

May 31, 2020

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Saturday **Mass:** 4:00 PM
Sunday **Mass:** 10:00 AM

Sacrament of **Reconciliation**
Saturday: 3:30-3:45 PM
Sunday: 9:30-9:45 AM

Sunday **Mass:** 8:00 AM

Sacrament of **Reconciliation**
Sunday: 7:30-7:45

Saturday **Mass:** 6:00 PM
Sunday **Mass:** 12:00 noon

Sacrament of **Reconciliation**
Saturday: 5:30-5:45PM
Sunday: 11:30-11:45 AM

Sacrament of Baptism is scheduled by appointment.
Please call the parish office about sacramental preparation and to schedule your celebration.

Preparation for the Sacrament of **Marriage** requires at least six months.
Call the parish office before setting the date for your wedding.

Sacrament of **Anointing** is available upon request.

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Feast of Pentecost



"And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind."

As fire blazes in the wind you burst through all creation.

Not just in the upper room, in one place and time, but everywhere.

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PRAYER

Risen Lord, your Spirit fills the world with love and peace. Empower me to be an instrument of your peace, love and forgiveness to all people.

Hopeful Meditations for Every Easter Through Pentecost.

Rev Warren J Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

As he did on Pentecost, the Lord wants to work one of the greatest miracles we can experience; he wants to turn your hands, my hands, our hands, into signs of reconciliation, of communion, of creation. He wants your hands to continue building the world of today. And he wants to build that world with you.



Prayer vigil with young people

July 30, 2016

LIVING STEWARDSHIP... PILLAR OF FORMATION

This week, invite the Holy Spirit into your life and heart. Like the Apostles 2,000 years ago, let us be transformed by the Holy Spirit so that we can spread the Good News everywhere we go.

Pentecost Sunday is the birthday of the Church! Lord, we pray for all Priests, Religious and Deacons. We pray for all Bishops and our Pope.

Tongues

There is too much to talk about on Pentecost weekend.

Just look at all that is happening on this "feast of the Holy Spirit" (as it has been called). It is the end of our extended Easter celebration—had you remembered that Easter season has lasted for all these weeks? And the fulfillment of Jesus' promise to send the Holy Spirit (the Paraclete, the Comforter).

Also, it shows the results that this Paraclete brings about: the apostles begin speaking in tongues! Jews from all different lands and languages understand without any translation! This Paraclete means to bring us together, to allay differences, to hear the other person instead of just reacting.

Still more, Saturday night's Vigil of Pentecost includes the profound story of the Tower of Babel. The Church put it in this place apparently because the Holy Spirit is able to reverse the babbling of humankind. Of course, "babble" is a word derived from the Hebrew word "Babel," meaning "confusion of voices."

Thus, the reason Pentecost in all its diversity is a feast equal to Christmas and Easter in that it is the incarnation of the Holy Spirit into the world of men and women. All the liturgical celebrations of Pentecost, even in this era of virus, boil down to one thing:

God is placing the love that is himself deep into our own spirits! Let us trust!

FORGIVE: FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE

"Lord, do not hold this sin against them." These words were spoken by Stephen to those who were stoning him to death. Forgiveness is a hallmark of the gospel message. We are commanded by God to forgive those who have sinned against us even the most minor of offenses. The grace of Jesus' resurrection will help us with the act of forgiveness. *Forgive so that you may be filled with Easter Joy.* (Excerpts from "The Word Among Us")

LITANY OF TRUST:

From the belief that I have to earn Your love, **Deliver me, Jesus.**

From the fear that I am unlovable, **Deliver me, Jesus.**

From the false security that I have what it takes, **Deliver me Jesus.**

From the fear that trusting You will leave me more destitute, **Deliver me, Jesus.**

From all suspicion of Your words and promises, **Deliver me, Jesus.**

From the rebellion against childlike dependency on You, **Deliver me, Jesus.**

From refusals and reluctances in accepting Your will, **Deliver me, Jesus.**

From anxiety about the future, **Deliver me, Jesus.**

From resentment or excessive preoccupation with the past, **Deliver me Jesus.**

From restless self-seeking in the present moment, **Deliver me, Jesus.**

From disbelief in Your love and presence, **Deliver me Jesus.**

From the fear of being asked to give more than I have, **Deliver me, Jesus.**

From the belief that my life has no meaning or worth, **Deliver me, Jesus.**

From the fear of what love demands, **Deliver me, Jesus.**

From discouragement, **Deliver me, Jesus.**

That You are continually holding me, sustaining me, loving me, **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That Your love goes deeper than my sins and failings and transforms me, **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That not knowing what tomorrow brings is an invitation to lean on You, **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That You are with me in my suffering, **Jesus, I trust in you.**

That my suffering, united to Your own, will bear fruit in this life and the next, **Jesus, I trust in in You.**

That You will not leave me orphan, that You are present in Your Church, **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That Your plan is better than anything else, **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That You always hear me, and in Your goodness always respond to me, **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That You give me the grace to accept forgiveness and to forgive others, Jesus, I trust in You.

