

Jesus 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." John 20:22–23

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Caution: Spirit at Work

If Pentecost celebrates the gifts of the Spirit, it can tempt us to separate the Spirit from the Father and Jesus. Sometimes we think of the Father as the God of the Old Testament, Jesus as center of New Testament, and the Spirit as God of the present age, almost as if the Father and Jesus were enjoying their retirement. Actually, all three persons share one God-life. Instead of three gods debating the fate of the universe, we have one God who is over all and in all.

The Spirit has been active in all ages. The prophets were empowered by the Spirit to proclaim God's word to Israel. Jesus was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit led Jesus into the desert at the beginning of his ministry. (Search the word "spirit" in the four gospels and it appears 75 times.) Jesus was filled with the Spirit as he preached and worked miracles. Then at Pentecost the disciples were filled with the Spirit.

So what about Pentecost? It is really about using our gifts and sharing the good news. The Spirit gives us the power, courage, and energy to do this. The Spirit's gifts are meant to be shared. The prophets could not help proclaim God's message. Jesus shared all he knew with his disciples. The disciples went out to the world to spread the news of Jesus' death and resurrection. So we, too, are given gifts to be shared.

The greatest gift we have been given is the news of our salvation. This feast reminds us to share that with others. We may do that by example, as when we worship together, forgive others, give to the poor or help someone in need. We can also share that news by teaching our children about God and his love for them, teaching them to pray, or sharing our faith with other adults. As we come to realize how much God has done for us and how close he is to us, we will want to share that with others. Obviously, we can't make everyone believe in Jesus. But how sad would it be if someone we know was looking for the truth and we neglected to offer it?

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| RECONCILIATION: See Mass Schedule or anytime by appt. | Church Secretary: Kelly Paxton |
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| BAPTISM: During weekend Masses by appt. Must be a regis- | Maintenance: Tony Kellerman |
| tered member and attend baptismal preparation session. | Parish Council President: |
| MARRIAGE: At least six months prior notification to the pastor. | Sacred Heart: Jeremy Cornett 542-6298 |
| HOLY MASS: See Mass Schedule | Immaculate Conception: Tiffany Kujawa 618-559-1078 |
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PENTECOST SUNDAY

SACRED HEART

Mass & Intentions

Sunday, May 23; PENTECOST SUNDAY 8:00 - 8:15 am Confession 8:30 am Mass Intention Raymond Sherman by Ron & Linda Sherman Randy Mohr by Rich & Doris Rottschalk

Monday, May 24;

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; 6:45 am Mass Intention Margaret Kern by The Parish Family Nancy Genisio by Tom & Chris Kelley Rosalee Emke by Sacred Heart Quilters

Tuesday, May 25, Weekday; Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church; Saint Gregory VII, Pope; Saint Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, Virgin 6:30 am Mass Intention Norma Martin by Paul Martin

Wednesday, May 26; Saint Philip Neri, Priest 5:30 pm Mass Intention Randy Mohr by Chris & Larry Hutson

Thursday, May 27; Weekday; Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop 6:45 am Mass Intention Shirley Cucchi by Mary Cucchi

Friday, May 28; Weekday 8:00 am Mass Intention Esther Balch by Betty & Brenda

Saturday, May 29; Weekday; Saint Pau VI, Pope 4:30 - 4:45 pm Confession 5:00 pm Mass Intention Scott Isom by Thomas & Mary Nolte

Sunday, May 30; THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 8:00 - 8:15 am Confession 8:30 am Mass Intention Don Payne by Lindon & Kelly Paxton Frank Waidzulis, Jr. by Fern Waidzulis

Confessions

Confessions are now being held in the Confessional at church. Please remember to wear a mask and leave the door slightly open.

