

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 28, 2023



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(Closed 12:00PM - 1:00PM, Saturdays, Sundays, & Holidays)

Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy:
Saturday at 4:00PM; Sunday at 9:00AM

*** Daily Eucharist: Call the Parish Office**

*** Reconciliation is celebrated until 15 minutes before Mass
(If the priest is not in the confessional, inform an greeter)**

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Partners in Faith & Mission



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I hope you'll acknowledge with me a simple fact: it's not normal to have tongues of fire "part and come to rest" on people. It is actually pretty strange. Yet that is precisely what we celebrate in this feast of Pentecost. How can this mean something to us in our daily lives?

Jews had a tradition that heaven is a temple made of bricks of fire. So, through the apostles, the heavenly temple is coming to earth. But this fire looks like tongues, not bricks. That means that heavenly speech will be crucial to building a dwelling place for God on earth among men and women. So, it's no surprise when the apostles begin to speak in a miraculous way that is understood by all language groups. They are speaking of what God has done in and through Jesus: bringing heaven to earth and uniting all peoples to God and to each other.

How often our speech divides: gossip, slander, insults, and so on. How strange and rare it is when people speak in ways that truly unite instead of divide. Imagine how powerful it would be if you and I began to speak at home, at work, and in our community in a way that made people hear heavenly speech. Imagine if you spoke of the mighty deeds of God in a way that everyone could understand. That's precisely what the Holy Spirit descends upon us to do. Ask Him to come as a tongue of fire to you once again, and He will. Then speak!

— Father John Muir



Readings for the week of May 28, 2023

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23
Monday: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-7/Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23/Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-6/Lk 1:39-56
Thursday: Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-7, 8-9/Mk 10:46-52
Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 96:10-13/Mk 11:11-26
Saturday: Sir 51:12-20/Ps 19:8-11/Mk 11:27-33
Next Sunday: Ex 34:4-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52-56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

Sacrament of Baptism: Sacramental preparation is required of the parents who desire to share the Catholic faith with their children and are held monthly throughout the City of Erie. Call the parish office to register to schedule your preparation. Godparents must be Confirmed and practicing Catholics with a letter of recommendation from their pastor to serve as a sacramental sponsor.

Religious Education, First Holy Communion, and First Reconciliation programs are hosted at Saint Luke's Church for all eastside Erie parishes. Contact their parish office for more information and to register your child (814.825.7105).

Confirmation preparation for all eastside Erie parishes is hosted at Saint Luke's Church. Contact their parish office for more information and to register your child (814.825.6920).

Sacrament of Holy Orders: God calls all people to holiness. Some men are called to fulfill this vocation as priests. If you are interested in the priesthood, or have questions about it, please contact a parish priest or our Diocesan Vocation Director, Scott Jabo, at 1.814.824.1181.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Before a date can be scheduled, a priest must be contacted at least six months in advance to complete the required documents.

Sacrament of the Sick: Communal celebrations of Anointing the Sick are scheduled periodically. The sacrament can also be requested by any parishioner who is seriously ill or in danger of death. *Please note:* Federal law no longer permits hospitals or nursing homes to contact churches when a parishioner is admitted. It is important that family members notify the parish office if a loved one needs a visit, desires to receive Holy Communion, or needs to be Anointed.

Leave A Legacy: Consider Saint Stanislaus and Holy Trinity as you meet with your attorney or financial planner regarding your estate planning. Remember the needs of your parish family and leave a legacy of faith for future generations with your generous remembrance.

Bulletin Information Deadline: Please submit information to be included in the weekend bulletin by noon the Monday prior. Holiday bulletin announcements must be received by the parish office two weeks in advance.

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"PRAYER, CARE, AND CONCERN" MINISTRY

Those who participate in this ministry express the care and concern of our entire parish community to those who are ill, hospitalized, homebound, or in nursing facilities, through birthday and holiday cards, visits, and prayers. To request prayers, or to participate in this ministry, contact Saint Stanislaus Office (814-452-6606).

