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Deacon Dick Beaudry

Hispanic Ministry:

Fr. Rafael Martos

Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass (Saturday):

4:30 p.m. (English)

6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Sunday Masses: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
and 4:30 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Thursday: 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Rosary 25 minutes before each Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday thru Friday

After 8:00 Morning Mass to 4:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 p.m.

First Friday: 7:30 a.m.

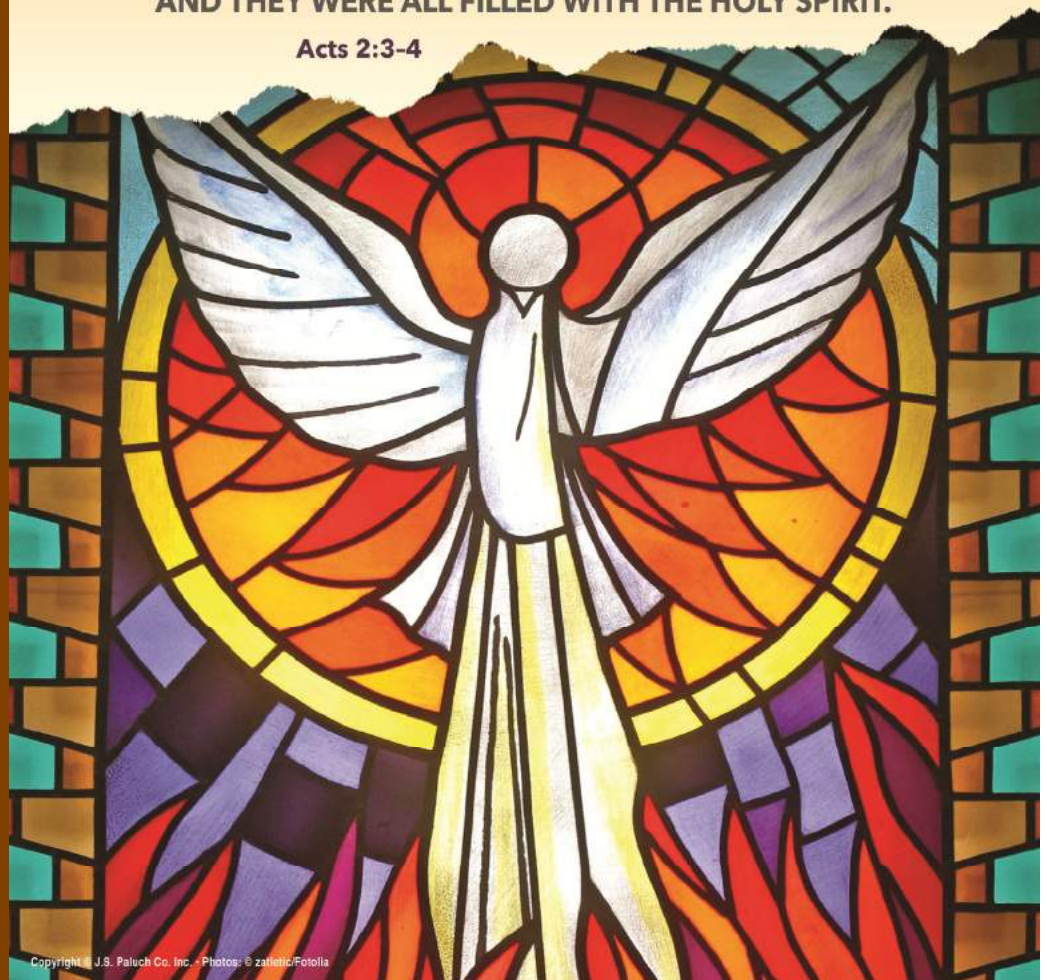
or Anytime by Appointment with Priest

June 4
2017

Pentecost SUNDAY

THERE APPEARED TO THEM TONGUES AS OF FIRE,
WHICH PARTED AND CAME TO REST ON EACH ONE OF THEM.
AND THEY WERE ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Acts 2:3-4



