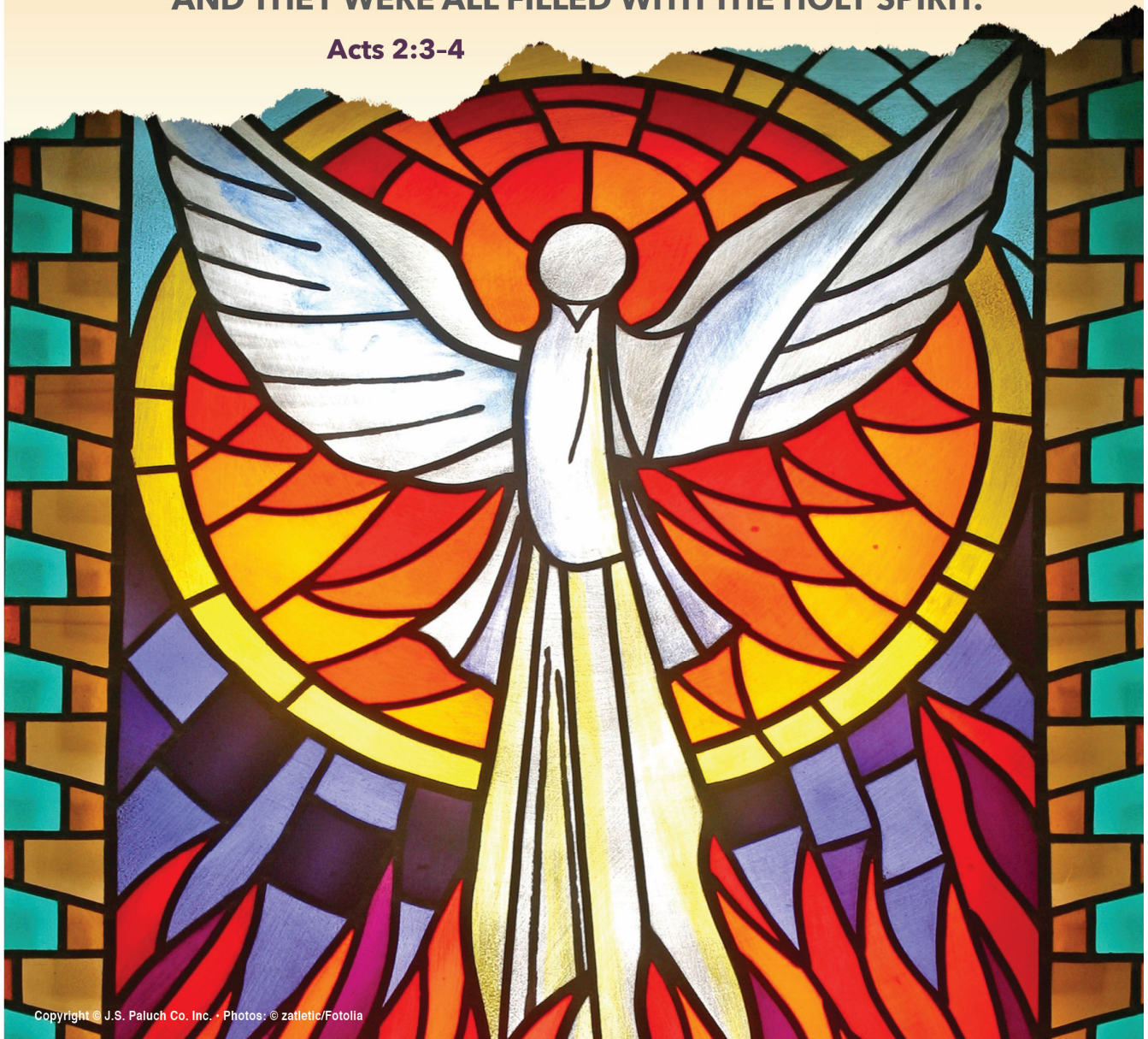


June 4
2017

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



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ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA
A CATHOLIC PARISH FAMILY - PALATINE, IL

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Deacon Rich Willer

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:15am
1:30pm (*Polish*)

Weekday 6:30am (*Communion Service*)
8:00am (*Including Saturday*)

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 8:30am—9:30am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9am—8pm
Friday 9am—5pm
Saturday 9am—1pm

BAPTISM: Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation class preferable before the baby is born to avoid babysitting concerns. Baptisms are celebrated on most Sundays following the 11:15am Mass. Call the Parish Office for more information.

