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THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST SUNDAY

**May
23,
2021**

news and events

Re-igniting our Faith through the Eucharist and Liturgical Ministry

The pandemic has unprecedentedly disrupted our liturgical celebrations and ministries. It continues to challenge us to be prudent and hopeful. With the slowdown of the COVID spread and the vaccinations, we have seen some of our sisters and brothers returned to in-person mass with our community and we expect more parishioners and friends who will gradually and safely come back to our communal celebrations. This calls our parish to be proactively prepared.

Based on our discussions, I now invite you to:

1. If you are our "inactive ministers" who are ready to be active again or if you are our current ministers during the pandemic, you will receive communications from your ministry heads regarding our parish's "action plan" for reengagement.
2. If you feel that God is calling you to be a new minister in our parish, please call me, email me or talk to me after mass, and our parish wants your participation. Good news...two of our brothers and sisters have already said YES!

Future Donations to St. Barbara Church

Please make all checks payable to **St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish**. This includes weekly collections, mass stipends, candle money, etc.

May Schedule Updated

Deacon Francisco's 1st Mass of Thanksgiving:
Sunday May 23rd at 10:45am at St. Barbara Church.

Deacon Francisco is a member of the Society of the Divine Word (SVD) and of our Indonesian group. He will be ordained on Sat. May 22nd along with four other SVD deacons by the Most Reverend Robert Casey. His 1st Mass of Thanksgiving is on Sunday May 23rd at 10:45am at St. Barbara Church. Congratulations to Deacon Francisco!

St. Therese Chinese Catholic School's 2021 Commencement Mass and Celebration:
Sunday May 23rd at 2pm at St. Barbara Church.

School Students' Baptism:
Sunday May 30th at the 9:30am mass at St. Barbara Church.

We have two school students at the St. Barbara Campus who will be baptized on Sunday May 30th at the 9:30am mass. Please keep them in your prayers

St. Barbara Mask:

All liturgical ministers, committee members, and staff are invited to pick up a customized St. Barbara mask this weekend after the mass you attended from our greeters. This was generously donated to our parish as a way of showing our gratitude to our hard-working and committed ministers and leaders.

 *Wedding Banns*

I. Arianna Ortiz and Esteban Gallegos



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our school and Religious Education program students who celebrated their First Communion last Sunday at the St. Barbara Worship Site. Thanks to their Parents, Godparents, and Catechists for preparing them so well for this special Sacrament.

Thanks to all children and adults who helped with the May Crowning last Sunday. It was beautiful and uplifting. As we continue to honor Mary, we are confident that she is interceding for us.

Congratulations to Monique Cruz and Geraldo Ramirez who celebrated the Sacrament of Matrimony last Saturday at St. Barbara Worship Site. We rejoice with them and assure them of our prayers.

Thanks to our school children and staff for presenting a Spring Concert last Saturday at St. Barbara Church. Without much rehearsal and with the current pandemic restrictions, our children did a fantastic job to share their talents and to entertain the people.



COME, HOLY SPIRIT

Pentecost is the birthday of our Church, which reminds us how the Spirit helped the early apostles to be free of fear and to be bold in proclaiming the Risen Lord. The Spirit came to them in the forms of wind and tongues of flames and they were empowered to carry on the mission of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Church.

Our Church has endured a lot throughout its history, but the Spirit has kept our Church alive and strong. How is the Spirit working in each one of us today? How is the Spirit working in our Church today? How do we know that the Spirit is in and among us?

In **Galatians 5:22-23**, Paul lists nine specific fruits – love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control – that are the result of the work of the Holy Spirit in a Christian's life.

As we celebrate the Spirit today, let's pray to the Spirit to renew our life and to renew the face of our Church and of the earth.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit - Prayers - Catholic Online.

“Spirit of wisdom and understanding, enlighten our minds to perceive the mysteries of the universe in relation to eternity. Spirit of right judgment and courage, guide us and make us firm in our baptismal decision to follow Jesus' way of love. Spirit of knowledge and reverence, help us to see the lasting value of justice and mercy in our everyday dealings with one another. May we respect life as we work to solve problems of family and nation, economy and ecology. Spirit of God, spark our faith, hope and love into new action each day. Fill our lives with wonder and awe in your presence which penetrates all creation. Amen.”

