



*Mass Intentions for the Week*

- 5-20 Mon 9:00 AM Josephine D'Agostino  
By Christine Granan
- 5-21 Tues 9:00 AM Dan Rice  
By Ada & family
- 5-22 Wed 9:00 AM Marie Rittwager  
By Birthright of Sidney
- 5-23 Thurs 9:00 AM All deceased parishioners
- 5-24 Fri 9:00 AM Communion Service
- 5-25 Sat 4:00 PM Mary Alice Bagley  
By Paula Ciborowski
- 5-26 Sun 10:30 AM Michael Blincoe Sr.  
By Patrick Blincoe & family

**Altar Rosary Society Meeting**

Due to illness, many members were unable to attend the meeting on May 14<sup>th</sup>. The Rosary Society will be meeting this Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> to discuss plans for Father's day as well as hold elections. All members are encouraged to attend and new members are always welcomed.

Next week we will take up the collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that struggle to recover from former communist rule. It also aids communities throughout the region that are affected by the war in Ukraine. Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. You can find more information at [www.usccb.org/ccee](http://www.usccb.org/ccee). #iGiveCatholicTogether (<https://igivecatholictogether.org/organization/usccb-church-in-central-and-eastern-europe>) also accepts funds for this collection, if you prefer to donate online.

**Pentecost Sunday**

Today is a great feast. It is one of the solemnities-a feast day of the highest ranking.-of the Church year. This is the feast of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church. It is a joyous celebration, with special colors and music. We give praise and sing, *Come, Holy Spirit, Come!* As we recall the story of Pentecost and the power of the Holy Spirit in our Church and world.

As recorded in the Acts of the Apostles, the Holy Spirit descends on the Apostles appearing as tongues of fire and with the sound of a driving wind. The Spirit empowers the Twelve to speak the native languages of all those gathered. It says later in this same chapter that about 3,000 people are baptized and given new life in the Spirit that day (2:41), and from here the community grows. We celebrate this as the beginning of the church, born by the Spirit into the world.

The Spirit has a history of giving life. The Spirit is the mighty wind that swept over the waters at creation. It is the breath of God that gave life to Adam. The Spirit anointed Israel's kings and spoke through prophets. By the power of the Spirit, Jesus was born of Mary. The Spirit descends on Jesus at his baptism and remains with him throughout his ministry.

The Spirit not only gives life, but renews life. Consider the disciples in today's Gospel: hiding out, fearing for their lives, feeling the sorrow and guilt of not only losing Jesus but having abandoned and betrayed him. Locked up in their own misery, Jesus comes to them. He does not condemn or accuse them; rather, he offers them peace. He does not dismiss or deny what happened; rather he shows them his hands and side. He comes in love to be reconciled with his beloved disciples. He breathes the Holy Spirit onto them, speaks words of forgiveness, and sends them forth, just as his Father sent hm.

The disciples are renewed. They are relieved of their sorrow and guilt. They are reconciled to Jesus, to themselves, and the community is healed. With the comfort and reassurance of the Spirit, they overcome their fear and return to their ministry. The Holy Spirit supports and sustains them, empowering them with gifts for the good of the Church.

The Holy Spirit has given us life, and given life to the Church. But we are not perfect; like the disciples we will always be in need of healing and comfort. Thus, the Spirit continues to be poured out upon us, to heal our wounds and give us strength anew. With every intercession the Spirit makes on our behalf, with every word of Jesus the Spirit reminds us of, and with every sacrament in which we participate, we are renewed. With new life in the Spirit, we are able to go forth to love and serve the Lord.

~Faith Catholic, Daily Homilies for Sunday and Weekday Masses



**Weekend of May 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

First Reading- Deuteronomy 4: 32-34

Second Reading- Romans 8:1417

**Saturday 4:00 PM**

**Celebrant:**

Fr. Peter

**Lector:**

Carole Ostrander

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Gene Walsh

**Altar Servers**

Jack, Henry, & Ella Grigoli

**Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**

Gospel- Matthew 28: 16-20

**Sunday 10:30AM**

Fr. Peter

Kerri Green

Ada Rice

Ayla & Quinn Gronwall

Gabriel Harris

Offerings May 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024-Weekly, \$2,677.00; Fuel, \$85.00; Evangelist, \$78.00; Ascension, \$749.27; Eastern Europe, \$10.