Upcoming Baptism Prep Classes: June 13: Rachel & Brodie Bertrand 224-232-9532

MARRIAGE: Arrangements for the celebration of marriage should be made at least six (6) months prior to your planned wedding date. Call Deacon Tom Dunne for more information.

NEW PARISHIONERS: All are welcome! Call the Parish Office to set up an appointment to register and learn more about our Parish.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: Adults who were never baptized in any faith, who were baptized in another Christian faith and who wish to become Catholic, and baptized Catholics who have never received the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist. *Contact Tom at 847-971-4419 / tom.note@icloud.com. Brochures are in the Gathering Area.*

COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND: Ministers of Care are available to bring Communion to the homebound. Contact Deacon Tom Dunne for more information.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Call the Parish Office to add your name to our sick list. Due to patient privacy (HIPAA Law), only the ailing person or, in case of their incapacitation, the person delegated for their medical care, can add their name to the sick list.

PRAYERS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL: If you know someone serving in the military, please contact the Parish Office so our faith community may pray for them.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Articles for the bulletin are due by Friday—9 days before publication date and can be emailed to: suzie@stov.org

Our Websites

- ◆ Parish: www.stov.org
- ◆ Religious Education: www.stvrec.org
- ◆ School: www.stvschool.org
- ◆ GIFT: www.stvgift.weebly.com
- ◆ Youth Group: www.stvoices.org



Second Homily

Dear Parish Family of St. Thomas,

Cardinal Blase J. Cupich ordained five priests for the Archdiocese of Chicago on Saturday, May 20 at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago. The men range in age from 27 to 44 and come from the United States, Poland and Mexico. Each man completed four to six years of graduate study at the University of Saint Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary or in Rome and served for a period of time as a deacon. These new priests will serve in parishes in Chicago, Niles, Park Ridge and Waukegan.

By ordination the priest becomes a co-worker with the bishop and, under his authority, exercises the three apostolic functions as a teacher of doctrine, a priest of sacred worship and a minister of pastoral leadership. Pastors are responsible for the pastoral care of their parishes. Each of these men will be assigned as an associate pastor, assisting a more senior priest in these pastoral roles. Please pray for our newly ordained priests!

- **Miguel Venegas Aceves**, 28, from Guadalajara, Mexico, will have his first assignment at St. Agnes of Bohemia Parish in Chicago's Little Village neighborhood.
- **Radley Alcantara**, 29, from Portage, Indiana, will have his first assignment at St. Anastasia Parish in Waukegan.
- **Timothy Anastos**, 28, from Mundelein, Illinois, who studied in Rome, will have his first assignment at Mary, Seat of Wisdom Parish in Park Ridge.
- **Moises Navarro**, 27, from Chicago, will have his first assignment at Most Blessed Trinity Parish in Waukegan.
- **Przemyslaw Tomczyk**, 28, from Lodz, Poland, will have his first assignment at St. John Brebeuf Parish in Niles.

At around the same time, the Cardinal also announced the retirement of twelve priests. This "number differential" is only one of the several issues necessitating a "Renew My Church" initiative.

Just a reminder that next weekend is our re-training session for all current Altar Servers. We need all Altar Servers to attend—but you must RSVP to Sheila O'Shea, our Altar Server Coordinator. We will have a Pizza Party afterwards for the Altar Servers along with some gifts and surprises for them. We thank Mrs. O'Shea for her hard work in the coordination, scheduling and training of our Acolytes in this important Ministry for our Parish Family.

We are in need of more Eucharistic Ministers. Have you thought about it? Next weekend is the training for this important Ministry. If you are interested in becoming one, please call me on Monday so that I can register you for the training! Please pray about it. If you have questions, please contact Marian DeGroot at mariandegroot@comcast.net who is our coordinator / scheduler of Eucharistic Ministers. We thank Marian for her commitment to serve us.

