



## Pentecost Sunday May 28, 2023

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish  
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### Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil ~ 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday ~ 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday-  
Friday ~ 9:00 a.m.  
Thursday ~ no daily Mass

Adoration  
No adoration

### Sacrament of Baptism

Baptismal instruction offered at  
6:30 p.m. on the  
third Tuesday of every month.  
Call the office to register.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Friday ~ 5:00 ~ 6:00 p.m.  
Saturday ~ 3:00 ~ 3:30 p.m.  
Anytime by appointment.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Arranged at least six months  
in advance

### Pastoral Care of the Sick

Notify the parish office  
whenever someone is ill,  
hospitalized, or homebound  
wishes to receive Communion.

### RCIA

Mondays ~ 7:00 p.m.

### Parish Membership

New parishioners are  
always welcome  
Please call the parish office  
to register.

### Knights of Columbus Council 14329

### Parish Council

Rita Clayton  
Deb Steinbacher  
Paul Moerschbacher  
Jamie Wieder  
Mary Etta Legarski  
Sharon O'Malley  
Keith Kuzio  
Colleen Brown  
Kaycie Gerrity  
Lydia Baylor



*Come  
Holy Spirit,  
Come*

### *Mission Statement*

*We are a Christian Community rooted in Word and Sacrament  
striving to fulfill our Baptismal commitment  
by following the example and teaching of Christ.  
Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we endeavor to pass on our faith,  
through the Roman Catholic Tradition, to the next generation  
for the greater glory of God.*

“What discord had scattered, love was to gather together  
St. Augustine

Dear Parish Family and Friends,

We now know that the glorification of Jesus took place when He rose from the dead and ascended into Heaven, but all was not yet accomplished. The Holy Spirit still had to be given; the One who made the promise had to send Him. This is precisely what occurred at Pentecost.

Pentecost is a day of gifts. Jesus gave His apostles, and now gives to each of us, gifts the likes of which the world had never known. The event was marked with glorious manifestations:

Suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and there appeared to them tongues like fire which separated and came to rest on each one of them. (Acts2:2)

We often refer to Pentecost as the birthday of the Church. I wonder if the source of using candles on our birthday cakes stems from the tongues of fire on that spectacular celebration of new birth in Christ by the Holy Spirit. Also, part of any birthday celebration includes gift giving. God, in His magnificent generosity gave the everlasting gifts of peace, joy, love and power to His disciples. I can't help but recall the seven gifts bestowed on our young people who received the Sacrament of Confirmation earlier this month: wisdom, understanding, knowledge, right judgement, courage, reverence and wonder and awe. These are everlasting gifts which will not rust or fade. Nor will they fall out of fashion. It is these gifts from the Blessed Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that make us one and keeps us free.

If you yourselves are established in the unity of faith and the love of Christ Jesus, you have the Holy Spirit, and nothing can separate you from the Church of Christ, the Catholic Faith which speaks in the language of every nation of the world. As St. Augustine wrote, “What discord had scattered, love was to gather together.” Keep this day with joy. Celebrate it in freedom of spirit. For what was promised from of old has been given to you!

Joyfully yours,

Fr. Michael



## *May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary*

### To Love and Serve Jesus Christ This Week at Our Lady of Lourdes

- ~ **Monday, May 29**  
Memorial Day ~ Office Closed  
NO Holy Hour/Confessions
- ~ **Wednesday, May 31**  
Parish Festival Planning Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- ~ **Friday, June 2**  
Confessions ~ 5:00 p.m.
- ~ **Saturday, June 3**  
First Saturday Devotions after 9:00 a.m. Mass

### Offertory Collections (Includes on-line contributions)

05/20-21/23

Loose	\$	635.00
Offertory	\$	5,688.00
Maintenance	\$	173.00
Fuel	\$	2.00
Votives	\$	116.00
Religious Education	\$	1.00
Ascension	\$	362.00
Christmas	\$	3.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,980.00</b>

### Diocesan Collections

Care & Education of Priests	\$	16.00
Catholic Communications	\$	127.00
Human Development	\$	3.00
Religious Retirement	\$	3.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>149.00</b>

### Collection Counter Schedule

- May 30—Group 2**—Glenda Farrington, Mary McNamara, Carol Everett
- June 5—Group 3**—Judy DeGregorio, Barbara Gallagher, Jan Ransdorf

### Faith in Action

Our Faith in Action Committee has received an urgent, special request from one of our nursing homes for new and/or gently-used shirts for men and women. This will be our Faith in Action collection for the month of May. Please be as generous as always for this special collection.



