

May 31, 2020

Pentecost Sunday



Scripture Readings: Acts 2: 1-11;
Psalm 104:1-34;
1 Corinthians 12:3-13; John 20:19-23

“To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.” (1 Corinthians 12:7)

To receive the gift of the Holy Spirit you must open your heart and invite Him in! Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your thoughts, words, and actions every day! Be grateful for all the gifts God has given you! Regardless of our individual circumstances, God has given all of us many blessings. What we do with those gifts is our gift back to God! By generously sharing everything we have and everything we are, we become more “God-centered” and less “self-centered” and our lives truly reflect God’s light, love, and mercy.

**Liturgical Assignments
June 6/7**

	Lector	Extraordinary Minister
4:30 p.m.	Monica Purdy	
9:00 a.m.	Mary Jo Marek	
	Altar Servers	
4:30 p.m.	Brady & Colin Rocha	
9:00 a.m.	Gavin Weiland / Pax Helsel	
Weekday		

Money Counters: Mike Lynch / Sharon Lynch

Sacrificial Offerings to God

May 23/24	\$ 11,450.00
Envelopes	
Plate	102.00
Votives	31.00
Repair/Utility Fund	125.00
Tomorrow’s Priests (not in budget)	1,088.00
Misc.	85.00
TOTAL	\$11,708.00

Average Weekly Offertory Needed **\$14,360.00**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Second Collection this Weekend is for a New Air Conditioner

Early last fall, we were advised that our air conditioner on the south side of our church needed to be replaced. Plans have been in the works to replace the unit this spring. The Polish Festival Committee had graciously offered to use the festival profits to help fund this expense, which totals \$17,800.00.

Spring is here and we will be unable to have any major gatherings at least through the summer, so we are planning a **special second collection for the weekend of May 30/31** to try to finance the new A/C unit. We are hoping that as many families as are able can donate \$100 to this fund, but please give what you can.

Thoughts from Father Totton

This is the time of year when most priests celebrate the anniversary of our priestly ordination. Fr. Davis’ (3rd) anniversary was last Wednesday and Fr. Harkins’ (10th) anniversary was Friday. I offered Mass for each of them on those days. I was ordained on June 4, 2004, so this week, I will celebrate sixteen years of priesthood. It is a good time to reflect upon the blessings and challenges of priestly life which inevitably leads one to consider the flock God has entrusted to us, and the good people He has given us to help us along the way. In 2006, and only two years ordained, I came to St. James with much enthusiasm and little experience! I still fondly look back on my six years here with wonder and joy. It wasn’t until I moved on that I realized that I had truly found a home here. In great literature, characters often discover the value of home only after a long and circuitous journey which leads them to visit unexpected places. After the journey, if they return at all, they return to their home changed, but also with a renewed appreciation for the true meaning of “home”. When I left St. James eight years ago, I never thought I would be back – apart from a brief visit now and again. When I came back in January, it was to be for a temporary assignment before moving on to full time Navy duties. After I was here for a short time, I realized that I had truly come home and I felt the Lord calling me to remain. This week I received notice from Bishop Johnston that I will, in fact, remain here at St. James for the foreseeable future. This news brings me joy – the joy of returning home – tempered by the realization that we continue to work through our grief over the loss of our beloved pastor, Fr. Harkins. As I said when I first arrived in January, I consider it a special privilege to be with you in this time, and that privilege is now to be extended.

It is interesting to note that I am not the same priest who showed up here 14 years ago. Yes, I retain the same name, and my face is familiar, but I am older now – in fact, I am the oldest priest to be assigned to St. James in the last 25 years! I come now with experience, as one who has returned home from a long journey. I hope that the life lessons I have learned along the way will benefit you in the years to come and that the Lord will bring us all, together, to Everlasting Life. As I always have, I will rely upon your prayers.