Your Pastor,

Father Tom

Rev. Thomas R. Rzepiela

Parish Events

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, June 4

8:00am Car Wash *School Parking Lot*
9:40am Children's Liturgy of the Word *MRD*

Monday, June 5

9:00am STV School Sport Camps *RAC*

Tuesday, June 6

8:40am Smiling Thru the Tears *MRA*
9:00am STV School Sport Camps *RAC*
1:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry *MRB*
9:00pm Men's Basketball *RAC*

Wednesday, June 7

9:00am STV School Sport Camps *RAC*
4:00pm VOICES Drop-In *TR/RAC*
6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration *Church*
8:00pm A.A. (Closed Meeting) *MR4*

Thursday, June 8

9:00am STV School Sport Camps *RAC*
9:30am GCFD Food Distribution *Church Parking Lot*
7:00pm Adult Choir Rehearsal *Church*

Friday, June 9

9:00am STV School Sport Camps *RAC*

Saturday, June 10

8:40am Morning Bible Study *MRC*
Noon Acolyte Training *Church*

Sunday, June 11

9:40am Children's Liturgy of the Word *MRD*



PARISH OFFICE
SUMMER HOURS
Now—August 4

Monday-Friday, 9am—5pm
Saturday, 9am—1pm

*RAC Closed starting June 19—Aug 4
except for Wednesday Drop-In & VBS*

TODAY

- **MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION** Thank you!
- **CAR WASH FUNDRAISER** After the 7:30, 9:30 & 11:15am Masses (Page 8)

UPCOMING

- **GOLDEN VILLANOVANS**
 - Monday, June 5 at 1pm—Ladies Luncheon at Beelow's Steakhouse Patio, 760 Rand Rd in Lake Zurich. RSVP to Kathy Rees 847-358-7122
 - Wednesday, June 14 at 1pm—Monthly meeting in MRA & B. Guest speaker: State Rep Tom Morrison. For more info: Ken Doruff 847-358-3852
- **K of C MONTHLY OFFICER MEETING** Monday, June 5 at 7pm. St. Theresa Lower Dolan Center. For more info: Jim M. Arns grandknight4977@gmail.com
- **CLAIM YOUR KITCHEN ITEMS** Last day! Monday, June 5 will be the last day to pick up any items you may have left in our Parish Kitchen. All unclaimed items will be donated to charity after this date, so hurry up!
- **SMILING THROUGH THE TEARS** Tuesday, June 6 (Page 5)
- **GCFD FOOD DISTRIBUTION** Thursday, June 8 (See below)
- **ACOLYTE TRAINING** Saturday, June 10 (Page 6)
- **SENIOR DAY** Thursday, June 15 (Page 5)
- **TO BE JOYFUL AGAIN**, a non-denominational support group for widows, widowers, or anyone else who has lost a significant other, meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month at 7 P.M. at Holy Family Parish, 2515 Palatine Road, Inverness. Come, get the support you need in this difficult time. All are welcome. Contact Elaine at 847-705-9886 for more information.

- **Vacation Bible School—June 26 through June 30**
- **2017 Golf Outing—Friday, July 21, 2017**

GCFD FOOD DISTRIBUTION

On Thursday, June 8, the Greater Chicago Food Depository Producemobile will be at St. Thomas.

- **Anyone in need of assistance** can pick up free produce. No registration is required. Food distribution will begin at 9:30am and last until 11:30am.
- **Volunteers** are needed to help bag produce and unload the truck, which may arrive as early as 8:00am. Please meet in the church parking lot, and we'll put you to work!



SMILING THROUGH THE TEARS

Jesus, the Blessed One, mourns. Jesus mourns when his friend Lazarus dies (see John 11:33-36); he mourns when he overlooks the city of Jerusalem, soon to be destroyed (see Luke 19:41-44). Jesus mourns over all losses and devastations that fill the human heart with pain. He grieves with those who grieve and sheds tears with those who cry.



The violence, greed, lust and so many other evils that have distorted the face of the earth and its people causes the Beloved Son of God to mourn. We, too, have to mourn if we hope to experience God's consolation.

If your heart is heavy with the loss of a loved one, we warmly welcome you to "Smiling Through The Tears". You can share your grief and mourning with us. Our Grief Ministry group is open to anyone who is suffering mournfully. Our monthly session is this Tuesday, June 6 at 8:45 am in the parish meeting rooms. Come and seek the Lord in your pain by sharing with others.
Connie West - Director of Bereavement

**PICK-UP YOUR LEFTOVERS
 KITCHEN CLEANING**

Summer cleaning of the Parish kitchen begins. Come claim your dishes, serving trays, spatulas, forks, etc. that you may have left in our Parish Center kitchen. The Kitchen Ministry will be donating all unclaimed items on JUNE 5! Hurry now ... and tell your friends, too.



