May 31st, 2020 - Pentecost Sunday

SAINT MARY'S ATHOLIC CHURCH



PARISH OFFICE Hours Tuesday-Friday 8:30 am-3:30 pm Phone

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MASS SCHEDULE Weekdays

Tuesday 5:30 pm Wed, Thurs, & Fri 8:30 am

Weekends Saturday 7:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am @ Cemetery St. Mary's Church &1:00 pm

Adoration Wed, Thurs, & Fri 8:00 - 8:30 am

Confessions Tuesday 5:00 pm Saturday 6:00 pm

Rosary Before Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday 9:00 am Mass

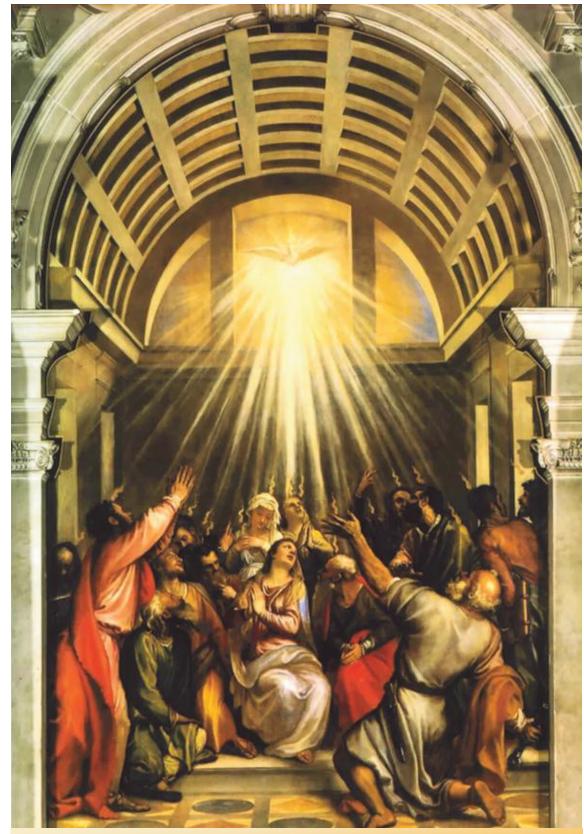
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Mass Intentions

Tuesday,June 2,5:30 pmT Vincent BlaschkeBy: Fr. Clayton

Wednesday, June 3, 8:30 am t Brian Delmore By: Dan & Patty Schlutter

Thursday, June 4, 8:30 am † Russel Deering By: Tom & Sandy Hale

Friday, June 5, 8:30 am The Leja Family By: Fr. Clayton

Saturday, June 6, 7:00 pm t Vicki Puetz By: Dan McGowan

Sunday,June 7,9:00 amParishioners Mass1:00 pm**+** Merlin Marshall
By: Judy & Steven Scott

Sanctuary Lamp - Special Intention By Rita Hall



Upcoming Events

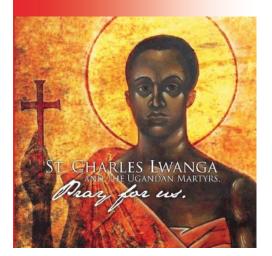
First Communion & St. Mary's Graduation Mass June 14th, 9:00 am

> Diocese of Lacrosse: Priestly Ordination June 27th, 6:30 pm

Joint Parish Council Meeting June 30th, 6:30 pm

St. Mary's Confirmation! UPDATE: July 9th at 7:00 pm

Diocese of LaCrosse Events Cancelled until further notice.



The Word among Us – The Birthday of our Church

They were Filled with the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:4

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told the apostles that they would be "baptized with the Holy Spirit. So together with Mary, they "devoted **themselves with one accord** to prayer." And sure enough, in the upper room, somewhere in Jerusalem the Holy Spirit came -with wind and fire and with a new boldness to preach the Gospel.

Pentecost tells a beautiful story about God's power and the Apostle's transformation. But they didn't receive the Spirit just that one Day. They were immersed in the Spirit again and again. The book of Acts records at least Seven times that the Apostles were "filled" with the Spirit (Acts, 2:4; 4:8, 31; 6:8; 7:55; 13:9, 52). And this doesn't count all the other times that never made into the bible! There were obviously many other times the disciples and followers of Jesus received a 'renewal' of the Holy Spirit, especially with Mother Mary around. The same is true for us. Every year we come back to the powerful Solemnity and await the renewal of the Church. Although we received the Holy Spirit in Baptism, we too need more of the Spirits power and gifts to follow the Lord and proclaim the Good News.

Jesus knew how much we would need the Holy Spirit after He ascended, and so not long after His ascension, he encouraged His disciples to pray for this gift: "If you know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in Heaven give the Holy Spirit?" These are powerful words to reflect on. In short, if good or evil people can give good things and gifts to their children, well then God most certainly will gift us with supernatural gifts from Heaven...In John's Gospel, the author assures us that God "does not ration His gift of the Spirit" (John 3:34), There is always more that God has for us!

