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St. Michael the Archangel Parish

We are disciples who act justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with God.

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Adoration: Wednesday 7:30am - 4:45pm / **Confessions:** Saturday 9am at St. Michael's Church

WEEKEND MASSES: Sat 4pm, Sun 7am, 9am, 1:30pm, 4pm / **SPANISH MASS:** Sun 11:30am

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Website: saintmichaelparishkona.org **May 19 2024 | 19 de mayo 2024**

Pentecost Sunday

Reading I - Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11 | Psalm - 104:1,24,29-30,31,34 | Reading 1 - 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7,12-13 | Gospel - John 20:19-23
Primera Lectura - Hechos de los Apóstoles 2:1-11 | Salmo - 103:1,24,29-30,31,34 | Segunda Lectura - 1 Corintios 12:3-7,12-13 | Evangelio - Juan 20:19-23



PENTECOST SUNDAY

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

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Prepare for Next Week's Scripture Readings

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40

Primera Lectura: **Deuteronomio 4:32-34,39-40**

Psalm/Salmo: **33(32):4-5,6,9,18-19,20,22**

2nd Reading/Segunda Lectura: Romans (Romanos) 8:14-17

Gospel/Evangelio: **Matthew (Mateo) 28:16-20**

ALL ARE SENT

Fifty days after Easter Sunday we celebrate the fulfillment of all God's promises in the feast of Pentecost, a feast that has sometimes been called the birthday of the church. One last time we are reminded that we Christians have received the Holy Spirit, not for our own benefit, but to enable us to follow our Christian vocation.

The centerpiece of the scriptures for Pentecost is the account in Acts of the Apostles of the sending of the Holy Spirit to the disciples. The other readings for this Sunday help us to understand what it means to live out our Christian vocation. Paul's letter shows us the gifts and fruits that the Holy Spirit gives to us. John's Gospel reminds us that Jesus has sent all his disciples to share his forgiveness and peace, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

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would like your input . . .**



**Use this QR Code for the online survey
OR take the survey with one of our
Pastoral Council members after Mass.**

Aloha! Welcome to Our Parish - We hope you will find our parish community a place where your faith will be nourished. We encourage you to register with the parish. Registration forms are available in the kiosk, or can be completed online at saintmichaelparishkona.org. To our visitors, we pray that you enjoy your stay in Kona and are blessed with safe travels home.

May 19, 2024

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Pentecost Sunday

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

COME
HOLY
SPIRIT

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Pentecost Sunday is here! If ever there was a day in the Church calendar to celebrate the transformational power of Christianity, this is it. We know from the first reading how the disciples go from being huddled and afraid in a locked room to stepping out boldly in the streets, loudly proclaiming the Good News of Jesus. What changed them so suddenly? It was the coming of the Holy Spirit, the third divine person of the Trinity, into their hearts and lives. Jesus calls the Spirit an Advocate, “the Spirit of truth,” who will remain with the apostles after he has left. That same Spirit is promised to us, continuing the Easter joy. It is only through the power and grace of the Holy Spirit that we have the knowledge, ability, and courage to proclaim Jesus as our Lord. Only in this way can we belong to Jesus and be in relationship with the Father. The very same God who created all things is here to help us become the sons and daughters he always envisioned us to be.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

“Peace be with you,” Jesus says, twice, to his disciples today. He approaches them with gentleness and a calming demeanor. He is aware of their fear and their anxiety, and that they would be confused and unsure upon seeing him in his resurrected body. Jesus offers us the same words: “peace be with you.” For he knows we, too, can be afraid and unsure about what living out his words will mean to our lives. But we need not be worried! The Holy Spirit, that helper and advocate who came to the first disciples, is here to help us fill our hearts with love and joy and speak our beliefs without fear. When we open our hearts to God’s love, Jesus tells us, the Holy Spirit “will guide [us] to all truth.” In other words, he will be there to help us. As Paul states in the reading from Corinthians, we all have different gifts of the Spirit, and the important thing is that we use those gifts and talents to model ourselves after Jesus.

