



Archbishop William E. Lori, Archbishop of Baltimore

St. Matthew Roman Catholic Church

“Rich in Tradition, United in Mission, Blessed with Diversity.”

Pentecost Sunday

June 4, 2017

Mass Times: Holy Day Mass times vary; see the bulletin.

Weekdays (Rectory Chapel) Monday – Thursday – Saturday 9:00 AM

Tuesday – Friday 7:00 AM

Weekends – Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:45 AM – 11 AM

Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00 – 4:30 PM – By Appointment

Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, and Anointing of the Sick:

Please call the church office.

New Parishioners:

Please pick up a registration form at the exits or contact the church office.
Please also indicate if you wish to receive giving envelopes.

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*Pastor's
Notes*

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Well, it is finally here!! **Pentecost Sunday!** **The Apostles are about to be set free and set loose.** They have spent time mourning and weeping and are **now about to take new steps as the Spirit leads them.** We know from the scriptures that even now they are reluctant to go, but they can't resist the Spirit. **The Spirit has to do with Forgiveness, Reconciliation, Spreading the Word, and Discovering and Using your gifts.** We are told that **we are all a part of the Body of Christ** and each of us has some manifestation of the Spirit for the Common Good. So we are all called to be a part of **the Early Church, its Mission, and its Spirit.** Today, we use the term of being **Missionary Disciples.** It is an **opportunity for Evangelization,** for meeting people where they are not expecting perfection, but only seeking a willing heart. **The acceptance of people as they are is sometimes a challenge for all of us,** until we realize we expect people to do the same for us. The Spirit binds us all together as the Body of Christ with all of our differences and imperfections. And we are all gifted and need each other's support to discover and live those gifts. **Pentecost is referred to as the Birthday of the Church.** In this case the candles are not blown out, but are kept lit so that Jesus can light our way.

Pastoral Council meets on Monday, June 5th at 6 PM in the rectory. This is an earlier start because we begin with a potluck supper. We will thank those who are leaving the Council and welcome those who have been recently elected.

Pray for me on Tuesday, June 6th. An eighth grader in the parish has asked me to be a part of her **Father/Daughter Field Day** at her school. I said "Yes." The problem is most of the other "Dads" will be in their late 20s or early 30s. Pray that I can keep up and not embarrass my "daughter."

Blessed Sacrament's Fish Fry is next Saturday, June 10th from 3 to 7 PM in the Blessed Sacrament Parish Center at 4103 Old York Road.

Next weekend, June 10th and 11th, we celebrate all of the graduates in the parish.

Remember Orlando!! Monday, June 12th is the One Year Anniversary of the Pulse Night Club shooting in Orlando, Florida. There will be a candlelight silent vigil march. We meet at Homewood Friends Meeting house at 7 PM and process five blocks to the Episcopal Cathedral of the Incarnation. We will stand on the steps of the Cathedral and read the names of the 49 victims. All are welcome. For more information, see Fr. Joe.

Happy Pentecost and enjoy your Spirit-Power!!

Love and Prayers,

Fr. Joe

Let Us Pray For:

Aileen Semple, Alfred & Cherry Lee-Young, Alphonsus Oguamanam, Andrea Bryant, Andrea Shuck, Andrew Macsherry, Anne Marie Campbell, Anthony Udumukwu, Archer Senft, Atticus Smith, Augustine Ubaru, Ardella Oliver, Barbara Reid, Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Adams, Bernice Kucharski, Bernice Thomas, Betty Blair, Betty Johnson, Betty King, Betty Mathers, Butch Podgurski, Cammy Roberson, Carl Gabler, Carol Augustine, Caroline Grayson, Carolyn Richardson, Casey Seymour, Charles Supik, Czatherine Potillo, Chantelle Clarke, Cheryl Lusby, Chukwuma & Philomena Okpala, Donna Dusman, Donna Lusby, Eloise Hopkins, Eric Younkin, Ethel White, Evelyn Thompson, Frances Ubaru, Frank Lhotsky, Fran Meeks, Gail Liss, Gloria Smith, Gloriana & Eddie Hopkins, Grace Byerly, Greg Novik, Greg Schaum, Gunter Moore, Gwen Heemann, Helen Nitkoski, Henrietta Mitchell, Jack Murphy, James Waller, Jeanette McMillan, Jennifer Tamberino, Jim Augustine, Joe Chamberlin, Joan Muth, Joe Kennedy, Joe and Frieda Koubek, John and Maisie Serio, Joscelin Hancock, Joyce Loney, Justin Xavier Mathis, Keagen Merritt, Kerry Heemann, Kerstin Lynch, Kyle Beaudet, Larry Balda, Lashawda Jelks, Lee Nel, Lenon Daniel, Lucille Casey, Marian Harrington, Marie Chery, Marie Fields, Mark Bynun, Mark Rogalski, Mary Catherine, Mary Connelly, Mary Jo Bowen, Mary Lou Balda, Melanie McCullom, Parfulit Youzon, Peg Collins, Philomena Ofoma, Robert Holt, Rocky Davis, Ruby Hughes, Ruth Toro, Ryan Carlisle, Seaton Haney, Shakia Williams, Steve Heemann, Sue Todd, Sylvia Adams, Victoria Borland, William Kovalevsky, and the repose of the soul and the family of the Most Rev. William C. Newman.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK (June 4th – 11th):

- Sunday, June 4** **Acts 2:1-11** **Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34** **1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13** **Jn 20:19-23**
Pentecost Sunday. All of us have been baptized into one and the same Spirit (2). That same Spirit, the Advocate, our comfort and refreshment (Seq), was given as gift to the disciples (1) to strengthen them to go forth in the name of the Lord (3), “to renew the face of the Earth.”
- Monday, June 5** **Tb 1:3; 2:1-8** **Ps 112:1-6** **Mk 12:1–12**
St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr. The father of Tobiah, being an upright man (Ps), buried one of his slain kinsfolk (1). Jesus tells a parable which speaks of his own future suffering and death (2).
- Tuesday, June 6** **Tb 2:9-14** **Ps 112:1-2, 7-9** **Mk 12:13-17**
St. Norbert, Bishop. Though experiencing physical and domestic difficulties (1), Tobit trusts in the Lord (Ps). Jesus speaks of religious and civic duties (2).
- Wednesday, June 7** **Tb 3:1-11, 16-17** **Ps 25:2-5, 6, 7, 8-9** **Mk 12:18-27**
Tobit and Sarah, both deeply grieved in spirit (1), lift up prayers to the Lord (Ps). Jesus speaks of his life after death (2).
- Thursday, June 8** **Tb 6:10-11; 7:1, 9-17; 8:4-9** **Ps 128:1-5** **Mk 12:28-34**
Raphael leads Tobiah to Sarah and they are joined in marriage (1, Ps). Love of God and neighbor is the heart of the Christian message (2).
- Friday, June 9** **Tb 11:5-17** **Ps 146:1-2, 6-10** **Mk 12:35-37**
St. Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church. Tobit is healed of his blindness through the intercession of Raphael (1, Ps). The Messiah is at once Son of David and Lord, both human and divine (2).
- Saturday, June 10** **Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20** **(Ps) Tb 13:2, 6, 7-8** **Mk 12:38-44**
Raphael reveals his identity to Tobit and his son (1). Tobit praises God for his love and mercy (Ps). Jesus praises the widow who gave, not from her excess, but from what little she possessed (2).
- Sunday, June 11** **Ex 34:4-6, 8-9** **(Ps) Dn 3:52-56** **2 Cor 13:11-13** **Jn 3:16-18**
The Most Holy Trinity. God sent his Son to save us (3) and to forgive us, making us his adopted children (1). Like the Trinity of persons, may we be united in peace and love through the Spirit (2), through whom we offer God praise and glory (Ps.)

