

# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF ST. MAURICE, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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## MASS SCHEDULE

TUE: 6:00 PM at St. Maurice  
WED: 8:00 AM at St. John  
THUR: 6:00 PM at IC  
FRI: 8:00 AM at St. John  
SAT: 8:00 AM at St. John  
(Holy Hour One Hour Prior to All Masses Listed Above.)

### SATURDAY VIGIL

4:00 PM at St. Maurice  
5:00 PM at St. John

### SUNDAY OBLIGATION

7:30 AM at St. John  
9:00 AM at IC  
10:00 AM at St. Maurice

## ADORATION EVERY FRIDAY

9:00 AM-12:00 PM at St. Maurice  
12:00 PM-3:00 PM at IC  
3:00 PM-6:00 PM at St. John

## ROSARY

Mondays 10:30 AM  
at Immaculate Conception

## CONFESSION TIMES

ST. JOHN: Friday 3:00-4:00 PM  
Saturday 4:45 PM

IC: Thursday 5:10 PM-5:25 PM  
After Sunday Mass

ST. MAURICE: 15 minutes before  
weekend Masses

## DISCOVERING OUR MISSION

Our calling in life is not about ourselves; it is connected to a universal vision of a world in which all people can live and work together in love and peace. Inherent in our calling is a common desire to serve people, to improve the quality of life, and to teach others what we have learned.

After Jesus rose from the dead and before he ascended into heaven, he gave his disciples a mission to carry out. Their mission was to be a sign of Jesus' presence in the world, to gather people together into one family, and to teach them how to love one another. At baptism, we received the same mission. God's mission must be reflected in our lives and in our work. We have been called in the risen Jesus to be God's presence, to build community, to love and serve others.

✠ From *Hopeful Meditations for Every Day of Easter Through Pentecost*  
by Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney

- + **Baptism** is scheduled by appointment. Call your parish office for information about sacramental preparation.
- + The Sacrament of **Marriage** requires at least six months of preparation. Call your parish office before setting your wedding date.
- + The Sacrament of **Anointing** is available upon request. Please call your parish office to schedule a visit.

# MAY 19 ~ PENTECOST SUNDAY



## TONGUES OF FIRE

When I was a child, I thought the flames I saw atop the heads of the apostles in pictures depicting Pentecost turned them into living candles. That certainly is what the images suggested. Only many years later did I come to realize that was exactly what had happened: the Spirit of God set them on fire.

In both the Old and New Testaments, the phrase “Spirit of God” refers to the dynamic power of God at work in the world. To be filled with the Spirit is to operate with this dynamic power. Today’s first reading tells us that those in the house “filled with the Holy Spirit” began fearlessly to tell of “the mighty acts of God” (Acts 2:4, 11). They were indeed set on fire.

This Spirit might be dynamic, even forceful, but it is not violent or destructive. The sequence for the feast lists some of the ways we experience the Spirit of God: The Spirit enlightens and comforts us; refreshes us and lets us rest; heals our wounds and washes away our guilt; softens hearts that are stubborn and melts hearts that are cold; grants us gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. This is a Spirit of gentle and loving power. It is a Spirit that transforms us so that we, in turn, might transform our world. In other words, it sets us on fire so that we too might fearlessly tell of “the mighty acts of God.” † Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

### SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS

MAY 19 Allie and Anna Walke	MAY 26 Dale & Debbie Young	JUNE 2 Rita Struewing
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### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 18 – Maurice Eckstein  
 Sunday, May 19 – Randy Simon  
 Tuesday, May 21 – Mary Gilland  
 Saturday, May 25 – Michael Infield  
 Sunday, May 26 – Don & Mary Gilland  
 Tuesday, May 28 – Dot Stier

### PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$1979.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 40.77
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 290.00</u>
Total Regular Collection	\$2309.77
Capital Improvement	\$100.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$20.00
Catholic Comm. Campaign	\$257.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL GIVING!**

### LITURGICAL MINISTRY LIST

	Saturday, May 25 4:00 PM	Sunday, May 26 10:00 AM	Saturday, June 1 4:00 PM	Sunday, June 2 10:00 AM
GREETERS	Gary Wagner Steve Gilland	Paul & Arlene Gehl	Gary Wagner Brian Horan	Tom & Joyce Muckerheide
SERVER(S)	Sam Simon Allie Harmeyer	Mason Ryder	Morgan Busch Ava Wagner	Mason Ryder
LECTOR(S)	Jack Ferkinhoff	Julie Stephens Donna Harlemert	Judy Steuri	Amy Kinker Grace Truesdell
GIFTS	Mitchell & Lindsay Wagner	Matt & Leslie Hicks	Caleb & Brooke Payne	Ron & Donna Harlemert
EUCCHARIST MINISTERS	⊕ Judy Steuri Terry Harmeyer (Hall) Janet Wagner Rita Kress	⊕ Susan Schutte Amanda Schutte (Hall) Katie Spreckelson Cindy Weisenbach	⊕ Terry Harmeyer Roseann Wirth (Hall) Janet Wagner Beth Simon	⊕ Vicki Wagner Kevin Tunny (Hall) Scott Simon Leslie Hicks



If you would like to add someone to the prayer line, please call Arlene Gehl (812-614-3388) or Marita Billman (812-593-4674).