FUNDRAISER FOR YOUTH GROUPS

PastaPalooza 2017

Saturday, July 8th, 2017 from 6:00 pm—9:00 pm
 Rowley Activity Center



Sponsored by the KOC Holy Ghost Council # 4977 and the St. Thomas & St. Theresa High School Youth Groups

For more info: Maureen Ross 847-276-0005 mapross22@comcast.net.
 All proceeds benefit the Youth Groups of St. Thomas of Villanova (VOICES) and St. Theresa (LIFT) Parishes.

Northwest Suburban
 Catholic Senior Network
18th Annual Senior Day

"Freedom from Guilt, Fear & Shame... BE JOYFUL"

Guilt, Fear and Shame are the 3 most difficult blocks to our Spiritual Life, to our Inner Peace, to our general happiness.

Father will show us how we can overcome these obstacles and achieve a real balance in our spiritual life.



*Presented by
 Father Fred
 Licciardi*

Thursday, June 15, 2017
Rowley Activity Center

Doors open at 9:30 am.

Light hospitality at 9:30am.

Presentation at 10am—11:15am.

Box lunch to follow.

\$10.00, non-refundable

Checks payable to:

St. Thomas of Villanova

Deadline: June 5 (unless seats sell out)

Send check and form below to:
 Helen Leadley / Senior Day, 1419 W
 Concord Dr, Arlington Hts, IL 60004
 Questions? Call Helen at
 847-398-1777

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____



2017 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 26th—30th
from 9am—Noon
Rowley Activity Center

Children age 4 years old to those entering 5th Grade

We will learn how we were **CREATED BY GOD** and **BUILT FOR A PURPOSE** through... song, games, crafts, Bible Adventures, KidVid Cinema and even treats!

Download a registration form at **www.stvrec.org** or pick up a form in the Religious Ed or Parish Offices.

We need parent volunteers, too!
Just email stvrec@yahoo.com or call 847-358-2386



ATTENTION ACOLYTES!

Altar Serving "Refresher" Training Session and Pizza Party! **This is for ALL CURRENT ALTAR SERVERS!**



Please join us for a mandatory refresher training session on Saturday, June 10, 12:00pm in the church. This is a great opportunity to "brush up" on your serving skills. Immediately following the training, Father Tom would like to thank the servers for their continued commitment at the altar by treating them to a Pizza Party (with a few surprises!) in the RAC. **Please RSVP (if you have not already done so) to Sheila O'Shea: soshea13@comcast.net**

Interested in becoming an Altar Server? Our next training session for new servers will be held in the Fall--please stay tuned for more details on how to join this wonderful ministry. Questions? Please contact Sheila O'Shea (Altar Server Coordinator) at: soshea13@comcast.net.

K of C—ULTRASOUND MACHINE UPDATE

Three Ultrasound machines in four years.

Being thankful that they were able to raise the funds to donate an Ultrasound machine to Aid – to – Women, which was installed and blessed on June 25, 2014, Holy Ghost Council 4077 of Palatine, IL embarked on phase two which was to procure a second machine.

In this second effort, Holy Ghost Council worked with St. Liborius Council 14562 and Holy Family Council 11981. Thanks to the efforts of these councils, the goal was reached much sooner than expected.

Due to technology advancements and the needs of the Aid for Women organization, the Holy Ghost Council was able to procure 2 Ultrasound machines. With the huge accomplishment of raising funds for 3 machines in 4 years they are looking forward to see if they can start any campaign to continue to help spread Pro-Life values and save babies.



Attending the dedication:

Mr. Tom Murphy of St. Liborius Council 14562 and his wife; Jack McCarthy; Bruce Alesi; Deacon John Breit; Fr. Tom Rzepiela; Charlie Foos of Holy Ghost Council 4977; Bishop Kane; Neil McNanus and Joe Ferlita of Holy Family Council 11981.

St. Thomas of Villanova 14th Annual Golf Outing

Friday, July 21st, 2017
At White Deer Run Golf Club
Vernon Hills, Illinois



Shotgun Start at 12:00p.m.

Consider becoming a Sponsor of our Outing!



Sponsors for the STV Golf Outing Receive:

- ◆ *Tee-Box Signage*
- ◆ *Full Page Advertising in our Event Program*
- ◆ *Sponsor Signage displayed in the Gathering Area and at the event*
- ◆ *Recognition in our Parish Bulletin*

To learn more about how to become an event sponsor, contact Tom Nicholas at 847.496.4430 or email at tgnicholas@msn.com

Help Support Our Annual Parish Fundraiser By:

- **Reserving a Foursome for Golf, \$150.00 per Golfer**
- **Becoming a Sponsor**
- **Advertising in Our Event Program**
- **Donating a Prize For Auction**

For additional information, contact the parish office at (847)358-6999.
All proceeds benefit the Ministries of St. Thomas of Villanova serving the greater Palatine and Arlington Heights communities





JOIN THE STV SCHOOL BOARD

Would you like to get more involved at STV and have an impact on the school community?