Mass Intentions for the Week



- Saturday June 3**
4:30 p.m. †Erin McAneney
by Rick & Sue Berst
- 6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass
- Sunday June 4**
Pentecost Sunday
8:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
10:30 a.m. For Favor Received
by Maria Acevedo
- 4:30 p.m. †Robert Bauer
by Theresa Bauer
- Monday June 5**
8:00 a.m. †Clara Wienold
by Clara LaFrance
- Tuesday June 6**
8:00 a.m. †Mary Hoffman
by Bill Hebert
- Wednesday June 7**
8:00 a.m. †Betty Muley
by Rick Smith
- Thursday June 8**
8:00 a.m. †Mary Williams
6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass
- Friday June 9**
8:00 a.m. Intention of Yvette Thompson
by Vergelina
- Saturday June 10**
4:30 p.m. †Don Bowdoin
by Rae Bowdoin
- 6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass
- Sunday June 11**
8:30 a.m. †Nancy Veinotte McGee
by the Veinotte Family
- 10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
- 4:30 p.m. †Bridget Costello
by Delia & Nonie Mae Riley

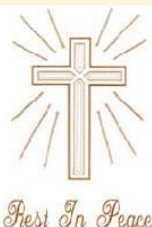
IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS, please pray for those who are ill, homebound, or confined to hospitals and nursing homes, especially for the following:

Anthony Augello, James Barry, Kathy Barry, Bill & Delores Bednarovsky, Rick Bishop, Carmela Blair, Richard & Marie Bowers, Dee Brown, Shannon Bufus, Maria Celani, Helen & Jack Clark, Carmen Connors, John Danet, Lisa DeJordy, Doug Dimick, Omar & Jane Elwer, Barbara Fellabick, Larry Fields, Robert Fisher, Jr., Patty Gabriel, Philip Gabriel, Rosemarie Gabriel, Kenny Gay, Scott Gill, Paul Guthrie, Charles Hall, Rachel Harlor, Carrie Carmody Haynes, Coleman & Marlene Hill, Patricia Koch, John Lime, Mary Little, Aliceia Marrone, John & Charlotte McFaul, Agnes McGinn, Billie Morrow, Darryl Mummert, Robin Murphy, Ed & Gerry Murray, John Openlander, Helen O'Connor, Bonnie Ostrowski, Charles Paisley, Don Parker, Tim Pasden, Joseph Polak, Mary Elizabeth Polumbo, John Poulos, Luisa Puerto, Shirley Puerto, Theresa Redgrave, Catherine Schaefer, Bill Shumsky, Darrell Sitton, Catherine Mary Skidmore, Stanton Sullivan, Bernadette Suppa, Joseph Suppa Jr., Phyllis Suppa, Betty Valleri, Al Veinotte, Alice Veinotte, Dorian Vicario, John Vicario, Martin Vicario, Carol Wagner, Gabriel Wagner, George Wagner, Joan Wagner, Kurt Wicker, Mary Winiarski, the Homebound and their Caregivers and the repose of the soul of Tom Lewis.

LORD,
Look upon me with eyes of mercy, may Your healing hand rest upon me, may Your life-giving powers flow into every cell of my body and into the depths of my soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness and strength for service in Your Kingdom. Amen.

Please remember to pray for our troops, especially:

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| Daniel Hutton | Jesse Witt | Shai Ane Belinski |
| Aran Miller | Brittany L Jones Baker | Kevin Lime |
| Jarred Taracido | Adam Baker | Patrick Jonker |
| Joseph Michalek | Cameron Trinkle | Remy Herrero |
| Juan Cruz | Zachary Trinkle | Leobardo Martinez |
| Spencer Dewey | Brandon Trinkle | Alejandro Cuesta |
| Kris Urquhart | Dan Holder | Wesley Kosierowski |
| Stefan Tyska | Jesse Doyle | Christopher Jeffers |
| Mickey Reese | Kenneth Urquhart | Jared Michael Null |
| Christopher Heacox | Aaron C. Lint | Haley Elizabeth Null |
| Ryan Levy Cruz | Lawrence Morgan Null | Donovan O'Connor |
| Jeff Calvani | John Andrew Marple | Anna Jeffers |
| Ryan Hurley | James E. Desaulniers | Jaiden Andrus |
| J.P. Zotomayor | Brennan Tyska | Tony Cuesta |
| Helen Castillo | James Kropp | Michael Mulhern |
| Derrick M. Shea | Robin Brown | |
| Nathan Berry | Josh Silva | |
| Devon M. Callicoat | Charles Laing III | |
| Matt Daniels | Mario Perez | |
| Jack Vine | Joshua Eicholz | |



Eternal rest, grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon them.
May the souls of the faithful
departed through the mercy
of God rest in peace. Amen.

Welcome to St. Francis of Assisi!

We extend a special welcome to all our visitors and new parishioners who have come to celebrate Mass with us today! If you are new to our community, please introduce yourself to our clergy. If you live in this area and attend regularly, we invite you to join our parish of St. Francis of Assisi. Registration is necessary for better care of souls, more effective administration of sick calls, and matters pertaining to baptism, education, marriage and burial.