"PRAYERLINE" MINISTRY

These ministers devote themselves to prayer for any needs made known to them and any special intentions. To participate in this ministry, or to request prayers for a particular need, contact Kay (825-7328) or Shirley (452.3395) from St. Stanislaus, or Kathy (392-8974) at Holy Trinity.

PCEP (Parish Catholic Education Program)

Parishioners of Holy Trinity can receive a parish grant to assist with the cost of tuition for families who wish their primary or secondary school age children to have a Catholic education. To be eligible, families must participate in the program, attend Mass regularly, and be involved in the parish community. For more information, contact the parish office.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Parishioners interested in serving our worshipping community as an altar server, lector, Eucharistic minister, music minister, or usher/greeter, please let one of your priests know.

"PRAYER SHAWL" MINISTRY

The enjoyment of knitting, crocheting, and sewing are uniquely combined with prayer to offer a deeply personal and meaningful spiritual ministry. Shawls are prayerfully made and freely given away to those suffering bereavement, those recovering from illness, the elderly, homebound, and those in nursing facilities. To join us in this ministry, please contact Sue (450-2987).

THE "ZABAWA COMMITTEE"

Held on the parish grounds of Holy Trinity, Zabawa is the largest Polish heritage celebration in the region, drawing tens of thousands of people to our neighborhood. The Zabawa Committee organizes the festival through food preparation, donation solicitation, food and beverage service, and so on. The committee always welcomes any help they receive. If you would like to offer your time, and experience hands-on learning about these rich cultural traditions, contact Ray (882-1032).

PROLIFE COMMUNITY

This ministry advocates through for the protection of all human life from conception until natural death through prayer, education, and action.

"PRAYER CANDLE" MAKING MINISTRY

This ministry makes prayer candles from the church's left over bee's wax. They meet on Wednesdays, from 10AM - Noon in St. Stanislaus Parish Hall. No experience necessary.

ST. STANISLAUS / HOLY TRINITY INITIAL PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

(please circle which parish)

Family Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Please Check: ☐ New Registration ☐ Change of Address ☐ Change of Telephone Number

☐ Change of E-mail ☐ Moving out of Parish ☐ Want Envelopes

*Place in offertory basket or mail to Parish Office. We will contact you to complete our Census Form.
Welcome to our Parish Family!*

A Community of Faith Built on Tradition, Where Everyone is Welcome

Saint Stanislaus Parish Community

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., May 29th - Private Intention
 Tues., May 30th - Eugene Tomczak (Elaine & Family)
 Wed., May 31st - Vernon & Ellen Gambill (Paul & Renee Gambill)
 Thurs., June 1st - Gay & Bob Wlodarczyk (Family)
 Fri., June 2nd - Peter & Helen Zielinski (Tom & Sharon Zielinski)
 Sat., June 3rd, 4:00PM - Cackowski Family (Charlie & Charlene)
 Sun., June 4th, 9:00AM - For the People of St. Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)



Our sanctuary candle burn in memory of **DEACON BOB WALKER**, on the 20th Anniversary of his ordination, as gifted by Eleanor.



SITUATION RESOLVED (I HOPE)

Many have expressed concern over the parking situation now that Catholic Charities Refugee Services have expanded their operations in our former school building. A couple weeks ago, Fr. Glover met with the director of Catholic Charities. Among items discussed was parking. Moving forward, all employees will park in the Social Hall lot, along with the large van and box truck. Only clients will use the church lot. Additionally, several "Church Parking Only" signs will be placed in the church lot. Sorry for any inconvenience as we work out these "growing pains."

UPDATE: SOUND SYSTEM

We made arrangements to have a sound engineer come to our church. After two and a half hours of sound analysis, he left Erie with thorough and detailed information. As of the writing of this bulletin, we have not yet received a report, recommendations, or estimates. We can inform you that the "reverberation rate" (the time it takes sound to get from the front of the church to the back and return to the front), is over 4 seconds. Ideally, it should be less than 1.5 seconds 😞

Many have asked about the financing of this project. We do not intend to run a formal "campaign," but we are pursuing various grants and donations. If you would like to contribute to the project, mark any plain envelope with "sound fund," place it in the collection basket, and we will reserve those monies for this project.

