

SACRED HEART CHURCH

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6th Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2020
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MASS INTENTIONS
May 18 – May 24

Mon. 7:00 pm Tom Aubuchon
 Tues. 8:00 am Nathan Weis
 Thurs. 7:30 am Communion Service
 Fri. 7:30 am Communion Service
 Sun. 8:00 am Michael Antinora

Feast Day

Mon. St. John I
 Wed. St. Bernardine of Siena
 Thurs. St. Christopher Magallanes
 Fri. St. Rita of Cascia

Sunday May 24th **Ascension** will be celebrated.

Offertory May 3, 2020

Envelopes: \$1,100
 Loose: \$ 709
 Parish Imp. \$ 40
 Total: \$1,849

The offertory report for May 10th will be in the May 24. bulletin

Sacred Heart Calendar of Events

Mon., May 18: Mass 7:00 pm
 Tues., May 19: Mass 8:00 am
 Thurs., May 21: Communion Service 7:30 am
 Fri., May 22: Communion Service 7:30 am

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, June 13, 2020 at 10:00 am -

Details to follow regarding number of guests and seating arrangements.

Weekly Masses at St. Alphonsus

Wednesday Mass 8:15 am Friday Mass 8:15 am
 Saturday Mass 8:15 am Sunday Mass 10:00 am

Need a Priest?

Fr. Lydon, Sacred Heart Troy 636-528-8219
 Fr. Rath, Immaculate Conception, Old Monroe
 636-661-5002

Pope Francis Intention for May

For Deacons. That deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

LECTORS

Sun. May 24 Ed O'Brien
 Sun. May 31 Sarah O'Brien

ALTAR SERVERS

Sun. May 24 Evan & Nolan Wilson, Rio Gonzalez
 Sun. May 31 Drew Hagemeyer, Jacob Heitman,
 Gabe Gonzalez

GREETERS

Sun. May 24 Rosemary Laws & Judy Robinson
 Sun. May 31 Bill & Vickie Lagemann

STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." (1 Peter 3:17)

The old line says "If you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don't get the result that was intended or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively and ask, "Why me? I did everything right!" Here's the thing - adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

Pray For

Margaret Bartold	Terry Martin
Joe & Mary Buescher	Cecile Mesker
Kim Tobiasz	Jerry Heitman
Nancy McCullough	Charlie DeMoulin
Jack Burkemper	Phyllis Galati
Leroy Schramm	Eric Mueller
Andrew Heitman	John C. Shaffer
Raymond Geosling	Bonnie Kindred
Trina Burnette	Teresa O'Driscoll
Cloyd Bridges	Glen Hagemeyer
The Merriman Family	Mike O'Brien
Bob Smith	Joe Galati
Sherrie Galati	Bill Lagemann
Jimmy Henry	Addison Mayes
Margaret Lagemann	Donna Bange
Earl Rolan	Bernard Bange
Steve Dunlap	Vernon Eisenbath
Diane DeMoulin	Chuck Bull
Mary Heitman	Makenzie Hagemeyer
Rose Dwiggins	Mary Hagemeyer
Theresa Keeteman	Kaye Byers
Megan Schramm	



I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

683 “No one can say ‘Jesus is Lord’ except by the Holy Spirit.” “God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, ‘Abba! Father!’” this knowledge of faith is possible only in the Holy Spirit: to be in touch with Christ, we must first have been touched by the Holy Spirit. He comes to meet us and kindles faith in us. By virtue of our Baptism, the first sacrament of the faith, the Holy Spirit in the Church communicates to us, intimately and personally, the life that originates in the Father and is offered to us in the Son.

Baptism gives us the grace of new birth in God the Father, through his Son, in the Holy Spirit. For those who bear God’s Spirit are led to the Word, that is, to the son, and the Son presents them to the Father, and the Father confers incorruptibility on them. And it is impossible to see God’s Son without the Spirit, and no one can approach the Father without the Son, for the knowledge of the Father is the Son, and the knowledge of God’s Son is obtained through the Holy Spirit.