We continue to collect **16 ounce jars of peanut butter** to help support the Montoursville School District Backpack Program. Drop off donations inside the church.

### Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, May 28

Pentecost Sunday  
8:00 a.m. People of the Parish  
10:30 a.m. J. Richard Churba (*The Family*)  
*Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1-34; 1 Cor 12:3-13; Jn 20:19-23*

#### Monday, May 29

9:00 a.m. Rose and Romeo Fagnano  
(*Romey Fagnano Family*)  
*Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-7; Jn 19:25-34*

#### Tuesday, May 30

NO MASS  
*Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-23; Jn 17:1-11*

#### Wednesday, May 31

NO MASS  
*Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-36; Mk 10:28-31*

#### Thursday, June 01

NO MASS  
St. Justin, Martyr  
*Sir 42:15-25; Ps 33:3-9; Mk 10:46-52*

#### Friday, June 02

First Friday  
9:00 a.m. Irene Connelly (*Joe and Marilyn Neyhart*)  
*Sir 44:1-13; Ps 149:1b-9b; Mk 11:11-26*

#### Saturday, June 03

First Saturday  
9:00 a.m. Nick and Lucy Mondell  
(*Steve and Kathleen Mondell and Family*)  
Vigil of The Most Holy Trinity  
4:00 p.m. Gary Stryker (*His Wife*)  
*Sir 51:12-20; Ps 19:8-11; Mk 11:27-33*

#### Sunday, June 4

The Most Holy Trinity  
8:00 a.m. Edward J. Cillo Jr. and Keith E. Cillo  
(*The Family*)  
10:30 a.m. People of the Parish  
*Ex 34:4-9; Ps Dn 3:52-55; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18*

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training

We are currently seeking Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion with the goal of providing both species (*Host and Chalice*) at every Mass. A training will take place on Wednesday, June 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 570-368-8598.

### Parish Festival Planning Meeting

We need volunteers for our Fall Festival. There is an organizational meeting on Wednesday, May 31, at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall. If you are interested in helping, please plan on attending. For more information, please call the parish office at 570-368-8598.



**Ministry Corner**  
**Fruit of the Spirit**

We learn from Galatians 5:22,23 that "the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. Last weekend we celebrated an outpouring of the fruit of the Spirit in caring for our parish mission, Good Counsel Homes. Michael Phelps, our speaker from Good Counsel Homes, was able to deliver to the Bronx Home a van load of diapers, wipes, clothes, beautiful hand-made blankets and hats from our Knitting Group, formula, and even pacifiers. Our parishioners were also very generous with financial gifts. We had a lovely baby shower thanks to the efforts of all of our gift-givers and attendees, and of our Pro-Life Group members, our Knights of Columbus Council, Curt Fink, Barbara Burchanowski, Allen Lorson, and JoMarie Latini. We would especially like to thank Father Mike for his support, prayers, and encouragement, We are so blessed to have a priest and a parish true to our Catholic faith! If you would like to join us or have questions, please talk to Ed or Deb Steinbacher, Bob Reissner, Heather Fagnano, John or Mary Etta Legarski, Stacy or Kaycie Gerrity, or Frank or Jean Connelly. This writer would like to thank them for working tirelessly for this event and for all of their pro-life efforts as we care for one another from conception to natural death. Thank you and God bless you and all of our parishioners!

**Parish Picnic**



**June 11, 2023**  
**1:00—3:00 p.m.**  
**Indian Park—Pavilion #5**

**All are welcome to an afternoon of relaxation and fun as we kick off the**  
**START OF SUMMER!!**  
**Bring a dish to share and a lawn chair.**

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**Phone: 570-368-8598**  
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