Peace

Fr. Francis

THE SPIRIT WITH US By Sister Caritas

Often in life, we find that people we really care about live far away from us. Sometimes family members move to a distant state or city. Sometimes they come to visit or we go to visit them. As we plan and anticipate being with them, we anticipate what we will do and what we will share. As time grows closer, our awareness of their presence and importance in our life grows. Joy comes to fulness when we are together.

Today, on the feast of Pentecost, our readings tell how the Holy Spirit comes as the Apostles are gathered, waiting, as Jesus told them, “wait for the coming of the Spirit.” The Spirit would come and be with them and teach them everything they would need to know. The Holy Spirit was the gift sent by the Father to be with them.

We, who have been baptized, were filled with the Holy Spirit at Baptism. The gifts, which come to us with the Holy Spirit, are fully activated at Confirmation. The Holy Spirit is with the Church and with us every day. When we experience the call to do good things, that is the Holy Spirit, with us, leading us. When we find an answer to something which helps us to grow in goodness and kindness, that is the Spirit of God, with us. The Sequence prayer gives us more images and deeper understanding of the Holy Spirit. Like the Apostles, we need the help of the Holy Spirit. As they did, we need to pray for the help and activation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Come Holy Spirit. Come Father of the poor. Come melt our hardened hearts. Come Holy Spirit and act in our Church and act through us. Come Holy Spirit!



COME, HOLY SPIRIT

By Fr. John Cuff

Here's a humorous story for Pentecost: One bright Sunday morning, Benson's mother hurries into her son's bedroom to wake him up. "Benson, it's Sunday, time to get up and go to church! Get up, sleepyhead!"

Benson mumbles from under the covers, "I don't want to go." "What do you mean you don't want to go?" says his mother. "That's silly. Now get up and get dressed and go to church!" Benson says, "No, I don't want to go and I'll give you two reasons why I don't want to go." He props himself up in bed and continues, "First, I don't like them, and second, they don't like me."

His mother replies, "Now, Benson, that's just plain nonsense. That's silly. You've got to get up and go to church and I'll give you two reasons why you must. First, you're forty years old now, and secondly, you're the pastor!"

Sleepyhead Benson could very well be like any of the Apostles in today's Gospel whom Jesus had commissioned to be His witnesses in Jerusalem, in Judea, in Samaria and to the ends of the earth. But as soon as He leaves them, what happens? They retire to the upper room and "hide for fear of the Jews." Like Benson, the Apostles knew that the people didn't like them, that their message was different from the popular message of the time, so they just wanted to roll back over in bed, and not have to go out and face the hostile crowd.

Sometimes we Catholics are a lot like that. We go to church quietly, receive Jesus in our hearts quietly, and go home again quietly to say our morning and evening prayers quietly. But what about the command Jesus gave us last week to be His witnesses and share the Good News of God's love with all mankind? And the gifts of the Holy Spirit He gives us today to do so?

Yes, people often don't want to hear about God. We're afraid they are going to turn us off if we speak to them about faith, or not listen to us, or call us religious freaks. "They don't like us and we don't like them." And so, like Benson, we give up on our God-given mission to be His witnesses and go back to bed and curl back up into our nice comfort zone.

Fortunately, Pastor Benson has a guide, his mother, who wakes him and coaxes him to go out and do his duty. This is the kind of work that the Holy Spirit does in the hearts of believers. When fear of trouble tends to paralyze us into silent submission, afraid to speak out, the Holy Spirit is the adrenalin of the Mystical Body of Christ that warms us up and empowers us to go out there and make a difference. He (or She) reminds us, as Benson's mother reminded him, that we have a mission, to tell our friends and relatives the Good News of God's love and that they are invited to the RCIA to learn more about Him. So let us pray: **"Come, Holy Spirit."**



WHERE LIFELONG LEARNING BEGINS

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

Dear Parents,

Congratulations to our Spring Concert Raffle Winners!

- Grand Prize: Ruben Fernandez
- First Prize: Kathleen Tam
- Second Prize: Miriam Gonzalez
- Third Prize: Adrian Estrada
- Fourth Prize: Natalie Chan
- Fifth Prize: Nora Geng
- Sixth Prize: Hailey Lee
- Seventh Prize: Christine Ruff
- Eighth Prize: Faye Leung
- Ninth Prize: Mae Kung
- Tenth Prize: Benjamin Yang

Sincerely,



Ms. Lisa Deborah Oi
Principal

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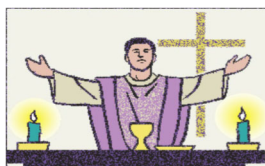
MONDAYS WITH THE SISTERS OF THE MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY:

4pm-5pm: meeting people on the street or praying the rosary at parishioners' homes

5pm-6pm: Holy Hour in St. Therese Church



ALL ARE WELCOME!