PRAY The Holy Spirit is with us to be our guide and advocate. Today, we pray, “Come, Holy Spirit,” and witness the power of that first Pentecost which set the world on fire with God’s love and truth. This week, spend some time reflecting on the joy you have as a Christian – and show that joy to the world!

Life of Stewardship

Our Easter season culminates with the glorious feast of Pentecost. We can imagine how incredible that moment was for the apostles and all who witnessed it. The Holy Spirit was alive and working.

The Holy Spirit is just as alive and willing to work here and now in our day-to-day moments as back at our first Pentecost.

Our First Reading bears witness to the first Pentecost. During this encounter with the Holy Spirit, the apostles and Mary felt a driving wind, there were tongues of fire on the heads of each of them and the Spirit allowed them to speak in different tongues proclaiming acts of God.

We might hear this reading and wish the Holy Spirit worked that obviously in our lives each day. The truth is, the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives is obvious - we just might be blind to it, or it might be that we have closed ourselves off to the Holy Spirit's wonderous works.

Our tongues of fire might be a profound conversation with a friend, something that you needed to hear in that exact moment, or even a closed door to an opportunity for something much, much greater. These are movements of the Holy Spirit in our everyday moments.

The more we take time to recognize them, the more we become aware of them.

On this Pentecost Sunday, let us give thanks to God for sending us His Holy Spirit. And let us strive to be in tune with the Holy Spirit by looking for the ways God has been working in our lives. - *Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship*

Parish News

Catholic Communication Campaign Collection

Next week our special collection is for the Catholic Communication Campaign. Envelopes are provided in this week's bulletin. This campaign engages and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Diocese of Honolulu to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

Let's Honor Our Graduates!

It's that time of the year again! We would like to honor our graduates from Preschool, Elementary, Intermediate, High School, College and Trade School. **Parents . . . please send graduation photo and name** to Edwina at efujimoto@rcchawaii.org and stmichaelarchangel@rcchawaii.org.

Friendly Place Lunches Ministry

Our ministry provides a hot meal every Monday for our unsheltered neighbors at the Friendly Place here in Kona. There are several ways you can help! Prepare a meal, help to serve the meal, or make a donation to help with the cost of preparing a meal. Please help us serve our neighbors in need.

Our Pastoral Council Needs Your Help!

Our Pastoral Council is developing our next three-year plan. Please share your thoughts and let us know what's in your heart. This is a stewardship parish which means every

member contributes to directing and taking part in our Church's existence and function. Help make our Church a place that feeds your spiritual needs and ever growing relationship with Christ so you can better know, love, and serve Him.

The survey can be found on our website at saintmichaelparishkona.org. A QR code is on the cover of the bulletin for your convenience. Pastoral Council members will also be conducting in person surveys after Mass during the month of May.

TEXT MESSAGE & EMAIL SCAM ALERT

Please do not respond to text messages or emails from our Priests requesting your help. If they need your help, they will call you or speak to you in person.

Young Adult Ministry

Mahalo to everyone who attended the first meeting!

The Young Adult Group (ages 21-35) will meet weekly in the Grace Parish Center on **Thursdays from 6-7pm**. The first series will include reading through *Searching for and Maintaining Peace* by Fr. Jacques Phillippe. No prior reading is required and books will be provided. For more info, please contact Cole or Juliann through the Parish Office.

Memorial Day Cemetery Clean-Up

Please save the date! We will have our Memorial Day Cemetery Clean-Up at St. Michael's, Holualoa & St. Paul's starting at 7:30am on Saturday, May 25. Please bring your gardening tools, hat and gloves. Bottled water and snacks will be provided. **TO FAMILIES WITH LOVED ONES BURIED AT OUR CEMETERIES:** Please help us to clear broken and damaged items from the gravesites. Effective June 1st, no flowers, trees, or bushes can be planted at the gravesite. This will eliminate damage to the gravesites from overgrown roots. Potted plants, live cut flowers, artificial flowers not more than two feet in height are still allowed. Please refrain from using breakable glass or ceramic containers. Mahalo!