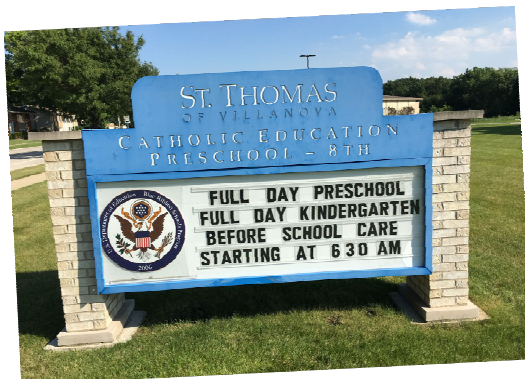
The STV School Board has several vacancies for the upcoming 2017-18 year which begins in June. We meet once a month. School board members serve a three year term. School Board Membership is open to any St. Thomas of Villanova Parishioner. The Board is an advisory body to school leadership and acts as the public relations and marketing arm for the school.

School board members are expected to attend monthly meetings and all school board sponsored events. Each member is also required to lead at least one event or committee per school year. These events may include:

- Sports Pack the Gym nights
- Catholic Schools Week
- Open Houses (January and Spring)
- Annual Parent Meeting
- Trivia Night
- Tailgate/New Family Events
- Palatine 4th of July parade

For consideration, or if you would like more information, contact Theresa Hubert 847-221-5386 or the STV School Office.

WE'RE EXPANDING!



Due to high enrollment, we are adding another preschool room!

Register **NOW** before it fills up!

Just call the School Office 847-358-2110 for more information.
We can't wait for you to join our STV School Family!

STV SCHOOL OFFICE—Summer Hours

The school office will be open throughout the summer from June 1st through August 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00, Mondays through Thursdays. (The office will be closed July 3rd—12th, but phones and email will be monitored.)

CAR WASH—Today!

Please help the incoming STV 8th graders raise funds for their trip to Washington D.C. by bringing your car, truck, van, wagon, skateboard....to their

CAR WASH TODAY— SUNDAY, JUNE 5TH after the 7:30, 9:30 and 11:15 Masses. The 8th graders will all be ready **behind the school** with their sponges and hoses to brighten up your vehicle for the summer!



RUMMAGE SALE: AUGUST 4—6

Proceeds will help fund the STV School 8th Grade Washington DC Trip. So, start collecting your gently used items for donating to the sale. Donation drop off starts the week of July 10th—July 28th at the Mephram Building 530 E Northwest Hwy, Palatine. Drop off times: 10AM-4PM Monday thru Friday or bring your items to the RAC on August 3rd between 12PM-5PM. Contact Jenny for more info: 847-380-9208 (No early donations will be accepted at the RAC due to storage issues. Please do not just bring your items to the Parish.)



2017 Fiscal Year Sunday Sacrificial Giving

YTD Budget	\$ 1,137,600.00
YTD Actual	\$ 1,093,341.72
Over / (Under)	(\$ 44,258.28)

Date	Weekend Collection	On-Line Giving	Weekly Total	Over / Under Budget: \$23,700
May 7	\$ 24,874.41	\$ 2,958.00	\$ 27,832.41	\$ 4,132.41
May 14	\$ 18,617.73	\$ 1,458.00	\$ 20,075.73	(\$ 3,624.27)
May 21	\$ 17,405.16	\$ 1,873.00	\$ 19,279.15	(\$ 4,420.85)
May 28	\$ 25,441.00	\$ 1,508.00	\$ 26,949.00	\$ 3,249.00

THANK YOU!

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



Dear Friends in Christ,

On the weekend of June 10-11, 2017, we will take up a special collection for the Retired Priests of the Archdiocese. In May of 2016, I ordained five men to the priesthood. This May I ordained another five men. Thirteen priests retired at the end of June 2016. By the end of this coming June, an additional twenty priests will retire. These retirements will bring our total of retired priests to 230. This will mean that close to 30% of our clergy will have reached retirement status. 35 of our retired priests are either in nursing homes or are receiving home care. I am very grateful to our retired priests who are able to continue to share their priestly ministry in our parishes. I realize that many parishes depend upon their service for daily and Sunday Masses, baptisms, weddings, funerals and countless other good works of the Church. Without the help of our retired priests, many parishes would have to reduce Mass schedules and other sacramental services.