## FAITH FORMATION A JOURNEY FOR LIFE

### Walking in the Spirit

See the flyer on the bulletin board in the vestibule and at each of the exits for information on a Labyrinth walk on May 22, at the Dominican Retreat House. See Paula Ciborowski for help registering

### Graduate Recognition

June 2<sup>nd</sup> Graduate Recognition at 10:30 AM Mass  
RSVP by **May 19<sup>th</sup>** to Paula Ciborowski in the Faith Formation Office. Letters have been sent to our graduating students.

**ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS:** We are in need of gardeners to help maintain our biblical gardens. All tweens and up, families, ladies and gentlemen are invited to join in this adventure. You can work on your own or in a small group. If you are willing to help out, please call Pat Smith 607-563-3118.

### Knights of Columbus Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus, Sacred Heart Council, are once again offering a scholarship to graduating students from Sacred Heart, Saint Agnes or Saint John's. Applications are available in the folder hanging on the bulletin board in the vestibule. Applications are due by **June 1, 2024**.



### Celebrate Easter's 50 days

This Sunday we celebrate Pentecost, the last Sunday of the Easter Season. Here are two family activities for Pentecost to celebrate with.

- 1-Fly a kite to celebrate the wind of the Holy Spirit
- 2-Play "20 Questions": have someone choose a bible character or thing from the Easter and Pentecost stories. The group gets 20 questions (yes or no answers only) to guess the right answer.

### Borders & Belonging

Beginning Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> the Dominican Retreat and Conference Center virtual book club will be presented via zoom in the Parish Center. We will meet from 10:00-11:30 AM to hear a presentation by Dr. Joy Galarneau on *The Book of Ruth: A Story for our Times*. Ruth's story speaks directly to the polarization taking place in many societies today. The authors bring the redemptive power of Ruth to bear on today's divisions.

### May Bulletin Quotes

"Without a foundational, practical formation, it is difficult for our consciences to guide us well in concrete situations. As Catholics, we have the immense gift of the teaching authority of the Catholic Church and can turn to it for help forming our consciences. For example, learning about Christian moral principles, reading the Catechism of the Catholic Church, or researching what the Church says about a challenging teaching will help us grow in knowledge of the truth."  
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Understanding Conscience"

Project Rachel is the Catholic Church's ministry to those who have been involved in abortion. The tagline of Project Rachel is *No matter what you are feeling, you are not alone*. It is the hope of Project Rachel that a healing approach of options and resources can help each person know that God loves them, forgives them and wants to be in their life. Project Rachel is a diocesan-based network of specially trained priests, religious, counselors, and laypersons who provide a team response of care for those suffering, both women and men. Call our confidential helpline 518-312-3825.

If you have suffered sexual abuse by a priest, deacon, or other individual representing the Catholic Church, it was not your fault. The Albany Diocese encourages victims/survivors of clergy sexual abuse to come forward for help. Our assistance coordinator, Noelle Marie, is available to receive reports of misconduct by Clergy or others working or volunteering for the Diocese. Noelle can help you access counseling assistance, give you the opportunity to tell your story in a supportive environment, explain the diocesan reporting & review process, and if desired, arrange meetings with the bishop.

**Contact Noelle at 518-453-6646 or email:**

[assistance.coordinator@rcda.org](mailto:assistance.coordinator@rcda.org)

For more information on reporting or help, please visit: <https://www.rcda.org/offices/safe-environment>. The Diocese acknowledges the pain we have caused through our past actions, and wants to assist you in any way we can. We are deeply sorry for what you have endured.

May 18, 2024



**Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers:** Gussie Shifflett, Steve Pickwick, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, George Mertz, Kimberlee Roe, Kevin, Grady Charles Weigand, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett, Daniel Rickard, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Diane, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Carey, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Paul J. Hamilton, Sr., Ray & 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, Kathryn Wickham, Patrick, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Clare Sterchak, Terri Cristofaro, Liliana, 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, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Susan Chidester, Ines Warlock, Alyce Hopkins, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Barb Doyle, Tom DeMulder, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Tony & Lila Donnolo, Stefanie Smith, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, Alicen Knapp Feroletto, Assunta Siniscalchi, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Pat Hamilton, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Denise Dinato, Joe Maggio, Olivia Ross & family, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Jess Johansen, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolino, Charlie Washburn, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselica, a dear friend, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Marlena, Pat Elbrecht, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, James Rattrie, Danielle Guglielmo, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis & Alfredine Duguay, Joan Rice, Stephanie Soldingier, Rowan DeCocker, Bonnie Tabone, Austin Kilmer, Nancy Herron, Mike Wombacker, Daniel, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barber, Jr., Payton Lakin

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