

Good News!

MAY 23, 2021, PENTECOST SUNDAY (B)

Acts 2:1-11/ 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 / Jn 20:19-23

When I was a child, I thought the flames I saw atop the heads of the apostles in the pictures depicting Pentecost turned them into living candles. That certainly is what the pictures suggested. Only many years later did I come to realize that was exactly what had happened: the Spirit of God set them on fire.

In both the Old and New Testaments, the phrase “Spirit of God” refers to the dynamic power of God at work in the world. To be filled with the Spirit is to operate with this dynamic power. Today’s first reading tells us that those in the house “filled with the holy Spirit” began fearlessly to tell of “the mighty acts of God” (Acts 2:4, 11). They were indeed set on fire.

This Spirit might be dynamic, even forceful, but it is not violent or destructive. The sequence for the feast lists some of the ways we experience the Spirit of God: the Spirit enlightens and comforts us; it refreshes us and lets us rest; it heals our wounds and washes away our guilt; it softens hearts that are stubborn and melts hearts that are cold; it grants us gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. This is a Spirit of gentle and loving power. It is a Spirit that transforms us so that we, in turn, might transform our world. In other words, it sets us on fire so that we too might fearlessly tell of “the mighty acts of God.”

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre

Why is there now a Mass honoring Mary after Pentecost?

The eleven apostles and some women, including Mary the Mother of Jesus, were praying in the upper room when they were filled with the Holy Spirit, which descended upon them as a strong wind and as tongues of fire (see Acts 1:13–14; 2:1–13). This is the final time Mary’s name appears in the New Testament. In Luke’s Acts of the Apostles, the same Holy Spirit that overshadowed Mary at the annunciation in Luke 1:38 now comes upon her during Pentecost. “Just as the Incarnation of the Spirit had formed the physical body of Christ in her virginal womb, now in the upper room the same Spirit comes down to give life to the Mystical Body” (St. John Paul II, general audience, May 28, 1997).

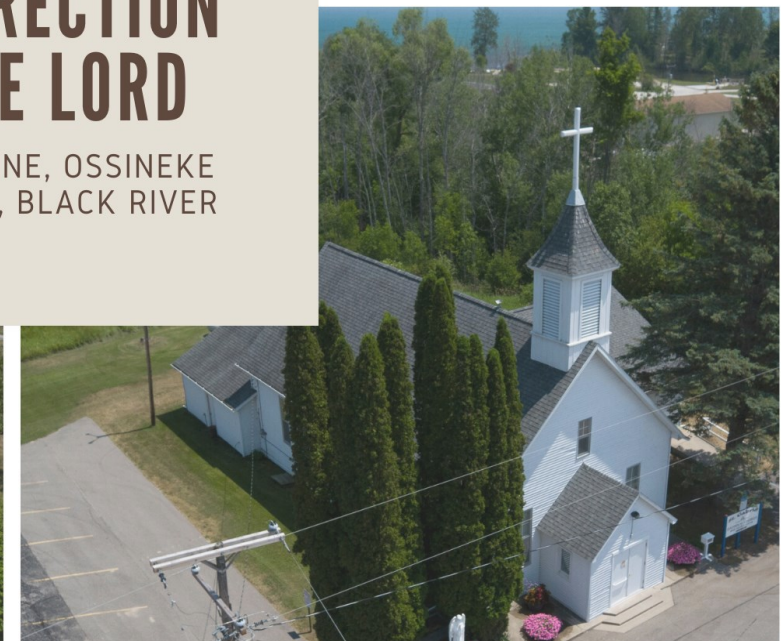
Thus, the Virgin Mary, full of grace and filled with the Holy Spirit, is both the Mother of Christ and Mother of the Church. “Mary is the mother of the members of Christ, because with charity she cooperated in the rebirth of the faithful into the Church,” wrote St. Augustine (354–430).

