

PENTECOST SUNDAY

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 21

Monday	May 21	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service ~ Morning Prayer
Tuesday	May 22	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service ~ Morning Prayer
Wednesday	May 23	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service ~ Morning Prayer
Thursday	May 24	8:30 a.m.	Robert H. Rodgers ~ Theresa
Friday	May 25	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service ~ Rosary
Saturday	May 26	4:30 p.m.	Rev. Nicholas Shori
Sunday	May 27	10:00 a.m.	Al Zarella ~ Zarella Family



Today we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the celebration of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church as the disciples leave the upper room and go into the world to preach the Gospel. It is also the conclusion of the season of Easter. Today's First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, is before the arrival of the Spirit, and Luke describes its effect on the people. Luke tells us that the followers of Jesus, then and now, were not sure what the Spirit will bring to them, but that it is in great anticipation that opened the way for the Spirit to enflame them with the desire and ability to preach the Gospel. In the Gospel for today, Jesus clarifies the mission of the disciples, and ours, as modern day disciples. The disciples have received the peace of Jesus and now they are charged with making the peace of forgiveness present in the world until the end of time.

The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit - Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and Respect of the Lord. These gifts are often depicted as seven flames that are intended to burn within our hearts and reminisce of the flames that hovered over the Apostles in the upper room.

Our Diocese will be kicking off a one-year celebration of our 75th Anniversary and the theme for the year will be: "Pride in the Past, Faith in the Future". The Youngstown Diocese was established on May 15, 1943 with the Most Reverend James McFadden as our first Bishop. On Sunday, May 20th, a Mass will be celebrated at Saint Columba Cathedral at 4:00 p.m. to begin our celebration. A banner representing each of the six counties will be carried in and will create a mural behind the altar. Each county banner will list the parishes from that county. Plus, there will be various events and prayer services throughout the year. On February 5, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., we will be hosting a presentation on the history of the Diocese. There will also be a display of artifacts and pictures from our Diocesan past. This will be the only presentation in Trumbull County. So mark your calendars now!



Please keep in your prayers Bishop Murry, who is currently in the Cleveland Clinic undergoing treatment for acute leukemia. We received a very short update on the Bishop stating that his treatment is continuing and that he appreciates all the prayers and support.

The Dillon-Santucci Funeral Home is now open to accept pre-planning of funerals. As soon as an occupancy permit is granted, services can begin to take place. An open house and an official press release are forthcoming. To call for services or preplanning call 330-856-0918, or go to www.dillon-santucci.com.

Welcome all our visitors who are with us this weekend. You are always welcome... and we would love to have you join our parish family. You can find on the welcome/information table in the gathering space, new parishioner packets if you would like to join our parish family. You can also find a book of our parish organizations and who to contact if you would like to join... maybe you can offer us something to improve our faith community. We all bring different gifts to the church and to the altar. It is our call to share those gifts.

Thanks to all who supported and worked our return of our Second Saturday Suppers last Saturday. We anticipated selling 150 BBQ dinners and sold 155 with a profit of \$1,144.96. Next up - June 9... Ham & Scalloped Potato Dinner. These dinners are intended to help defray the cost of our monthly mortgage on the new church.

MAY 20, 2018



We have two winners in a row on our "Pot of Gold" jackpot. Last week - Pat & Ray Haun-#194, won \$112.00. The jackpot will reset itself again for next weekend. Join the weekly fun by using your "Pot of Gold" \$2 envelope in your envelope packet.

Confirmation Candidates and Parents for the 2018-2019 Year: There will be a short meeting on Wednesday May 30 in the Parish Center at 7 pm. We will discuss service hours, summer class assignments and **make up assignments for students who attended less than 8 classes during the 2017-2018 TGIF year.**

NEW REGISTRATION WEEKEND!!!! TGIF Registration for 2018-2019 will be taken in the Parish Center after Mass June 23rd & 24th. Registration forms will be given out at TGIF in May and are available in the back of church beginning May 12. All registration forms must be turned in with payment by registration weekend. Any questions about the program please call Religious Education office at 330-394-2361.



Attention Graduates: Please return the special recognition form as soon as possible. We need the completed form by May 24. Recognition will be inserted in the June 9 & 10 bulletin. Congratulations on all your accomplishments and may God watch over you and bless you with His Fatherly love.

St. Vincent de Paul Society - We will be serving at the Dining Hall in Warren on May 30, the last Wednesday of the month. We prepared and served 171 meals in April. This is possible because of the workers and the people of our parish who so generously contribute to this outreach with their time, talent and treasure.



Relay for Life News- St. Thomas Relay Team raised \$3,500.00 and earned a silver ribbon. Thanks to all who donated.

Reverse Raffle is just around the corner.... Tickets will be on the way soon!

Stewardship May 20, 2018

Sunday \$4544.00 151 envelopes

Please mark your envelope with the amount of your contribution.



*Can't be here every weekend?
Sign up for electronic giving at
theapostlethomas.com*

Are you a registered member of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish?

Registration implies a definite commitment to join in the worship of our parish community on a regular basis, and to the stewardship of your time, your talent, and your treasure. Please do not take for granted that you are registered in the parish simply because you attend Mass here on a regular basis. If you have not formally registered with the parish office, you should consider doing so. Please note that any individual 20 years of age or older, unless in college, should be registered separately from their family. This will avoid problems and misunderstandings, especially for Baptisms, Marriages, or requests for sponsor certificates.

The winner of the lottery tree drawn on May 5, is Susan Lenhart. Thanks to everyone that supported us.

The Ladies of Bishop McFadden Assembly # 819