Our retired priests rely upon your help now. The Priests' Retirement and Mutual Aid Association (PRMAA) cares for our retired priests. As you know well, the cost for health care, prescription drugs and nursing home care continues to increase. This special collection in June is different from Retirement Fund for Religious collection in December. That collection supports retired men and women in religious orders. Retired archdiocesan priests do not receive any funds from that collection, which is why I am asking you to support them with this Fund for Retired Priests.

This letter gives me the opportunity to share my heartfelt appreciation for the ministry and devotion of our retired priests. I also want to remember all the faithful priests who have gone to their eternal reward, and I commend them to your prayers as well. Please know of my gratitude to you for your most gracious generosity in this collection last year, and I ask that you repeat your kindness this year. Your donations, your prayers, and your good wishes are an affirmation of our retired priests and the good they have accomplished in service to the people of the archdiocese. With every good wish, I remain,
Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Card. Blase J. Cupich

Cardinal Blase J. Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago

**Please make checks payable to:
St. Thomas of Villanova
Write "RETIRED PRIESTS"
on the memo line.**

St Thomas of Villanova Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)

Looking for a Few Good Members

By choice, you are a member of our St. Thomas of Villanova Parish Family. You could be elsewhere, but you choose to be part of this parish. What keeps you coming back each week – the Sacraments, the Liturgy, the Ministries, and/or the Fellowship? When you think about parish life at St. Thomas, what makes it vibrant? What dimensions need to adapt to changing times and changing needs? These are some of the questions that you can address by becoming a member of our STV PPC.

The STV PPC is an advisory body to the Pastor and the Parish Staff. The Council supports existing and new ministries that foster spiritual development, provide service to those in need and nurture parish life and fellowship. The Council plans parish missions for the spiritual benefit of all. The Council also addresses current and future sustainability by affirming and supporting active stewardship.

Why Join the PPC at This Time?

During the next few years, the PPC and our Parish Family will be witnessing exciting times as we invest the proceeds of the *To Teach Who Christ Is* (TTWCI) capital campaign and as we participate in the *Renew My Church* initiative.

How Often Does the PPC Meet?

At this time, the full PPC meets every other month. Some projects and initiatives may involve additional meetings between the full PPC meetings.

How Long Are the PPC Member Terms?

The terms are up to two years, subject to renewal when appropriate.

How Do I Apply or Learn More?

Contact: Norbert Krogstad -
nkrogstad@wje.com, Jane Murguia -
jmurguia1@Comcast.net, Father Tom -
fathertom@stov.org or speak with any current member listed in the bulletin.

GOING ON, AHEAD

“I go on ahead to prepare a place for you!” Jesus speaks those words to his disciples on the eve of his death as he sits at table with them and senses their sadness as they grapple with his dying, his going away. His words are meant to console them and give them the assurance that they aren’t being abandoned. It’s just that he is going on ahead to prepare a place for them to come and join him later.

That story speaks to me very personally because of how one of my sisters died. She was young, the mother of a large family, and seemingly too young to leave her young children behind. She was dying of a cancer that, while relentlessly doing its deadly work, mercifully left her relatively pain-free and clear in mind and heart to the very end. The cancer eventually took her to a point where she could no longer eat, but could still be nourished for a time by intravenous transfusions. But these too eventually no longer worked and, once unhooked from the intravenous needles, she was told that she had roughly a week still to live. She chose to spend those last days in a hospital rather than at home, with her family having easy, 24-hour, access to her hospice bed.

The days leading up to her death were a sacred time. I took her communion several days before she died and, with her head still very clear, she told me what I should say at her funeral liturgy. She had chosen that exact text where Jesus, on the night before he dies, tells his heavy-hearted disciples that he is going ahead, to prepare a place for them. She shared how, before every one of her children was born, before she went to the hospital

to give birth, she had carefully prepared everything at home for the new arrival, the crib, the diapers, the clothing, the room. She brought each of her children home to a place she had carefully prepared. And now she was going on ahead of them again, to prepare another place for them.

I preached those words at her funeral and despite our grief and despite the fact that in moments like these there is nothing really that can be said that takes away the pain, her raw testimony of faith left us with an image that placed us all, not least her husband and children, inside a bigger story, a faith-narrative, that highlighted two things.

