

Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Pentecost Sunday, The Blessed Virgin Mary of the Church, Memorial Day, The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MASS INTENTIONS: May 27th - June 4th

Sat 5:00pm	For the People of St. Patrick Parish
Sun 7:30am	†Roberta Vernon (Carl & Louise Yockey)
9:00am	†Carmen Godinez (Ortiz & Zapetero Families)
Tue 5:30pm	†Tom Mansfield (Mary Munoz)
Wed 8:00am	†Bill Brady (Dr. Steve Miller)
Thur 8:00am	†Rosie Munoz Smith (Mary Munoz)
Fri 8:00am	†Charles Cervantes (Delores Shaw)

NEXT WEEKEND'S INTENTIONS

Sat 5:00pm	†Betty Schletter
Sun 7:30am	†Prudencia & Sara Munoz (Mary Munoz)
9:00am	For the people of St. Patrick Parish

THIS WEEK AT ST. PATRICK'S:

Tue May 30th	Mass	5:30pm
Wed May 31st	Mass	8:00am
Thur June 1st	Mass	8:00am
Fri June 2nd	Day of Penance: abstinence from Meat. Prayer and works of mercy Reading of Sacred Scripture for an Outpouring of God's mercy and The Holy Spirit's gifts of holiness and Strength upon the church.	
	First Friday Mass	8:00am
Sat June 3rd	Confessions	3:30pm
	Vigil Mass	5:00pm
Sun June 4th	Mass	7:30am
	Mass	9:00am

Gracious God,
On this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with Your strength and peace. In union with people of goodwill of every nation, embolden us to answer the call to work for peace and justice, and thus, seek an end to violence and conflict around the globe. We ask this through your name. Amen.

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Welcome to St. Patrick Catholic Church
Parish Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 8am to 3:30pm
Closed Holy Days and Holidays.

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	5-21-2023	7-1-22 TO 5-21-23
WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$9364.00	\$667,998.62
LOOSE CURRENCY /COINS:	\$306.00	\$10,344.21
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:	\$00.00	\$41,111.15
TOTAL CONTRIBUTION:	\$9670.00	\$719,452.98
BUDGET:	\$17,500.00	\$822,250.00
OVERAGE/SHORTAGE:	(\$7,830.00)	(\$102,796.02)

NEXT WEEK MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sat: June 3rd	5:00pm Mass
Servers:	Zach Collins
Lector:	Anne Brewer
Greeters /Gifts	Paul & Dana Yanez
Sun: June 4th	7:30am Mass
Servers:	Needed
Lector:	Jeff Perez
Greeters /Gifts	Richard & MaryJo Fitzwater
Sun: June 4th	9:00am Mass
Servers:	Owen Feess
Lector:	Leslie Keller
Greeters/Gifts	Rod & Denise Fleming



Date: Saturday Crew
Please call John Schibi at 820-1331 for any questions or if you would like to sign-up on a crew.

June 3rd	Chris Allen / David Wheat / Mark Mall
June 10th	Luke Schibi / Joey Alexander / Paul Yanez

Mowing Schedule

June 1st	Ross Harper & Emilio Aita
June 8th	JR Allen & Paul Schibi
June 15th	Logan Giefer & Brett Giefer

May 2023 Prayer List: Please Pray for:
Mandy Venegas, Raef Stanford, Bristel Bernd, April & Natalie Stanton, Janie Schibi, Caleb Fent, Lorie Nutter, Dave Turk, Matthew Carrillo, Rafael Munoz, Joaquin Castellanos, Tim & Chris Hurley, Lashall Snider, Malissa Forbes, Terry Payne, Jim Simon, Donna George, JoAnn George LaForge, Dr. Gary Yarbrough & Diane Yarbrough, Loise Lubbers, Linda Crabtree, Angel Reyes, Frank Reyes, Valerie Carnahan, Brian Merchant, MaryJo Howard, Rita Schauf, Jason Langston, Charlie Smith, Carter Stephens, Montell White, Steven Minor, Kris Vitt, Nicon Nordquist, Jim Vitt, Jared Mullinax, Jerry & Sylvia McKinney, Glenn Linnebur, Jackie Hudson, Millie Braderstot, Audrey Mihich, Lois Johnsen, Gloria Cervantes, Bob Hennessey, Joy Cervantes, Craig Forbes, Lee Ziegler, John Leon, Mary Ann Keller, Mary Brooks, Tommie Forbes

REMINDER:
If you have a new address, phone number or email, please call the Rectory.

