

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH



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MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil Mass: Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

Mass: Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Adoration: Tuesday, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Daily Mass: Tuesday - Friday - Noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

BAPTISM - 2 WEEKS NOTICE

Please call the office for an appointment.

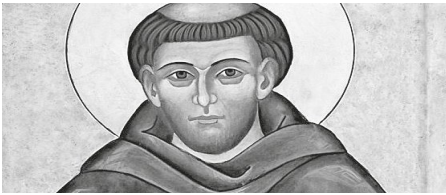
MARRIAGE PREP - 6 MONTHS NOTICE

Please call the office for an appointment.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

"And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them." Acts 2:2-3



From the Pastor's Desk....

Sunday Offertory

05-17-2026.....\$2,339
 Weekly Budget.....\$3,000
 Surplus/**Deficit**.....\$661
 YTD Offertory.....\$170,403
 Budget.....\$135,000
Surplus/Deficit.....\$35,403
 Food Pantry\$25



ACTS 2:1-11
1 CORINTHIANS 12:3B-7, 12-13
JOHN 20:19-23

All of us have been baptized into one and the same Spirit. That same Spirit, the Advocate, was given as gift to the disciples to strengthen them to go forth in the name of the Lord, "to renew the face of the earth".

Readings may be found in
 the Saint Augustine
 Hymnal Number 972

Hi everyone,

This weekend the Church celebrates the feast of Pentecost. This marks the end of the Easter season, but it also marks the beginning of the Church's mission. In my opinion, it is really too bad that Christians have come to associate Pentecost (and the Holy Spirit) with Pentecostalism and charismatic spirituality. If the Spirit doesn't primarily come to make us speak in tongues or perform signs and wonders, what does the Spirit do for us?

The Spirit comes to dwell in our hearts through the power of Jesus's death and resurrection. The Spirit makes believers into temples of God. Heaven and earth get fused together in us through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. You may never feel anything in this, but it is a good reminder that the important things in faith are not always a feeling!

Fr. Rob

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES - ENGAGE PARISHIONERS IN DAILY MASS AND PRAYER

Readings for the week of May 24, 2026

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24 and 35, 27-28, 29b-30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 or, for the Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/ Jn 7:37-39 (see Lectionary for Mass Supplement, 62) Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1 and 24, 29-30, 31 and 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23
Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/ Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/ Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mk 10:32-45
Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/ Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5/ Mk 10:46-52
Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13/ Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-26
Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25/ Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mk 11:27-33

Next Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18 ©LPi

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, May 23	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	+Charles Cokley
Sunday, May 24	10:30 am Mass	For the People
Monday, May 25	No Mass	
Tuesday, May 26	No Mass/No Adoration	
Wednesday, May 27	No Mass	
Thursday, May 28	Noon Mass	+Ralph Sizemore
Friday, May 29	Noon Mass	+Larry Ratliff
Saturday, May 30	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	+Howard Walls
Sunday, May 31	10:30 am Mass	For the People

Parish Calendar & Announcements

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR MAY

05/24/2026

Lector - Steve Misczenski

Lector Fill in Only - Mary Jo Ratliff

Gift Bearer Server - Cherry & Mariano Rivera

Coffee & Donuts - Denny Rohrer

Extraordinary Minister of Holy

Communion - Denny Rohrer

05/31/2026

Lector - Fadi AlAkhrass

Lector Fill in Only - MaShawna Jacobs

Gift Bearer Server - Todd & Sandra May

Coffee & Donuts - Denny Rohrer

Extraordinary Minister of Holy

Communion - Frank Dawahare

ROSARY - Join us the first Saturday of each month for the Rosary at noon.

FR. ROB'S CELEBRATION – Please join us for a picnic celebration honoring Fr. Rob on June 7 immediately after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. The church will provide hamburger patties and hot dogs, and we welcome picnic-style dishes. Filipino food will also be available, so no one should leave hungry! If you would like to contribute, please contact Sandra May at (606) 424-8418 or leave a comment on St. Francis's private Facebook page. We hope you will come celebrate Fr. Rob's time with us and let him know how much his ministry has meant to your family and to our parish community.

PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

Pentecost Prayer

Come Holy Spirit,
Descend upon us and fill us with the fire
of Your love!
Remind us of Your dreams for us,
ignite us with new zeal,
place new visions on our hearts,
and the grace to work alongside You.
Amen. ©LPi

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Pentecost Sunday

John 20:19-23

“He breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.’” (John 20:22–23)

For those of us who go to confession regularly, there is often a familiar frustration: “Why do I keep confessing the same sins?” It can feel like a loop, cleansed but unchanged.

Pentecost reveals a hopeful perspective. When the Risen Jesus breathes on his ashamed and fearful disciples and gives them the Holy Spirit, he echoes Genesis, when God breathes life into Adam. This is not just primarily the removal of guilt, but new creation.

In confession, we receive more than forgiveness. We receive a fresh outpouring, the breath of the Spirit, and a renewed mission. Jesus does not say to us, “You’re forgiven, now go back to your old life.” He says, so to speak, “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” (John 20:21)

That is why penance is not just saying a few prayers. It is reorientation. It is the Spirit summoning us to live differently: with mercy and healing.

Just as Adam was sent into the world, and the Apostles were sent out after Pentecost, so too we are sent from the confessional — not just clean, but consecrated.

Pentecost Challenge: After your next confession, ask the Holy Spirit for one way you can participate in Christ's healing will for you. Then take one small, concrete step, and do not look back. — Father John Muir ©LPi



Susie Johnson

Kallum Coleman, infant son of Skylar and Evan Coleman

Lakeisha Therese Tucker, 3rd stage colon cancer

Ray Buchanan

Cecilia Newman, Kenny Schmidt's sister

Jimmie Goss

Chona Curry

Sharon Collins, cancer

Wilson Vanzant, Lisa Scalf's stepdad

Sister Kathy Avery

Ransom McCoy, Lindsay May's dad

Melba Schmidt, Kenny Schmidt's mother

Wanda Baker

Jeffrey Scalf, Lisa's son

Sandy Lowe, cancer

Ron Saros

Helen Altman

Fran Sykes

+Ada DePoy

+Peggy Anderson

+Kenny Blackburn

+Mary Anne McNamee

+Sidney Tackett

VOTIVE CANDLES:

Suggested donation: Large votives \$3.00 and small votives \$0.50