First, the image of her going on ahead of her children awakened our grieving faith to the truth that a mother can go on ahead to prepare a place for her children in much deeper ways than simply bringing a new-born home from a hospital. Second, her “going ahead” was also showing her children, and the rest of us, how to die, how to do that act that we all someday must do. After you watch a good person die, you become less afraid to die yourself because you see how it can be done in an ordinary way, by an ordinary person, in a way that you can also do. In her dying, she prepared a place for us.

But this isn’t a lesson only about dying. This image, I go on ahead to prepare a place for you, is a metaphor which defines the essential task of our adult, mature years. Our task of as “elders”, whether that be as a mother or father, an older brother or older sister, an uncle or an aunt, a teacher, a

clergyman, a nurse, a worker, a colleague, or a friend, is to live in such a way so as to create a place where the young can follow. Our task as adults is to show the young how to live at a place where they’ve never been as yet.

And it is both a noble and humble task. Most of us cannot live up to the lofty ideals we see lived out in the lives of the great saints, though their lives have created an ideal place for us. However, while not everyone can live as Mother Teresa did, perhaps they can live like you do and your life can be their exemplar for meaning, wholeness, anonymous sanctity, and dying without unnecessary fear.

I’ve been graced to be at the deathbed of a goodly number of ordinary people who died very ordinary looking deaths, with no choirs of angels silently chanting in the background, no alleluias on their lips, with pain and thirst dominating their concerns, with their hands being tightly grasped by loved ones, and their hearts still very much focused on the pain of leaving this world. And that’s not a bad way to die. In how they managed their deaths they prepared a place for me. Looking at how they died, I am far less fearful and can more readily say: I can do this!

What a grace to have someone go on ahead to prepare a place for you!

Oblate Father Ron Rolheiser, theologian, teacher, and award-winning author, is President of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, TX. He can be contacted through his website www.ronrolheiser.com. Now on Facebook www.facebook.com/ronrolheiser

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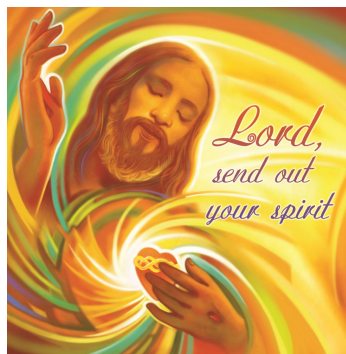
While my wife and I have seen all of the Pirates of the Caribbean movies so far, I'm not sure we'll see the latest installment, Dead Men Tell No Tales. Why? Because the Chicago Tribune gave it a one-star review. One star. Life is short, and I don't have time for one-star movies. Based on the review, the head pirate ghost, played by Javier Bardem, is out to get revenge on the Johnny Depp character, Jack Sparrow. Here we go again. The Trib gave the film a low rating for poor plot, poor acting, poor pretty much everything, but good special effects. The one-star review is unfortunate, because I've enjoyed the franchise. I liked the first entry the best. We saw it in Denver on a family vacation years ago. As I write this, Gail and I are headed north to see our son Paul and his wife Annie in upper Wisconsin, and we'd hoped to take them to see the film somewhere, then find a supper club for dinner. Maybe not now. The movie, I mean. The supper club's still a hopeful go.

But back to the ghosts. In the Pirates movies, the pirate ghosts are up to no good. Revenge, mostly. But today we celebrate a ghost of a different color and intent. Pentecost, a celebration of the

Holy Spirit, aka Ghost. I grew up with the Holy Ghost, and while I think this Third Person gets the short shrift in the whole trinity conversation--which continues next week in earnest--I remain a fan. A huge fan, actually. Seems the Ghost has morphed into the Spirit over the years, though. Per a Catholic website I stumbled upon not long ago, "Some of this came about because words don't always hold their meanings. In the days of Shakespeare or King James, 'ghost' meant the living essence of a deceased person...As language evolved, people started saying 'ghost' when speaking of the vision of a dead person while 'spirit' became the standard term for life or living essence, often also for 'soul.' With slight exceptions, 'ghost' and 'spirit' changed places over some 300 years."

