MISSION STATEMENT

St. Bruno Parish is a community of people sharing a common faith in the teachings of the Catholic tradition. We come together to worship God and to spread the Good News that Jesus gave us. Through celebrating Christian unity, we provide emotional support and practice the works of mercy.

Please visit our website www.stbrunoparish.com for additional updates.

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”
- Jn 20:21
What did Mary do? She said “yes” to the Holy Spirit. And in that “yes,” the Holy Spirit filled her with new life. The Early Church called Mary Theotokos, which is Greek for “God-bearer.” She allowed her Creator to act in her and accomplish great things through her. In giving birth to God’s son, Mary gave new life to the whole world. We’re called to follow her example, each of us in his or her own way. Hearing the Gospel isn’t enough. Talking about our faith isn’t enough. We have to do something about it. Each of us, in a personal way, needs to be a kind of Theotokos, a God-bearer. The seed of faith has to bear fruit in a life of Christian action, a life of personal.

This is why this Pentecost celebration is so important. Pentecost is the birthday of the Church. Pentecost is our birthday as a believing people. The Church, like Mary, is about new life. The Holy Spirit filled Mary with new life at the Annunciation, and Mary gave birth to Jesus. The Holy Spirit filled the Apostles with new life at Pentecost, and they immediately gave birth to a new era through their preaching and example.

God relentlessly creates new life through each of us - if we allow Him to. We’re meant to be fertile. We’re meant to bring others to new life in Jesus Christ. The “Acts of the Apostles” should continue today in the witness of our own lives.

Pope John Paul II explained Pentecost in the following way in his 1986 encyclical Lord and Giver of Life: The “new ‘coming’ of Christ, this continuous coming of [the Lord] in order to be with His Apostles [and] with the Church, this ‘I am with you to the close of the age’ . . . occurs by the power of the Holy Spirit, who makes it possible for Christ, who has gone away, to come now and forever in a new way . . . In [the Eucharist and the other sacraments], Christ, who has gone away in His visible humanity, comes, is present and acts in the Church in such an intimate way as to make it His own body. As such, the Church lives, works and grows ‘to the close of the age.’ All this happens through the power of the Holy Spirit” (61).

Pentecost is not just the birthday of the Church. It’s also the feast day of the Holy Spirit, who set the Apostles on fire with zeal in the Upper Room and who opened the minds in the crowd which first heard them preach . . . and who has guided and renewed the life of the Church for 2,000 years. We can only celebrate this Great Jubilee because the Holy Spirit first conceived Jesus in the womb of Mary. We can only celebrate the Great Jubilee because the Holy Spirit has never stopped sustaining the mission of the Church. Furthermore, just as He strengthened and encouraged the first Apostles, so too He will strengthen and encourage each of us - if we let Him.

Stay Spiritually Strong, Fr. Dan
In Between
Have you ever considered how incredibly confusing a time it was for the apostles? We often heard throughout the Easter season of their fear and doubt. We also heard about their anxiety which is so familiar to each of us. What’s next? Where are we supposed to go from here? How are we going to do this? When......??? Yet they waited and supported one another and encouraged each other not to lose hope, they reminded one another of the love of Jesus. However we look at it they began with uncertainty and ended with a purpose rooted in faith. Their fear, doubt anxiety... gone! But what was happening in between uncertainty and purpose? God was at work and He never stopped! Today our Easter journey ends and we celebrate the birth of our church. This wasn’t an end for the Apostles and certainly not an end for each of us! I think of what an incredible example the Apostles are, the ideal picture of a Christian community. They were in the trenches together. They prayed, ate, served and worshipped together with joy and generosity. Is this a possibility within our homes and our community? Wouldn’t it be awesome shiped together with joy and generosity. Is this a possibility? Apostles are, the ideal picture of a Christian community. They ended for each of us! I think of what an incredible example the church. This wasn’t an end for the Apostles and certainly not an end for each of us! I think of what an incredible example the Apostles are, the ideal picture of a Christian community. They were in the trenches together. They prayed, ate, served and worshipped together with joy and generosity. Is this a possibility within our homes and our community? Wouldn’t it be awesome if each of us were able to share one more of our gifts at home or within our communities at St. Bruno and St. Paul? This Easter season has changed us. God is there beside us, within us and in between every one of life’s destinations. Where is God asking you to go next?

God of Easter, Ascension, and Pentecost, You have set us free from death and sin. You have sent us forth to spread good news. You have left us Your Spirit to pour out Your gifts and stir our hearts aflame for You. In You we live and move and have our being. Come, live and move and be in us, now and forever! May this Easter season continue to bear rich fruit in our lives, as we seek to serve You, today and always. Amen. Alleluia! (Taken from Risen 50 Ways to Live Easter)

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Archbishop Jerome Listecki has granted us permission to begin the reopening of public Masses beginning May 30, 2020. The staff looks forward to your return to Mass - the source and summit of our faith. (dispensation until July 5 is active)

Archdiocese of Milwaukee We have posted the directives St. Bruno’s will be following to promote everyone’s safety at Mass on our website. Also posted is a “Coming Back to Mass” video to help you see how you will be able to come to worship. We strongly encourage you to watch it.