To the Parishioners of Sacred Heart:



If there is anyone who has a veteran buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery and they are not getting a flag put on their grave for Memorial Day or Veterans Day, please contact Jerry or Marian Whitson at 618-542-2748 or marianrw@nwcable.net or jeremwhit@nwcable.net. We try not to miss anyone but sometimes we just don't know.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS Sacred Heart

Saturday May 29 Lector: Al Martin Extraordinary Ministers: Priest & Al Martin

Sunday, May 30 Lector: Cara Alongi Extraordinary Ministers: Priest & Cara Alongi

Weekly Happenings

Sunday, May 23 Second Collection: Seminarian Education

Monday, May 24 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Quilting at Haffner Hall

Tuesday, May 25 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Quilting at Haffner Hall

Wednesday, May 26 8:30 am Pickleball at gym

Thursday, May 27 5:00 pm St. Joseph Thrift Store meeting at school

Friday, May 28

Saturday, May 29 9:30 am Pickleball at gym

Sunday, May 30

<u>Sacred Heart Weekly Collections</u> <u>May 15th & 16th</u>

| Church envelopes | \$3,060.00 |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Church loose | \$ 354.33 |
| CSMA | \$ 180.00 |
| Online giving | \$ 25.63 |
| Building | \$ 325.00 |
| Easter | \$ 100.00 |
| Holy Land/Good Friday | \$ 50.00 |
| Catholic Communications | \$ 523.00 |
| Capital Campaign | \$2,690.00 |

Thank You for your generosity! CSMA 2021 - \$7,550.95 of our \$11,036 goal

KEEP THE FAITH GROWING

The Sacred Heart Capital Campaign (Keep The Faith Growing) aims to raise \$200,000! As of now we have received \$179,500 of the pledged amount. Thank you for your generosity.

Holy Water

If you are in need of Holy Water, please contact the office for details on how you can receive some.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Mass & Intentions

Sunday, May 23; PENTECOST SUNDAY Second Collection: Seminarian Education 10:00 am Mass Intention Sponsors of CES Ronnie Elder by Kathy Miller

Monday, May 24; The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church;

Tuesday, May 25, Weekday; Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church; Saint Gregory VII, Pope; Saint Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, Virgin

Wednesday, May 26; Saint Philip Neri, Priest

Thursday, May 27; Weekday; Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

Friday, May 28; Weekday

Saturday, May 29; Weekday; Saint Pau VI, Pope

Sunday, May 30; THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 10:00 am Mass Intention Sponsors of CES Parish Family



Nursing Home: Lynn Finn, Connie Horst, Shirley Forys, Marie Dubravek, Rosalea Prusacki, Anna Roberts, Mary Ellen Helmer, Reathal Beard.

Sick: Juanita Ray, John Dale, Jim Getzie, Joan Kowalski, Terry Chastain, James Feger, Gary Brock, Karen May, Sheilia Teriet, Richard Martin, Merry Jo Arvai, Brynlee Brewer, Bob Stewart, Reathal Beard, Cindy Kinsmen Thorpe, George Ciganovich, John Nehrkorn, Dorothy Bailey, Addi Darnell, Dorothy Alongi, Ron Darnell, Steve Porter, Rhonda Gilliam, Shizue Barnes, Carl Giacomo, Matilda Harsy, Staci McBride, Diana Vonderbant, Ron Sherman, Chris Kelley, Suzanne Lipe, David Slover. *Names will remain in bulletin for 1 month.*

Military Personnel: Col. Aaron S. Cowley, SSgt. Jordan Keller, MGSgt (ret.) Thomas D. Sims , Sgt. Derek S. Sims, ITS1(SS/AW) John Kelley, SPC Mark Yanez, PV2 Jared Albers, Lt. Col. Carly Sims , Lt. Col. Cory Jones, Sgt. 1st. Cl. Caleb VanVoorhis, SSgt Tyler Jeffers, Lance Corporal Noah Mabry U.S.M.C., Major Andrew Martin, USAF Airman E-1 Hunter Hill, Master Sergeant & Medical Intel. NCOIC Terry E. Chastain Jr., Nick Depyatic (Airforce), Garrison Alvis (Marines).

<u>LITURGICAL MINISTERS</u> <u>Immaculate Conception</u> Sunday, May 30

Lector: Jamie Schrader *Sweet Treats:* Kathy Rulevish

Immaculate Conception Weekly Collections

| May 16th | |
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| Church envelope | \$ 664.00 |
| Church loose | \$ 234.00 |
| Sweet Treats | \$ 98.00 |
| Ascension | \$ 69.00 |
| Catholic Communication Campaign | \$ 127.00 |

Thanks for your generosity! CSMA 2021 - \$1,210 of \$2,585 goal

Confession at Immaculate Conception

During this time of uncertainty celebrating the sacrament of Reconciliation can be comforting. Confessions will be heard in the flower room west of the altar either before mass or after mass. Please wait in the room for Fr. Joseph. If he does not see you, please alert him that you are there for confession.

