

# Holy Family Parish

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#### **EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES**

Holy Family

Tuesday ... 8 AM

Wednesday ... 8 AM

Saturday....4 PM

Sunday.....11 AM

Holy Days & Civil Holidays:

Consult the Mass schedule in the

Bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday at 3 PM or by appointment

St Anne

Monday....8AM

Thursday....8AM

First Friday .. 8 AM (preceded by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament).. 7-8 AM

Saturday...4:30 PM

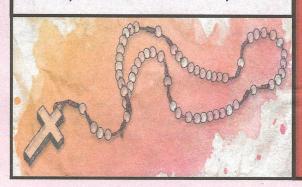
Sunday.....8 AM & 11 AM

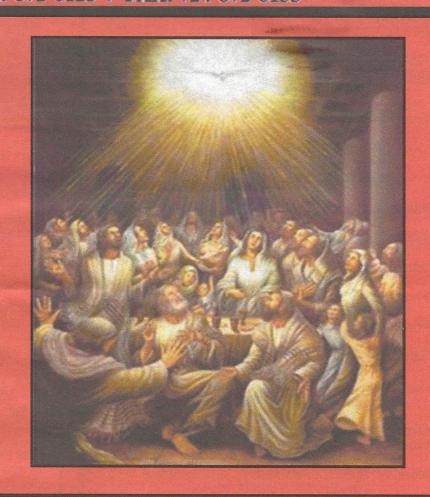
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## JUNE 5, 2022 PENTECOST SUNDAY

#### **PARISH STAFF**

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### **WORSHIP TOGETHER**

## Pentecost Sunday

Let us Pray for the Conversion of the World & for Peace

Over the past several weeks, both in the daily morning Masses as well as with the weekend Masses, we have been hearing Jesus' "Final Discourse Prayer" that He is sharing with the Apostles at the Last Supper. We've heard it so much that we may have become bored in the repetition of it. However, I think the repetition is important because it is revealing to us the importance of what Jesus is praying for. He is praying, first of all, for the Apostles and for their protection. He then prays for their unity just as He and the Father are one. Finally Jesus prays for you and me and for all people until the end of time – for our protection and for our unity. And then Jesus tells them that He will eventually send to them the Holy Spirit – the Paraclete, to be with them for all time, Who will protect them, strengthen them, and keep them united in The Call that Jesus gave to them.

Recently, as I was going thru the morning news (on-line, of course), after reading the headlines, I turned to the comic page. Anyone who reads the comics knows that there can be found in them a hidden wealth of wisdom. Blondie — we're all familiar with this comic — caught my eye on that particular morning. Dagwood arrives at work and greets his receptionist with a box of candy and wishes her a Happy Receptionist Day and then adds: "it's the least I can do for you watching my back all year!" And off he goes to his desk where he puts his feet on the desk and dozes off, while the receptionist takes a call and says: "I'm not sure

if Mr. Bumstead is available...

Sometimes we say that to others – we'll watch their backs | or we got you covered. In other words we're saying we're watching out for them to protect them. That's what Jesus is telling His Apostles in His prayer - that He will always be "watching their backs" and "ours" to protect us from the evil one/ the Devil/ Satan. Jesus will always be watching and covering us through the Holy Spirit. Are we open to the protection He

provides?

In the Scripture readings for this Pentecost Sunday we are reflecting on the outpouring of God's Spirit upon the Apostles and Mary – as promised by Jesus before His Ascension. So often we refer to that day as "the first Pentecost." But, really, it wasn't the first one. Pentecost was actually a Spring Harvest Festival for the Jewish people. When we think of "penta" our minds should automatically think of FIVE, such as the Pentagon – FIVE sided. Well, the Jewish Pentecost occurred FIFTY days after Passover. Our Pentecost occurs FIFTY days after Easter. All that aside, when the Holy Spirit came upon the Apostles and Mary they were strengthened and given the courage to leave those locked doors, going out into the world to proclaim the message they had received from Jesus, as well as the message of His Resurrection and Ascension. And thru it all their "backs would be covered" so that the message could be delivered.

We, too, are empowered with that same Holy Spirit. We, too, like them, are called to share the good news, to watch out for one another, to protect each other from dangers – whatever they may be: spiritual

or physical dangers.

The other day, after I did my Communion visits, I went to ALDI's to do some grocery shopping. Coming out of the store and returning to my car with my purchases, I watched as two cars tried to back out of their spaces to leave. (These were older cars without the new "back-up" radar that alerts the driver if another car or pedestrian is coming your way). These two cars were opposite each other, neither driver checking if it was clear to back up, each of the cars headed for each other. In a humorous way (because of visiting with Alzheimer patients), I just shouted out like a traffic cop "STOP!", and then proceeded to direct the one driver, then the other to safely exit, and then direct another driver into one of the free parking spots.

Humorous, crazy, call it what you want. But all of us encounter opportunities in which we can protect others – spiritually or physically. Jesus continues to watch over us, as He prayed to the Father in that Final Discourse Prayer. Each of us is empowered by the Holy Spirit – not only on the day of our Baptism, not only when we were Confirmed, not only on Pentecost, but every day of our lives – to share the gift we have received with others, sharing the Good News, and in sharing that News we either bring others to Christ, or

we protect them from danger.