In 1975, *The Roman Missal* included a votive Mass honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary under her ancient title, Mother of the Church. However, in 2018, Pope Francis elevated this votive Mass to an annual obligatory memorial in the General Roman Calendar, observed on the Monday following Pentecost (also called Whit Monday). Mary is a model for the gifts of the Holy Spirit, exemplifying “love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control” (Galatians 5:22–23).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR

Scripture readings for the week of May 24—30

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Gn 3:9-15,20	Sir 35:1-12	Sir 36:1, 4-5a	Sir 42:15-25	Sir 44:1,9-13	Sir 51:12cd-20	Dt 4:32-34,
Jn 19:25-34	Mk 10:28-31	10-17	Mk 10:46-52	Mk 11:11-26	Mk 11:27-33	39-40
		Mk 10:32-45				Rom 8:14-17
						Mt 28:16-20



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From the Priest's Desk

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Sunday we celebrate Pentecost – the out-pouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and our Blessed Mother. Let us pray fervently for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our lives, in the life of our parishes, and on the whole world. How wonderful for us this weekend to welcome Fr. Michael Lingaur to the priesthood as he begins ministry in our diocese. How beautiful for us to witness of the joy of the Holy Spirit in the lives of our nine young people who will be receiving their First Holy Communion and Confirmation on Sunday. Keep them all in your prayers that they may be set aflame by the power of the Holy Spirit.

This past week, Bishop Hurley, following the changes to the Covid-19 protocols by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and the Centers for Disease Control, has lifted a many of the restrictions put in place over a year ago. Bishop has asked the priests to be transparent about our own vaccination status with our parish-ioners. I am fully vaccinated and have been since mid-February so that I can do my best to protect the most vulnerable and stop the spread of Covid-19. That is why you will see me not wearing a mask anymore during the celebration of Mass and other sacraments.

A complete list of changes can be viewed on the Diocese of Gaylord website. To summarize: Holy Water will be reinstated in the fonts. People can choose to use it or not. Hymnals are once again allowed. We are in the process of purchasing new hymnals. More information to follow... The collection will be taken up in the same manner it was previously. Masks are not required for those who are fully vaccinated per the CDC guidelines. Those wishing a location in the church to continue to social distance will have a place set aside at all four parishes. Out of respect for each other, we will not ask anyone their vaccination status. Funeral luncheons are allowed in our facilities respecting the DHHS maximum of 25 people indoors or 300 people outdoors. Just to name a few...

Let us rejoice together in the Lord who even in these difficult times is bringing us to the Hope that is the Resurrection of the Lord.

God Bless,

Fr. Tyler



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

SEE ONLINE CALENDAR FOR FULL DETAILS

Sunday, May 23, Pentecost Sunday

Rosary is prayed half an hour before each Mass.

4:30 pm Mass, (Saturday) St. Raphael

Jill Scheller & Jerry Quin

6:30 pm Mass, (Saturday) St. Catherine

Parishioners of St. Anne, St. Catherine,

St. Gabriel & St. Raphael

9:00 am Mass, St. Catherine

Lawrence & Ruth Gunderson

11:00 am Mass, Confirmation & 1st Communion

St. Anne

For all who will be receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion

Monday, May 24 The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

9:00 am Mass, St. Anne

Special intention for Margaret Conway

Tuesday, May 25 St. Bede the Venerable, St. Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi

9:00 am Mass, St. Anne

All graduating students

9:30 am Adoration/Confession St. Anne

2:00 pm St. Gabriel Altar Society Meeting

Wednesday, May 26, St. Philip Neri

9:00 am Mass, St. Gabriel

Tom Kane

5-6 pm Adoration/Confession St. Catherine

Thursday, May 27 St. Augustine of Canterbury

9:00 am Mass, St. Catherine

Jo Ann Beatty

9:30 am Adoration St. Catherine

Friday, May 28

NO MASS

Saturday, May 29 St. Paul VI

3:30 pm Confession St. Raphael

Sunday, May 30 The Most Holy Trinity

Rosary is prayed half an hour before each Mass.

