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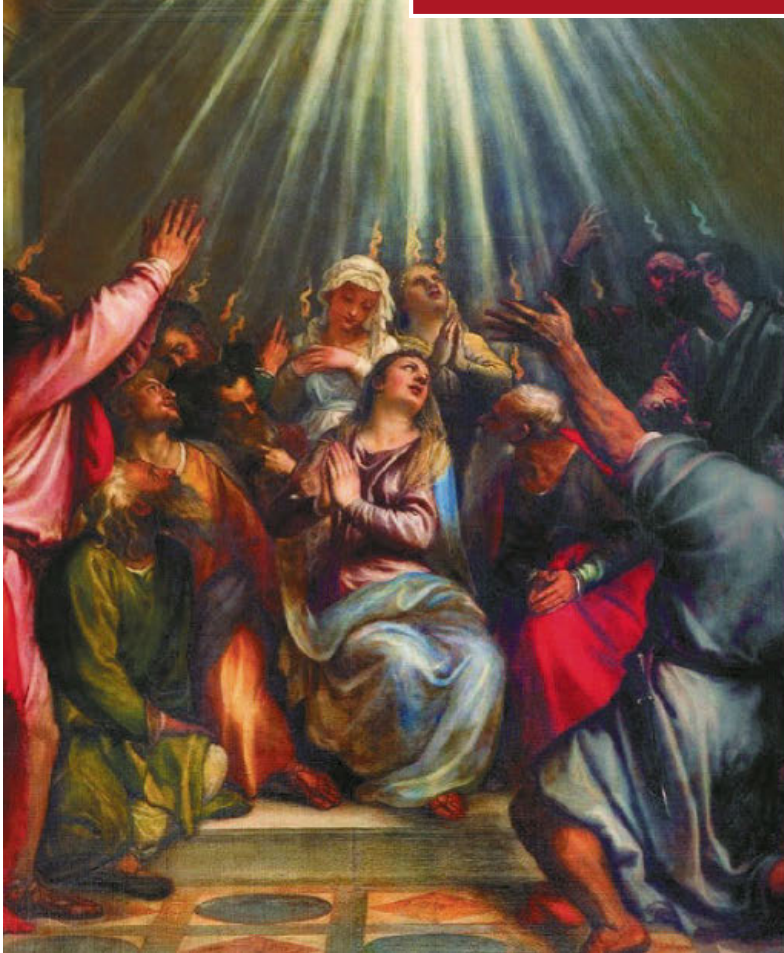
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# PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to his disciples:  
"When the Advocate comes  
whom I will send you from  
the Father, the Spirit of  
truth that proceeds from  
the Father, he will testify  
to me." - Jn 15:26

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### *The Memorare Prayer*

*Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.*



† Altar wine at *Sacred Heart* for the month of *May* has been sponsored at the request of *Ron & Cathy Parry*.

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† Altar wine at *Saint Cecilia* for the month of *May* has been sponsored *in loving memory of Marie Cranker* at the request of *John & Sheila Cranker*.

† Altar hosts at *Saint Cecilia* for the month of *May* have been sponsored *in loving memory of Norbert & Verna Bicheler* at the request of *John & Sheila Cranker*.



*The Sanctuary Lamp at Sacred Heart burns this week with special intention.*

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Sat. May 18, 4:00 pm (SH)** - † *In loving memory of AJ Smullen, requested by the DeRosa family.*

**Sun. May 19, 9:00 am (SC)**- † *In loving memory of Leo Perry, requested by his wife, Marcia.*

### **Tue. May 21 thru Sun. May 26, 2024**

**Tue. May 21, 8:00 am (SH)** - † *In memory of Edward Gaida, requested by the Wray family.*

**Wed. May 22, 8:00 am (SC)** - *For the people of the parish.*

**Thurs. May 23, 8:00 am (SH)** - *No intention requested.*

**Fri. May 24, 8:00 am (SC)** - † *For the repose of the soul of Patricia Brown, requested by Pat & George Galeazza.*

**Sat. May 25, 4:00 pm (SH)** - † *For the repose of the soul of Barbara Major, requested by the Rajter-Morris families.*

**Sun. May 26, 9:00 am (SC)**- † *For the repose of the soul of Barbara Major, requested by the Rajter-Morris families.*



### DIOCESAN APPEAL 2023-2024 CONTRIBUTIONS TO DATE

PARISH:	SH	SC
ASSESSMENT	7923.00	5000.00
CONTRIBUTIONS	7932.00	3529.00
BALANCE	00.00	1471.00

### COLLECTIONS TOTALS - MAY 11/12

COLLECTIONS:	SH	SC
WEEKLY COLLECTION	1290.00	1599.00
OTHER	140.00	130.00
PARISH TOTAL	1430.00	1729.00

When we read the gospel from the Mass during the day on Pentecost Sunday we read that Jesus came where the disciples were and stood in their midst. He said to them “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” Now as followers of Jesus we, too, are being sent just as Jesus was sent by his Father. We are to follow the example of Jesus and his disciples. We are to be Christ in the world for others who don’t know him.

