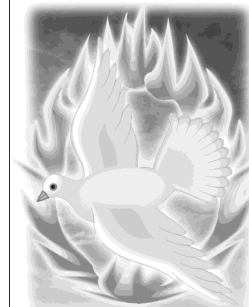
St. Peter the Apostle and St. Ann parishes seek to support families experiencing the loss of an unborn or premature child regardless of their religious affiliation and to guide parents in making informed decisions that promote peace, avoid regret and bring the family closure.

Contact Deacon Joe for more information.



<p>Sacraments: Contact Fr. Grant Lacey</p> <p>Baptisms Parents must meet with the priest prior to Baptism</p> <p>RCIA Contact Fr. Grant Lacey</p>	<p>Marriage Preparation: Contact priest at least six months prior to the wedding.</p> <p>Anniversaries Milestone anniversaries can be published in the Bishop's Bulletin.</p>	<p>New members Contact Fr. Grant Lacey to register your family</p> <p>Hall Rental St. Ann: Bev Melmer St. Peter: JoNell DeHaan</p> <p>Coordinator of Religious Education Deacon Joe Tegethoff</p>	<p>Prayer Chain: St. Ann: Bev Melmer St. Peter: Ruth Anderson</p> <p>Music Coordinator St. Ann: Lisa Millar St. Peter: Katie DeNeui, Assistant: Donna Travis</p> <p>Volunteer Schedule St. Ann's: Sandy Gant St. Peter's: Kathy Hegge</p>	<p>Altar Society: St. Ann's: Rhona Millar St. Peter's: Donna Travis</p> <p>Knights of Columbus: Grand Knight: Ryan DeHaan Meetings 1st Wed of the month. Rosary: 7:30 PM</p>
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<p>St. Peter's Pastoral Council <i>Fr. Grant Lacey</i></p> <p>Deacon Joe Tegethoff Tim Whalen Nick Frandsen Susan Hoffman Marcella Dyk Christina Kramp Ryan DeHaan, KC Donna Travis, Altar Society Rebecca Erickson, Cemetery</p>	<p>St. Peter's Finance Council <i>Fr. Grant Lacey</i></p> <p>Deacon Joe Tegethoff Ron Millar Ryan DeHaan Mark Hegge Dennis DeBoer Kathy Tegethoff</p>	<p>St. Ann's Pastoral Council <i>Fr. Grant Lacey</i></p> <p>Deacon Joe Tegethoff Travis Masur Angie Petrik Jennifer Simon Mark Slaba Jentry VanderPol Amy Rolland</p>	<p>St. Ann's Finance Council <i>Fr. Grant Lacey</i></p> <p>Deacon Joe Tegethoff Kenny Schulte Dave Holzbauer Don Millar Dan Schulte Mary Beth Kok</p>
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Receive the Holy Spirit

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Antiphons

Entrance Antiphon: The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Communion Antiphon: They were all filled with the Holy spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.



Mass Times

June Mass Schedule

Platte- Saturday 6 PM

Geddes - 9 AM

Nursing Home - Saturday, 3PM

Daily Mass Schedule

<p>Mass Intentions <i>There are dates open for mass intentions.</i></p> <p>Confessions 30 min prior to Mass</p>	June 10	Monday	No Mass	
	June 11	Tuesday Adoration 5 PM Mass 6 PM	Geddes	Leo & Florence Mushitz+
	June 12	Wednesday 8:30 AM	Platte	Joe Hanten+
	June 13	Thursday	No Mass	
	June 14	Friday	No Mass	
	June 15	Saturday Nursing Home Mass Mass 6 PM	Platte Platte	Residents Harriet Sprik+
	June 16	Sunday 9 AM	Geddes	Lawrence Schulte+