



Sunday 05-23

10:00a.m. +Estrella Severino
12:00 p.m. O Boze bogoslawienstwo i potrzebne laski dla Rodziny Stankiewicz
7:00 p.m. Wiktoria i Krzysztof, birthday blessings

Monday 05-24

8:15a.m. For healthy pregnancy
8:15a.m. +Gabor Pap

Tuesday 05-25

7:00p.m. Elzbieta Olbrycht, birthday blessings
7:00p.m. For the gifts of the Holy Spirit and obedience for Adam

Wednesday 05-26

8:15a.m. 1.) Ryszard Gadzinski, birthday blessings
2.) Haley Fitzgerald, God's blessings
3.) +Horst Thuemen
Jamie Mott, God's blessings

Thursday 05-27

7:00p.m. 1.) ++Aniela & Fryderyk Rogóž
2.) Wysocki Family, God's support in time of need
3.) Emily Nyenhuis, God's blessings

Friday 05-28

8:15a.m. Fr. Jan's ordination anniversary
7:00p.m. +Janina Bialek

Saturday 05-29

8:15a.m. +Terry Eardley
7:00p.m. Adam Kaminski, birthday blessings

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 05-30

10:00a.m. ++Annunziatio & Vincenza Furfaro
12:00 p.m. Dzieci Rodzin Pierwszokomunijnych
7:00 p.m. Souls in Purgatory

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY COLLECTION: April, May \$ 3,810,00
THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS

PENTECOST SUNDAY - MAY 23, 2021

The confused and fear filled apostles were totally changed by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as they became powerful and dynamic proclaimers of their faith in Jesus Christ. In today's Church God calls priests, religious and deacons to serve Him and to serve others, especially by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. If you feel God may be calling you to this ministry, call Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 ext. 2246.

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IN THE NEXT WEEK IN THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON WE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PRIESTS

Monday 05-24 - Rev. Peter Pigott, C.R.
Tuesday 05-25 - Rev. Chester Chmurzynski, C.R.
Wednesday 26 - School Sisters of Notre Dame (S.S.N.D.)
Thursday 05-27 - Rev. Jim Valk, C.R.
Friday 05-28 - Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.
Saturday 05-29 - Rev. Frederick Scinto, C.R.

Prayer for Vocations

God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.

MAY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday 23 - Pentecost Sunday
Monday 24 - The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
- Canada Day
Tuesday 25 - St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII; St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, virgin, Opt. Mem.
Wednesday 26 - St. Philip Neri, Memorial
Thursday 27 - Feast of St. Augustine of Canterbury
Sunday 30 - The Most Holy Trinity
Monday 31 - Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Fea

ONE HEART ONE SOUL CAMPAIGN



Two months into the campaign, and we can almost see light at the end of the tunnel! For the last week of April, we received 5 more donations,

totaling \$4,900.00. The new total pledge amount is \$166,615. This is 74% of our goal of \$225,000.00.

We are getting closer every week! We have seen great strides, from you the parishioner, giving to this very worthwhile campaign. REMEMBER... we reach our minimum goal, set at \$224,000.00, the Campaign gives us a \$45,000.00 bonus!

ON MAY 11th, POPE FRANCIS CREATED A NEW CATHOLIC MINISTRY,

open to women and men, announced in an Apostolic Letter, *Antiquum Ministerium* (Ancient Ministry). "The Spirit is calling men and women to set out and encounter all those who are waiting to discover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Christian faith. ... It is the task of pastors to support them in this process and to enrich the life of the Christian community through the recognition of lay ministries capable of contributing to the transformation of society," said the Holy Father. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops will develop national norms (formation, mandate, etc.) for the implementation of this new ministry, the Ministry of Lector, and the Ministry of Acolyte.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the

**Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel,
July 8th to July 16th, 2021**

Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support?
You can participate in the Novena to Our Lady of Mount
Carmel.

Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address
to:

**Carmel of Saint Joseph
1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1
St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0**

PENTECOST



After Jesus had ascended to heaven from Mt. Olivet, the apostles and disciples returned to the Holy City. They remained together in the Upper Room or Cenacle, the place where Jesus had appeared to them and which may well be called the first Christian church. About a hundred and twenty persons were assembled there. They chose Matthias as an apostle in place of the unhappy Judas; they prayed and waited for the Paraclete.

Ten days had passed, it was Sunday, the seventh Sunday after the resurrection. At about nine o'clock in the morning, as they were together praying fervently, the Holy Spirit descended upon them. Note how all the great theophanies in Christ's life occurred during the course of prayer. After His baptism, for instance, when Jesus was praying the heavens opened and the Holy Spirit descended in the form of a dove; likewise, it was during prayer at night that the transfiguration took place on Tabor. Surely too it was while Mary was praying that Gabriel delivered his message, and the Holy Spirit overshadowed her. Pentecost followed precedent. The small community of Christians had prepared themselves through prayer for the coming of the Paraclete. The same is true at Mass today, every day; through prayer we ready our souls for the advent of the Spirit.

The descent upon the apostles was internal and invisible in nature although accompanied by certain visible phenomena. There came a mighty roar, like the onrush of a violent wind. It came suddenly, from heaven; but unlike storms that strike a structure from without, this one penetrated and filled the room

where the disciples were gathered. Therefore it was not a natural wind, it was a miracle peculiar to the occasion. A second visible sign consisted in tongues of fire that descended upon each one present. These fiery tongues gave visible evidence that the Holy Spirit had descended upon them.

Today at Mass, particularly at holy Communion, the power of the Holy Spirit will come down upon us; fiery tongues will not be seen, but invisible tongues of fire will not be absent. There was still another external manifestation of the Holy Spirit; the apostles and disciples were enabled to speak various languages.

After the roar of the wind many of Jerusalem's pilgrims hurried to the Cenacle. Pentecost was one of the three festivals which obliged all Jews to be present in Jerusalem. Jews from distant lands, and Jewish converts from paganism too, attended these feasts. As a result, a colorful crowd speaking a variety of languages surrounded the house. Now the apostles, who so shortly before had hid in fear behind locked doors, came forth and courageously walked among the multitude speaking to each in his native tongue. It was indeed amazing! Galileans, and multilingual?

But the malicious too were present; they had the answer. Nothing marvelous at all! Those Galileans were simply drunk, and their drunken babble sounded like a foreign language! Peter showed no hesitation in answering the charge. None of their number, he said, were intoxicated; it was but nine o'clock in the morning, and at that hour men usually are sober. What the multitude saw was, in fact, the fulfillment of Joel's prophecy: In those days (of the Messiah), God will pour forth His Spirit upon men and they will prophesy. . . . Then the apostle pointed his words more directly against the accusers: they had killed Jesus, had nailed Him to the Cross; but God had awakened Him and after His departure to heaven, He sent the Holy Spirit.

The pilgrims who had heard Peter give this first pentecostal sermon "were pierced to the heart and said: Brethren, what shall we do? But Peter said to them: Repent and be baptized; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Three thousand responded.

One final question: why the miracle of tongues? In answer, recall the story regarding the tower of Babel. Puffed up by pride, men attempted to build a tower that would touch the heavens. To punish their sin, God confused their speech. Sin causes confusion and division. Now Christ came to gather all men into His Church and thereby to unite them to Himself. This should result in creating but one family of nations again. To this blessed state the miracle of tongues points.

Yes, even we as individuals have a gift of tongues which all men can understand. It is the gift of love infused into us by the Holy Spirit. Love unites, love is a common language, by means of love we can speak to all nations.

Excerpted from The Church's Year of Grace, Pius Parsch