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 22 - The Vigil of The Solemnity of

Pentecost Sunday

5:00 p.m. + Diane Vyian (Sister-in-Law, Jane Fockler)
+ Fred Schaff (Rose Stronczek)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente & Family)

Sunday, May 23 - The Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday

6:00 a.m. + Charles & Mary Powers (Arlene & Cliff
Whitehouse)

9:30 a.m. + Estelle Barton (B. Glabicki)
+ Teresita Villafuerte Holcomb (Angelica,
Emmanuel and Jeremy King)
+ Vincent & Catherine Stronczek (Rose
Stronczek)

10:45 a.m. Deacon Francisco's 1st Mass of Thanksgiving

2:00 p.m. 2021 Commencement Mass

Monday, May 24 - The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Therese Church

Tuesday, May 25 - Weekday; St. Bede The Venerable; St. Gregory VII; St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi

8:00 a.m. + The Mezydlo Family (John, Genevieve,
Genevieve (Jean), Aloysius and Eleanore)

Wednesday, May 26 - St. Philip Neri

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Therese Church

Thursday, May 27 - Weekday; St. Augustine of

Canterbury

8:00 a.m. + All Deceased Members of the Barbaro Family
(Dominic Barbaro)

Friday, May 28 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Therese Church

Saturday, May 29 - Weekday; St. Paul VI

8:00 a.m. All Parishioners, Living and Deceased
+ Janette Yep Lackner (Karen Miller)

Saturday, May 29 - Vigil of The Most Holy Trinity

5:00 p.m. + Frances Beyer (B. Glabicki)
+ Bernice Lech (B. Glabicki)
+ Fred Schaff (Rose Stronczek)
Divine Mercy for All (C. Kisielente & Family)

Sunday, May 30 - The Most Holy Trinity

6:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving to Mother Mary (Maria
Saludo)

9:30 a.m. + Furmanek Family (Sonny)
+ Rizzo Family (Sonny)
+ Deacon Andy Brongiel (B. Glabicki)
+ Teresita Villafuerte Holcomb (Angelica,
Emmanuel and Jeremy King)
+ Catherine Pyznarski (Rose Stronczek)
+ Andy Mostacchio and Carmella Soapes
(Family)

Weekday Masses 8:00 am

Monday, Wednesday, Friday — St. Therese Church
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday — St. Barbara Chapel

Collection - Week of May 15th - 16th

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 555.00
Loose	290.00
Total Church Collection	\$ 845.00
Mailed-in Envelopes	95.00
Total Sunday Collection	\$ 940.00
Second Collection - School	\$ 85.25
Ascension Collection	\$ 162.00
Weekly Budget:	\$ 2,200.00
July 1st to Present (Budgeted)	\$101,200.00
July 1st to Present (Actual)	\$ 71,209.41



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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY, MAY 29TH

Eucharistic Minister: L. Raya

Lector: B. Pienta

SUNDAY, MAY 30TH

6:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister: J. Balasa

Lector: J. Bertucci

9:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister: H. Alonzo

Lector: P. Saletta

For those unable to attend Mass due to illness or for those who do not have access to the internet, please be sure to watch the Mass on television:

**Cardinal Cupich Mass from
Holy Name Cathedral
ABC-TV Channel 7 - Chicago
Sunday Mass: 9:30 am**

**Mercy Home - Sunday Mass at 9:30 am
WGN- TV Channel 9 - Chicago
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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND LITURGIES

St. Barbara: Saturday: 5:00 pm; Sunday: 6:00am, 9:30 am

St. Therese: Mandarin Mass on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 4:00 pm followed by Bible sharing and food.

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am; and Mandarin

Mass on the 4th Sunday of each month at 12:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

St. Barbara: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday: 8:00 am

St. Therese: Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:00 am

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

St. Barbara: Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm; Holy Day Masses: 6:00 am, 8:00 am

St. Therese: 8:00 am, 7:00 pm

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR: St. Therese - 7:00 pm

FIRST SATURDAY HEALING MASS: St. Barbara Chapel - 8:00 am

CONFESSION

St. Barbara: Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 pm or by appointment

St. Therese: By appointment

THE ROSARY

St. Barbara: The Rosary is prayed on Sunday at 5:30 a.m. before 6:00 am Mass.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday, and Wednesday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm and Friday: 9:00 am - Noon. At the present time, the office is closed on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.

