

### St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Traditional Latin Mass Parish of Southern Maryland

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XXIII.V.MMXXI **Dominica Pentecostes**Acts 2:1-11; John 14:23-31

23 May A.D. 2021 Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; I Corinthians 12:3B-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

#### From the Pastor

In this month of May we turn in a more intense way to Our Lady, Mother Mary, for her help. Our Church and our world are in deep need of hearing the call of God to faith, prayer and the moral life which God commands. Mary's example always leads us to



follow her Son more faithfully and perseveringly. Take up the daily rosary again this month if you have fallen away from this most effective prayer for continuing the graces of the Eucharist throughout the week.

### St Thomas Aquinas on Reverence toward the Eucharist

"Because out of reverence towards this sacrament, nothing touches it, but what is consecrated; hence the corporal and the chalice are consecrated, and likewise the priest's hands, for touching this sacrament. Hence it is not lawful for anyone else to touch it except from necessity, for instance, if it were to fall upon the ground or else in some other case of urgency."

- Saint Thomas Aquinas, Doctor of the Church Summa Theologica

#### **Our Lady of Fatima**

Our Lady's first appearance to the children at Fatima occurred on May 13 and continued each month on that day until October with the miracle of the sun. Of her many consoling messages and warnings perhaps these words are most comforting for us:

"Don't lose heart. I will never forsake you. My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God."

Along with recitation of the rosary daily, Mary urged us to do penance for poor sinners.

#### **Stewardship**

To designate a gift that stays within the parish please place your check or cash in a plain envelope labeled with your offertory number or your name, the amount enclosed, and which expense you are designating. If using a check, please also include your offertory number and the designated expense on the memo line. Thank you.

- Maintenance Materials Bal \$400.00\*
- Maintenance Labor April PAID\*
- Church, liturgy supplies \$74.69\*
- Utilities PAID\*

(\*Amount changed this week)

#### Pentecost: Veni Sancte Spiritus

"Dearly beloved brethren, our best way will be to run briefly through the words which have been read from the Holy Gospel, and thereafter rest for a while quietly gazing upon the solemn subject of this great Festival. This is the day whereon "suddenly there came a sound from heaven," and the Holy Ghost descended upon the Apostles, and, for fleshly minds, gave them minds wherein the love of God was shed abroad and, while without "there appeared unto them cloven tongues, like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them," within, their hearts were enkindled. While they received the visible presence of God in the form of fire, the flames of His love enwrapped them. The Holy Ghost Himself is love whence it is that John saith "God is love." Whosoever therefore loveth God with all his soul, already hath obtained Him Whom he loveth, for no man is able to love God, if He have not gained Him Whom he loveth." - Homily by Pope St. Gregory the

## Congratulations to our Confirmandi!

Please keep our confirmandi in your prayers, who receive the Sacrament of Confirmation today at the 11 am Mass of Pentecost. Congratulations to Mary Isabel Paulitz, Aaron and Emily Williams, and Justin Perusse.

#### **Vocation Prayers for Stephen Krautle**

Our sacristan is on a month stay with the Oratorian priest community in Cincinnati to further his vocational discernment. Please pray in these days that Stephen will understand and follow the Father's will for his life, possibly for priestly formation as a member of their apostolate. Thank you for your role in his formation here through prayer and encouragement.

#### Planned Work on Our Ceiling and Church

Thank you for your attendance at last week's informational meeting, your continued prayers through the intercession of Our Lady of Fatima, and your generous financial gifts. Please see the reverse of the bulletin for latest fundraising total.

# **Dedicate Sanctuary Lamp in Memory of Your Loved One**

Dedication of the sanctuary lamp each week to honor or recognize the living or deceased. Proceeds help defray the cost of altar and votive candles.

#### Ceiling and Church Plaster Repair

Current total raised:
\$10,445
Estimated Loan Amount:
\$57,000.00
Estimated total cost:
\$243,000.00

Thank you for your generous support!