4:30 pm Mass, (Saturday) St. Raphael

Ronald Frayer

6:30 pm Mass, (Saturday) St. Gabriel

Safe travels

9:00 am Mass, St. Catherine

Diane Bolda

11:00 am Mass, St. Anne

Parishioners of St. Anne, St. Catherine,

St. Gabriel & St. Raphael

PARISH STEWARDSHIP



“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace” (1 Pt 4:10).

Thanks you for all the sacrifices you make as we all labor in God’s vineyard to bring the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our neighbors. 10% of everything received is donated to support charities near and far.

	St. Anne	St. Catherine	St. Gabriel	St. Raphael
Needed each week	\$2,144.23	\$2,593.95	\$555.10	\$740.38
Needed year-to-date	\$98,634.58	\$119,321.70	\$25,534.60	\$34,057.48
Actual year-to-date	\$102,040.15	\$124,042.98	\$23,721.57	\$36,024.96
May 16	\$1,653.00	\$1,695.00	\$190.00	\$571.85
Other Collections:	\$30.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$71.00

Pray for Our Priests & Religious

Sunday—Rev. Patrick Maher

Monday—Rev. Benjamin Martin

Tuesday—Rev. Greg McCallum

Wednesday—Rev. John McCracken

Thursday—Rev. Bryan Medlin

Friday—Rev. Paul Megge

Saturday— Rev. Eyob Merin

2021 Catholic Services Appeal: This is an opportunity for us to unite with all Catholics in the diocese and in the universal Church to share our blessings and to show our care for one another. The CSA provides the opportunity to act together as a family and support programs and services no single individual or parish could offer by itself. Your gift is very important. Every gift, regardless of the size, is vital to the success of the Appeal, so please be as generous as possible with your pledge. Please drop your envelope with your pledge card in the collection basket, mail to parish office, or go online to give at www.dioceseofgaylord.org Parish Goals: St. Catherine-\$25,282.00; St. Gabriel—\$6,415.00; St. Anne—\$19,895.00; St. Raphael—\$9,367.00.

Pledged:	% of Target
St. Catherine—\$14,300.00	57%
St. Gabriel— \$5,657.00	88%
St. Anne —\$9,995.00	50%
St. Raphael—\$6,340.00	68%

St. Raphael Bake Sale: Saturday, May 29 following Mass. Everyone is invited to bring goodies for the sale.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS: Please join us for a special outdoor Memorial Day Mass at St. Raphael Cemetery at 9 AM, May 31st.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES: Please RSVP with the parish office to attend the Graduation Masses (9 am St. Catherine and 11 am St Anne) on June 6th. Let us join in praying for all our 2021 graduates.

If anyone who is homebound would like to go to Confession, receive the Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion please contact the parish office to set up an appointment. Fr. Tyler will be available most afternoons for home visits.

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE: As more and more visitors and snowbirds return to our area, please be advised of our summer Mass schedule: The 6:30 PM Saturday Vigil Mass which has been at St. Catherine Parish will be transferred back to St. Gabriel Parish beginning May 29th (Memorial Day Weekend) through Labor Day Weekend. Beginning June 2nd the 9 AM daily Mass which had been held at St. Gabriel will be celebrated at St. Catherine.

St. Catherine Lector Schedules for June, July & August. If there are any dates that you are not available please contact the parish office by May 26th.

CSA 2021 THANK YOU – to everyone who has already made their pledge towards our parish targets for the Diocese of Gaylord Catholic Service Appeal 2021. If you have not already made your pledge, please drop off your card and pledge in the collection basket or mail into the parish office. If you need a pledge card, contact the parish office and they will be happy to mail you one. There are some blank cards available in the back of the churches.

Congratulations to our 1st Communicants and our newly Confirmed :

Quentin Allen

Samuel Barth

Daniel Hitch

Noah Lixey

Faith Lucas

Joseph Lucas

Kale Morris

Aivree Purvis

Sirii Wellenkamp