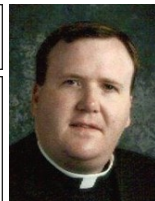


Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 8
5:00 p.m.
 St. Louis Parish
Sunday, June 9
8:00 a.m.
 Billy Cross (D)
10:30 a.m.
 Marie Palumbo (L)
Tuesday, June 11
6:00 p.m.
 (No Mass)
Wednesday, June 12
8:30 a.m.
 (No Mass)
Thursday, June 13
6:00 p.m.
 Joseph Broadnax (D)
Friday, June 14
8:30 a.m.
 James and Midge Payne (D)
Saturday, June 15
5:00 p.m.
 Olga Torres (D)
Sunday, June 16
8:00 a.m.
 St. Louis Parish
10:30 a.m.
 Edward Veccia (D)
 Richard Sullivan (D)



THE PASTOR'S PEN

Dear Parish Family,

Today the Easter season concludes with Pentecost Sunday, commemorating that day in the budding Church when the Father and the Son poured out the Holy Spirit in a special way on the Apostles and they took up the mission of proclaiming the Gospel throughout the whole world. The Holy Spirit throughout the Church's history has showered down gifts upon her to keep her faithful to the teaching she received from Our Lord, and to keep the fires burning to inspire hearts to turn to Our Lord and be reconciled with God and with man.

In today's First Reading, with wind and fire, the Holy Spirit is poured out upon the Twelve in a way that cannot be contained. It's a sign no one can ignore. A rushing wind and tongues of fire. It draws a crowd. It's a sign everyone can understand. It goes beyond the barriers of language to help humanity reunite once again in the Spirit. It's the sign everyone has been seeking: the truth about God, the world, and man. Every point of origin the shocked witnesses mention today was a full-fledged Christian by the time St. Luke wrote the Acts of the Apostles. The fire of the Holy Spirit spread like wildfire, uncontrollable.

In today's Second Reading Paul reminds us that the presence and action of the Holy Spirit are often perceived as gifts, gifts for the edification and unity of the Church. The Holy Spirit gifts us the gift of prayer to express in faith that Jesus is Lord. The spiritual gifts are unified in the Church through their source: the Holy Spirit. The ways we serve are unified in serving Our Lord. All the workings of the Spirit in us come from God. Each gift is for our benefit, another's, or both.

In today's Gospel, we're reminded of one of the Spirit's greatest gifts, a gift Our Lord conferred to the Apostles on the eve of his

Resurrection: the gift of reconciliation with God. Our Lord first bestows the gift of reconciliation with his dearest friends, the friends who abandoned him in his moment of need: "Peace be with you." It's no coincidence that he repeats this desire for reconciliation even as he is breathing the Holy Spirit upon them. It is the Holy Spirit who makes reconciliation possible. The Spirit raised Jesus from the dead and gave him new life so that reconciliation would be possible. One of the most saddening ways to break off a relationship with someone is to say, "you are dead to me;" In God's eyes, even in those situations, the Spirit can make that person come alive again through the grace of mercy, whether mercy received or mercy given. The separation between God and man, recalled by the story of the Tower of Babel, is reversed by the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost: in pride, man distanced himself from God and his fellow man, and communication broke down. Through the gift of tongues, the Holy Spirit reestablishes the lines of communication. In the Spirit, man reconciles not only with God but with his fellow man.

Come Holy Spirit!

Peace to you and yours,
 Fr. Stevens

CONGRATULATIONS

*Volunteer of the Month for June is Christian Lara. Thanks for all you do for St. Louis, Christian!

MASS INTENTIONS

Contact the office if you wish to schedule a Mass for a particular intention



CHURCH FLOWERS

The Flower Ministry is an important part of creating a beautiful environment for worship. Would you like to donate money for flowers for a special weekend? Your donation could be in remembrance of a loved one or a special occasion in your life. Call the office to get details.

TIME / TALENT / TREASURE
 June 15/16

Extraordinary Ministers
 Of Holy Communion

5:00 p.m. T. Graham, (Open)
 8:00 a.m. W. Vargo, J. Vargo
 10:30 a.m. R. Spanarelli, F. Spanarelli

Lectors

5:00 p.m. B. Stich, K. Radford
 8:00 a.m. T. Sobon, (Open)
 10:30 a.m. D. Busch, R. Patterson

Sacristans

5:00 p.m. Pullens
 8:00 a.m. T. Sobon
 10:30 a.m. V. Wall

Altar Servers

5:00 p.m. (Open) (Open)
 8:00 a.m. V. Nguyen, (Open)
 10:30 a.m. To. Binitie, (Open)

Liturgical Assistants

5:00 p.m. R. Larson
 8:00 a.m. G. Brown
 10:30 a.m. (Open)

For Sunday, May 26

(update for June 2 next weekend)

Offertory this week:	\$3,225.00
Target:	\$4,198.85
Collected vs. Target for month	\$303.17
Collected vs. Target since July	\$30,441.75
Projected Offertory for year:	\$282,474.23
Annual Budget:	\$250,000.00

Building Fund this week	\$406.00
Collected this month:	\$2,628.00
Target for the month:	\$2,713.00
Collected since July	\$27,904.00
Collected vs. Target since July	-\$1,939.00

Improvements Collections	\$92.00
Total collected to date:	\$6,876.00

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
 FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Please consider donating non-perishable food items for the Catholic Charities Food Pantry. Please place donations in the collection box located in the parish hall.

FARM SHARE

Our Parish gives a special "Thank You" to each participant who gave time and energy to make our Farm Share a successful event.



HOMELESS SHELTER

Many thanks to all who consistently give generously by putting food and supplies in the "gray bin" for our community's homeless members. This monthly ministry guarantees a healthy meal to over 250 adults on the first Saturday of each month at the Kearney Center. Keep up the good works, St Louis!

SACRED HEART OF JESUS,
 IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
 * FEAST OF THE TWO HEARTS *



At St. Louis Catholic Church. Mass at 7:00 p.m., Friday, June 28, follow by Adoration to continue through the night until Saturday June 29 at 8:30 a.m. Quiet time with a Scriptural Rosary along with meditative readings. Please consider signing up for an hour of Adoration or to lead in a decade of the rosary. Contact Marshall 544-2698, Martin6234@gmail.com or Donna at 544-2070, donnazroberts@comcast.net
 Sponsored by Lay Carmelites.

JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC
 HIGH SCHOOL

John Paul II Catholic High School is now accepting resumes for a Science teacher. The ideal applicant will be a practicing Catholic. Candidates must be dedicated, highly organized, and energetic educators, with high standards for academic excellence. Applicants must be certified in Florida, or eligible to obtain certification if certified in another state. The ideal candidates are organized, flexible, current in latest teaching trends and standards, are technologically savvy, good at class management, have the ability to collaborate with other staff members, and can pass all required fingerprinting and background checks as required by the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee and the State of Florida.

Please submit your resume and cover letter to Mrs. Joanna Copenhaver at joannacopenhaver@jpiichs.org.

AMPLIFY
 Middle School Camp

This summer middle school youth across the diocese will assemble to be forged into BRAVE witnesses for Christ. Will you be among them? If you just finished grades 6-8 and are ready to AMP UP your faith with prayer and the sacraments, meet new people, and get crazy with games that are messy and wet then AMPLIFY is for you! We'll have dynamic college mentors and awesome adults with us all week. Accept the call and join us at Holy Name of Jesus parish in Niceville for AMPLIFY on July 25-28. The cost is only \$140 and partial scholarships are available. For more information on how to register contact youth@ptdiocese.org or 850-435-3532. The deadline to register is July 1.