

# MAY 23, 2021

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

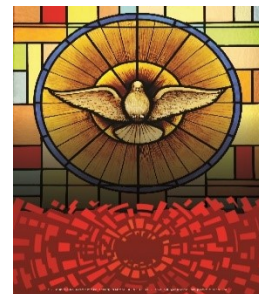
**ACTS. 2: 1-11.** They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in different tongues.

**PSALM 104.** Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

**1 CORINTHIANS. 12: 3b-7, 12-13.** These are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit.

**JOHN. 20: 19-23.** As the Father has sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

**GOD'S WORD TODAY: The Spirit: the 'birth' of the Church.** Pentecost is a moment of profound realization and transformation for the community of disciples. The faith they had received, the wonders they had witnessed and the Word they had heard came together in a new understanding, clarity, unity and courage to begin the work Jesus had entrusted to them. In Jesus' "breathing" upon them the new life of the Spirit, the community of the Resurrection—the Church—takes flight. That same Spirit continues to "blow" through today's Church to give life and direction to our mission and ministry to preach the Gospel to every nation, to proclaim the forgiveness and reconciliation in God's name, to baptize all humanity into the life of Jesus' Resurrection.



### INTENTIONS FOR OUR WEEKLY LITURGIES

#### MONDAY-5/24

8:00 A.M.

#### **Mother's Day Novena Intentions**

*The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church*

#### TUESDAY-5/25

8:00 A.M.

#### **Francis Errigo (Louise Fitzgerald)**

*Ss. Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church*

*Gregory VII, Pope, St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, Virgin*

#### WEDNESDAY-5/26

8:00 A.M.

#### **Mother's Day Novena Intentions**

*St. Philip Neri, priest*

#### THURSDAY-5/27

8:00 A.M.

#### **Michael Kitchura (Annette O'Bell)**

*St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop*

#### FRIDAY-5/28

8:00 A.M.

#### **Mother's Day Novena Intentions**

#### SATURDAY-5/29

4:00 P.M.

**Rose, Joseph & David Arvay (Christine Berry & Fam.)**

#### SUNDAY-5/30-THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

8:00 A.M.

**Joseph Robinson (Rich Robinson)**

10:30 A.M.

**Mary Ann Monahan & Decd of the Nemetz Fam. (The Family)**

#### 12:00 P.M.-SPANISH MASS

People of the Parish

**WORD OF LIFE:** "The Lord says to us, 'Do not fear: I am with you' (Isaiah 41:10).

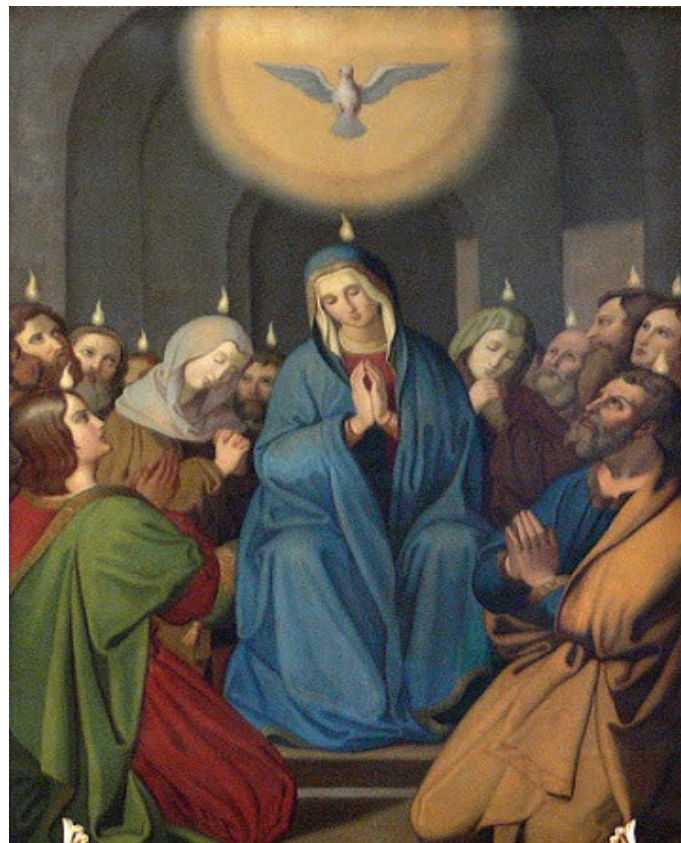
He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his sufferings indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God. Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new.

~USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

"Be Not Afraid"

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**THE RECTORY OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY, MAY 28TH**



### OUR WEEKLY COLLECTION MAY 23, 2021

OFFERTORY	\$3,698.15
ON-LINE GIVING	\$45.00
DUES/SALARY	\$465.00
ASCENSION THU.	\$381.00
EASTER	\$45.00
SECOND COLLECTION	\$168.00
<b>INCOME=\$4,802.15</b>	
<b>AVERAGE WEEKLY EXPENSES=\$4,803.34</b>	

### COUNTERS FOR MONDAY MAY 24, 2021

**Diane Chelik**  
**Theresa Daley**

**PLEASE SEE SPECIAL BULLETIN  
INSERT REGARDING COVID-19  
UPDATES.**



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**LORD SEND OUT YOUR SPIRIT:**

In today's responsorial psalm the Church sings out: "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth." All three readings describe how God has answered that prayer already. In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles and in the Gospel passage from John, we read of astonishing events that called covering disciples to step out of hiding and proclaim news that would condemn them and change the world

forever! In the second reading Paul's words reach out into the future to us: "we were all given to drink of one Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:13). It is our task to truly pray today's psalm response. Let us together beg the Holy Spirit to renew the earth by renewing the Church, sending many more men and women to serve in various ministries.

**CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN:**

Today, we take up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ in the United States and around the world through the Internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in The Diocese of Scranton, to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the Gospel message. Support the collection today!



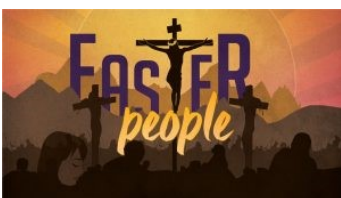
**FEAST OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH:**

Monday after the great feast of Pentecost, we celebrate the newly elevated memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church. In this way, the Church specifically recalls Mary's reception of the Holy Spirit with the Apostles at Pentecost, as well as her desire to protect all who came to her Son in His Holy Church. The many mysteries of Jesus' life that Mary pondered were brought to full understanding in her heart at Pentecost. As the Church was fully established in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, strengthening the Lord's followers to believe in and to proclaim the Gospel, the Blessed Mother was there as the foremost example of what it means to fully say yes to Jesus. Our new feast is an invitation for each of us to receive more from Mary's example of holiness and from the grace of her Son that she offers us. Let us not be afraid to ask her prayers for ourselves and for the whole Church: *O Mary, Mother of Christ, and Mother of the Church, pray for us that we might be made worthy of the promises of your Son!*"



**SENDING OF THE SPIRIT:**

This is the final day of the Easter Season. And so, let us rejoice in being God's Holy people with the privilege and responsibility of joining Christ and his Church in worshipping God. Let us thank our Father for letting his Spirit live in each one of us to guide our lives and our prayer. The Spirit is Jesus' first gift to all of us who believe.



Lord Jesus, our brother  
We love you. Help us  
to love you more.  
Have mercy on all your people  
who have been baptized in your name.  
Stir up your Spirit in our hearts  
and teach us your commandments,  
To carry our daily cross with you,

and to see you in all we meet. Lord Jesus, help us to be an Easter people, today Amen! Holy Mary, pray for the people of God. Amen.

**EASTER COLLECTION 2021:** At the close of this Easter Season this year's collection totaled **\$8,359.00** as compared to Last year's which totaled **\$6,350.00**. Thank You for your generosity to the Parish!

**Easter**



**Offering**

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!** The Catholic Women's Conference, Refresh Your Faith, will be held on June 19, 2021 at Marywood University campus. The event will take place in an outdoor tent on the campus. The theme of "With Merciful Love" will be addressed by keynote speakers, Father Chris Alar and Sister Virginia Joy. Taylor Tripodi will provide spiritual music. \$40 for live outdoor tent seating; \$20 for Virtual Live Streaming. For more information and to register, visit [www.cwnepa.com](http://www.cwnepa.com)



**SONNY SAYS:** A teacher showed her class a picture of "Whistlers Mother" and asked her children to jot down their impressions of the painting. One little boy wrote, "It's a nice old lady waiting for the repairman to bring back her TV set."

**SPIRITUAL ADOPTION:**

You're in the homestretch with your spiritually adopted baby. He is completely formed, and has been since 8 weeks. All he is doing now is gaining weight and making his mother uncomfortable with his size. Bet she's not worried now. In a short time, her baby will be born. She has planned to bring her baby home or to place her baby for adoption. Either way, she knows she can receive the assistance she needs from the Catholic Church and from the crisis pregnancy centers. Your baby's mother appreciates the prayers you have said for her and her baby throughout the pregnancy. It hasn't been easy, but your prayers have given her grace to seek the help she needs.



**QUO VADIS DAYS, 2021:** Quo Vadis Days 2021 will be held June 20-22 at Marywood University, Scranton. This camp is for young Catholic men in Highschool (who were in 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade during the 2020/2021 school year) to deepen their faith, learn more about all vocations, and better discern God's call in their lives. The camp will feature dynamic talks, prayer, games, sports, activities, music and more. Participants will have the opportunity to meet with Bishop Bambera, priests, and seminarians of the Diocese of Scranton. Online registration is now open at [vocations.dioceseofscranton.org](http://vocations.dioceseofscranton.org). For more information call 570-207-1452.



**MOTORCYCLE MASS:**

This week 100 cyclists gathered at Mass to remember a fallen brother, a 25 year old who died recently riding his motorcycle. May he rest in peace.