The late Blessed Oscar Romero, Archbishop of El Salvador, said on Pentecost Sunday 1978: "It will always be Pentecost in the Church, provided the Church lets the beauty of the Holy Spirit shine forth from Her countenance. When the Church ceases to let Her strength rest on the Power from above which Christ promised Her and which He gave Her on that day, and when the Church leans rather on the weak forces of the power of wealth of this Earth, then the Church ceases to be newsworthy. The Church will be fair to see, perennially young, attractive in every age, as long as She is faithful to the Spirit that floods Her and She reflects that Spirit through Her communities, through Her pastors, through Her very life."

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We are members of the Church – Capital "C" Church. Not just the priests, not just the hierarchy, but all of us. This weekend, as we again commemorate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit into the world upon the Apostles and Mary, may we, like them pray to, not only receive that same Spirit into our lives, but like them to be willing to cooperate with the Spirit so that we, too, can "renew the face of the Earth" (from Psalm

104: "Lord send out Your Spirit and renew the face of the Earth").

First Reading:

And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. (Acts 2:4)

Psalm:

Lord, send out Your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (Ps 104)

Second Reading:

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are Sons of God. (Rom 8:14)

Gospel: "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit Whom the Father will send in My Name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I had told you." (Jn 14:26)

Readings for the week of June 5, 2022

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 *Day*: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 6, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday:1 Kgs 17:7-16/Ps 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 5:13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39/Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab

and 8, 11/Mt 5:17-19 Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13/Mt

Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13 -14/Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Mt 5:33-37 Next Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2a]/

Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15

Observances for the week of June 5, 2022

Sunday: Pentecost Sunday; St. Boniface, Bishop

and Martyr

Monday: Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; St. Norbert, Bishop

Thursday: St. Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the

Church

Saturday: St. Barnabas, Apostle Next Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity

#### Matters of Sexual Misconduct Information

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone - please contact PA ChildLine immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the ChildLine number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.

### 4:00 PM | Saturday, June 4

Lector:Landini Eucharistic Minister: Landini

### 11:00 AM | Sunday, June 5

Lector: Materkowski Eucharistic Minister: Luzi

### 4:00 PM | Saturday, June 11

Lector: Keegan Eucharistic Minister: Page

### 11:00 AM | Sunday, June 12

Lector: Beneccio Eucharistic Minister: Ouinn

## **Mass Intentions** Saturday, 6/4

For: Hazel Keegan

From: Pat & Steve Shirley

Sunday, 6/5

For: All Graduates

Tuesday, 6/7 Weekday

For: Living & Deceased Members of Holy Family Church

## Wednesday, 6/8 Weekday

For: Deceased of the Kemmery Family From: John & Sandy

Saturday, 6/11

For: Andy Chopp From: Rita Pruni & Mike

Sunday, 6/12

For: Living & Deceased Members of Holy Family Church





### **Upcoming**

June 5

**Graduation Mass** 

11 AM

## Congratulations to Holy Family's High School Graduates being honored today:

NICOLE BAGAY NOAH LEHNER EMILY RYCKMAN MARY DUCOEUR ELYSSA RYCKMAN ZACKARY TOMAN

### **Faith Formation News**

The Faith Formation program is looking for a thirdgrade teacher for the upcoming 2022-2023 faith formation school year. No experience is necessary only a good understanding of our Catholic Faith and a want to teach the children of our churches about God and his love for them. For more information, please email Angela Ehrhardt at

<u>aehrhardt@dioceseofgreensburg.com</u> or by calling her 724-984-9255.

Information has been mailed to the parents of 8th graders who will be making Confirmation this fall. If you have a child -- attending public or catholic school -- and have not received this information, please contact Rachel Lewis at 724-797-2216 or *rlewis@dioceseofgreensburg.org*.

Please note in order to receive the sacrament, your child must have completed 7<sup>th</sup> grade faith formation classes.

## **SUMMER FAITH FUN NIGHTS**

If you are a teenager or an adult who would like to volunteer and help at the three evening Faith Fun Nights planned for this summer, please join Angela Ehrhardt for a meeting in the social hall on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> after the 12:15 PM. If you have any questions, please contact Angela at <a href="mailto:aehrhardt@dioceseofgreensburg.org">aehrhardt@dioceseofgreensburg.org</a> or 724-984-9255 or calling the Faith Formation Office.

### <u>Ultimate Thursdays – Fun, Faith, and</u> <u>Fraternity</u>

Inviting all high school young men entering grades 9-12 for the upcoming academic year! Please join us for *Ultimate Thursdays* this summer on June 9, 23, and July 7 at Christ Our Shepherd Center. The evening includes brotherhood, a game of ultimate frisbee, food, prayer, and a halftime talk offered by the seminarians. For more information and registration please visit GreensburgPriest.org.