**Please Remember in Prayer:** Rosemary Mistler, Frances Borgman, Frances Werner, Eileen Wagner, Sue Tunny, Evette Jackson, Sandy Wenning, Donnie Kohlman, Dana Newhart, Lisa Wallpe, Regina Lowe, Albert Meyer, Pat Schrank, Mike White, Tim Schutte, Larry Gerth, Jim Lamping, John Glick, Marsha Meister, and Jim Tunny.

**BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN** – Our church has been asked by Clarity Pregnancy Services in Decatur County to participate in the Baby Bottle Campaign to raise money and materials for the center. There are bottles in the vestibule for you to take home and place money in throughout the month. Or if you prefer, Clarity is in great need of baby wipes, diapers, and formula, which you can purchase and then bring to church. All donations will be due by June 16, and there will be an area in the front of church to place them.

**THANK YOU FROM VAWTER FAMILY** – "It is with a heart of gratitude that we, the family of Janice Vawter, thank you for your prayers during her time of illness. Your kindness and words of comfort were also a blessing to us at the time of her death. As she enjoys her Eternal Presence with God and all the saints, may she now ask God's blessings upon each of you. Thank you."

**THANK YOU FROM WOLTER FAMILY** – "We appreciate all of your help in making Dad's funeral liturgy a beautiful one. Dad would be so honored. You made a difficult time easier with all of your generous giving, support, encouragement, prayers, homily, music, food, programs, and added details. May God continue to bless all of your loving efforts."

**THANK YOU** – "On behalf of the United Methodist Mountain Mission, I would like to extend our greatest gratitude and appreciation for your generous donation of \$200. We are deeply grateful for your support and generosity. Without God's blessing and your congregation, we would not be able to operate and do all God has planned for us here in the mountains. Thank you for your donations and your continued prayers." All leftovers from our rummage sale were picked up by the United Methodist Mountain Mission.

**CATECHISTS NEEDED** – We are still looking for catechists to teach Grades 7 and 9 during the next school year. If you feel inspired but don't want to teach by yourself, consider teaming up with your spouse, your mom or dad, your son or daughter, or a friend. And if you can't commit full time, think about whether you could assist once or twice a month. If you are interested, please contact Joyce Muckerheide, 812-363-5929.

**REFLECTION QUESTIONS** – How is the Spirit of God working through me? What gift of the Spirit am I praying for?



## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES**

**BRADY BORGMAN  
LANDON KOHLMAN  
EMMA WAGNER**

**MAY THE HOLY SPIRIT GUIDE  
YOUR PATH AS YOU ENDEAVOR TO  
REACH ALL YOUR FUTURE GOALS.**

**A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS** – The Spirit is asking us to embody the comfort he brings. How can we do this? ... Not with trite words, but with prayer and closeness. Let us remember that closeness, compassion and tenderness are God's "trademark," always. The Paraclete is telling the Church that today is the time for comforting. (*Homily, St. Peter's Basilica, May 23, 2021*)

**WISDOM FROM CATHOLIC UPDATE** – Who is God? A typical Catholic woman or man would probably answer this question by referring to God the Father and to Jesus Christ. A few might speak of God as "Mother." Only the rare person would answer, "The Holy Spirit." The Holy Spirit is often forgotten among Catholic Christians, especially in the Western world. To downplay the Holy Spirit is to diminish our sense of God's presence and activity among us in the world today. For the Holy Spirit is God's own self in outreach to the world. The Holy Spirit is God's presence and activity among us. The Holy Spirit is God continuously drawing near and passing by to vivify, renew, and love us and all of creation. (*From "Who Is the Holy Spirit" by Elizabeth A. Johnson*)






**THE LORD'S LAUGHTER** – A friend of Rev. Dr. Karl R. Kraft of Dover, DE, recently reported: "I called an old engineering buddy of mine and asked what he was working on these days. He replied that he was working on 'aqua-thermal treatment of ceramics, aluminum, and steel under a constrained environment.'" I was impressed until, upon further inquiry, I learned that he was washing dishes with hot water under his wife's supervision." (The Joyful Noiseletter)

# May 2024



## THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH

For the Formation of Religious and Seminarians: We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
Mass at 10:00 AM	Preparing for Rummage Sale	Preparing for Rummage Sale  Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM  Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM	Preparing for Rummage Sale  Elementary RE Classes - 6:45 PM   <b>Mass with Crowning of Mary</b> 7:00 PM	Preparing for Rummage Sale	Rummage Sale 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM  Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	Rummage Sale 8:00 AM - Noon  Cleaning Up After Rummage Sale  Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM  Pickpockets
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
JH/HS Religious Ed <i>Last Class</i> 8:30 - 9:45 AM  Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM  Pickpockets		Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM  Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM	Elementary Religious Education Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM  <i>Last Class</i>  <i>Attendance Awards Given at 7:20 PM</i>		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM  Hall Rented - No Mass in Hall
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
 <b>Ascension Day</b>  Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM  MOTHER'S DAY	 FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA  <i>"Pray, pray much, and sacrifice for sinners."</i>	Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM  Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM	Catechist Meeting 7:00 PM		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	ARMED FORCES DAY  Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
 <b>Pentecost</b>  Celebration of Mass <i>Graduation Mass</i> 10:00 AM		Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM  Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM	FEAST OF ST. RITA		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>
TRINITY SUNDAY  Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM	 <b>MEMORIAL DAY</b>  REMEMBER AND HONOR	Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM  Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM	First Communicants Banner Party in Parish Hall 7:15 PM		VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	Celebration of Mass 4:00 PM