

**CELEBRATE THE LORD'S DAY MASSES:**



(While we are not able to gather in church as a faith community to receive Jesus present in the Eucharist, Fr. Paul does continue to offer the sacrifice of the Mass each day for our intentions as listed below. At minimum for the Sunday obligation, We can participate in Mass through many forms: Online live streaming with Bishop Doherty from the Cathedral (or many other churches offer live streaming of the Mass), on our website with Bishop Barron, EWTN, Catholic Radio of Indy (89.1 or 90.9) our Word Among Us books have daily Mass readings, or the following:

**SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen*

**LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**May 31, 2020**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**Monday, June 1**

No Mass

**Tuesday, June 2**

Betty Cain

**Wednesday, June 3**

Molly Jo May

**Thursday, June 4**

Martha Kistler

**Friday, June 5**

Rick Charnley

**Saturday, June 6**

5:00p.m...Edgar & Elsie Gillis, Sr.

**Sunday, June 7**

8:30a.m...Walter & Frances Schuhmacher

10:30a.m...Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. John's

**PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS**

**FOR MAY:**

**For Deacons**

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

**Weekly Prayer Corner:**

**FACE TO FACE**

O Jesus, whose face is the sole beauty that ravishes my heart, I pray you to imprint in me your divine likeness, and I beg you to so inflame me with your love that I t may quickly consume me and I may soon reach the vision of your glorious face in heaven.

*--St. Therese of Lisieux*

**CONTINUED CONTRIBUTIONS**

If at all possible, please continue to keep your contributions up-to-date and mail them to the office both for St. Mary's or St. John's to:

**St. John's Church**

**213 S. Spring St.**

**Hartford City, IN 47348**

Many thanks to all that have been mailing in contributions. Your continued efforts are greatly appreciated.

**Contact Janice Jackson at 765-348-1521 to include someone on prayer chain.**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

*June 1: [The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church] Gn 3: 9-15; 20; Jn 19: 25: 34*

*June 2: [Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, martyrs] 2 Pt 3: 12-15a, 17-18; Mk 12: 13-17*

*June 3: [St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, martyrs] 2 Tm 1: 1-3, 6-12; Mk 12: 18-27*

*June 4: 1 Tm 2: 8-15; Mk 12: 28-34*

*June 5: [St. Boniface, bishop & martyr] 2 Tm 3: 10-17; Mk 12: 35-37*

*June 6: [St. Norbert, bishop] 2 Tm 4: 1-8; Mk 12; 38-44*

*June 7: [The Most Holy Trinity] Ex 34: 4b-6, 8-9; 2 Cor 13: 11-13; Jn 3: 16-18*

**WELCOME BACK, WE HAVE MISSED YOU!**



**REPORT ROSARY TOTALS**

Throughout the month of May, in honor of Mary and mother's everywhere, we have been praying the rosary in honor Mary and for an end to the pandemic as requested by Pope Francis.

Please Contact Diana with the total number of times you prayed the rosary during the month (we don't need names) and a donation for each one will be made to the Helping Hands Pregnancy Care Center in Montpelier for St. John's and the Portland Pregnancy Care Center for St. Mary's. Thank you for uniting in prayer and for helping us pass along the power of prayer.

**Don't forget to check in with your neighbor and help those in need of food, meds, or just old- fashioned communication...and prayer!**

**FRUITFUL HARVEST UPDATE:**

Congratulations to St. Mary's in reaching their goal of \$13,696 during this past month. They will soon be receiving their 10% rebate check.

St. John's is only \$2,212 short of their goal of \$44,717. We have until the end of August for all payments to be credited to this campaign.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

*Eucharistic Adoration usually takes place the first Friday of each month. As we are not yet able to gather for Adoration, you might consider spending an hour in the presence of your crucifix in prayer with the Lord this Friday.*

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

**St. Mary's**

Sunday Collection: \$210.00

Needed Weekly: \$887.87

**St. John's**

Sunday Collection: \$1,655.00

Food Pantry: \$100.00

Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23

**In the second reading today, St. Paul reminds the Corinthians, "There are different gifts, but the same Spirit; there are different ministries but the same Lord." How am I using my gifts "for the common good"?**



**CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES**

Graduation is a major milestone in a young adult's life. This year that milestone seemed even more insurmountable, but nevertheless, it was conquered. Our cluster parishes wish to offer our graduates prayers and blessings as they begin the next phase of their young adult lives. May the faith instilled in them continue to grow and flourish and shine forth in all their endeavors.

Congratulations to our graduate from St. Mary's:

**Calli Stigleman**

And from St. John's our graduates:

**Bethany Elkins**

**Kayli Henderson**

**Joey Payne**

**Kiara Shields**

**Cameron Rinker**

**"Please know the dispensation from the obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation remains in effect until August 15. In particular, those who are experiencing any sickness, those whose health is in some way compromised, those who are fearful of the possible infection of COVID-19, and those over the age of 65 should consider staying home..."**



## GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:

**ACTS 2:1-11; PS 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34;**  
**1 COR 12:3B-7, 12-13; JN 20:19-23**

Throughout our readings today, we see the amazing truth that the Holy Spirit gives us gifts and guidance in a very personal way. We are meant to use these gifts to build up the Body of Christ in a way that is unique to each one of us.

