

ST. JOSEPH PARISH, MOBRIDGE, SD

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Baptisms are scheduled after pre-baptism requirements are fulfilled. Call for an appointment.
Marriage Preparation: Contact Fr. Bill at least six months prior to setting wedding date.
Reconciliation: Fridays 4:15 to 5:00 pm & Saturdays 4:15 to 5:00 pm, or anytime by appointment.

Meditation for Pentecost Sunday

“When the day of Pentecost came it found them gathered in one place.” Acts 2:1

One-hundred-and-twenty of Jesus’ disciples had been devoting themselves to constant prayer for nine days. As they began praying at about 9 AM on the tenth day, “suddenly from up in the sky there came a noise like a strong, driving wind”. After the Holy Spirit introduced Himself audibly, He manifested Himself visibly when “tongues as of fire appeared”. These exterior manifestations indicated interior transformations in the hearts of Jesus’ disciples. Then they spoke from the abundance of their hearts and “began to express themselves in foreign tongues and make bold proclamation as the Spirit prompted them”. This was only the beginning. After Peter preached and prophesied, these disciples reached 3,000 people with the Gospel of Jesus, and those 3,000 were baptized that very day.

Will Pentecost today be like the first Christian Pentecost? Many people, even Christians, think Pentecost was in the past and is not for the present. Others believe new Pentecost happen today but only rarely. However, the Church has always taught that we celebrate the events of salvation history not merely to think of the past but to experience and fulfill these events in the present. Jesus promised that if we believed in Him, we would do greater works than He did. Therefore, expect a new Pentecost today — greater than ever before.

Prayer: *Father, on this Pentecost may I expect you to love me as your child.*

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS
Mon. June 10, 8:00 am Jonathan Perez [Rdr:Theresa]
Tues. June 11, 5:30 pm †Carl & Dorothy Cronin [Rdr:Ida]
Wed. June 12, 8:00 am †Robert Burckhartzmeyer [Rdr:Loretta]
No Thursday Mass *Fr Bill’s Sabbath rest away*
Fri. June 14, 5:30 pm Lesmeister/Wagner Families [Rdr:Audrey]
Sat. June 15, 5:30 pm †Judy Weist
Sun. June 16, 8:00 am *People of the Parish*
Sun. June 16, 10:00am †Tom Knudson

Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays 4:00 to 5:15. Spend time in adoration before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament to increase the amount of joy and the Holy Spirit in your life. “Do not be afraid to let yourself be guided by the Holy Spirit.” (Pope Francis)
Confessions 4:15-5:00 pm.

Food Pantry June: Canned Corn

Sunday, June 2 Offering = \$3,083

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
Steve Erdmann, Terry Lundberg, Marge Mertz, Lolis Linde, Steve Russell, Nick Lausterer, Sharon Joyce Neuharth, Dr. Mike Holland, Gordie & Rachel Hoisington, Jerry Poe, Marilyn Bohlander, John Tillman, Nehemiah Bauer, Laura Goldade, Alyssa Keller, Sr. Deanna Butler, Tim Ondahl, Mark Nordstrom, James Parisien, Brayden Goehring, Doug Orth, Kenny Holzer, Bobby Zerr, Heath Huberg, Richard Ducheneaux, Harry Day, Lisa Anderson.

A Day of Eucharistic Adoration: In honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus we will have a day of prayer on Friday, June 28th from 8:30 am to 8:00 pm. Please sign up for an hour after Masses next weekend.

Mary, Mother of the Church: The Vatican has declared the Monday after Pentecost, which is this Monday, June 10, as the “Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church.” Mary is at once Mother of Christ, the Son of God, and mother of the members of his Mystical Body, which is the Church. “We believe that the Holy Mother of God, the new Eve, Mother of the Church, continues in heaven to exercise her maternal role on behalf of the members of Christ” (CCC, 975).

As Mary “stood near the cross of Jesus,” mother and Son shared the ultimate moment of rejection. Yet there is no Resurrection without the Crucifixion. Evil did not triumph, “for it was impossible that death should keep its hold on him”. Christ’s atoning sacrifice paved the way for our rebirth. God’s plan that our salvation would come through the Church was manifested when “blood and water flowed out” from Jesus’ side. “As Eve was formed from the sleeping Adam’s side, so the Church was born from the pierced heart of Christ hanging dead on the cross” (CCC, 766).