Adult Formation
Lessons from a trillium

There are two trilliums—one purple, one white—in the woods behind the house that were visited daily; I waited and waited to be blessed by the beauty of the blooms. The plants unfurled slowly this spring; chilly days and nights kept them wrapped up tightly. The cloudy, gray days didn’t help. Progress wasn’t as quick as I was hoping. Buds finally appeared, but again, more expectant waiting for the blooms. Thinking that surely the purple one would be open the next day, I discovered it had been completely chopped off leaving only stems. Finally, the white one opened!

Waiting for the blooms has been a journey of reflection to Pentecost through the last part of this Easter season. The quarantine period at home has left me feeling like the plants before they unfurled their leaves: closed up tight against the uncertainty of Covid19. The continual bad news hasn’t helped. A cure seems a long way away. Walking in the woods with anticipation of seeing the trilliums sometimes brought to mind the expression that it is about the journey, not the destination. There certainly were other lovely things to experience on the way: robins’ songs, the sight of scurrying chipmunks, the sound of the wind in the pine trees, big oaks against the blue sky. While I was journeying, there was also time to pursue more spiritual nourishment and find some new sources to add to my prayer life. There has been more frequent communication with small groups and committees through regular emails meant to keep us better connected and use of technology has gotten a little more comfortable than it was before. There have been some harder days when I felt a bit chopped off like the purple trillium. But I know, like the trillium, the roots are still there and blooms will come again. It was a gift to see those three white petals framed by three green leaves. It is a gift to journey with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit during this season of uncertainty. On this feast of Pentecost, be filled with the Holy Spirit who is our Advocate - unfurl your reluctance and open up to others about the gifts that God has given you! The Church needs you now more than ever.

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Please Note:
There have been a number of staff & parishioners who have received text messages or email from someone impersonating staff members and leadership asking for help, money and/or gift cards. Please do not respond to these texts, delete them. Never open any links attached.

Masses for homebound Catholics air every Sunday at 5:30 a.m. on WITI, Channel 6 and 9 a.m. on WCGV, Channel 24.
School News

Our adventurous school year is drawing to a close. On Friday, May 29 we honored our 14 graduates with a ‘Drive Through Graduation Celebration!’ The students have worked hard and we honor them with this drive-through fun, followed by the annual Roast and Toast, this year from their home computers! Be sure to notice the sign in the yard!

Students are coming to school during this coming week to turn in final assignments on paper, turn in textbooks and Chromebooks, and clean out their desks and lockers. Teachers and students are surely eager for an in high five just once before the end of this year. I offer high praise to parents, students and teachers, all of whom have risen with strength, deep conviction and character to the unprecedented task of this spring. St. Bruno does indeed stand firm while the world changes. We at your parish school thank all those of you participating in our Men Who Cook Virtual Auction during this weekend. We celebrate Pentecost this weekend and feel fortunate to take on the strength of the Holy Spirit as we continue fulfilling the mission of our school and parish.

As always, you can contact us by email or phone (checking messages remotely): Mary MacDonald, Principal mary.macdonald@stbrunoparishschool.com or Tammy tammy.price@stbrunoparishschool.com.

What is Pentecost? This is the way I explain it to the young children that I teach. After Jesus died, rose from the grave and ascended into heaven, His followers were hiding in the upper room. They knew what Jesus wanted them to do, but they were so afraid. God sent the Holy Spirit to give them all the gifts they needed to continue what Jesus taught them. They knew they might be arrested or even killed-like Jesus was—but they were not afraid anymore. . Pretty simple explanation.

The Pentecost Story for Children based on Acts of the Apostles, 2:4

Before He returned to His Father in Heaven, the risen Jesus visited His disciples and promised to send the Holy Spirit to help them. We read in Scripture that one morning, when the disciples were gathered together with Mary, the mother of Jesus, and some other women, they suddenly heard a noise like a strong wind. Then they saw what looked to be flames of fire over each of them. “And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.”

The Holy Spirit filled the disciples with courage and faith, empowering them to share the Good News with others. They began to tell others about Jesus, and that he died for us and rose to new life. On this day, the gift of the Spirit allowed the disciples to communicate even with those who spoke different languages.

On Pentecost, the Apostle Peter spoke to a gathered crowd. He asked the people to be baptized and receive the Gift of the Holy Spirit. Many people were baptized that day. The Apostles continued to baptize many people. They laid their hands on them so that they might receive the Holy Spirit, giving them strength and courage.