Monthly Food Pantry & Diaper Ministry Drive

The monthly parish food & diaper drive will be held on **Monday, May 27 from 9-10am at Immaculate Conception Church Parking Lot**. We are grateful for any donations you may have. Our average number of households we help has increased from 85 in 2023 to 120 this year with an average household size of 5-6. Thank you for your support for this ministry is feeding a lot of people in our local community.

Diaper sizes needed are size 6 and Pull-Ups 4T-5T Boys and Girls. You are also welcome to leave food & diaper donations in the baskets at the Church entrance when you come to Mass.

West Hawaii Vicariate Eucharistic Congress

Annunciation Parish in Waimea will host our West Hawaii Vicariate Eucharistic Congress on Saturday, June 8. Mass begins at 8:00am. Following Mass, there will be guest speakers followed by lunch at 12noon. Watch for more detail in next week's bulletin.

Stewardship of Treasure

May 6th - 12th, 2024

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| ONLINE GIVING | \$ 2,670.00 |
| SUNDAY OFFERINGS / MAILED-IN OFFERINGS | \$ 10,994.00 |
| GRACE PARISH CENTER CAMPAIGN | \$ 6,807.20 |

Parish Center Update

We have collected **\$5,025,702.42** for the Parish Center Campaign, which includes pledge payments.

Mahalo for your continued generosity.

Offerings can be mailed directly to the parish office; or click on our website's "Online Giving" to share your blessings.

STEWARDSHIP OF OUR TREASURE FOR THE MONTH MAY 2024

MONTHLY DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT: **\$10,831.00**

MONTHLY 'OHANA IN CHRIST ASSESSMENT: **\$1,724.18**

The above amounts fund Diocesan ministries, as listed in *'Ohana in Christ* to help support our parishes, pastors, schools, service agencies, and communities within the Diocese of Honolulu.

Online Giving

St. Michael's Church provides **Online Giving** - a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation. Getting started is easy - visit saintmichaelparishkona.org and click our **ONLINE GIVING tab**. Your gift will be securely transferred directly to the parish bank account.

Faith Formation

Faith Formation classes have ended and will begin again in September. All new and returning families can register for next year's classes through the parish office or online. We plan to have a registration table after Masses in mid-August. If your child was not baptized at St. Michael's or one of its mission churches, we will need a copy of the Baptismal certificate.

-Margaret Essex, Catechist & - Edwina Fujimoto, Youth Minister

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

The OCIA class will meet for mystagogy every Sunday after the 9am Mass until Sunday, May 19th.

Children's Rosary

St. Michael's Children's Rosary Club meets on the last Sunday of each month. Please join us! This is a great way for children to recite their prayers and also to start praying together as a family. **Our next meeting will be after the 9am Mass on May 26.** We will pray one decade of the Rosary at the grotto followed by a visit to the Blessed Sacrament.

The Ascension of the LORD

When I was a kid, my parents took me to the circus, and I was mesmerized by the acrobats. I recall one show in which the trapeze artists would swoop down just above the ground and then launch up into the air, flinging their bodies seemingly to the top of the tent, all at dizzying speeds. It wasn't just their height but their dangerous proximity to the ground that thrilled me.

Perhaps that's a little how St. Mark wants us to feel as he

describes the Ascension of Jesus. He tells us that Jesus "sat down at table with them" and then, just a few lines later, "he ascended into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God." He dies, he rises! He sits down, he ascends! What do these divine acrobatics teach us?

The depth and height on display are a show of his love for us. When Jesus "sat down" he "upbraided them for their lack of faith and stubbornness of heart." He dangerously swoops down into our lowly place of fragmentation, disbelief, and death. When he ascends, he confirms their preaching with signs of powerful healing. The height of heaven is the place from which God brings wholeness, faith, and life. The point is the Ascension of Jesus is not about his departure. It is about the feat by which he unites the heavens and the earth, the highest and the lowest.

