

PENTECOST SUNDAY

MAY 28, 2023

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to them again,
"Peace be with you. As
the Father has sent me, so
I send you." - Jn 20:21

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COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

MAY 20 & 21, 2023—WEEKEND TOTALS:

COLLECTIONS:	SH	SC
WEEKLY COLLECTION	738.00	712.00
OTHER	85.00	138.00
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PARISH TOTAL	823.00	850.00

OTHER- E-GIVING, VIA USPS, VOIIVES

Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

May 27 (SH)	Kathy Avery Cathy Parry	June 3 (SH)	Christine Caffrey Katherine Downing
May 27 (SC)	James Wray Ken Stuff	June 4 (SC)	Ann Mahon Michele Furnare

Counters Schedule

May 30 (SH)	Tony Stellato Chris Caffrey	June 6 (SH)	Barb Bilins Kathy Avery
May 30 (SC)	Linda Coyne Lorna Quinn	June 5 (SC)	Bette Papa Sandy Hayes

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sat. May 27, 4:00 pm (SH) - 1.) *In memory of Angelo Maggiore, requested by the Healy family.*

2.) *In memory of Stanley DeJulius, requested by Janice DeJulius.*

3.) *In memory of Mary Winney, requested by Janice DeJulius.*

Sun. May 28, 8:30 am (SC) - 1.) *In memory of Bailey Alexandria Field, requested by Mom, Dad & Sammy.*

2.) *For the repose of the soul of Joan Joyce, requested by George & Pat Galeazza.*

Mon. May 29 thru Sun. June 4, 2023

Mon. May 29, 8:00 am (SC) - No Mass.

Tue. May 30, 8:00 am (SC) - No Mass.

Sat. June 3, 4:00 pm (SH) - *For the deceased members of the Zalewski family, requested by George Stanwick.*

Sun. June 4, 8:30 am (SC) - 1.) *For the deceased members of the Zannitto family, requested by Layna Maher.*

2.) *For the repose of the soul of Joan Joyce, requested by Ann & John Mahon.*



Food Pantry



June 7 (SH)	Barb Bilins Wendy Hall
June 28 (SC)	Andrea Moran Louise Carville Michele Furnare



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

May 28, 2023 - Pentecost Sunday

I hope you'll acknowledge with me a simple fact: it's not normal to have tongues of fire "part and come to rest" on people. It is actually pretty strange. Yet that is precisely what we celebrate in this feast of Pentecost. How can this mean something to us in our daily lives?

Jews had a tradition that heaven is a temple made of bricks of fire. So, through the apostles, the heavenly temple is coming to earth. But this fire looks like tongues, not bricks. That means that heavenly speech will be crucial to building a dwelling place for God on earth among men and women. So, it's no surprise when the apostles begin to speak in a miraculous way that is understood by all language groups. They are speaking of what God has done in and through Jesus: bringing heaven to earth and uniting all peoples to God and to each other.

How often our speech divides: gossip, slander, insults, and so on. How strange and rare it is when people speak in ways that truly unite instead of divide. Imagine how powerful it would be if you and I began to speak at home, at work, and in our community in a way that made people hear heavenly speech. Imagine if you spoke of the mighty deeds of God in a way that everyone could understand. That's precisely what the Holy Spirit descends upon us to do. Ask Him to come as a tongue of fire to you once again, and He will. Then speak!

~Father John Muir

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In these times of uncertainty, it's crucial to give back to the ones who have given so much to us. One blessing that we often take for granted is our local churches. While it may seem like the future of our parishes relies solely on our priests and deacons, the Catholic Church relies on laypeople to help the local churches thrive. Here are five ways to help your parish.



Donate

Be sure to keep giving financially to the church. An easy way to do this is by setting up a secure recurring donation online. Without financial support, your local parish will not be able to pay its bills or support their charitable work. Another way to donate is by giving to the Diocesan Annual Appeal. Through this work, we are able to show the presence of God through service to others.

Pray

This is a sure way to help the church without spending a penny. Whether it is praying in church or at home, our local parishes, their clergy and staff need as many prayers as they can get. Praying not only pleases God, but unites all of us in the church and brings us closer to God. Please pray for the parish that prays for you.

Get Involved

Being involved in a parish can look differently for everyone. Call your parish office to see whether you can help with cleaning the pews after Mass, being a greeter, or taking part in the sacraments. The Church offers multiple resources. Make sure to take advantage of them and most importantly, attend Sunday Mass in person or virtually if you are homebound. Taking part in the Sunday Eucharistic celebration will keep your family truly united and centered. Not an obligation, but a foundation.

Invite People

How did just 12 people make Christianity as big as it is today? By inviting people! Reach out to your friends, neighbors and family members to see if they'll join you at Mass or other church events. Everyone likes to feel invited and welcomed; make sure to not keep the gift of Catholicism to yourself, but to spread the wealth. Be the person to show the love and hospitality of Christ to others.

Stay Grateful

It is important now more than ever to have a grateful heart and be generous to others. You can do this by helping your local church thrive.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sanctuary Candle- St. Cecilia: Our candle burns this week in birthday remembrance for Rachael Moran, given by the Moran family.

Sacred Heart Summer Clean-Up: We are having a clean-up day on Saturday, **June 3rd** from 9am-12pm. We will be cleaning inside and out. Coffee and donuts will be provided.

Fr. Juanito's 30th Anniversary: Everyone is invited to a joint celebration on **Sunday—June 11**, honoring Fr. Juanito on the 30th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. A potluck breakfast will take place at St. Cecilia's Parish Hall following the 8:30 am Mass. Please bring a dish to share and join us in extending our congratulations to him.

Feast of the Sacred Heart: We will be celebrating with a potluck cookout following the Vigil Mass on Saturday, **June 17th**. Sacred Heart will provide Hamburgers/hotdogs. We ask attendees to bring sides and desserts. We are inviting musical guest, Shelby Wadsworth to entertain us.

Bottles and Cans Drop Off: Those dropping off bottles and cans at Sacred Heart can drop off at the church garage and also can now drop off at The Fultonville Redemption Center (just let them know they are for Sacred Heart).

Saint Cecilia Parking Fundraiser: Our parking fundraiser has begun. Volunteers are needed for the following dates: Sunday, **July 2** - Saturday, **July 22** -Saturday, **September 16**. Please call or text Kelly Viscosi @ 518-774-7250

Saint Cecilia Rummage Sale: The annual Rummage Sale will be held on **October 13-14, 2023**. Carry in until Oct.9, set-up throughout the week.

Grand Ultreya: The Cursillo of the Albany Diocese is holding a Grand Ultreya on June 4, 2023 from 2-4 pm. The Ultreya is being held at St. Cecilia Parish Hall in Fonda. All Cursillistas, their candidates and/or interested friends are invited to meet for the Ultreya. It will be a special way to all gather together in person, so please consider attending. For more information contact Katherine Downing or Kathy Marcais.

The Diocesan Appeal: You can make a gift or pledge online at www.thediocesanappeal.org or set-up bill pay through your bank for recurring gifts (easier on your budget), asking the bank to make checks payable to Diocesan Appeal, 40 N. Main Ave., Albany, NY 12203. Be sure to include your name & the location of your parish.
Sacred Heart- \$8538. Assessment with a balance of **\$5,329.**

Weekly Mass: We record the 4 pm Saturday Mass at Sacred Heart. Please join us virtually for weekly Mass on Sacred Heart's YouTube channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCs_-FDzyfvHZZ9y8UIC4gAw?view_as=subscriber

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