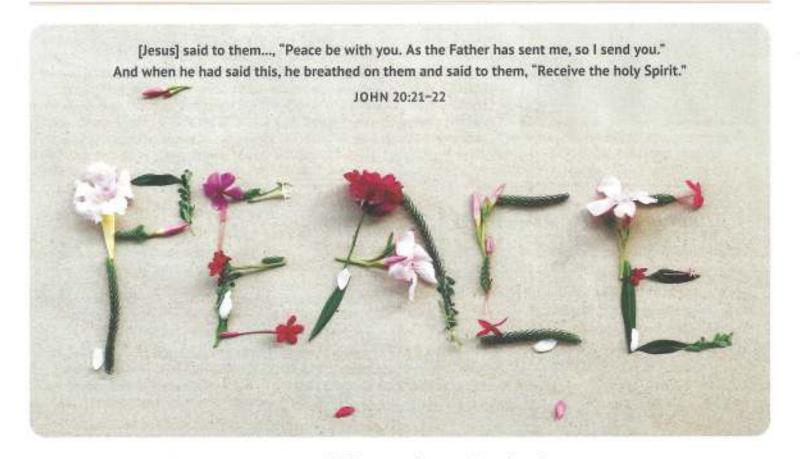


Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 / John 20:19-23



# Freed by the Spirit

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ear can be a most powerful imprisoning force.

Like the apostles who locked themselves behind closed doors after the resurrection for fear of the local leaders, there are times when our own fears lock us out of the future and into our past.

We find ourselves choosing not to be generous for fear that if we are, we will find ourselves empty-handed with no one to care for us because all of our resources have been used up. And so, because of our fear, we lock ourselves into our own selfishness. At other times, we hesitate to be kind for fear that our care will be misconstrued or, worse, will be taken advantage of and abused. And so, for fear of continual demands upon our kindness, we lock ourselves into indifference. At other times, we find ourselves too cautious to speak out in the face of injustice because of a misguided respect

for "someone else's business" or because we are afraid anger or rejection will come down upon us. So, we lock ourselves into silence.

It is always the Spirit, however, that enables us to unlock those doors once locked by our fear. While that new power enables us to venture into a sometimes-shattering world, it does not promise we won't be shattered in the process. All that Jesus promised is that the Spirit would bring us peace. Such peace happens to us whenever we choose not to succumb to our fears. It is indeed a new creation taking place in us, even now.

#### Reflect

Has fear ever paralyzed you, keeping you from doing good?



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wishing all CCD students, teachers, and parents a wonderful, enjoyable, and safe Summer vacation.

#### Daily Mass Intentions for the Week of May 29, 2023

5/29			t	No Mass
5/30	9:00 am	STM	t	Olivero Families
5/31	5:30 pm	HT	t	Dec. Mem. Justin Legner Fam.
6/1	9:00 am	HT	+	Charlie & Hazel Keutzer
6/2	9:00 am	STM	+	Sylverster "Sy" Pyszka
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#### Mass Intentions for the weekend of June 3-4, 2023

Saturday	6/3	4:00 pm	St Thomas More	+	Clydia Marenda
Sunday	6/4	8:30 am	Holy Trinity	+	Kathy Bonucchi
85		10:30 am	St Patrick	+	Evelyn Flanagan
		5:00 pm	St Thomas More	+	For the Parishioners

## Pentecost, A Celebration of the Birthday of Christianity

Pentecost marks the end and the goal of the Easter season. For Christians, it is a memorial of the day the Holy Spirit descended on the apostles and the Virgin Mary in the form of fiery tongues, an event that took place fifty days after the Resurrection of Jesus. The Paschal mystery — the Passion, the Death, the Resurrection, and the Ascension of Jesus — culminates in the sending of the Holy Spirit by the Father (at the request of His Son), on Jesus' disciples. The feast also commemorates the official inauguration of the Christian Church by the apostolic preaching of St. Peter, which resulted in the conversion of 3,000 Jews to the Christian Faith. Pentecost is, therefore, the birthday of the Church Jesus established over 2,000 years ago. Today's Scripture readings



remind us that Pentecost is an event of both the past and the present. The main theme of today's readings is that the gift of the Holy Spirit is something to be shared with others. In other words, the readings remind us that the gift of the Holy Spirit moves its recipients to action and inspires them to share this gift with others.