We will continue to keep you updated, especially when we receive initial estimates. Thank you for your words of support and encouragement!

WEEKLY OFFERING FOR MAY 21ST

	This Week	July 1 to date
Amount we need	\$4,156.00	\$195,332.00
Amount Received	\$1,967.00	\$118,462.00
Net over/under	(\$2,189.00)	(\$76,870.00)

Mass Attendance: 4:00PM = 48; 9:00AM = 59
 Envelopes: 44/168



There are some things I miss now that my children are older. Fewer snuggles, fewer moments of awe and wonder, and fewer crazy questions that make me laugh. However, if I'm honest, there are some things I do not miss, especially the birthday party. I loved the aspect of celebrating my child's birth, but most years the party cost too much, involved too much stress, and resulted in a lot of presents that ended up in my garage. Today, nice dinners with family and friends sharing time together have taken the place of the "birthday party" and that is fine with me.

Centuries ago, God moved in such a profound way and sent his Holy Spirit upon us, imparting to the Church gifts that remain with us today. That first Pentecost was a first birthday party of sorts, with people gathered to celebrate their common faith in Jesus Christ. Of course, that party had none of the trappings of a child's event at Chuck E. Cheese's, but instead presented us all with generous gifts that could be used for the glory of God instead of the stuff children discard after a few weeks.

Every year I think it is important to really celebrate what God has given to us, the Church, on the feast of Pentecost. The generosity of God knows no limits and the Holy Spirit is alive. It's just that the gifts from this celebration need to be used or the celebration will be hollow. The gifts are free to us even though they are priceless. It would be poor stewardship to toss them in the garage with all those toys that time forgot.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

GARAGE SALE

Tentative plans are in the works to host another major garage sale this summer on the Parish Hall parking lot and in the Parish Hall. As you engage in your Spring cleaning, keep this in mind and set aside items you would like to donate to this cause. Someone will be in the Parish Hall parking Lot on June 10th and June 17th from 9-11AM, and on June 19th from 4-6PM, to collect any donated items. Thank you, in advance, for your contributions.

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Holy Trinity Parish Community



The sanctuary candle burns this week in memory of **LILLIAN PRZEPIERSKI**, as gifted by Jack & Sandy Kempisty.



MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., May 29th - All Souls
 Tues., May 30th - Living & Deceased Mothers
 Wed., May 31st - Joseph Summaria (Marilyn & Msgr. Dan)
 Thurs., June 1st - Kulig, Laszczewski, & Habas Families (Estate)
 Fri., June 2nd - 50th Wedding Anniversary (John & Patty Stano)
 Sat., June 3rd, 5:15PM - Arthur Malinowski (Family)
 Sun., June 4th, 10:30AM - For the People of Holy Trinity (Pro Populo)

Throughout our readings today, we see the amazing truth that the Holy Spirit gives us gifts and guidance in a very personal way. We are meant to use these gifts to build up the Body of Christ in a way that is unique to each one of us. Our first reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, recalls the dramatic moment when the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the apostles. "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. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim." Notice how personal and individual is this outpouring of the Spirit. This personalized way of "gifting" the apostles allowed them each to reach different people, sharing with them the "mighty acts of God." Embracing the stewardship way of life means that we allow the Holy Spirit to guide us in the best use of the unique gifts He has given to each of us, to accomplish the particular mission entrusted to us. Jesus gives us this mission in our Gospel passage from John. "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." But we must not let this responsibility overwhelm us. Jesus Himself, tells us so — "Peace be with you." As this Easter season comes to a close, let us be at peace. And let us resolve to lean on the Holy Spirit more and more as our guide through the stewardship way of life.

Next Sunday, June 4th we celebrate our **Patronal Feast** at Holy Trinity at our 10:30 AM Mass. Celebrate our **120 years** to the Erie Community.