Registration is very easy, and the green "Parish Registration" cards can be found in the pamphlet holder above the table in the lobby. After completing, please place in the Parish Drop Box, located in the door by the water fountain in the lobby.



Today's Readings

First Reading—Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalm—Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading—In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13).

Gospel—Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).



There appeared to them tongues of fire.
~Acts 2:3

Send Out Your Spirit

Last week we heard that, following the Ascension, the disciples, Mary, and other followers of the Lord retreated to the upper room in prayer. This week we hear that, while praying in that room, the Holy Spirit comes upon them. Jesus' post-Resurrection promise, recounted in today's Gospel, is fulfilled: the power of the Holy Spirit comes upon Jesus' followers. Saint Paul tells us that all of us, in some way, are given gifts of the Holy Spirit, gifts that can be used to spread the Good News. Today is one of the Church's greatest festivals. Let us carry the refrain of the responsorial psalm with us throughout the coming week: "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth!" (Psalm 104:30).

See the Holy Spirit

In the readings on Pentecost Sunday, the Spirit is described as a driving wind and tongues of fire. Knowing that the Holy Spirit is a Person of the Trinity, we seem to be able to picture the Spirit only in terms of what the Spirit does. In our second reading, Paul tries to explain just that. Though the English translation sounds vague, let's jump in.

First, Paul says that we cannot know Jesus as Lord without the Spirit. The Spirit is the way Jesus is present today, so anyone who truly believes in Jesus is guided by the Spirit. The Spirit never contradicts Jesus, so anyone claiming to have new knowledge that is opposed to what Jesus taught is not using the Spirit. So, for example, if someone starts a cult that teaches that we no longer need to love our enemies, we know that the Spirit is not in them.

Second, Paul acknowledges that the Spirit works in many ways. As examples, he mentions there are many different gifts and services in the church. He emphasizes that all these differences come from one and the same God. Even today we see this happening; people serve the Church in different ways and with different abilities. People even have different ways of looking at things. Some have more patience than others, some are better listeners, and some are great organizers. **The point is that all these differences come from the same source, God.**

When we think of the strength of the Church, we usually think of its unity, i.e., one baptism, one faith, one Lord. But we also draw strength from the diversity of gifts and services that people offer to God. No one person can do all it takes to bring the world to Christ. Even Jesus shared His work of spreading the gospel with His disciples. If sin brought a multitude of problems to the world, then the Spirit brings a multitude of gifts to help us through these problems. As Paul says, this diversity of gifts is all part of one Body of Christ. So look at the gifts of those around you, and you may be able to see the Holy Spirit more clearly.

~Tom Schmidt

Action in the Spirit

When our world has been turned upside down, when we are faced with uncertainties about what is real, when we are unsure about what lies ahead for us, when we don't know what we should do next, we do not want to be alone. Neither did the apostles and all those who loved Jesus. They wanted to be together when they needed to make sense of what was happening to them and what was going to be asked of them. There is safety in numbers but neither the apostles nor we can remain huddled together. The Spirit requires that we act. All the manifestations of the Spirit are given in order to benefit us and our world. The many different gifts given by the Spirit demand that we do many kinds of work, many forms of service. But we do not work alone. **The Spirit is always with us.**

Ministries Schedule — June 10 & 11

Saturday - 4:30 p.m. Mass

Rosary Leader: Deirdre Bristol

Altar Servers: Adult Volunteers

Lector: Maria Lopes

E.M.H.C.: Angelo, J. & J.; Subko; Silva; Benn; Lanctot; Toles, C.

Sunday - 8:30 a.m. Mass

Rosary Leader: Henri Plourde

Altar Servers: Adult Volunteers

Lector: Sharon Belinski

E.M.H.C.: Claypoole, C. & J.; Belinski; Boucher; Mularoni; Leone

Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Mass

Rosary Leader: John Mabe

Altar Servers: Erlendsson, K.; Berhie, S.

Lector: Belinda Kramer

E.M.H.C.: DiRisio; Quintas; Vazquez; Zawlocki; Mabe; Klosterman; Erlendsson

Sunday - 4:30 p.m. Mass

Rosary Leader: Theresa Redgrave

Altar Servers: Cortes, A.; Mai, Y.

Lector: Melanie Flott/Sally Hazzard

E.M.H.C.: Whitehead; Byerley; Murray, A.; Sweeney; Redgrave; Harper, B. & J.

Homebound E.M.H.C.