Memorial Day honors the brave men and women who have sacrificed their lives in service to our country. These courageous individuals have given everything they had to defend our freedoms and way of life.

Memorial Day reminds us of the high price of freedom and the debt of gratitude we owe to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice. It is a day to reflect on their sacrifice and to honor their memory with gratitude.

Memorial Day Services Monday May 29, 2023 conducted by the Ladd American Legion.

8:45 am - Holy Trinity Miners Memorial Cemetery 9:45 am - St. Patrick Calvary Cemetery 11:15 am - Veterans Park in Dalzell

# **Fundraising Updates**

STM Society Fundraising Efforts

STM Ravioli/Tort Sept 2022 - March 2023
Sold: Ravs/Tortellini - 2,997 pkgs
Tortalachi - 582 pkgs
Total 3,579 pkgs
Total Profit \$20,898.32

March 2023 Fish Fry - Total Profit \$1,549.92



- Please be reminded that the SP & HT Annual Cemetery Appeal is still going on. We would like to thank those who have already sent in their donation; may the Lord repay their generosity a hundredfold. Again, this has been an annual appeal for SP cemetery and is the first appeal for HT cemetery. We hope that our people will be generous towards the upkeep of our two cemeteries.
- Again, we like to remind all members of our 3 churches that the diocesan traveling monstrance will be at St. Patrick Church on Monday, June 12th. The holy hour (beginning at 6:30 pm) will consist of reciting the rosary, scripture reading, reflection and ending with a benediction. All our members are greatly encouraged to participate for this special eucharistic event.

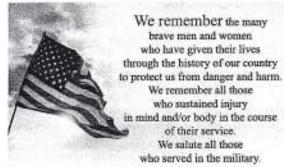
#### LATEST OFFERING'S

WEEKEND MAY 21ST

HT- \$922.00

SP- \$640.00

STM- \$894.00



#### CONFESSIONS

THE NEXT CONFESSIONS
WILL BE SAT. JUNE 3RD
10:30 - 11:15 AM AT
ST PATRICK
IN THE CHAPEL

## Dear Padre,

#### I am a practicing Catholic and I don't remember being confirmed. Is it too late for me to be confirmed?

The sacrament of confirmation usually happens when a person is older, and therefore you would likely remember the occasion. It could be that you were not confirmed. You can check with the parish you lived in during your school years to be sure. They keep records of confirmations done in the parish.

Confirmation is the final sacrament of initiation. Baptism ushers us into our life with God by giving us new life. Confirmation seals us with the spirit so we can follow Jesus and live out our

particular vocation. And the Eucharist gives us strength for the journey and keeps us in union with God.

If you discover you have not been confirmed or if you can't find out for certain, talk with your pastor. You would not be the first adult seeking confirmation. Your pastor can tell you how your diocese handles confirmation for adults. There might be a program of adult instruction for confirmation to ensure you understand the sacrament and the teachings of the Church.

Today is Pentecost, the day when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit into the lives of the apostles. The Spirit gave them strength for what they had to do. The Spirit can do the same for you.

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org



Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

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May 29	
Blessed Virgin	
Mary, Mother of	
the Church	

MONDAY

Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14 In 19:25-34

### TUESDAY

May 30 Weekday Sir 35:1-12

Mk 10:28-31

#### WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

May 31 Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16

Lk 1:39-56

June 1 St. Justin, Martyr Sir 42:15-25 Mk 10:46-52

#### FRIDAY

June 2 Weekday Sir 44:1, 9-13

Mk 11:11-26

#### SATURDAY

June 3 St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

Sir 51:12cd-20 Mk 11:27-33

#### SUNDAY

June 4 Most Holy Trinity Ex 34:4b-6.

2 Cor 13:11-13 Jn 3:16-18





#### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

On the day of Pentecost, Jesus' disciples were still disoriented and fearful. They did not yet have the courage to go out in the open. We too, at times, prefer to remain within the protective walls of our surroundings. But the Lord...sends upon us the Holy Spirit who envelops us and overpowers all our hesitations.

REGINA CAELI, ST. PETER'S SQUARE, MAY 23, 2021

A VIGIL LED BY FORE FRANCIS AHEAD OF PENTSCOST SUNDAY AT THE WATICAN IN JUNE 2019. DAS PHOTO/REMO CASILLI, REUTERS



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