Eve “became the mother of all the living”. Yet she fell into temptation and sinned. Mary’s obedience remedied Eve’s disobedience. Thus, Mary is the mother of those reborn in Christ, of “those who keep God’s commandments and give witness to Jesus”. Trust in the power of the Blessed Mother’s intercession. She is ready, willing, and able to be your advocate.

Beloved: A Women’s Conference: Beloved - A 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 this Saturday, June 15, 8:30 am – 5:00 pm at the Sioux Falls Convention Center. Go to www.sfcatholic.org/womensconference to register!

The forming of a Pastoral Council. The Pastoral Council is an advisory and consultative council of lay persons who aid the Pastor in his pastoral care of the Parish. If after much prayer you feel called to serve as a member please see Fr. Bill.

Just a reminder to those who did not turn in a CFSA pledge card to the parish office. You may receive a phone call from the Bishop’s office this month asking for your support. If you give at that time your gift will not be credited to the parish assessment.

Download Our New Parish App! Our new St. Joseph app is now available to download for iPhone and Android smart phones. Text **App** to 88202 to download our parish app. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant notifications, an easy-to-access event calendar, and the ability to quickly reply to or share messages via Facebook or Twitter. Also enjoy a bunch of additional features like prayers, daily readings, helpful reminders to silence your phone before Mass or Confession, and much more.

The Feast of Pentecost

The outpouring of the Spirit at Pentecost is called the birthday of the universal Church. Through the Spirit the Church realizes her call to preach the Gospel of Christ to the whole world. The Feast of Pentecost brings the Easter Season to a close. The double Alleluia at the end of Mass will illustrate that. The Easter Candle will be extinguished and moved to the Baptistry. The 90 Days are over. But our call to Mission is not. What gift of service have you received from the Holy Spirit and how well are you using it right now?

Let us Pray

Oh, Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul...I adore you. Enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me. Tell me what I should do...give me Your orders. I promise to submit myself to all that You desire of me and to accept all that You permit to happen to me. Let me only know Your will.

Dress UP and not down: We would like to remind everyone about appropriate attire for Mass. Remember, you are in the presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Clothes with holes, short shorts, spaghetti straps or halter tops are considered immodest clothing and should not be worn to church. If you are serving for Mass, please do not wear flip flops. Remember the 1 hour fast before receiving Holy Communion. No gum, candy or pop before or during Mass.

Congratulations! *Milestone Wedding Anniversaries* for June include Kerry & Barb Droog, 35 years June 1, Donald & Marge Mertz, 50 years on the 7th, Leo & Sheri Vojta, 35 years on the 9th, Dick & Loretta Leonard, 68 years on the 11th, Marcus & Audrey Lesmeister, 60 years June 18, Ed & Jacki Ries, 40 years on the 23rd, and Todd & Melinda Wagner, 25 years on the 25th. May God continue to guide and bless you.

**CHURCH TEACHINGS REGARDING
CATHOLICS WHO ARE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED**

I. Catholics who are separated or divorced, and who have not remarried outside of the Church: Are in good standing in the Church, can receive all of the sacraments, including Holy Communion, and are encouraged to fulfill their Catholic commitment to attend Church on a weekly basis. Are encouraged to fully participate in all aspects of parish life and are invited to serve in any ministries including Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Catechists. May serve as Godparents or sponsors for Baptism and for Confirmation. Catholics who are separated or divorced are not excommunicated.

II. With regard to a Catholic Annulment after a civil divorce: An annulment is not a “Catholic divorce.” Rather, it is a means for the Church to verify that the elements necessary to constitute a Sacrament were not present at the time of the marriage. You can get an annulment even if you: a) were married for a long time; or b) have children. If you have an annulment, your children may be baptized and are legitimate in the eyes of the Church and in the eyes of God who has made them in His image. Once you receive an annulment you are free to enter into a sacramental Church marriage. Annulments do not take years to process and do not have to be processed in Rome. The annulment process can still proceed even if your “ex” chooses not to participate. Annulments do not cost thousands of dollars, and no one is ever denied this opportunity based on their inability to cover the administrative costs.

III. Catholics who are civilly divorced and have remarried without an annulment from the Catholic Church: Are welcome at Mass and all Church activities. Are not considered to be in full union with the Church regarding marriage, and therefore should refrain from receiving Holy Communion. They can have their children baptized in the Catholic faith. Cannot serve as sponsors at Confirmation or Baptism. Can have a Catholic funeral ceremony and can be buried in a Catholic cemetery.