The Adoration Chapel will be closed on Monday, May 29th and will reopen on Tuesday, May 30th at 8am.

Stewardship Reflection
May 28, 2023 —
Pentecost Sunday

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.

Have you ever been in a cemetery and saw coins laying on a headstone?

A coin left on a headstone lets the deceased soldier's family know that somebody stopped by to pay their respect. A penny means you visited. A nickel means you and the deceased veteran trained at boot camp together. A dime means you and the deceased veteran served together in some capacity. A quarter is very significant because it means that you were there when that veteran died.

The tradition of leaving coins on the headstones of military men and women can be traced to as far back as the Roman Empire. Soldiers would insert a coin into the mouth of a fallen soldier to ensure they could cross the "River Styx" into the afterlife. In the US, this practice became common during the Vietnam war, due to the political divide in the country over the war, leaving a coin was seen as a more practical way to communicate that you had visited the grave than contacting the soldier's family, which could devolve into an uncomfortable argument over politics relating to the war. What happens to the coins? It is collected from the gravesites monthly and the money is used for cemetery maintenance, the cost of burial for soldiers, or the care for indigent soldiers.

Please Pray for: The men and women who gave their lives serving our country.

Looking Ahead
From June 27 - August 4, Fr. Curtis will be away from the parish for a 30-Day Ignatian Silent Retreat. During that time Fr. Floyd McKinney will be coming to Parsons to cover the weekday/ weekend Masses and any sacramental emergencies that may arise.

Simple Marian Lessons for Pentecost

- Luke 1:38: "I am the handmaid of the Lord". Invoke the Holy Spirit to possess you more fully with His love and receive Him anew with docility and joy.
- Luke 1:38: "Be it done unto me according to your word". Desire to receive, respond, and retain an active love relationship with the Holy Spirit.
- Luke 1:47: "The Mighty One has done great things for me". Humbly pray for the Spirit's fire to set your heart ablaze and welcome the gifts and fruits of the Spirit.
- Luke 1:46: "My spirit rejoices in God my Savior" Acknowledge before God and man that whatever is good in you and your life is the gratuitous work of the Holy Spirit.
- Luke 1:53: "He has lifted up the humble". Stay in the middle of the collaborative action of Mary and the Holy Spirit so that you remain in the love that protects, sanctifies, equips you and empowers your mission.
- Luke 1:48: "His mercy endures forever". Contemplate the Upper Room and Christ's three interrelated initiatives for love and life: Eucharist, Priesthood & Pentecost.
- John 2:5: "Do whatever He tells you". With expectant faith daily invoke the Holy Spirit as your soul's best friend seeking loving companionship, counsel, courage, and direction.

Pentecost Every Day
"It will always be Pentecost in the Church," affirmed Saint Oscar Romero, Archbishop of El Salvador, on Pentecost Sunday 1978, "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 or 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 Who floods her, and she reflects that Spirit through her communities, through her pastors, through her very life", Archbishop Romero's declaration reminds us, as does today's Gospel, that Pentecost is not just one day, but every day. Without breath, there is no life. Without the Spirit, the Church is a field of dry, dead bones. The Venerable Fulton J. Sheen once said about the Church, "Even though we are God's chosen people, we often behave more like God's frozen people-frozen in our prayer life, frozen in the way we relate with one another, frozen in the way we celebrate our Faith." Today is a great day to ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle in us the spirit of new life and enthusiasm, the fire of God's love.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit: By Cardinal Mercier
O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore You. Enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me. Tell me what I should do; give me Your orders. I promise to submit myself to all that You desire of me and to accept all that You permit to happen to me. Let me only know Your Will. Amen.

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of St. Patrick 150 years ago.
Throughout these years you have provided for and
guided our parish with your Grace in every moment of need.
With confidence we call upon your Divine Assistance once again,
to guide us and lead us, to give us generous hearts open to
Your Will, as we work to repair our Church.
So that through our efforts and your Grace
we may preserve our heritage, strengthen our faith,
and our future, providing a holy place for generations to come
to encounter and grow in the faith and love of Jesus Christ.
We ask this, and all things, through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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LORDS DAY MASS SCHEDULE
Vigil Mass: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am & 9:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES
Tuesday: 5:30pm
Wed, Thur, Fri: 8:00am

CONFESSION SCHEDULE
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