684 Through his grace, the Holy Spirit is the first to awaken faith in us and to communicate to us the new life, which is to “know the Father and the one whom he has sent, Jesus Christ.” But the Spirit is the last of the persons of the Holy Trinity to be revealed. St. Gregory of Nazianzuz, the Theologian, explains this progression in terms of the pedagogy of divine “condescension”:

The Old Testament proclaimed the Father clearly, But the Son more obscurely. The New Testament revealed the Son and gave us a glimpse of the divinity of the Spirit. Now the Spirit dwells among us and grants us a clearer vision of himself. It was not prudent, when the divinity of the Father had not yet been confessed, to proclaim the Son openly and, when the divinity of the Son was not yet admitted, to add the Holy Spirit as an extra burden, to speak somewhat daringly. . . By advancing and progressing “from glory to glory,” the light of the Trinity will shine in ever more brilliant rays.

685 To believe in the Holy Spirit is to profess that the Holy Spirit is one of the persons of the Holy Trinity, consubstantial with the Father and the Son: “with the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.” For this reason, the divine mystery of the Holy Spirit was already treated in the context of Trinitarian “theology.” Here, however, we have to do with the Holy Spirit only in the divine “economy.”

READING FOR May 18 - May 24

Monday	Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4a
Tuesday	Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11
Wednesday	Acts 17:15,22-18:1; John 16:12-15
Thursday	Acts 18:1-8; John 16:16-20
Friday	Acts 18: 9-18; John 16:20-23
Saturday	Acts 18: 23-28; John 16:23b-28
Sunday	Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Matthew 28:16-20

St. John I - Monday, May 18

When John ascended the chair of Peter in 523, the Arians ruled Rome in the person of the Ostrogoth King Theodoric. Of John’s papacy we know little, but for the account of his embassy to Emperor Justin I of Constantinople, taken at the insistence of Theodoric. John’s mission: To stop the persecution of the Arian sect under Justin. Although John rejected the Arian heresy, he nevertheless worked to secure the rights of the Arians to worship in peace. This was not enough for Theodoric. Convinced that John had turned traitor, he placed the pope under arrest when he returned to Italy. John became gravely ill and died in prison in 526. He is accounted a martyr.

St. Bernardine of Siena - Wednesday, May 20

Orphaned young, Bernardine received a solid classical education before entering the Franciscan Friars Minor in 1402. He was the great promoter of the reforms of the Observant Franciscans, and authored treatises on ascetic and mystical theology as well as writings on the Blessed Virgin Mary. A powerful preacher, Bernardine spread devotion to the Holy Name: “The name of Jesus is the glory of preachers, because the shining splendor of that name causes his Word to be proclaimed and heard. And how do you think such an immense, sudden, and dazzling light of faith came into the world, if not because Jesus was preached?” Bernardine died in 1444.

St. Rita of Cascia - Friday, May 22

Rita was born into an Italian peasant family in 1381. She desired to remain a virgin, but her parents insisted that she marry. When her husband was the victim of a politically motivated murder, Rita’s sons vowed to avenge his death. Rita prayed that this might be prevented, and both sons died of natural causes before they could act. Afterward, Rita joined the Augustinians in Cascia and pursued an intense prayer life. She died in 1457 after protracted illness. “If we ask St. Rita for the secret to the extraordinary work of social and spiritual renewal, she replies: fidelity to the Love that was crucified. Rita, with Christ and like Christ, goes to the cross always and only through love. (St. John Paul II)

St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions –May 21

Christopher Magallanes and twenty-four others were murdered in Mexico from 1915 to 1937, most during the Cristeros uprising. This revolt pitted Catholic peasants against the violently anti-clerical Mexican government. The Cristeros sometimes took up arms, but each of these men, in obedience to the Mexican bishops, refused to fight. To a man, they humbly accepted death, praising God and blessing their executioners. “I am innocent and I die innocent. I forgive with all my heart those responsible for my death, and I ask God that the shedding of my blood may serve to bring peace to divided Mexicans” were Magallanes’ final words.