That You give me all the strength I need for what is asked, **Jesus, I trust in You.**

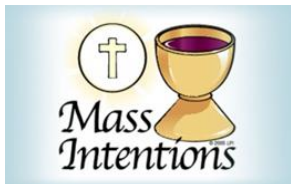
That my life is a gift, **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That You will teach me to trust You, **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That You are my Lord and my God, **Jesus, I trust in You.**

That I am Your beloved one, **Jesus, I trust in You. Amen.**

(SISTERS OF LIFE, Annunciation Motherhouse, 38 Montebello Rd.; Suffern, NY 10901; 845/357-3547; Written by Sr. Faustina Maria Pia, SV)



MAY/JUNE MASS INTENTIONS

May 31	Jeff & Gene Ogden
June 6	Bernie & Randy Ward
June 20	Ruth Wenning
June 13	Cletus & Rosella Holzer
June 27	Dale Young

COLLECTIONS – WEEK OF

April 28	\$ 1,525
May 3	\$ 585
May 10	\$ 3,295
May 17	\$ 865
Easter	\$ 75

SANTUARY LIGHT - Weeks of June 21 to July 4 – Phil Wittich

REOPENING OF ST. JOHN CHURCH

Because the majority of parishioners are over the age of 65 and are highly encouraged NOT to attend Mass; and the obligation to attend Mass does not resume until August 15; and Fr. John will not be returning for some time, the decision has been made to have one Mass at St. John's. That Mass will be on Saturday 6:00 PM Mass. There will be NO noon Mass on Sundays at this time.

Other reminders from the letter you received last week:

1. You must wear a mask to Church. If you do not have one the ushers will give you one as you enter church.
2. Only the vestibule doors will be open for entrance but you may exit at either door.
3. You must observe the physical distancing standard of 6 feet apart.

4. Hand sanitizers will be available as you enter church. You are also encouraged to bring your own to be used before you receive Holy Communion.

5. For Communion those sitting on the Blessed Mother side will come up first, remaining six feet apart. (There is tape on the floor to indicate this) After receiving the host in your hand move to the side aisle, lift your mask and consume the host. Then exit the door closest to you. (Communion will be distributed at the END of Mass.)

6. Bulletins will continue to be sent by mail or can be read on the webpage and facebook.

7. The Archbishop is asking that for the month of June you attend your home parish.

Reflections from Parishioners on Covid19:

+ It's been heartening to read stories of people who go out of their way to help others, such as the woman who helped the couple in their 80's by doing their grocery shopping; the 99 year old WW II veteran in Great Britain who raised millions of pounds for Britain's National Health Service; the Christ Redeemer statue in Rio that was lighted up to pay tribute to countries affected by the virus, and another week lighted up as a tribute to medical professionals; and lastly, the story of the full rainbow that appeared on Easter Monday over the Hudson to the delight of New Yorkers.

+ I met a neighbor's daughter-in-law for the first time when she brought me an urgent message because I was away from the phone, working in the field.

+ A parishioner had some equipment he thought a nurse could use in her work, so he donated it to her.

+ It has made me more aware of injustice in our own country: the disease has struck

communities of color disproportionately due to a long history of discrimination in medical care, the homeless have much less protection than we who have a roof over our head, the out-of-work are wondering how to feed their families and keep from having the water and electricity cut off, the members of poorer communities have no choice but to go to work and be exposed to the virus to a greater extent than we who wish we did not have to work from home, and the powerful, greedy companies who take money which is meant for small businesses who are in desperate need to keep from going under.

+ Staying at home and working from home has given us more time with family. Being home has simplified life and made us realize the things that are truly important to us.

+ My son has become a better cook and is trying new recipes.

+ I have continued to work but I have been saying a daily rosary which is something I had gotten out of the habit of doing, asking God's mercy on the whole world.

+ My daughter loves being a stay-at-home Mom at her house. She and her husband have accomplished many of the "Someday" projects they had planned



Memorial Day is an American holiday honoring the men and women who died while serving in the US Military. First celebrated May 5, 1866 in Waterloo, NY. Every Memorial Day a national moment of remembrance takes place at 3:00 PM local time.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Joe Kelly	Linda Bear	Drew Willa	Amy Kinker	Pat Grieshop	Molly Ronaldson
Natalie Brown	Amy Castner	Todd Castner	Brooke Teer	Dennis Sanders	Madeline Ronaldson
Mike Raney	John Newhart	Gary Payne	Jennifer Hayness	Marsha Meister	Gerald Hermesch
Jeff Hafft	Mary Bruns	Katie Smith	Joe Pesek	Mary Jane Jansing	Evelyn Nimeskern
Kelly Spiller	Tammy Meister	Henry Peters	Eileen Ogden	Stanley Greene	Ron Hensley