Then when Jesus breathed on them he said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.” I have always thought this was meant for the disciples and the ordained religious after them; the Pope, bishops and priests. However, why wouldn’t it pertain to the rest of us as well? When we forgive someone who has sinned against us or our beliefs and values we are allowing them as well as ourselves to heal the wounds inflicted by them. When we refuse to forgive anyone then those wounds continue to fester and grow both in them and us. We can’t move on from the hurts inflicted and they continue to cause us unnecessary grief until such time as we realize that we are actually causing our own pain and suffering.

Forgive others of their sins as we would want to be forgiven of ours then we can move on to live the joyful life God has intended for us and those who sin against us.

God Bless,  
*Deacon Joe*

### Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

May 18 (SH)	Kathy Avery Theresa Kovian	May 25 (SH)	Theresa Kovian Mark Caffrey
May 19 (SC)	Ann Mahon Dave Marcais	May 26 (SC)	Kathy Marcais Andrea Moran

### Counters Schedule

May 20 (SH)	Deb Swarczewski Noreen Brownell	May 27 (SH)	Katherine Downing Barb Bilins
May 20 (SC)	Sandy Hayes Kathy Marcais	May 28 (SC)	Lorna Quinn Linda Coyne

### Food Pantry



May 22 (SC)	Andrea Moran Louise Carville Michele Furnare
June 5 (SH)	Barb Bilins Wendy Hall



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Collection For The Church in Central & Eastern Europe:**

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that struggle to recover from former communist rule. Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations, and seminary formation. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week.

**Sacred Heart Anniversary Planning Committee:** On Thursday May 23, the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary planning committee will meet in the parish hall at 6:30pm. All those interested in help planning our anniversary festivities are welcome to come. If you are unable to come but are still interested in being on the committee, please contact the parish office.

**Healing Mass:** The First Thursday of each month we invite you to **Sacred Heart Church** at 630 PM for a Healing Mass, Short Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Anointing with Sacred Oil & Rosary prayer, a Potluck Refreshment and a chance to meet parishioners. Please bring your family & friends!

**Healing Mass at St. Cecilia** is held on the first Friday of each month, at 8:00 AM in the basement chapel.

**First Holy Communion/Retreat Day:** First Holy Communion will be on Sunday, June 9th. Therefore retreat day will be Saturday, June 8th from 10am—3pm.

**St. Cecilia's Church Restoration Fund:** If you would like to remember or honor a loved one, please consider making a contribution to St. Cecilia's Church Restoration Fund. All donations will be used to preserve our beautiful church property. Thank you for your generosity.

**St. Cecilia's Parking Lot Fundraiser** We have 3 dates left for parking this year. Please call/text Kelly @ 518 774 7250 to volunteer. The dates are as follows...

**Sat. June 15**

**Thurs. Aug. 29 (fair)**

**Sat. Sept 14**

### **Spaces For Tribes Hill Garage Sale- Memorial Day Wknd:**

If you or anyone you know would like to participate in Tribes Hill Garage Sale Weekend (Memorial Day Weekend) Sacred Heart will be renting spaces on the lawn to vendors. Spaces will be \$25. per day. Call the parish office @ 518-829-7301 for space rental or more information.

**Headstone Cleaning:** Parishioners have inquired about having headstones of their loved ones cleaned. Many parishioners have used Nick's Headstone Cleaning at a very reasonable price. Phone 518 848 4181 for information and availability.

### **Upcoming Second Collections:**

**May 18/19 - Repair/Maintenance**

**May 25/26—European Relief**



## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

### **May 19, 2024 -Pentecost Sunday**

When I was twenty-two years of age in August of 2000, I experienced World Youth Day in Rome. As for many of my generation, the event was life-changing for me. Surrounded by joyful, hope-filled young people from seemingly every nation and tongue, we were gathered around the Pope, sharing a common Faith and love. The Pope spoke to us of our shared family bond in the Church and invited us to give our lives in service to others. Now twenty-four years later, my life as a priest, like that of so many others from those special days, continues on that same path of love and unity — despite my many weaknesses. What makes that continuation possible?

This week's feast gives the answer: the Holy Spirit. The gift of God — His very life — the third person of the Trinity, is the Spirit who animates the entire Church and each member of it. He makes us one-in-love in a way that utterly exceeds human capacity. For example, he makes the apostles speak with tongues of fire, and everyone hears them in his own native tongue. The Holy Spirit is the means by which Jesus establishes a new family, one that crosses all possible boundaries of time, space, and culture. The Holy Spirit never tires in enthusing us for mission.

Aren't we longing to experience the Holy Spirit in a fresh way? Today we celebrate this untiring flame, once ignited on earth and burning still. So, we humbly cry out: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and enkindle in us the fire of your love!

*-Father John Muir*






Charismatic Renewal Invites you to join us for:



**PENTECOST Celebration**  
Sunday, May 19th, 2024

**Rev. Martin Fisher**  
Presider  
**Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception**  
125 Eagle St, Albany  
4:30- Prayer and Praise  
(Music by "Joyful Heart")  
5:00pm-Mass  
(Healing Prayer to follow)





OUR LADY OF  
**MARTYRS**  
SHRINE

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Coliseum Mass 3:00 pm

May 19 *Fr. Juanito*  
May 26 *Fr. DeMartinis*  
June 2 *Fr. Resila*



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