Three years ago, St. James was asked to share her priests with St. Patrick Parish. On July 1st, the relationship between our two parishes will change as Fr. Davis concludes his tenure as parochial vicar (associate pastor) at St. James and officially assumes the Bishop’s appointment as parochial administrator at St. Patrick Parish. We both hope that our two parishes will continue to maintain strong bonds and offer mutual support to one another as we continue to serve the good people of our city.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Sunday, May 31	Mass at 7AM Confessions – 8AM Mass at 9AM (livestream on Facebook) Latin Mass at 11:30AM
Mon.	Confessions – 7:30 to 8AM Chaplet of Divine Mercy – 3PM, Church KofC Mtg. – 7PM, C. Erk Rm <i>Social Distancing Guidelines Apply</i>
Tues.	Confessions – 7:30 to 8AM Chaplet of Divine Mercy – 3PM, Church Mktg. Mtg. – 5:30PM, C. Erk Rm <i>Social Distancing Guidelines Apply</i> Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy -5:30PM Holy Hour/Confessions – 6PM
Wed.	Confessions – 7:30 to 8AM Chaplet of Divine Mercy – 3PM, Church
Thur.	Confessions – 7:30 to 8AM Chaplet of Divine Mercy – 3PM, Church
Fri.	Office Closed
Sat.	Confessions – 3:30PM Mass at 4:30PM
Sunday, June 7	Mass at 7AM (subject to change) Confessions – 8AM Mass at 9AM (livestream on Facebook) Latin Mass at 11:30AM

STAY CONNECTED!

St. James Parish and School Facebook Page

We will be posting daily updates and Sunday Masses at 9AM. All videos posted to Facebook will also be available through the parish website www.saintjamesstjoseph.org.

Pray for the 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit at Mass.

V. The Lord be with you. R. And with your spirit.

1 – *Wisdom* leads the souls of those who have it to see things from God’s perspective and inspires contemplative reflection on the divine mysteries.

2 – *Understanding* helps those who have it to penetrate to the heart of revealed truth even when they do not fully understand its entire meaning.

3 – *Counsel* makes us prefer the joys of sacrifice to the pleasures of the world and enables us to judge promptly and rightly what should be done in difficult situations.

4 – *Fortitude* gives to those who receive it a strong spirit of resolution and firmness of mind and will to persevere with a quiet faith in God’s providence. It also gives courage to persist in the practice of virtue despite trials.

5 – *Knowledge* unmasks the pretense of creatures, reveals their emptiness, and points out their only true purpose as instruments in the service of God. Guided by its light, we put first things first and prize the friendship of God beyond all else.

6 – *Piety* perfects the virtue of justice toward God and infuses in us an instinctive love for Him and devotion to those who are consecrated to Him.

7 – *Fear of the Lord* protects us from sin through dread of offending God. Here we are not praying for servile fear – the fear of mere punishment for doing what is wrong – but the fear of hurting someone we love.

Employment Opportunity!

Holy Rosary Credit Union is proud to offer a full-time branch manager position for our St. Joseph, Missouri location. Experience and Education: 2+ years in a credit union/banking leadership position which includes staff responsibility is essential. A 4-year degree is a big plus, but qualifying experience will be taken into consideration. Transportation: A reliable car will be essential as travel to our branches or head office in Kansas City, could happen regularly. Language Skills: *The successful candidate will need to be truly bi-lingual, Spanish & English, to be of most service to the community.* Compensation & Benefits: Holy Rosary Credit Union provides Medical, Dental, & Vision coverages. The premiums are company-paid. How to Apply: Go to: <https://holyroscopyu.org/career-opportunities.html> and send your resume and cover letter via Email: Shannon.Wareholyroscopyu.org Background checks will be conducted.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse: 1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and 3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 1

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
8 a.m. – *Rev. Evan Patrick Harkins* ✝

Tuesday, June 2

Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs
8 a.m. – *Drew Arnett*

Wednesday, June 3

St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs
8 a.m. – *Philip Zuptich* ✝

**Thursday, June 4
Easter Weekday**

8 a.m. – *Rev. Joseph Totton – Ordination Anniversary*

Friday, June 5

St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr
8 a.m. – *Katie Gomeck* ✝

**Saturday, June 6
Vigil Mass**

4:30 p.m. – *Ralph Flinn* ✝

Sunday, June 7

The Most Holy Trinity

7:00 a.m. – *Deceased of St. James Altar Society* ✝
9:00 a.m. – *Michael & Frances Hernandez, Mary Ann Ellis* ✝
11:30 a.m. (Latin)
Pro Populo

(A cross indicates that the Mass intention is for a deceased loved one.)

Pray for Priests!