This weekend, I invite everyone to follow the Apostles example. Believe in God's promise of the Holy Spirit and then pray for it. Keep praying, not just on this special feast, but every day. You might even ask a few faith-filled friends to pray with you for a new outpouring of the Spirit in your life. You may not see fire or wind, but the Spirit of the Lord will come to you in new, extra-ordinary and refreshing ways -not only for your benefit, but for the good of His Body, the Church...Pray to God! And Ask Him for ANYTHING!! It's like Christmas! It's like the Birthday of the Church. What will you put on your Pentecost Wish List...

FREE HEALING CONFERENCE:

Healing, Bringing the Gift of God's Mercy to the World - with Dr. Mary Healy

Mary Healy is professor of Sacred Scripture at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit, MI. In 2014 Pope Francis appointed her as one of the first three women ever to serve on the Pontifical Biblical Commission. She chairs the Doctrinal Commission of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal International Service (CHARIS) in Rome and serves as a member of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity in the Pentecost-Catholic International Dialogue.

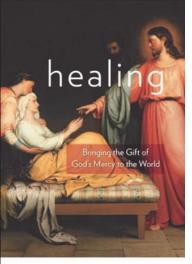
DATE: Saturday, June 13th, 2020

PLACE: Mary Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston St, LaCrosse WI 54601

SESSIONS: 8:30 AM - 3:15 PM

HEALING SERVICE - 6:30 PM

*NO REGISTRATION *NO CHARGE *JUST COME!



MARY HEALY



What to Expect when Coming Back to Church

- Entering -All doors will be free to open and exit. All the doors will be open after mass to prevent congestion and allow for an easy exit.
- **Hand Sanitizer** -Will be provided at each entrance, (holy water is not allowed) I bought a couple gallons this week. I highly recommend that every person wash, bring their own or use the hand sanitizer when entering the Church. (It's 80%, liquid and very very potent stuff!)
- **Church Seating** -Please come and find a place, keeping social distance a must. We will have roped off pews, (every other pew) so people can feel safe and know that they can relax and pray.
- **Choir Singing** -We'll be singing at a limited capacity. Hymnals & Missals will be removed for the time being. We'll have disposable handouts in the pews. Recognized songs most people know will be played.
- **Holy Communion** -We will receive in One Single line, making sure everyone is 6 feet apart. We will only distribute The Body of Christ. Receiving on the hand is highly encouraged. Receiving on the tongue is allowed. Deacon Tom and I will distribute. A wash bowl will be at our side.
- **The Sign of Peace** We'll not physically 'exchange' the sign of peace. Family units & couples can exchange a traditional sign of peace. I feel we're smart enough to know, NOT to exchange the sign of peace. We been doing that since December...The sign of peace will be given verbally!
- Personnel Protective Equip PPE is highly recommended & I'll provide masks & gloves in the back of church for those who want them. It'll not be mandatory but highly encouraged. If you feel safe with gloves & a mask, I will provide both. Every little bit helps.

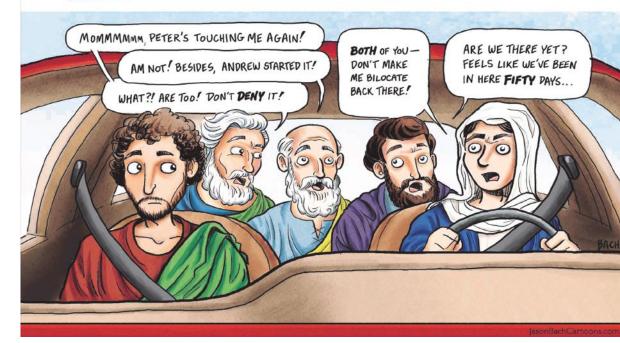
First Communion, Confession & St. Mary's Graduates!

First communion & Gradation mass will be held Sunday, June 14th at the 9:00 am mass. We will also be celebrating Corpus Christi. We won't have any reception or gathering after, but we'll honor our first communicants & graduates on June 14th. ALSO, we'll be meeting Saturday morning June 13th, at 10:00 am, for first communion practice & first confessions.

St. Mary's Ministries?

Ministry schedules will be postponed until further notice. I appreciate your patience these past months; especially with the Church, as she shifts back to public ministry. Please observe the emails, Facebook posts & bulletins for relevant info. Please pray for them, the parish & myself during these times.

ACTS 2:1 "AND WHEN THE DAY OF PENTECOST HAD COME, THEY WERE ALL IN ONE ACCORD ... "





May 24th, 2020 Actual

Adult Envelopes	\$1668.00
Student Envelopes	\$4.00
Offertory	\$394.00
Ascension	\$130.00
Votive Candles	\$48.00
Total	\$2244.00

Weekly Budget \$2,441.23

(156 registered families)

<u>Year-to-date*</u>

Budgeted	\$109,919.58
Contributed	\$124,998.81

* Monthly giving is down by 22% (was 45%) in the past 10 weeks. Which is a good sign that the economy, families and peoples incomes are improving. Please continue to support our parish and families through good stewardship and prayer.

Again folks, for those who've fallen behind or can't give, <u>please do not worry</u>. As a nonprofit org., we need prayers & participation in the parish, not money. I ask everyone to pray & listen to your hearts, & if needed put aside money. The diocese is trying to help with many programs, most of which are not in our best interest.

But for those who can and want to give, THANK YOU, for those that can't it's OK, & for those who're uncertain, <u>again it's Ok</u>, take it a week at a time & give when your heart invites you to. -Fr. Clayton