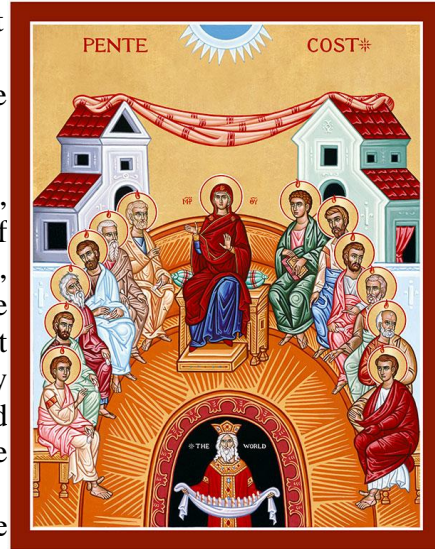
Our first reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, recalls the dramatic moment when the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the apostles.

“Suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.”

Notice how personal and individual is this outpouring of the Spirit. This personalized way of “gifting” the apostles allowed them each to reach different people, sharing with them the “mighty acts of God.” Embracing the stewardship way of life means that we allow the Holy Spirit to guide us in the best use of the unique gifts He has given to each of us, to accomplish the particular mission entrusted to us.

Jesus gives us this mission in our Gospel passage from John. “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” But we must not let this responsibility overwhelm us. Jesus Himself, tells us so — “Peace be with you.”

As this Easter season comes to a close, let us be at peace. And let us resolve to lean on the Holy Spirit more and more as our guide through the stewardship way of life.



## RETURNING TO MASS

I request that we can act in supportive and prayerful solidarity, even when opinions differ on the best way to proceed. Our reopening does not mean an immediate return of all of our worship, sacramental, and social practices. Items basic to our advisories are:

- Anyone who has fever symptoms should stay home
- Communion in the hand is what we are asking out of charity for our extraordinary ministers, the next people in procession, and our clergy
- Necessary social distancing between people of different households means that numbers admitted for a single Mass may be limited
- An expectation that worshippers will wear face masks
- People will not congregate before or after Mass inside or outside church

The precautions that we exercise are not expressions of fearfulness, but of love of neighbor and care for the vulnerable. It is understood that churches will take care to observe a standard of cleanness, but are not able to provide a sterile environment. Until we can gather more freely, trust that Our Lord has always really been present in the reading of Scripture, in our daily prayers and private devotions.

In Christ, Bishop Timothy Doherty

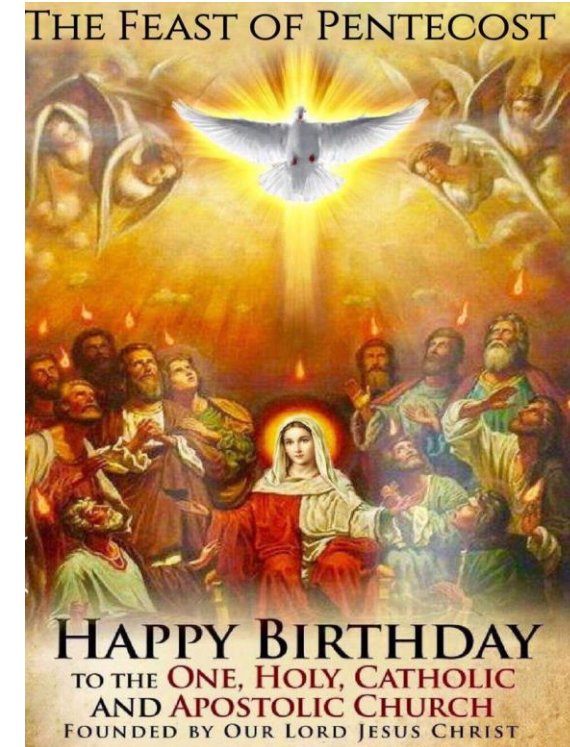
## SUNDAY REFLECTION:

By: Douglas Sousa, S.T.L.

That first Pentecost Sunday found the apostles in the upper room gathered in prayer. In many ways, we find ourselves in a similar situation as the apostles did on that first Pentecost Sunday.

Just so, the apostles experienced a longing for the Lord. Only ten days earlier, Jesus had ascended into heaven. He was taken from their sight and their only consolation was his promise, “You will receive power from on high.” With longing for their Lord, they prayed fervently until the promise was fulfilled on that first Pentecost Sunday.

We have good news for a world that is growing weary of division, hatred, and negativity. It is the saving message of a God who is with us, who brings good out of all situations, and who loves us unconditionally. It is the good news of a God whose Spirit empowers us to bring light to the dark places of this world and hope to those who despair. He leads us out of confinement, out of fear, to embrace new possibilities.



## PENTECOST SUNDAY

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the parish office about preparation. The sacrament is normally celebrated with the community during Mass.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are available by appointment as well as: St. Mary, by appointment  
St. John, the first Saturday and third Saturday 4:00pm.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office to begin the preparation at least six months in advance.

### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Generally, Fr. Paul is available after Mass for anointing, or you may contact the parish office to arrange a time.

### RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Sessions for children and youth (grades pre3-12) are available on Sunday morning. Contact the parish office for details.

## The Clustered Parishes Of

**St. Mary, Dunkirk**

**St. John the Evangelist,  
Hartford City**

**Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana**

**Pastor, Fr. Paul Hudson**

### PARISH OFFICES

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#### St. Mary, Dunkirk

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Parish Office: 765-348-3889  
Church Basement: 765-768-1283

#### St. John the Evangelist, Hartford City

213 S. Spring St., Hartford City, IN 47348  
Parish Office: 765-348-3889  
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### PARISH REGISTRATION

Visitors are always welcome. Residents are invited to join the community by calling the parish office.

### RCIA

People interested in knowing about the Catholic faith and way of life meet each week. Contact the parish office for information