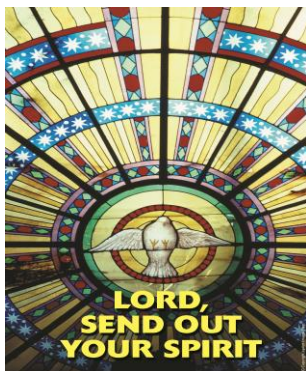


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Pentecost Sunday

May 28, 2023

FIRST READING: Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

PSALM: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

SECOND READING: In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13)

GOSPEL: Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: THE RICHNESS OF THE SPIRIT

Students, and most adults recalling their school days, are familiar with the phrase “compare and contrast” that shows up from time to time on tests. Today we hear two different accounts of the giving of the Holy Spirit to the church. Let’s contrast, then compare. Luke’s account from Acts is filled with arresting details: the mighty wind from heaven, the tongues of flame, the miracle of different languages. John’s account seems timid: fearful disciples, the wounded Christ, the expelling of breath from his risen body, not from the sky. Our literal, modern minds wonder which way it happened; our noisy culture probably makes us prefer the former. But if we compare the two, we find that the dazzling richness of the Spirit fills both accounts, for it is the very breath of the risen Christ, ascended to the sky in Luke, that appears to his disciples in John and sends his followers forth to carry on his mission of forgiving sin and proclaiming the mighty acts of God. . Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co

WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	05/28	
MON	05/29	..... Happy Memorial Day Office is closed
TUES	05/30	
WED	05/31	
THURS	06/01	11:30AM Christian Mothers Rosary, Mass & Meeting
FRI	06/02	
SAT	06/03	3:00PM CONFESSION
SUN	06/04	



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (May 29th – June 4th)

MON	5/29	..... 7:50AM	..... + Damien Lovas – (Wife, Darlene)
TUES	5/30	..... 7:50AM	..... + Christy Carpenter – (Davis & Terri Radnotti)
WED	5/31	..... 7:50AM	..... + Kevin Gritzer – (Ron & Linda Gombar)
THUR	6/01	..... 7:50AM	..... + George Kolega – (Doris & John Gritzer)
		..... 12:00PM	..... + Christian Mothers
FRI	6/02	..... 7:50AM	..... + Joseph Gorka – (Suzan Mulkey)
SAT	6/03	..... 4:00PM	..... + Jack & Kathy Trabert – (Bence Family)
SUN	6/04	..... 7:30AM	..... + Thomas Friedman – (John & Doris Gritzer)
		..... 10:30AM	..... + (A) James Udouch – (Wife, Anna & Family)



Sunday May 28, 2023

Stewardship Reflections; 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. The outpouring of the Spirit was a personalized way of "gifting" the apostles, allowing 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 "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. Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2019/7/05)

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS (May 20th & May 21st 2023)

Weekly \$ 2,970.00
Building Fund \$.....55.00

Thank you and May God Bless you for your continued support of St. Therese Church.

THE ANGELUS

(The Angelus is recited beginning Pentecost Sunday)

V: The ANGEL of the Lord declared unto Mary.
R: And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.
Hail Mary.....
V: Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
R: Be it done to me according to your word.
Hail Mary.....
V: And the Word was made flesh.
R: And dwelt among us.
Hail Mary.....
V: Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.
R: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ

We still have a few frozen piroghis for sale. You can call the office from 9-2 Monday - Friday to make arrangement for pick-up.

The Office will be closed on Monday, May 29th to observe the Memorial Day Holiday.

**CLOSED FOR
MEMORIAL DAY**



Christian Mothers will hold their Monthly Rosary, Mass & Meeting on Thursday June 1st starting at 11:30AM.

Families and the Gospel - (John 20:19-23)
Like the disciples in today's gospel, there are times we shut the doors of our hearts to people or events. It's how we create emotional distance. Permanent distancing is lethal and prevents the PEACE Jesus offers you today.

Our Catholic Ministries Drive - Together We Serve-

Your sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure will make an immediate impact on ministries that care for the poor, strengthen family life, nurture our youth, and provide leadership development for clergy and laity. 100% of your gift goes directly to these ministries! As of March 31st, we have collected \$7,710.00 of our \$21,083.00 Goal. Please consider making a pledge to the Ministries Drive. You have until Dec 31st 2023 to pay your pledge in full.

Mission Appeal

Fr. Paul Shirma will be representing The Catholic Diocese of Tanga in East Africa/Tanzania for the Mission Appeal next weekend, June 3rd & 4th. Please be as generous as your situation allows.

Babies are bits of stardust, blown down from the hand of God"



ABORTION: LIFE is the right of every Child
Not a Special Privilege
For the Fortunate, the Planned
and the Perfect



All 2023 Graduates - (Pre-School, Kindergarten, Elementary School, 8th Grade, High School, Home School, Cyber School, College or Trade School).

Please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket by June 14th.

We would like to acknowledge our young people for reaching these milestones in the June 18th bulletin.

NAME: _____

SCHOOL: _____

LEVEL COMPLETED: _____

PARENTS NAME: _____

SUMMER BASH & BASKETS

July 22nd & 23rd

We are asking for and would appreciate the following donations:

Theme Basket (at least \$25.00 in value) for the basket raffle. If Basket making isn't your specialty you can make a monetary donation, we will make it for you! If you have a large family and would like to go together and donate a large prize, or if your company would be interested in donating a large prize, they would be much appreciated

Cases of soda: (coke, or Pepsi products etc.) **and water.**

Next Meeting is scheduled on Monday, June 19th at 6PM

We are going to be in need of volunteers: For the Kitchen, Chuck o Luck, Funnel Cake, and especially Friday night July 21st, to help set up the tents and tables and chairs. TBA

Community News & Events

HOLY NAME PARISH, EBENSBURG, is sponsoring its **62nd Annual Festival on June 2, 3 and 4** featuring a **Fish Dinner (Fried or Baked)** on Friday from 4:00 to 7:00 PM, (Adults \$13.00, children under 12 \$6.00) and a **Turkey Dinner** on Sunday from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, (Adults \$13.00, children under 12 \$6.00). Take out dinners available. Refreshments, games, baked goods, activities for kids, flea market, basket raffle with over 100 baskets and more!

2023 Outdoor Masses: All the faithful of the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to our **outdoor Masses every Sunday evening at 7 PM at the beautiful Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies.** The first Mass of the season will be celebrated **May 28th!** Outdoor Masses will continue through Labor Day weekend- September 3, 2023. Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel



Prayer to Mary, Mother of the Church



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Mother, help our faith!

Open our ears to hear God's word and to recognize his voice and call.

Awaken in us a desire to follow in his footsteps,

to go forth from our own land and to receive his promise.

Help us to be touched by his love, that we may touch him in faith.

Help us to entrust ourselves fully to him and to believe in his love,

especially at times of trial, beneath the shadow of the cross,

when our faith is called to mature.

Sow in our faith the joy of the Risen One.

Remind us that those who believe are never alone.

Teach us to see all things with the eyes of Jesus,

that he may be light for our path.

And may this light of faith always increase in us,

until the dawn of that undying day which is Christ himself, y

our Son, our Lord! Amen.

Pope Francis (June 29, 2013)