First Group: Iris Mussenden & Kathy Carr

Second Group: Paul & Mary Ellen Gabriel

Third Group: Jerry & Florence Monaldi

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday - Friday..... 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Legion of Mary

Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Novena to Our Lady, Queen of Peace

Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday..... 3:30 - 4:15 p.m.

First Friday:..... 7:30 a.m.
or anytime by appointment with priest.

Anointing of the Sick

For all those threatened by serious illness: available anytime, but particularly during daily Mass.

Baptisms

After required instruction, contact parish office.

Marriage

Contact office at least six months before desired date and before setting date.

Business Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

This Week at St. Francis

June 4—10, 2017

Monday June 5	Baptism Class	7:30 p.m.
Tuesday June 6	Legion of Mary Boy Scouts	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday June 7	Dinner for the Needy Choir Practice	4:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
Thursday June 8	Bible Study K.C. Council Meeting	8:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m.
Saturday June 10	Hispanic Choir Practice	5:00 p.m.

Please Note...

There will be **no Eucharistic Adoration** and the **parish office will be closed** on Monday, June 12th and Tuesday, June 13th after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

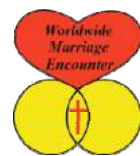
Baptism Class



The next scheduled baptism class for those parents wishing to have their children baptized here at St. Francis will be Monday evening, **June 5th at 7:30 p.m.** in the Conference Room. **Parents need to complete our series of three classes prior to having their child baptized.**

Happily Married Couples

Ever wonder why the Church makes such a big deal about Marriage? Jesus performed His 1st miracle at the wedding at Cana, even though it wasn't His time. **Maybe the Church cares so much about marriage because Jesus does.**



Come find out more about God's plan for your Joy, Romance and Love in YOUR marriage. You'll be glad you did! The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend in this area is **July 7-9 at the Franciscan Center.** Space **IS** limited, so please apply early! For more information about taking a private time away, call 813-270-7832 or check out flwc-wwme.org.

Fr. Jim's Farewell

Please mark your calendars and join us **Sunday, June 11th, at the 10:30 a.m. Mass,** to



wish Fr. Jim farewell as he prepares to return to St. Theresa in Springhill, along with Moses! A reception will follow the Mass. We are going to miss you Fr. Jim, and Moses! You are always welcome back Fr. Jim!!

St. Francis Sweetheart Car & Craft Show

Any parishioner interested in serving on the *2018 St. Francis of Assisi Sweetheart Car & Craft Show Committee* is welcome to attend our initial meeting. We will meet in Room 3, the Legion of Mary Room, on Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at 7pm. Given that we will be meeting for the first time, please expect the meeting to last about 90 minutes. Thanks!!



Am I a Registered Parishioner?

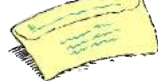
How do I know if I am a registered parishioner?

- 1) Have you completed a green "Parish Registration Card", which is located in the pamphlet holder in the narthex?
- 1) Do you receive envelopes or mailings from St. Francis?

Why is it so important to be registered??

When you are a registered parishioner it will assist us when the time comes for sacramental preparation, such as **couples wishing to be married, parents wishing to have a child baptized, sponsor certificates for sacraments, and special permission letters for baptisms and marriages.**

Offering Envelopes



Also, regular use of envelopes, placed in offertory, even empty, lets us know you are attending Mass regularly, which is a necessity for the things listed above. Contribution statements for monetary donations can only be issued to those parishioners that use envelopes. [Please use your envelope — EMPTY or NOT — whenever you attend Mass.](#) Place them in the offertory collection so that your attendance may be recorded. **Did you know that only approximately 31% of registered parishioners use their envelopes each week?** Don't forget to use your envelope to make sure that you are counted!! Not sure if you are registered...please call the parish office.

A Prayer to the Holy Spirit

May the Comforter,
Who proceeds from You,
enlighten our minds,
we beseech you, O Lord,
and guide us, as Your Son has promised, into all truth.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord, Amen.



Kids...Mark Your Calendars!!



Vacation Bible School will take place **July 17th—21st**, 9 a.m. to 12 noon for kids K4 thru 5th grade. The theme this year is "*Maker Fun Factory*." Imagine a world where curious kids become hands-on inventors who discover they're lovingly

crafted by God Each day, leaders reinforce one simple Bible truth—which makes it easy for kids to remember and apply to real life! The cost is \$10 per child. **Adult and teen-age volunteers are needed.** Please contact Judy Erlendsson, 813-244-2853, to volunteer or for more information.

Help Needed!!