Mother's Day Memorials

Helen Kurtz Zettie Skorcz Colleen Woodside Gertrude Lamczyk Evelyn Shriver Marie Heine Judy Heck Bathon Stacey Heck Fox Josephine Majewski

BLESSING OF HOMES

During the year of St. Joseph (December 8, 2020 – December 8, 2021), Fr. Joseph will be going to the homes of our parishioners who would like their homes blessed.

There is sign-up sheets in the church. The blessings will begin March 19th on the Feast of St. Joseph and run through November. Or you can contact Renee Cobin 319-2459 to set up a date and time for Fr. Joseph to come and do the blessing. For Immaculate Conception Parishioners you can contact Mary Heck 967-9829 to set up a date and time. As many of us get busy with our daily tasks, some may forget to sign up. If we do not hear from you, we will be making follow up calls to get you on the schedule if you would like to be added.

Coordinator of Religious Education

Our PSR program was very successful this year and we are looking forward to another faith filled year with our students beginning this fall. In order to make this happen, we are searching for someone to take the CRE position for the upcoming school year. We are also searching for new teachers. If you would be interested, please contact the parish office at 542-3423.

The living water of the Holy Spirit

(This reading is from St. Cyril of Jerusalem, it was Monday's second reading in the Proper of Seasons, in the Liturgy of the Hours.)

The water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of living water, welling up into eternal life. This is a new kind of water, a living, leaping water, welling up for those who are worthy. But why did Christ call the grace of the Spirit water? Because all things are dependent on water; plants and animals have their origin in water. Water comes down from heaven as rain, and although it is always the same in itself, it produces many different effects, one in the palm tree, another in the vine, and so on throughout the whole of creation. It does not come down, now as one thing, now as another, but while remaining essentially the same, it adapts itself to the needs of every creature that receives it.

In the same way the Holy Spirit, whose nature is always the same, simple and indivisible, apportions grace to each man as he wills. Like a dry tree which puts forth shoots when watered, the soul bears the fruit of holiness when repentance has made it worthy of receiving the Holy Spirit. Although the Spirit never changes, the effects of his action, by the will of God and in the name of Christ, are both many and marvelous.

The Spirit makes one man a teacher of divine truth, inspires another to prophesy, gives another the power of casting out devils, enables another to interpret holy Scripture. The Spirit strengthens one man's self-control, shows another how to help the poor, teaches another to fast and lead a life of asceticism, makes another oblivious to the needs of the body, trains another for martyrdom. His action is different in different people, but the Spirit himself is always the same. *In each person*, Scripture says, *the Spirit reveals his presence in a particular way for the common good.*

The Spirit comes gently and makes himself known by his fragrance. He is not felt as a burden, for he is light, very light. Rays of light and knowledge stream before him as he approaches. The Spirit comes with the tenderness of a true friend and protector to save, to heal, to teach, to counsel, to strengthen, to console. The Spirit comes to enlighten the mind first of the one who receives him, and then, through him, the minds of others as well.

As light strikes the eyes of a man who comes out of darkness into the sunshine and enables him to see clearly things he could not discern before, so light floods the soul of the man counted worthy of receiving the Holy Spirit and enables him to see things beyond the range of human vision, things hitherto undreamed of.

> With deep appreciation, Tony Kellerman



ST JOSEPH THRIFT STORE

During the **Year of Saint Joseph** we are called to listen to what St. Joseph is telling us. Interestingly enough, his call for our help can be answered by beginning right here at Sacred Heart Parish!

We will be opening the <u>ST. JOSEPH THRIFT</u> <u>STORE</u> on the first floor of the Sacred Heart School building. Our Mission Statement is:

We, Sacred Heart Parish, formed in the Spirit of love and charity in response to the call to holiness and creation of the Kingdom of God, plan to witness our faith by opening St. Joseph Thrift Store, to serve the needs of our community and beyond, by selling donated items as a nonprofit organization. Funds generated will be donated to various charitable works to spread the Good News of Salvation to all people.