PENTECOST 2023

WEEKLY OFFERING FOR MAY 21ST, 2023

Regular Offering: \$1,601.00 (31/130)

	THIS WEEK	JULY 1 TO DATE
Dream Goal:	\$4,000.00	\$177,000.00
Budgeted:	\$2,400.00	\$108,000.00
Total Offertory:	\$1,601.00	\$107,946.00
Net (over/under):	(\$799.00)	\$54.00

Attendance: 5:15PM = 35; 10:30AM = 55

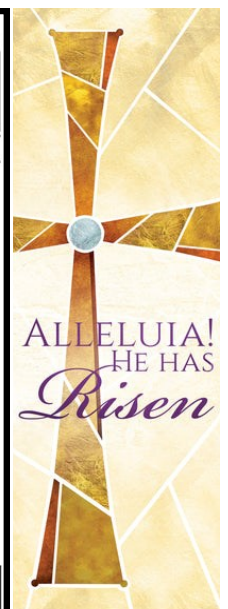
The Day of Pentecost

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Acts 2:4 (NIV)
 Based on Acts 2:1-21



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"Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

- John 20:21

News for Our Partnership

St. Jude Parish Charity Car Raffle

Supports Catholic Education,
Family Relief through the St. Jude
Cares Initiative, & Faith Formation

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OUR OFFICES WILL BE
CLOSED ON MONDAY,
MAY 29TH, IN OBERVANCE
OF MEMORIAL DAY.

MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or more wedding anniversaries are invited to attend the annual Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations on Sunday, August 6, at Our Lady of Peace Parish, Erie, or Sunday, August 20, at Sts. Cosmas and Damian Parish, Punxsutawney. Celebrations include Mass with Bishop Persico followed by a light reception. To register for either event or to receive a certificate by mail, complete the online registration at <https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html>, contact your parish office, or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at (814) 824-1210. Registrations are being accepted until July 21 for Erie celebrations, and until August 4 for Punxsutawney celebrations.

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

On Sunday, June 11, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, all clergy, religious and lay faithful are invited to participate in one of the regional Eucharistic Processions as part of the Eucharistic Revival which began a year ago. The Office for Divine Worship is encouraging each parish to participate as a parish, with any organizations within the parish also being represented (Rosary Society, Legion of Mary, etc.). Banners and flags representing the parish and such organizations are welcome. St. Peter Cathedral will be our area gathering with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following their 11:00AM Mass and with the procession beginning at 2:00PM

RECIPE BOOK

If you recall, prior to the pandemic, we were collecting recipes to organize and publish a recipe book. Unfortunately, then the pandemic hit, that project was stalled. We now have a small committee together to resume that work. If you have recipes that you are willing to share, please place them in the collection basket, drop them off at the parish office, or give them to Michelle Wiley or Fr. Jason. We hope to have the book published by the fall. Thank you!



ST. STANISLAUS WOMEN'S SOCIETY



SUNDAY, JUNE 11th

1:00PM (Doors open at Noon)

All CASH prizes!!!

*** Instants * 50/50 Game
*Kitchen Food Available**

- Polish Falcons Club, 431 E 3rd St.
- \$25 Admission (1pk), \$5 each additional package
- Call 814-790-1226 to reserve your seat!

Walk Ins Welcome

NEXT BINGO: November 5th

THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

5/29) Msgr. Bernie Urbaniak & Janis Leretsis; 5/30) **Open**; 5/31) Bobby Sulecki;
6/1) Kathy Smith, Debbie Majewski, & Mary Speice; 6/2) **Open**; 6/3) Jeannie McGinley, Judy Tucceri, & Jackie Vargo;
6/4) Patty & Ed Czulewicz, & Marie Przepierski

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

5/29) All Vocations; 5/30) Fr. Chris Barnes; 5/31) Fr. Ed Lohse; 6/1) Msgr. Dan Magraw; 6/2) Msgr. Bernie Urbaniak; 6/3) Fr. Jason Glover; 6/4) Fr. Ian McElrath

Sunday, May 28, 2023

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23
"There came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind....
Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire."

I, the Lord of wind and flame

The Spirit of holiness enters the gathering in driving wind and burning flame. It also comes more gently, as Jesus breathes on his friends and wishes them peace. How can the Spirit be so forceful, yet soft as a breath? The same way love is impassioned in some hours, light as a caress in others. Sometimes our loving presence is required in bold, dynamic, and powerful action. At other times, presence alone is enough: a hand held or silence shared. The more fully immersed in Spirit we are, the more we'll know what to do when the time comes.