We are meant to relive this spiritually dizzying experience in every Mass, when Jesus sits down with us at his Eucharistic table and then offers himself up to the Father with and for us. Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls: welcome to the great tent of the Church! Feast your eyes on the divine and human acrobat whose saving feat is the great thrill of our lives. - *Father John Muir, ©LPI*

Treasures From Our Tradition

The disciples gathered on the fiftieth day after the Resurrection were not keeping their first Pentecost. For them, Pentecost was the fiftieth day after Passover, a feast of the first fruits of the harvest. It was the second most important feast of the year. Today, Jews gather on the eve of the feast to study scripture and the law, and after the feast begins at sundown, spend the day in joyful social gatherings. The meaning of the celebration is the giving of the law on Mount Sinai, so for Christians the connection to the gifts of the Holy Spirit is obvious. In Sicily and in the Pantheon in Rome, today the descent of the Holy Spirit is enacted with a stunning ritual. Some churches there have an "eye" in the roof open to the sky, called an *oculus*. After the Gospel today, thousands of rose petals fall from the *oculus* onto the assembly. Churches and homes are decked in greenery and flowers to express the new life the Holy Spirit brings on this, the "birthday of the church."

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Everyday Stewardship - Commissioned and Sent

Have you heard the Good News? If you're reading this, chances are you probably have. You've heard the good news that God became man and that Jesus suffered, died, and rose for you, me, and everyone in between. Do you know you're part of it?

This week, we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord. When Jesus ascended into heaven, he gave specific directions to his Apostles. "Go and make disciples of all nations." They listened! They made disciples, who made disciples, who made disciples, who made disciples, on down the centuries. And here we are! So what's next? The truth is that we're all commissioned and sent. It happened at our baptism, when we were made sharers in

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this sacred mission of Jesus. Who will make the next disciples? I hope it's you!

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS © LPI

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments - The Ideal Candidate

The Ascension always makes me think of what a job listing on Indeed.com would look like for the position of Disciple of Jesus Christ. "An exciting opportunity for the go getter who loves a challenge. Multilingual skills a must. Animal handling experience preferred. The ideal candidate will have a strong stomach and an enthusiasm for travel."

In all seriousness, I find the Ascension a little depressing, a little intimidating. This day forces me to confront how few are the qualifications I possess to carry out the Great Commission.

Proclaim the Gospel to every creature. Hold on - do I have to talk to people? I don't even really like calling my friends on their birthdays. Can I send a text instead?

Go into the whole world. All of it? Everywhere? Even the places where it's really, really humid? Could I possibly schedule a Zoom call? Speak new languages . . . pick up serpents . . . drink any deadly thing . . . Okay, full disclosure: I have never even been camping. I don't think I'm the right fit for this job. Thank you for your consideration, but you can lose my resumé.

Of course, I know that in the year 2024 God does not expect me to pick up a serpent to proclaim the Gospel. But He might expect me to do something far more stomach churning. He might expect me to talk about Him - in public, in front of strangers. He might expect me to take a stand against something that I know is sinful, even though it means I lose every friend I have. He might expect me to say "no" when everyone wants me to say "yes," or "yes" when everyone wants me to say "no." He might expect me to be different. He will expect me to be different.

But on the Ascension, I also remember this: it's okay. No one who ever did the work of God was the ideal candidate. They were all scared. They were all ill-equipped. Every single one of them. They did it anyway. And despite the weakness and hesitancy of my mortal flesh, despite everything that seems logical, despite the recommendations of any hiring committee this temporal world might make - I can, too. - Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman, ©LPi

"I am with you always, until the end of the world."
- Matthew 28:20

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MAY 18TH

- 4pm - Joseph & Hana Hludznik and Nancy Otchy, May they Rest in Peace

SUNDAY, MAY 19TH

PENTECOST SUNDAY

- 7am - Aunty Melvine Kualii, Rest in Peace
- 9am - Alejandro Pedro "Peter" Ganir, deceased, Birthday Remembrance
- 1:30pm - Dennis Rast, Special Intention
- 4pm - Maria G. Jaramillo, Anniversary of Death