The current board members for this project are: Tony & Shawn Kellerman 318-0094 George & Darrie Purcell 542-2255 Elizabeth Benson 318-9385 Kelly Paxton 927-5415 Sacred Heart Pastor

The groundwork is done; now we need your help! There are many ways that you as a parishioner of Sacred Heart can assist with this project: **Donate:** Household items, clothing (in good condition and clean), furniture, toys, bedding, books, pictures, frames, items of interest to those in need.

Volunteer: Cleaning and setting up, pricing items, organizing items, working during business hours.

Our opening date is planned for **Thursday, July 1st**. Our store hours will be

Thursdays 9 am-4 pm Saturdays from 9 am until noon

If you are interested in helping with any part of this project, please contact any of the board members or call the office at 542-3423.

Thank you in advance for your willingness to make this work of charity a success!

Sacrament of

Congratulations to our Confirmandi

Congratulations Isabella Baggett, Caleigh Bathon, Eli Furlow, Maggie Kellerman, Logan Loos, Josie Przygoda, Jesus Sanchez, Reese Shivley, and Marlei Summers who received the sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop McGovern on Wednesday, May 19th at Sacred Heart Church.

The 2021 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal Whoever believes in me will do the works that I do...

-John 14:12

On Memorial Day, let us take a moment to honor those who gave their lives for our country. Our warmest wishes on Memorial Day, 2021, and deepest gratitude for the ultimate sacrifice of our fallen heroes.

> Agencies and Ministries Supported by The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal



Can you spare a couple of hours a week? (3-5pm) We are looking for help to start an after-school program for the students who attend St. Bruno School.

If you are interested, please contact Matt May (618.559.8639)

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Seminarian Education Collection:

Our diocesan-wide **Seminarian Education Col***lection* is scheduled for the weekend of Saturday, May 22, and Sunday, May 23. This collection will directly support the education and formation of men who are discerning a call to ordained priesthood. We are all aware of the priest shortage in our diocese. More than ever, we must continue efforts to invite young people to consider the priesthood and religious life. With more seminarians, we incur more costs. A gift to this collection is an investment in the future of our Church. Please support these efforts as generously as you can.

Thank you! The Vocations Office Staff

Rev. Steven Beatty, V.F. Rev. Nicholas Junker Rev. Nicholas Fleming Rev. Carl Schrage Rev. Joel Seipp

WELCOME VISITORS!

Thank you for celebrating mass with us today! For more information on our mass schedule and parish news, please visit www.sacredheart-duquoin.org.



Dear Parishioners....

The month of May is a time when the People of God express their love and devotion for the Blessed Virgin Mary. Pope Francis and Bishop McGovern invites all of us to pray the Rosary. They encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group, individually or as a family. Pope Francis has provided two prayers to Our Lady that you can recite at the end of the Rosary and can be found on our parish website at www.sacredheart-duquon.org.

Please pray for Mary to intercede for us, for Joseph to protect us and for the Holy Spirit to watch over us.

Mid-life Singles:

Are you looking for a renewed sense of connection & purpose during this pandemic? Register today for a lifechanging **REFLECT Catholic weekend retreat** at King's House Retreat Center, Belleville, (20 min from downtown St. Louis), on June 4-6, 2021. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$210 including meals and a single room. Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.stlouis@gmail.com, or call (314) 283-0044 for details.

Respect Life Corner- "Now the works of the flesh are obvious: immorality, impurity, lust, idolatry, sorcery, hatreds, rivalry, jealousy, outbursts of fury, acts of selfishness, dissensions, factions, envy, drinking and orgies." In the Second Reading from a Letter of Saint Paul to the Galatians, Galatians 5:16-25, these vices all describe behaviors that work against the dignity of the human person, the human spirit. Today, we would add pornography, sexting, sex trafficking to the list. St. Augustine writes about living in the City of Man by loving yourself first versus the opposite, living for God and others, in the City of God. Learn, Act, Connect and Pray-Take time today after Mass to review your week. Are you promoting love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control to those in your social circle of family and friends? If you are, those are the fruits of the Holy Spirit as we work to give ourself to God completely. Nothing we do for the sake of love for the other is done in vain. Christ calls each one of us to reach out, like Veronica, to those who are ignored, who are forgotten and to show love. Love always is the answer in all things; it respects the dignity of all people and never dismantles it.