Monday, May 29, 2023

MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; John 19:25-34
"Then he said to the disciple, 'Behold, your mother.'"

Waiting for your call

"Mother of the Church" is one of Mary's many titles, first appearing in the writings of Saint Ambrose in the fourth century. But it wasn't until 1964 that the title was made official by Pope Paul VI. As the mother of Jesus, the head of the church, and given to humanity as a mother by Jesus at the foot of the cross, her presence at the event that is known as the "birthday" of the church affirms her role as mother to the church as a whole and to each Christian individually. You can call on Mary.

Tuesday, May 30, 2023

Sirach 35:1-12; Mark 10:28-31

"... to avoid injustice is an atonement."

A Christian's job description

On this day in 1937, 10 demonstrators died in the Memorial Day Massacre in Chicago as police opened fire on a parade of workers and their families. Catholic writer Dorothy Day was there. "We look upon our work, our lives, and we say, 'How do these things square with Christian teaching? Can we go on making money at the expense of our brother?'" she would later ask, echoing Catholic social teaching on the dignity of work and workers. "We will think of the dignity of labor, we will respect the worker, will bear our share of responsibility toward making that new social order wherein justice dwelleth."

Wednesday, May 31, 2023

FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Zephaniah 3:14-18a or Romans 12:9-16; Luke 1:39-56

"Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth."

Mary in living color

Mary of Nazareth wears many different mantles—literally and figuratively. In images honoring Mary's Immaculate Conception, Mary wears a baby blue cape evoking calmness and purity. As Our Lady of Mercy, Mary protects the people beneath a brilliant bold red cloak. As Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Mary wears a cerulean tilmahtli emblazoned with gold stars, rebelling against death and oppression and promising hope and new life. Mary is all these things: quiet and comforting, strong and protecting, rebellious and lifegiving. As we celebrate the Visitation, let us reflect on the unique ways that Mary has visited us in our own lives.

Thursday, Jun 01, 2023

MEMORIAL OF JUSTIN, MARTYR

Sirach 42:15-25; Mark 10:46-52

"Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you."

Suffer for the Kingdom

Justin Martyr was a significant philosopher and Christian apologist who was not born Christian but experienced a conversion to Christianity. His writings are still published, and one of his betterknown sayings—aimed at the Romans who persecuted and killed Christians—is, "You can kill us but you cannot harm us." The blood of many courageous martyrs has strengthened the church. Do you know anyone who has suffered in order to follow Christ? Pray for them today.

Friday, Jun 02, 2023

MEMORIAL OF MARCELLINUS AND PETER, MARTYRS

Sirach 44:1, 9-13; Mark 11:11-26

"Yet these also were godly; their virtues have not been forgotten."

Little known but never forgotten

Not much is known about the fourth-century martyrs Marcellinus and Peter. Like other martyrs, stories about their faithfulness were remembered more so than hard data about their lives. Such stories were salve to a church suffering under an oppressive Roman empire, and martyrs often became saints by public acclaim. Though lacking the thoroughness of today's canonization process, the Early Church recognized the importance of lifting up unknown martyrs as well as well-known ones. For in them, the people could see a reflection of their own suffering and faithfulness and know that they were not forgotten by the church. What can you do to ensure that the martyrs of our own age are remembered by the church?

Saturday, Jun 03, 2023

Sirach 51:12cd-20; Mark 11:27-33

"By what authority are you doing these things?

Or who gave you this authority to do them?"

You don't need permission to act for justice

Martin Luther King Jr. wrote his famous "Letter from Birmingham Jail" in 1963 in response to a "Call for Unity" statement from white clergy of Birmingham criticizing King's nonviolent protests for civil rights, encouraging him to settle things in the courts, not take to the streets. Those in authority do not like folks who don't follow the rules they themselves have established to protect their authority. But faith-filled prophetic leaders, from biblical times down to the present, act on higher authority. The God of justice calls us to question authority.