The event of Pentecost changed the world and is considered the birthday of our Church.

Did you know there are 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit? We receive these gifts at the sacrament of Confirmation. Wisdom: The ability to see God in everyone and everything everywhere. Understanding: The ability to comprehend that we are followers of Christ. Counsel (Right Judgment): The ability to know right from wrong and to choose to do what is right. Piety (Reverence): The ability to have deep respect for God and the church. Knowledge: The ability to understand the meaning of God. Fortitude (Courage): The ability to overcome our fear and to stand up for what is right in the eyes of God. Fear of the Lord (Wonder and Awe): The ability to be aware that God is all-powerful, all-loving, all-perfect.

In addition to the 7 gifts, there are also 9 fruits of the Holy Spirit: Self-Control, Faithfulness, Kindness, Goodness, Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, and Gentleness.

As we begin the process of coming back to celebrate Mass together, the staff has been using the gifts of the Holy Spirit to provide a safe environment and meaningful liturgies for our parish families. May we practice the fruits of the Holy Spirit especially Patience and Kindness as things get back to a new kind of normal. Come Holy Spirit!

Blessings, Amy Golden (aldgolden@gmail.com)

Child and Family Ministry

SMALL CLASS SIZES - BIG EXPECTATIONS

Did you know your Parish has a School that offers 3K and 4K programs?

We are very excited to have a great Early Education program focusing on academics in a play-based atmosphere. Our classrooms are led by licensed teachers. We offer half-day and full-day programs and have a Community Partnership with the Kettle Moraine School District. If you are already using a daycare facility, you will find that our tuition costs are very reasonable in comparison.

In addition to our preschool program, we offer a great education for your child through 8th grade. We believe in traditional values and use modern learning styles in our classrooms. Our dedicated, certified, Christ-Centered teachers give instruction 5 days a week.

The enrollment period has already begun. Take action now and give us a call, 262-965-2291, to discuss a St. Bruno education for ANY of your students in 3K-8th grade!
† For Pope Francis and all church leaders, may God help them bear fruit according to their own gifts given by the Spirit. We pray to the Lord...
† For leaders of nations, may the Holy Spirit give them discerning hearts to know his will and the courage to follow it. We pray to the Lord...
† For troubled areas in our world, may God’s grace descend upon them. We pray to the Lord...
† For our loved ones who have died, may they rejoice forever in the presence of the Lord. We pray to the Lord...
† For this week’s intentions, We pray to the Lord...
† For all the prayers we hold in the silence of our hearts, for all of our intentions, spoken and unspoken. We pray to the Lord...

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† Tom Pinter
† Ed & Rose Igl
Saturday, June 6

† Brian Zillmer & Steven Kuenzli
Wednesday, June 3

† Harold Bischel
Saturday, June 6

† Ed & Rose Igl
Sunday, June 7
† Tom Pinter

For the Week of June 1—7, 2020

Monday:
Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14,
   John 19:25-34
Tuesday:
2 Peter 3:12-15a, 17-18, Mark 12:13-17
   Wednesday:
   2 Timothy 1:1-3, 6-12, Mark 12:18-27
   Thursday:
   2 Timothy 2:8-15, Mark 12:28-34
   Friday:
   2 Timothy 3:10-17, Mark 12:35-37
   Saturday:
   2 Timothy 4:1-8, Mark 12:38-44
   Sunday:
   Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9, Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b], 2 Corinthians 13:11-13,
   John 3:16-18
www.usccb.org/nab/

THE WORD OF THE LORD

MASS INTENTIONS – at almost every Mass there is a specific intention. This is usually in memory of a loved one who has died, but it could be for a special anniversary or another special intention. These intentions are published in the bulletin every week for the upcoming week. If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a special intention ($10 stipend) call the office, leave a message, someone will return your call.

MASS INTENTIONS

And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:4

LITURGICAL INTENTIONS

Wednesday, June 3
† Harold Bischel

Saturday, June 6
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Sunday, June 7
† Tom Pinter

The Men Who Cook VIRTUAL Auction is wrapping up!

If you would still like to donate to the Wish Board, contact the school office to find out how you can help make the teachers dreams come true! Thank you to all who participated in the virtual event!

The Men Who Cook

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See their full sized ad in this bulletin.

GOOD NEWS !!! During this odd time in the world we want to keep our focus on the GOOD and stay connected with all of you. We are seeking photos and/or video of the GOOD things going on in your life. Big or small! Please submit to kdemarais@stpaulgenesee.net

PRAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Coronavirus Emergency Fund
This fund will support the ministries serving those in need and members of our community who have been negatively affected by the pandemic. Give generously if you are able.

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