#### Service on the Altar

Training for all current and prospective members of the Society of Saints Aloysius and Alphonsus (SSAA) altar boy society will be held on the first Saturday of each month after the 9:00 am Mass.

All interested boys and men are invited to please contact Jamieson Scarlata at 1619surfer@gmail.com

**Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound:** Irving Chappelear, Dorothy Hume, Robin Magnelli, Frances Ricco, Ray Stublarec, Miles and Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn.

Please call the rectory at 301-274-3416 or contact Father Cusick at cusickk@adw.org to arrange for him to visit any homebound, ill or hospitalized parishioners or family members.

#### Rite of Christian Initiation - Adult Faith Formation Classes

Classes for adults seeking to enter the Church are scheduled by our faith formation director Aaron Percich. Email him to start formation: aaron.percich@comcast.net. Pick up a copy of the weekly Wanderer Newspaper available in church and see the "B" section for a basic adult catechetical resource.

#### **Children's Faith Formation**

Our Church teaches that parents are the first teachers in the ways of Faith for all of our young people. No one has more power or responsibility before God for witnessing to our children of the fact of the Lord's Resurrection and His presence through the Church in our lives. Those parents who wish to augment home school with parish faith formation are asked to contact Deacon Butkiewicz to enroll children in weekly home lesson support at jbutk@gmail.com.

Families must be attending Sunday Mass throughout the year before enrolling children.

### Holy Sweepers for the weeks of May 16 and 23 Scarlata Family

Holy Sweepers are the families and individuals who graciously keep our church clean and tidy. They clean once a week, for a two week period, on a rotating basis. The more Holy Sweepers in the rotation, the more time between each assignment. If you would like to be a Holy Sweeper, please email Caitlin Sanders at braun.cait@gmail.com.

#### **<u>UPCOMING:</u>** Corpus Christi - First Communion conferred

#### Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week

Sunday	<b>23 May</b>	9:00 am <sup>3</sup>	Pro pópulo	Pentecost Sunday
		11:00 am	Intns Blessed Virgin Mary	<b>Dominica Pentecostes</b>
		5:30 pm	Intns Susan Skinner	
Monday	<b>24 May</b>	9:00 am	†Souls in Purgatory	
Tuesday	<b>25 May</b>	**	†Cecelia Gavin	S Gregory VII/S Urban I
Wednesday	<b>26 May</b>	6:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration/Confessions	
•	•	7:00 pm	Intns Stephen Krautle	S Philip Neri/Ember Wednesday
Thursday	<b>27 May</b>	9:00 am	Conversion of Joe Biden	S Bede the Venerable/S John I
Friday	<b>28 May</b>	9:00 am	Intns Gomez Family	S Augustine of Canterbury/Ember Friday
Saturday	<b>29 May</b>	9:00 am	End to Communion in the hand	S Mary Magdalen de Pazzi/Ember Saturday
Sunday	30 May	9:00 am <sup>3</sup>	Pro pópulo	Trinity Sunday
		11:00 am	B.M. Perusse	<b>Dominica Sanctissimae Trinitatis</b>
		5:30 pm	Intns Blessed Virigin Mary	

If you would like to have a Mass offered, you may email mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com, stop by the parish office during regular business hours, drop a note in the collection basket or see Father after Mass. The customary offering for a Mass, per Archdiocesan guidelines, is \$10.00.

\* Mass in English \*\* Father away; no public Mass

#### Staff

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#### **Mass and Sacrament Schedule**

**Traditional Latin Mass: Sundays** 11:00 am, 5:30 pm Weekdays: Mon 9 am, Wed 7 pm, Thurs-Sat 9 am

**Holy Days:** 8:00 am, 7:00 pm

English: Sundays 9 am, Holy Days 6 pm Confessions offered prior to all weekend Masses Baptisms and Marriages: By appointment 6 months in advance. Bulletin Deadline: Two Thursdays prior to the date of publication. Send to braun.cait@gmail.com or call the rectory 301-274-3416. New Parishioners: Welcome! Please complete a registration form, available in the back of the church, and return it to Father or drop it in the collection basket.