MONDAY, MAY 20TH

- 7am - Temotia Lagrimas, Rest in Peace
- 5pm - Mary Lou Knurek, Rest in Peace

TUESDAY, MAY 21ST

- 7am - Marvin Simpliciano, deceased, Birthday Remembrance
- 5pm - Walter Singer, deceased, Birthday Remembrance

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22ND

- 7am - Rose Lemanski, Rest in Peace

THURSDAY, MAY 23RD

- 7am - Sherry Miller, Rest in Peace
- 5pm - Justine Zak, Rest in Peace

FRIDAY, MAY 24TH

- 7am - Thanks for the life of Artemis, Alex and Andrea Garcia-Sproot
- 5pm - No Mass - Communion Service Only

SATURDAY, MAY 25TH

- 7am - No Mass - Communion Service Only

Requesting a Mass Intention

A Mass intention can be scheduled by calling the Office at **326-7771**. If you'd like to request a specific day and Mass time, **please call well in advance of the date to secure it.**

Mass cards are available.

"For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat..."

-Matthew 25:35

The Food Pantry Ministry

The Food Pantry is open the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from **9 - 9:45am at Immaculate Conception Church Parking Lot.**

From Babbling to Fluency

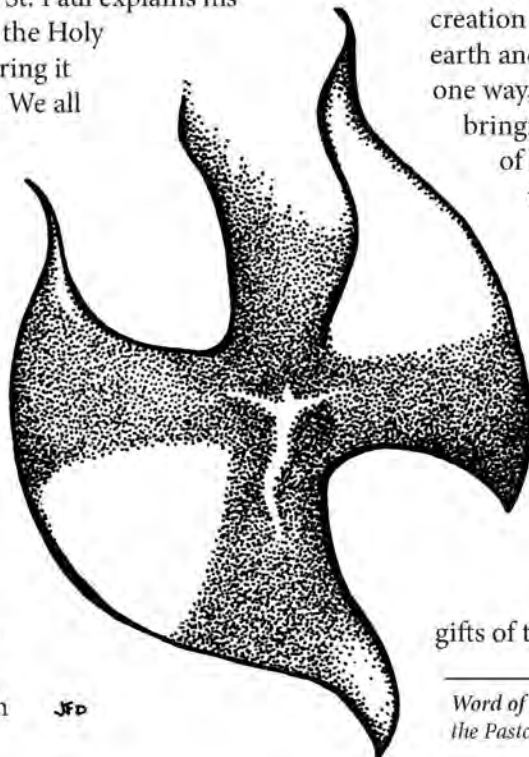
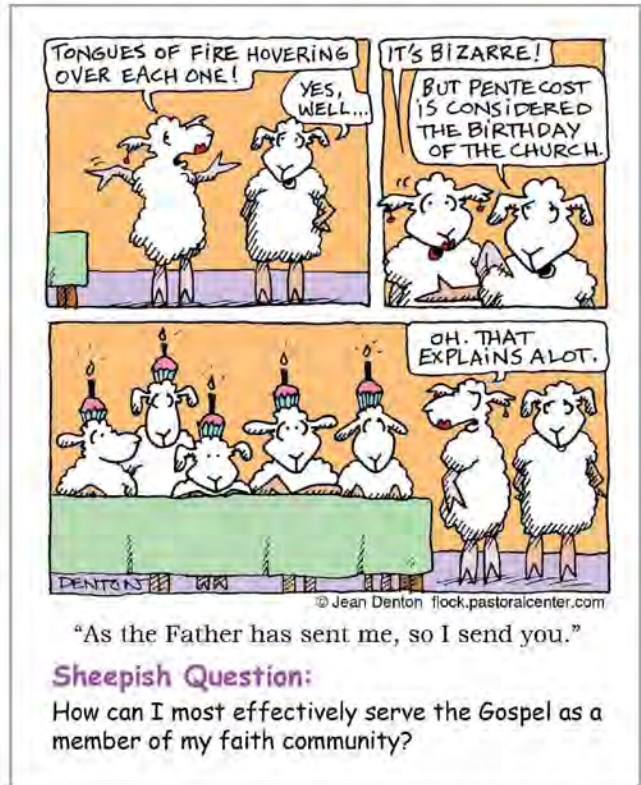
This Week's Readings at Mass

