

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 24, 2026

Mass Intentions for the Week

5/25 Mon	9:00 AM	Victor Constantino By Carol Jensen
5/26 Tues	9:00 AM	David Steensma By Jean McKilligan
5/27 Wed	9:00 AM	Kenneth Barris By Bobby Gavin
5/28 Thurs	9:00 AM	Marie Winstanley By Ann Zieno
5/29 Fri	9:00 AM	Communion Service
5/30 Sat	4:00 PM	Mary & Stanley Ciborowski By Paula Ciborowski
5/31 Sun	10:30 AM	Sharon Victoria Smith By Paula Cibowski

Sanctuary Lamp

The sanctuary candle is lit this week in memory of the Keckeisen Family by Lorraine Keckeisen.

Thank you for your generous support to Sacred Heart. Your offerings sustain our parish family in its daily mission and ministries. For those who are able, we respectfully ask you to consider increasing your offering so that we may meet our essential expenses. Thank you for your continued dedication to our parish community.

Eastern European Churches -Second Collection

This week we will take up the collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in over 20 countries that are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, cathesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please give generously to this Special Collection. Please see letter from Bishop Mark O'Connell On bulletin board in vestibule. Thank you!

Diocesan Appeal – Update

Please see letter from Bishop Mark O'Connell On bulletin board in vestibule. Thank you!

Pentecost Sunday: Spirit of the Living God-fall afresh on us

We often use the word "spirit" in our daily conversations: we speak of human or team spirit; national, or community spirit, of being in high or low spirits. These familiar expressions reveal something deeper about who we are-that we are more than biology, more than flesh and bone. Within each of us dwells God's own divine life, breathed into us and renewed through grace.

On this Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate that divine life poured out in abundance-the outpouring of the Holy Spirit that transformed the dispirited and fearful disciples into courageous witnesses.

Pentecost marks the birth of the Church and brings the beautiful Easter season to its close.

In the first reading, the Spirit comes as a strong, driving wind and tongues of fire, filling the disciples with boldness to proclaim the Gospel, to speak a message of love, unity, and renewal.

Pentecost reverses the confusion of Babel: The Spirit dissolves division, heals pride, and gathers all people into one family-the Church-united in love, understanding, and peace.

Saint Paul reminds us that there are many gifts, but one Spirit. Anointed in Baptism and sealed in Confirmation, we are called to build up Christ's Body through the generous sharing of the gifts God has entrusted to us.

In the Gospel, the risen Christ breathes the Spirit upon His disciples, filling them with peace and entrusting them with the ministry of forgiveness. What fear had locked behind closed doors, the Spirit opens with courage and mercy. Christ breathes His Spirit upon us as well, sending us forth as witnesses of His selfless love, and calling us to live not for ourselves but for others.

On this Memorial Day weekend, as we honor the men and women who gave their lives for our freedom, may we pay tribute to them by living as responsible citizens. May their sacrifices inspire us to be strong in virtue, committed to the common good, and generous in service.

Like the first disciples, let us witness to Christ through charity, compassion, and care. Let us remain alive to the promptings of the Living God. With the Psalmist, we pray: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. May that Spirit fall afresh upon us-filling us, shaping us, and empowering us to transform the world around us.

Fr. Dr. Ben.

Wisdom of the Saints

The past is no longer yours: the future is not yet in your power. You have only the present wherein to do good.

~ St. Alphonsus Liguori

Weekend of May 30th & 31st, 2026

First Reading- Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9

Second Reading-2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Gospel: John 3:16-18

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant:

Father Ben

Lector:

Dorothy Yaiser

Eucharistic Ministers:

Mary Early, Gene Walsh, Ginni Brandt

Altar Servers:

Ayla Gronwall, Shannon Casey

Sunday 10:30AM

Father Ben

Phyllis Blincoe

Kristin Reuter, Terry Maggio, Lorraine Keckeisen

Jack, Henry & Ella Grigoli

Offerings from May 16th & 17th 2026: Regular \$1790.00; Fuel \$20.00; Eastern European \$35.00; Ascension Thursday, \$462.00; Catholic Charities \$286.00