Baptisms: Parents must be registered practicing parishioners and attend a baptismal preparation session before a baptism will be scheduled. Call the rectory office for further information.

Communion Calls: Please contact the Rectory when someone who is homebound or in the hospital wishes a visit to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Anointing of the Sick is for anyone seriously sick and not only for those near death.

Ministry of Care: Eucharistic Ministers are available to visit, pray with, and bring Holy Communion to those who are sick and unable to attend Mass. Notify the Parish Office when this service is needed.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a program for anyone inquiring and seeking information about entering the Catholic faith.

Weddings: Weddings need to be scheduled at least six months in advance. Couples are reminded to secure the Church date before the reception hall.

Please pray for those homebound, hospitalized and in need of continued prayers:

Amalia Agins, Austin Agins, Bernadette Agins, Joyce Agins, Stephen Agins, Mary Aguirre, Angeleo Alonzo, Debbie Annerino, Walter Annerino, Amy Averet, Kimberly Babe, Geraldine Baldwin, Tony Baressi, Judith Beaudry, Christine Bertucci, Joseph 'Joey' Bertucci, Lonnie & Theresa Bertucci-Falls, Jennifer Bond, Fr. Michael Bowler, Jeff Bowman, Andrea Brongiel, Mary Camarda, Anthony Capone Sr., Laverne Connolly, Tim Consola, Joe Cruz, Patti Cuchetto, Paul DeGrazia, Henry Diaz DeLeon, Kathy Egle, Nenita Feliciano, Jerry Felske, Minnie Ford, Bill Frank, Darlene Frost, Harold Frost, Paul Gadomski, Ray Gadomski, Lily Ann Galloway, John Gasca, Cheryl Lynn Gilhooly, Bernadette Glabicki, Ed Glos, Pat Grieco, Koen Guest, Wally Gusich, Jose P. Gutierrez, Kellar Harris, Lynette Heidemann, Jasmine Henson, Barbara Herr, Denise Holland, Gwen Holub, Morris Humphrey, Michaeline Hunter, Ted Hunter, Suzanne Ivester, Jennifer Janson, Chester Jendryczka, Dr. Joe, John Kaput, Dorothy Kawalerski, Rose Kisielowski, Anna Kolendo, Janice Kutansky, Craig Labudda, Ken Labudda, Sunny Labudda, Baby Kinsley Paige Leschinsky, Kiera Litwin, Lenny Loretto, Richard Lyznicki, Nancy Mallory, John Mangan, Kayle Marth, Paul Martinez, Bill Marczuk, Zena Masi, Maria Mawgwi, Lil' Joe Michalak, Cindy Moore, Dr. Mike, Cydney Muti, Stephanie Nicks, Ann Njeru, Deacon Jack O'Leary, Allison Pakula, Virginia Pakula, Eva Castillion Parcon, Josie Petkus, Michael Petruck, Theresa Pickens, Dolores Pienta, Mitchell Pienta, Ellen Pietrzak, Beverly Pirelli, Ray Polakowski, Robert Potter, James Pzarek, Barbara Rekar, Josephine Richardson, Sandra Rios, Joel Rivera, Jose Rodriguez, Jose C. Rodriguez, Mila Rolon, Dolly Roti, Ellen Ryan, Therese Ryndak, Maria Saludo, Laverne Scianna, Kennedy Shepski, Adeline Skokal, Raymond Smolinski, Gary Solverson, Sharon Solverson, Rosalie Spalla, Diane Spata, Joanne Stewart, Lauren Stronczek, Rose Stronczek, Robert Synal, Baby Zachary Synal, Emily Rose Thomas, Norbert Trojanowski, Bill Ufferman, Dolores Ufferman, Dave Ulczycki, George Vanderford Sr., George Vanderford Jr., Juan Vargas, Joyce Vogt, Ava Walczak, Sadie Walker, Barbara & Bill Webb, Sylvia Wiertel, Madison Young, Eugene & John Zabek, Evelyn Zaleski, Virginia Zawacki, Irene Zima



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