- ▶ Acts 2:1-11 - Descent of the Holy Spirit
- ▶ 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 - Many gifts, one Spirit
- ▶ John 20:19-23 - Jesus gives the Holy Spirit to the disciples



In the first reading today, Luke tells us that the Spirit came upon the disciples dramatically and gave them the gift of tongues—the ability to communicate with foreign visitors who were from all over the known world. It is a scene that is almost an exact reversal of the story of the Tower of Babel found in Genesis. In that story, everyone in the whole world spoke the same language. In their selfish pride, they came together to build a city and a tower to reach to heaven to “make a name for ourselves.” God humbled them by confusing their language so they could no longer understand one another. Their speaking sounded like nothing more than “babbling,” and for that reason, their city became known as Babel. With the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, the scattering of people and confusion of languages is overcome by the Spirit so that everyone can hear and understand “the mighty acts of God.”

In the second reading, St. Paul explains his understanding of how the Holy Spirit works by comparing it to our physical bodies. We all understand that our different body parts have different functions and that all are needed for our health and well-being. St. Paul taught that the Holy Spirit can be understood to work among us in the same way. As individuals, we have all been given certain spiritual gifts that the world needs and which

“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”

Sheepish Question:
How can I most effectively serve the Gospel as a member of my faith community?

can benefit everyone. The source of all those different gifts is the one Holy Spirit.

In the Gospel reading, we hear John’s account of how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples: he breathed on them. That image would have reminded them, and their fellow Jews, of the story of creation when God made Adam out of the dust of the earth and breathed into him, bringing him to life. In one way, when Jesus breathed on the disciples, he was bringing them to life in a new way. Now, instead of being huddled behind locked doors because they were afraid, they are given the courage and strength to go out and spread the Good News with all those who hadn’t yet heard of Jesus and his message of love.

Questions of the Week

- 1 What are some gifts you feel you have been given in order to serve the world?
- 2 In what area(s) of your life right now do you feel the need of the gifts of the Holy Spirit?

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PENTECOST



The Fire Within

Lord God,
bestow upon your Church
the Holy Spirit.
Just as your Spirit
arrived with a driving force
on that first Pentecost,

may your faithful
be energized and renewed
so that with intense faith,
they might spread your fiery love.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, May 19, 2024 The Lord, the Giver of Life



Today's readings: Acts 2:1–11; Psalm 104:1, 24, 29–30, 31, 34; Galatians 5:16–25 or 1 Corinthians 12:3b–7, 12–13; John:19–23 or John 15:26–27, 16:12–15. Today we rejoice in the sending of the Holy Spirit to the world. As proclaimed in the Gospel of John, Jesus had promised to send “the Advocate . . . the Spirit of truth.” When the Spirit arrived, Acts records, it was with a driving wind that filled the house where the disciples were and appeared as tongues of fire.

From that house, the disciples went into Jerusalem fearless as they preached the Gospel in numerous languages they had never before spoken. In the years that followed the descent of the Holy Spirit, the disciples were persecuted, arrested, and stoned. Still, they kept their hearts focused on bringing Christ to others.

Christians receive the Holy Spirit during the sacrament of baptism, as the celebrant prays that God bestows “new life” by “water and the Holy Spirit.” The Spirit will assist the baptized throughout life to fulfill their responsibility as “members of Christ, Priest, Prophet and King,” as the presider says in the anointing after baptism.

In your prayer life, be attentive to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and you, too, could be fearless in witnessing to the light of Christ in your life. As we recite in the Nicene Creed, the Holy Spirit is “the Lord, the giver of life.” When you open yourself to the Spirit, your life can be transformed. And just as the transformation of the disciples changed lives, so will your transformation.



THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

Monday, May 20

Mary, Mother of the Church

When Pope Francis decreed that the Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church, would be celebrated on the day after Pentecost, he reflected on the tradition of honoring Mary as both Mother of Christ and Mother of the Church. He also wrote of the opportunity for the memorial to draw the faithful to expand their perspective of the Church. The memorial, the decree states, “might encourage the growth of the maternal sense of the Church in the pastors, religious and faithful, as well as a growth of genuine Marian piety.” How would acquiring a maternal sense of the Church influence the ministry of those who are ordained? How would it influence the laity? *Today’s readings: Acts 1:12–14; Psalm 87:1–2, 3, 5, 6–7; John 19:25–34.*

Friday, May 31

Visitation of the Blessed Virgin

Today, we remember two miracles. The first is Mary, pregnant by the power of the Holy Spirit, and her older cousin Elizabeth, also pregnant in her old age. These women, and the sons carried in their wombs, had a mission to fulfill. Faith led Mary and Elizabeth to accept their mission. We, too, have a mission and purpose. As the month of Mary concludes, ask for Mary’s intercession to help you be true to your mission. *Today’s readings: Zephaniah 3:14–18a; Isaiah 12:2–3, 4bcd, 5–6; Luke 1:39–56.*

Thursday, June 13

Memorial of St. Anthony of Padua

St. Anthony of Padua brought many hearts to God through his gift of evangelizing and knowledge of Scripture. He took seriously the words from Isaiah, “the spirit of the Lord God is upon me / because the Lord has anointed me. / He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly, / to heal the broken-hearted.” At our baptism, we too were anointed and entrusted

with converting hearts and announcing the Good News. *Today’s readings: Isaiah 61:1–3d; Psalm 89:2–3, 4–5, 21–22, 25 and 27; Luke 10:1–9.*

Monday, June 24

Nativity of St. John the Baptist

John allowed the Spirit to act through him. From his mother’s womb, he recognized the presence of the Lord. As John prepared the way for the messiah, he minimized himself to allow people to see Jesus. How do you prepare the way of the Lord? Do you seek attention or are you able to minimize yourself to allow the Spirit to work through you? *Today’s readings: Isaiah 49:1–6; Psalm 139:1b–3, 13–14ab, 14c–15; Acts 13:22–26; Luke 1:57–66, 80.*

Saturday, June 29

Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul

Today we remember the lives of St. Peter and St. Paul. These apostles and martyrs are examples of obedience and resilience; they persevered in evangelization even when their lives were in jeopardy. Pray for Pope Francis and all who continue to spread the Good News, regardless of the challenges they face. *Today’s readings: Acts 3:1–10; Psalm 19:2–3, 4–5; Galatians 1:11–20; John 21:15–19.*

Wednesday, August 28

Memorial of St. Augustine


On the Memorial of St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, we might consider how open we are to continue our conversion and live as God calls us. After many years of a worldly life, Augustine was baptized when he was nearly thirty-three years old. In *The Confessions of St. Augustine*, he wrote of his conversion, “I have loved you too late. You were with me, but I was not with you.” Pray to St. Augustine to help you notice the presence of God and to grow in faith. *Today’s readings: 1 John 4:7–16; Psalm 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; Matthew 23:8–12.*



!!!SCAM ALERT!!!

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- Knights of Columbus 5:45pm
(2nd Monday of the month)
- Church Cleaning 6:00pm

TUESDAY

- Coffee, Sweets & Tweets with Fr. Lio 7:30-9:00am
- Charismatic Prayer Group 6:30-8:00pm

WEDNESDAY

- Adoration 7:30-5:00pm
- Kupuna Ministry 8:30-10:30am
- Benediction/Evening Prayer 5:00pm
- Men of Faith 5:00-6:30pm

THURSDAY

- Spiritual Book Club 4:00-5:30pm
(3rd Thursday of each month)
- Young Adults Group - 5/16 6:00-7:00pm

FRIDAY - NO EVENTS

SATURDAY

- Church Cleaning 7:30am
- Grounds Maintenance 7:30am
- Confession 9-10am

SUNDAY

- OCIA Mystagogy After 9am Mass
(Apr 14-May 19)
- Children's Rosary Group After 9am Mass
(Last Sunday of each month)
- Immigration Seminar 12:30-1:30pm
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- Consecration to God the Father After 1:30 Mass
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