New Parish Tradition:

Bread & Wine and Sanctuary Lamp Offerings

Parishioners who wish to honor a loved one—living or deceased—may now do so by offering a **\$25.00 donation** toward the **Bread and Wine** used at Mass, or offering a **\$10.00 donation** for the **Sanctuary Lamp** that burns before the Blessed Sacrament. These offerings are a meaningful way to remember someone special, mark an anniversary, or give thanks for blessings received. The name of the person being remembered will be printed in the bulletin for that week. To reserve a week, please contact the parish office at **607-563-1591**.

We would also like you to know that Mass intention slots are also still available. The offering is **\$15.00 per Mass**.

Thank you for your continued generous support and prayers.

Question of the Week

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same spirit: and there are varieties of services, but the same lord. (1 Corinthians 12:4-5)

Adults: Who needs you to pray for them this week, as Jesus prayed for his disciples?

Kids: What gift do you hope to receive from the Holy Spirit? How could you use it to serve others?

Pastoral Visit of the Bishop

Please mark your calendar. **Bishop Mark** will make his first pastoral visit to Sacred Heart on **Saturday, August 15th, 2026**, and will preside at the **4:00 PM Mass**.

Following the liturgy, a parish dinner will be held in the **Parish Center**, offering an opportunity for fellowship and celebration. I encourage all parishioners to attend.

Thank you, Fr. Dr. Ben

Dominican Retreat & Conference Center

There is a flyer posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule with upcoming programs in the month of May at the Retreat House. Registration information for these programs is included on the flyer.

May Bulletin Quotes

“The Lord says to us, ‘Do not fear: I am with you’ (Isaiah 41:10). He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God. Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Be Not Afraid”
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Catholic Singles & Friends Weekend, June 12-14, 2026

Pyramid Life Center, a beautiful camp and lodge run by the Diocese of Albany in Paradox, NY.

An all inclusive social weekend in a beautiful setting at a reasonable price.

Register directly at <http://www.pyramidlife.org> or for more information please email cathsing@yahoo.com.

Attention Single Women: Could God be calling you?

Do you think God may be calling you to the religious life—a life of love and service through the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience? Would you like to learn more about such a life? If you would like to learn more about the religious life, please contact Sister Laurie-Marie, C.R. at lauriemarie.parisi@fcd.org or call 518-453-6690 for more information.

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

National Shrine & Historic Site

On Saturday June 27th from 1-4 PM an afternoon of reflection, “Celebrating the Bliss of Being” will be presented at Grassmann Hall in Fonda, NY. See the flyer in the vestibule for more information as well as info@katerishrine.org for more upcoming programs.



Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett, Kim Sumski, Grady Charles Weigand, Daniel Rickard, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Paul J. Hamilton, Sr., Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter, Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters, Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Terri Cristofaro, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Morotwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Ines Warlock, Susan Chidester, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Olivia Ross & family, Joe Maggio, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Renee Joseph, Charlie Washburn, James Rattrie, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselic, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis Duguay, Joan Rice, John MacDonald, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldinger, Bonnie Tabone, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barber, Jr., Payton Lakin, Joan & Tony Barber, Mathias Mietzelfeld, Maggie Hoffman, Marybeth Modinger, Jacqueline Richardson, Celeste Aber, Teri Frallich, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Bill Babbage, Sarah Pressler, Bobbie August, Chris West, Dawn Cronin, Josephine Materazzo, Avery Maggio, Barb & Jerry Patrick, Paisley Halbert, John MacDonald, Anne Klopchin, Gloria Parsons, Anthony Naple, Danielle Spry, Ellen Hogan, Bradley Lathan, Peter Burghardt Jr., The Family of Mufide, Kathy Saludo, Elizabeth Cline, Robert Ostrander

Please note: All names will remain on our prayer list and will be prayed for unless our office is notified to remove an individual.