## GODPARENT/CONFIRMATION SPONSOR CERTIFICATE:

For a Catholic to be a sponsor for the Sacraments of Baptism or Confirmation, one must be a practicing Catholic regularly attending Sunday Mass and receiving the Sacraments, a registered member of the Parish and a faithful contributor to the support of the Parish for a minimum of four months. All requests for a certificate should be made four weeks in advance of the designated date needed for sponsorship.

## Seven Dolors Parish, Yukon, hosting 'Catholics Returning Home' series

Seven Dolors Parish, Yukon, is hosting a "Catholics Returning Home" series Wednesdays through June 1 from 7-8:30 p.m. in the parish hall. The series is for people who would like to renew their relationship with the Catholic Church, be closer to God and seek answers to questions about their faith. Programs will be facilitated by a parishioner team/lay people under the direction of Father Vincent A. Yee Concepcion, pastor, and conducted in a support group format. Participants may attend as many sessions as they wish. For more information or to register, contact Maureen Knack at 724-220-4238 or sevendolorsCRH@gmail.com.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND HOLY COMMUNION: Anointing and Holy Communion are available upon request to those who are sick, elderly or homebound. Families are requested to call the Parish Office to arrange a visit.

#### DLA

<u>UP-TO-DATE DLA RECEIPTS</u>: We have reached our Diocesan goal of \$24,672 for this year's campaign with 44.3% participation. Our Parish goal is \$11,046, so we have \$3388.00 towards that goal. Your support is greatly appreciated and we thank you for your Donations.

## Financial Report for 5/31/2022

Offertory: \$2,467.00 Loose: \$600.00 Monthly: \$125.00 Candle: \$63.00

Ascension: \$513.00

Parish Income: \$3,768.00

Catholic Comm.: \$20.00 Catholic Accent: \$6.00

Total Offertory: \$3,794.00

## Unbound conference June 10-11 at Our Lady of Grace Parish, Greensburg

An Unbound conference is set for Friday, June 10, from 6:30-9:15 p.m., and Saturday, June 11, from 8:45 a.m.-3 p.m. at Our Lady of Grace Parish, Greensburg. Presenter will be Benedictine Father Boniface Hicks. Unbound is "a simple and gentle approach that will teach you how to claim the freedom that Jesus promised in the Gospels, to discover God's purpose for your life and to be free of fear, anxiety, sadness and emotional wounds. For information, visit

<u>unboundpghgbg.ticketbud.com/juneretreat</u> or contact Kim Hutchins at 412-817-5465.

## St. Edward Parish, Herminie Golf outing June 24

St. Edward Parish, Herminie, will hold a golf outing Friday, June 24, at the Madison Club. Cost for the four-person scramble, with a shotgun start at 9 a.m., is \$100 per person or \$400 for a foursome, which includes greens fees, cart rental, a hot dog and beverage at the turn, buffet dinner, a "guest for a day" certificate (which includes one 18-hold greens fee), skill and door prizes, and team awards. For information, contact Mike Ochap, 724-433-2181.

### Saints for this week -

## June 3 - Saint Charles Lwanga and his companions (-1885 - 1887)

Many Christians, Catholic and Protestant, were killed by the Ugandan king Mwanga. Some of them were servants in the king's palace or even his personal attendants. Charles Lwanga and his twenty-one companions (the youngest, Kizito, was only 13) were executed for being Christians, for rebuking the king for his debauchery and for murdering an Anglican missionary, for "praying from a book," and for refusing to allow themselves to be ritually sodomised by the king. They died between 1885 and 1887. Most of them were burned alive in a group after being tortured.

Within a year of their deaths, the number of catechumens in the country quadrupled. St Charles Lwanga is the patron of Catholic Action and of black African youth, and the Ugandan martyrs' feast day is a public holiday in Uganda.

## June 6 - The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

The Blessed Virgin Mary has been given the title of Mother of the Church since she gave birth to Christ, the Head of the Church, and she became the Mother of the redeemed people before her Son had given up the spirit on the Cross. Pope Paul VI solemnly confirmed the title in an address to the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council on 21 November 1964 and decreed that the whole Christian people should, by the use of this beautiful title, give still greater honour to the Mother of God.

'The joyous veneration given to the Mother of God by the contemporary Church, in light of reflection on the mystery of Christ and on his nature, cannot ignore the figure of a woman (cf. Gal 4:4), the Virgin Mary, who is both the Mother of Christ and Mother of the Church. In some ways this was already present in the mind of the Church from the premonitory words of Saint Augustine and Saint Leo the Great. In fact the former says that Mary is the mother of the members of Christ, because with charity she cooperated in the rebirth of the faithful into the Church, while the latter says that the birth of the Head is also the birth of the body, thus indicating that Mary is at once Mother of Christ, the Son of God, and mother of the members of his Mystical Body, which is the Church' (Decree of the Sacred Congregation for Divine Worship).

June 11 - Saint Barnabas was born in Cyprus. He was one of the early converts in Jerusalem and vouched for St Paul when he appeared before the elders there. He accompanied Paul on his first missionary journey and later went to Cyprus with his cousin John Mark (Mark the evangelist) to preach the gospel there. He was probably martyred at Salamis in Cyprus, some time before the year 61.