

# PENTECOST SUNDAY

## 28 MAY 2023

**Readings for Sunday, May 28:** Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23.

All of us have been baptized into one and the same Spirit. That same Spirit, the Advocate, our comfort and refreshment, was given as gift to the disciples to strengthen them to go forth in the name of the Lord, "to renew the face of the earth."

**Readings for Sunday, June 4:** Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18.



**St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Special Day of Prayer is Wednesday. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday after 9:00 A.M. Mass to 5:00 PM in the Church. Benediction at 5:00 PM.**



<u>Date</u>		<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
29 May	MON. 9:00 AM	Thomas Startzel	Ron & Carol Fry
30 May	TUE. 9:00 AM	Edmund Slaby	Mary Vallere
31 May	WED. 9:00 AM	Catherine Miller	Tony & Theresa Vitacco
1 June	THU. 9:00 AM	Glenn Galloway	Nagel Family
3 June	SAT. 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish	
4 June	SUN. 9:00 AM	Those Enrolled in St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Memorial Fund	



**ETERNAL REST** grant unto them, O Lord. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.  
**PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING** of the parish especially those in homes and hospitals.  
**REMEMBER OUR TROOPS:** Pray that God will bless and protect our young men and women in the military.



**NOVENA TO MARY IMMACULATE** on Mondays after the 9:00 AM Mass. All are welcome to join in this special Marian Devotion.



Flowers at the Blessed Mother Statue and Altar are in HONOR OF THE BLESSED MOTHER requested by members of the Women's Society.

**WINNER OF THE MAY BASKET** raffled by the Women's Society - Marge Buccaglia.



**THE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP** leads the recitation of the Rosary before the 9:00 AM Mass every Sunday. They also pray the Rosary before the 9:00 AM weekday Masses. All are welcome to join in these special Marian Devotions.



**WOMEN'S SOCIETY COVERED DISH MEETING** on Thursday, June 1 at 6:00 PM in the social hall. Main dish will be a baked pasta dish.

Need meat course (maybe grab a friend to help with this), side salads, bread, appetizers. No desserts please. Let Lori know what you can bring to avoid duplicates (610-326-6030).

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**DEPOSIT FOR MAY 14, 2023.** . . . . . \$3,196  
 2022-2023 Year to Date Collections. . . . . \$205,675  
 2021-2022 Year to Date Collections. . . . . \$196,187  
 Figures from the May 21 collection will be published in the June 4 bulletin.



**AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES** on June 5 and 19 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the social hall. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS to make an appointment.

**MAGNIFICAT BOOKS:** Those who purchased the Magnificat can pick up their JUNE issue at the Parish Office.

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND,** June 3 and 4, will be the Father's Day Remembrance Collection.

## **MASS ATTENDANCE for May 13/14:**

4:00 PM Mass - 98  
 9:00 AM Mass - 124  
 Total Attendance - 222



**PARISH LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET** based on the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Winning ticket number must be the exact number drawn for the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are

sold on a monthly basis. The prize for the winning ticket is \$50.00 on weekdays and \$100.00 on Sundays and one specially-designated weekday. **This is our major fundraiser for the parish. We encourage each family to purchase at least one ticket each month. Your support is greatly appreciated.**

## *The Corner*

A beautiful ancient chant to invoke the Holy Spirit:

***"Veni, Creator Spiritus,  
 Mentis tuorum visita,  
 Imple superna gratia,  
 Quae tu creasti pectora."***

Translated roughly into an English hymn:

"Come Holy Spirit, Creator, come from thy bright heavenly throne; come, take possession of our souls, and make them all thine own."



## **LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS**

May 8 - #649 - unsold  
 May 9 - #712 - Lew Chillot - \$50.00  
 May 10 - #043 - unsold  
 May 11 - #610 - Gene Harding - \$50.00  
 May 12 - #537 - unsold  
 May 13 - #837 - unsold  
 May 14 - #454 - unsold



## **MINISTRY SCHEDULE - June 3/4**

### 4:00 PM Mass

Lector - Warzeski

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, Durante & Vitacco; Choir, Durante

Altar Server - Holmes

Greeter - Wade

### 9:00 AM Mass

Lector - Boyer

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, Gerasimowicz & George

Altar Server - Griffin

Greeter - Neiman



It was early one morning this past Lent. I was making use of my copy of *The Magnificat Lenten Companion*.



This annually published little booklet contained a short reflection for each day of the Lenten Season, a *Via Crucis* reflection, and a few additional Lenten prayers besides. On this particular morning, I happened to take note of the person to whom the reflection was credited. *Gosh, I know him*, I thought while smiling proudly. Greg Pine is a former parishioner of mine. Always an upstanding young man, now he is an



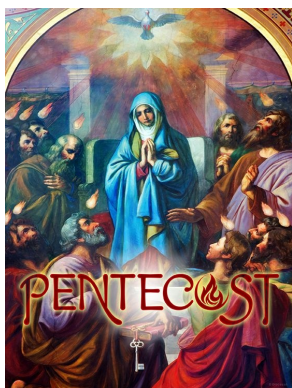
outstanding Dominican priest. He is a doctoral candidate in dogmatic theology, a writer, author, and has an active internet presence. He was ordained in 2016 and holds a Licentiate in Sacred Theology (STL) from the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, DC. I remember when he would come home on break from his studies while he was yet Brother Greg. I told him that he was always



welcome to serve Mass with me at the altar. He eagerly did. I quickly discovered that Greg was a man after my own heart. Whereas I would dash into the sacristy with but five minutes to spare before Mass, Brother Greg would show up on the scene sparing



but two. Miraculously, Mass always began on time. His ever so slight grin betrayed his dry sense of very good humor. It would be great if there were opportunity for him to visit us one day and share not only that good natured dry



humor, but some of his Dominican spirituality as well. Although, I would attribute the nurturing of his priestly calling first and foremost to his ever faithful and dear parents, I take pride in my own very small contribution as simply being his parish priest for a time, welcoming him home on visits, and hopefully setting some good example as a kind of more laid-back, hoodie-wearing priest while ever praying for him daily. One never knows just how one might encourage or inspire another no matter what their calling in life. That's why prayer is so important. That's why the Holy Spirit is most important. Prayer in and through the Holy Spirit is quite something to behold. Just ask those who were there on that first



Pentecost Day. It is transformative. It can change hearts and minds. It can change the world. It can even ensure Mass starting right on time, though with an ever so slightly devious grin!

Peace!

Fr. Wilson