Our *Helping Hands* Ministry is in need of volunteers! The ministry involves helping those parishioners who need assistance in going to doctor's visits, grocery store or to church. If you have a small amount of free time and would like to help in this invaluable ministry, please call Dottie Mabe at 813-681-2421. Please leave a message if she is unable to take your call.

Ask nothing of God, then, but this gift of divine Love, that is, the Holy Spirit.

~Walter Hilton

St. Francis Chronicle



Francis: So, my friend Bluey, things are really quieting down around here.

Blue Jay: Yes, indeed, Francis, schools are out, some folks gone on vacation, even the clergy...

Francis: Don't say it, Bluey, don't say it! It probably means that there's no faith formation going on either?

Blue Jay: Well, not really, Francis. I mean the Hispanic groups still meet, bless them, also Fr. Henri's bible study is still carrying on—and then there's the VBS as usual in July.

Francis: The VBS? That doesn't sound too nice to me, Bluey...

Blue Jay: Dear saint, it's the Vacation Bible School!

Francis: God forgive me for thinking otherwise. Tell me about it.

Blue Jay: Well, it's a terrific event for the younger kids, a week's special school on the Bible, directed by Judy Erlendsson and a bunch of adult and youth helpers.

Francis: How many children attend?

Blue Jay: Up to 30 normally, and they really enjoy being together and learning the stories of the Bible.

Francis: Well, bless them all, and you too Bluey.

Blue Jay: And with your spirit, Francis.

Parish Ministries

Altar Servers	
Judy Erlendsson.....	244-2853
Church Musicians	
Ramon Martos.....	334-3454
Clothing Pantry	
Contact the Parish Office.....	681-9115
Eucharistic Adoration	
Susan Soleau.....	689-6914
Faith Formation	
Judy Erlendsson.....	244-2853
Eucharistic Ministers	
Pam Caskey.....	651-1165
Helping Hands	
Dottie Mabe.....	681-2421
Hispanic Religious Education	
Sr. Evelia.....	305-9242
Hispanic Baptism Classes	
Maria Elena Parilla.....	657-0218
HomeBound/Nursing Home Visitation	
Janet Ganske.....	943-9928
Knights of Columbus	
Joe Halle.....	334-9526
Lectors	
Alice Murray.....	315-9613
Legion of Mary	
Sharon Belinski.....	951-0146
Respect Life	
Carl Francis Kosierowski.....	546-9440
Rosary Leader	
Dawn Silva.....	649-8957
RCIA	
Fr. Henry Konnoth Sebastian.....	681-9115
Sacristans	
Maria Ocampo.....	653-3011
Scouts	
Kathy & Ted Domey.....	685-8242
Tender Care/Food Pantry	
John Familetti.....	681-9115
Ushers	
Ron Mullen.....	661-5983
Women's Guild	
Sharon Belinski.....	951-0146
Youth Group	
Steve Jarosz.....	404-9658

Stewardship of Time & Talent Salute

In gratitude of God's gifts of time and talent to our parish, we wish to acknowledge and salute, *Paul & Mary Ellen Gabriel*, Eucharistic Ministers to the Homebound...*Thank you, Paul and Mary Ellen!!*

Stewardship Reflection

"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 let Him in! Open your heart and be grateful for all the gifts God has given us. Regardless of your circumstance, God has given us all blessings. What we do with those gifts is our gift back to God. Generously sharing our gifts keeps us more "God-centered" and less "self-centered".

Stewardship of Sacrificial Giving

Sunday, May 21, 2017

Offertory Collection.....	\$9,282.95
Children's & Youth Collection.....	\$80.00
On Line Giving/Offertory.....	\$1,540.00
Total Offertory for this week.....	\$10,902.95
Total Offertory, week of 2016.....	\$10,043.85
Increase.....	\$859.10
Envelopes Issued/Used.....	648/206(31%)
<i>Total Building Fund this week.....</i>	<i>\$240.00</i>
Budgeted Expense This Month.....	\$55,000.00
Total Receipts Month to Date.....	\$32,622.15
Total APA This Week.....	\$1,235.00

~ Give Generously From Your Heart ~

MASS ATTENDANCE

4:30 p.m. 165	6:30 p.m. 303
8:30 a.m. 141	10:30 a.m. 550
4:30 p.m. 278	

Total Attendance: 1,437

~ For the Week of May 21, 2017 ~

POOR BOX DONATIONS

\$212.66

DINNER MINISTRY BOX DONATIONS

\$214.12

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Stewardship by the Book

In the second reading today, St. Paul reminds the Corinthians, "There are different gifts, but the same Spirit; there are different ministries but the same Lord." How am I using my gifts "for the common good"?

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