

EVENTS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

ROSARY

May is the month of Mary our mother. All Parishioners are invited to pray the Rosary as a family in the Church, 30 minutes before each weekend Mass.



CURSILLO

If you would like to strengthen your Catholic faith and have a closer, more personal relationship with God, then you can do so by joining the Women's Cursillo weekend.

Date: Thursday, May 30th—Sunday, June 2, 2024.
Venue: Stella Maris House of Prayer, 62 Shortwood Road. For further information please contact Tasmin Ramsay-Gaynor at 876-861-9717 or by email: tramsaygaynor@gmail.com It promises to be a Spirit filled weekend.

"BACK ON THE RACK" SPECIAL POP UP SALE



Children Clothes Only! Brand New and Gently Used
When: Saturday, May 25th
Where: Stella Maris Car Park
Time: 9:00am—12:00pm.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Pentecost celebrations will take place on **Sunday, May 19, 2024** beginning at 8:00am. There will be praise and worship, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, a talk by Mrs. Grace Baston, followed by Mass at 10:00am. Do come out and join us and be blessed. We will have the usual 6:00pm Mass on Saturday, May 18th for those persons unable to attend on Sunday.



EVENTS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

- First Communion will take place at the 9:00am Mass on Sunday, June 2, 2024. Reconciliation for the candidates will be on Saturday June 1, 2024 starting at 10:00am followed by rehearsals.
- Confirmation will be on Sunday, June 30, 2024 at the 9:00am Mass.
- Sunday school will end for the school year with fun and games on the lawn at the Pastoral Centre on Sunday, June 23, 2024, 11:00am—12:00pm.



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MASS TIMES: Sunday 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday – Saturday 6:00 p.m.
RECONCILIATION: Appointment/Announced

Pentecost



Year B - May 19, 2024

Today's Readings

1st Reading: Acts 2: 1 - 11
2nd Reading: Gal. 5:16-25
Gospel Reading:  Jn. 15:26-27, 16:12-15

Response: Send forth Your spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth



Reflecting on the Gospel

We celebrate this Sunday a wondrous and unprecedented gift of God—"the Spirit of truth" given to us. This Spirit of truth God gives is relational. This Spirit of truth changes us—through the Spirit we share a common identity as the Body of Christ and take up a common mission to proclaim the Gospel by the sheer goodness of our lives. The Spirit enables us to live with one another in a new way: with "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity," etc. (second reading). The Spirit propels us to engage with the world in a new way: we "testify" (gospel) to the "mighty acts of God" (first reading) through the very way that we live. The truth God gives transforms us and, through us, transforms the world.

According to this gospel, both the Spirit and the disciples testify to Jesus. What is this testimony? It is the revelation that Jesus is of the Father, is the divine Son. Furthermore, this gospel says that the Spirit glorifies Jesus by testifying. So then do we. What is this glory? It is Jesus himself who is the visible Presence of the Father. Like the Spirit of truth, when we testify we also glorify.

This Pentecost commemoration does not simply recall a past event, but celebrates what God is doing within us now. In baptism each of us received the Spirit; that is our Pentecost. The Spirit is not something we have, is not a possession. The Spirit dwells within us as divine Life, enabling us to be faithful and true disciples. The Spirit is given for the sake of mission: to proclaim the gospel ("you also testify"), to be molded as disciples ("the Spirit . . . will guide you to all truth"), and, ultimately, to worship ("glorify me"). The indwelling of the Spirit is a continual Pentecost so that everyone can hear of the "mighty acts of God" (first reading) and thus bring glory to God.

Fr. Richard Brown



Happy Birthday



19th May

Noah Azan ♦ Ronald Chai ♦ Althea Lawla ♦
Sarah Chai ♦

20th May

Trina Calder ♦ Matthew Lawson ♦ Wayne Lee ♦
Denise Read ♦ Jacob Smith ♦

21st May

Jacob Anderson ♦ Grace Hoo ♦ Jason Wong ♦
Cherayne Hosang-Howell ♦ Marcus Dabdoub Jr ♦

22nd May

Kelly Akin ♦ Wendy Ford ♦ Barbara Garcia ♦
Christopher Lowe ♦ Noel Wong ♦ Arya Vaswani ♦

23rd May

Alexander Martin-Shirley ♦ Hilma Williams ♦

24th May

Yanique Holness ♦

25th May

Marie Ferrer ♦ Latoya Smith ♦
Jannine Richards-Murphy ♦ Nancey McGaw ♦



21st May

❖ Aubrey & Valerie Ffrench

23rd May

❖ Raymond & Barbara Garcia



Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit,

Replace the **tension** within us with a holy **relaxation**.

Replace the **turbulence** within us with a sacred **calm**.

Replace the **anxiety** within us with a quiet **confidence**.

Replace the **fear** within us with a strong **faith**.

Replace the **bitterness** within us with the sweetness of **grace**.

Replace the **darkness** within us with a gentle **light**.

Replace the **coldness** within us with a loving **warmth**.

Replace the **night** within us with Your **day**.

Replace the **winter** within us with Your **spring**.

Straighten our crookedness.

Fill our emptiness.

Dull the edge of our pride.

Sharpen the edge of our humility.

Light the fires of our love.

Quench the flames of our lust.

Let us see ourselves as You see us.

That we may see You as You have promised us.

And be healed through Your Word.

Amen