SACRIFICIAL GIVING:

May 27 – 28:

Offertory Envelopes: \$5,422.00
Loose Offertory: \$679.38
TOTAL: \$6,101.38

MASS ATTENDANCE:

May 27 – 28:

<u>5 PM:</u>	<u>8:45 AM:</u>	<u>11 AM:</u>
64	113	200

TOTAL: 377

Mass Intentions 
FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, June 4:

8:45 AM: Rebecca Pitta

11:00 AM: Edna Gan

Monday, June 5:

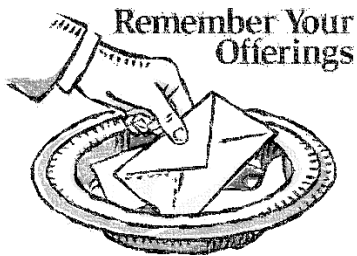
9:00 AM: Mary Agnes Sweeney

Friday, June 9:

**7:00 AM: Catherine Gertrude
Sweeney**

Saturday, June 10:

5:00 PM: Joseph Warwick



Annual Pride Prayer Service

Thursday, June 8th: 7 PM at St. Ignatius Catholic Community (740 North Calvert Street)

As part of the Faith Communities of Baltimore with Pride and the 2017 Week of Pride, Embracing God's Gifts, St. Ignatius' LGBT ministry, is inviting you to join us on Thursday, June 8th at 7 PM in the Chapel of Grace. We will give thanks to God for the gift of our LGBT brothers and sisters in a Prayer Service. Through music, readings, prayer, and a spirit of gratitude, we will gather to celebrate our LGBT brothers and sisters. All are welcome and please bring a friend! A light reception will follow in Ignatian Hall. For more information, contact Gordon Creamer at themissionbridge@yahoo.com.



Family Vacation Retreat!!! Looking for a spiritual retreat the whole family can enjoy?? Something for everyone including children, grandparents, single, married, religious? Fun filled activities, workshops, hikes, sports, games? At a family-friendly price? Then come join the Focolare (June 23rd–27th) for the Mariapolis retreat in Potomac Park in beautiful Falling Waters, WV. Learn the secret to building unity in everyday life!! For more information, contact Sue Rovnak: 717-940-3274.

HAVE YOU BEEN LOOKING FOR A WAY
TO BE MORE ACTIVE IN THE LITURGY?
WHY NOT TRY ONE OF THESE MINISTRIES THIS SUMMER?????

ALTAR SERVERS---- Here is one way you could do that – become an altar server. This ministry is open to all youth from age 10 and adults- male and female. The altar server responsibilities are to arrive 15 minutes before the service to get robed and make sure the sanctuary is prepared for Mass. During the Mass, the server assists the priest by holding the book for prayers, preparing the altar while the offertory takes place, at communion clearing the altar. Altar servers are scheduled on a rotating basis and are scheduled for the Mass which they regularly attend. If you are interested please contact Patty DeLisle at 410-668-4880 or pattydelisle@verizon.net.



LECTORS

Another way to be a part of the Liturgy is to become a Lector.

Lectors proclaim the Scripture readings during the Mass, lead the Prayer of the Faithful and read the weekly announcements. They are scheduled on a rotating basis for the mass they regularly attend. Their responsibility is to be prepared ahead of time with the readings and to arrive 15 minutes prior to their scheduled Mass to prepare the Prayer of the faithful and obtain any additional information for that day.

MUSICIANS NEEDED-- Both the Gospel Choir and Contemporary Group are looking for new members. It is not necessary to be able to read music to be a part of either of these groups. The Gospel Choir rehearses on Sundays after the 11 am Mass and leads the music at the 11 am Mass on the 3rd Sunday of the month. The Contemporary Group leads the music at the 11 am on each Sunday except the 3rd Sunday of the month and rehearses in the church at 7 pm on Wednesday evenings. If you like to sing or play an instrument and would like to share your talent with the community and be a part of one of these groups, please contact Patty DeLisle at 410-668-4880 or pattydelisle@verizon.net.