But "a rose by any other name..." you know? There's an intangible something flowing through us. That's the Ghost: the spark, the life, the essence in each of us

that makes us...the each of us. I love this celebration of Spirit, especially today's first reading. "And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind." Go Ghost! "Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each of them." Go, Ghost! "They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, 'Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language?'" Go, Ghost! To paraphrase the Lion, "I do, I do, I do believe in ghosts!" Maybe not the up-to-no-good ghosts in the movie franchise, but for sure the life-giving Ghost we toast today. "There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God...To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." The pirate ghosts got one star, but we've got a four-star entry, and then some. Go, go, go, Ghost!



LITURGY SCHEDULE for JUNE 10 / 11

	SATURDAY 5:00 PM	SUNDAY 7:30 AM	SUNDAY 9:30 AM	SUNDAY 11:15 AM	SUNDAY 1:30 PM
PRESIDER	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
DEACON	Deacon John Breit		Deacon Len Marturano	Deacon Tom Dunne	
HOMILY	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
LECTORS	Derek Oliver Jean Pope	Tom Greener Rob Dix	Tom Dalton Randy Schappert	Norma Holmes John Holmes	
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Donna Breit Marian DeGroot Dan Dunne Jim Dunne Carol Gabiner Layne Gabiner Helen Janicki Mike Kanis Jack McCarthy Jo McCarthy	Bonnie Fennig Karen Flasch Jim Hajost Rita Snyder Bob Stanek Margo Stanek Marilynn Stone Don Ullmer Diane Zielinski	Marilyn Marturano Leo Herz Sue Kadowaki Cindy Kane Roswitha Kist Paula Logsdon Steve Lundell Andrea Nalywajko Jackie Nogle Kate O'Connell	Jeanie Landeweear Jill Lott Joyce Miller Tom Nolan Carol O'Shea Brian O'Shea Sheila O'Shea Sandy Peterson Howard Pettinger	
SERVERS	Josh Hulsebosch Luke Hulsebosch Mark Hulsebosch	Caroline Kawiecki Maura McGarvey Evelyn Page	Ethan Leigh Tyler Murphy Emily Murphy	Nate Carlson Brianna Holmes Michael Nix	
GREETERS	M G N Sylvia Schaffer J & R Redmond Maureen Penkava	Bob & Margo Stanek Karen Froelich T & M Greener	Bob & Margo Stanek M & D Yurcheshen Mary Anita Campbell	Lynn Haas R & S Zapata John & Jan Harahan	

Our Weekly Prayers

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 5

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am ✠ Martha Caroline Miller

Tuesday, June 6

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am ✠ Jerry Quinn; ✠ Angela Loritz

Wednesday, June 7

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am All Military Personnel

Thursday, June 8

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am All Who Are Sick

Friday, June 9

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am For the Sanctity of All Human Life

Saturday, June 10

8:00am All Recent Graduates
5:00pm ✠ Madaline Tomaszek;
✠ Carmela Gabl; Intention for
the 50th Wedding Anniversary
of Joe & Lydia Selbka

Sunday, June 11

7:30am All Living & Deceased Parishioners
9:30am ✠ Margaret Solger;
✠ Michael Narantic;
✠ Thelma Rex;
✠ Marilyn Korney
11:15am ✠ Richard Heart;
✠ Marie Kay;
✠ Carmela Krogstad;
✠ George Cooper;
✠ Deacon Jerry & Vera Forbes;
✠ Lottie Oleksy;
✠ Kathy Tomusiak
1:30pm Mass—POLISH

DAILY READINGS

Mon: Tb 1:3; 2:1a-8; Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-6; Mk 12:1-12
Tue: Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2, 7-9; Mk 12:13-17
Wed: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25:2-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mk 12:18-27
Thu: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 12:28-34
Fri: Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-10; Mk 12:35-37
Sat: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8; Mk 12:38-44
Sun: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52-55; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Sebastian Eryk Skutnik

Wyatt James Welsh

FOR OUR SICK

Barbara Amato	Jeanne Formanski	Lotti Kwaitkowski	Boni Quiaoit
Lou Anderson	Kirk Forseth	Mark Kwaitkowski	Patty Reynolds
Jim Baur	Faith Forseth	Robin Kwaitkowski	Elaine Romanchek
Kathy Bell	Parker Forseth	Stanley Kwaitkowski	Ken Romanchek
Jeanette Blaszyński	Carmela Gabl	Lauren Lambert	Dick Samojla
Cherie Bott	Mel Gass	Gene Lazich	Carlos Serna
Andy Bouchonville	Bill Gerl	Harold Lewis	Shawn Smith
Baby Billy Callahan	Sylvia Gronski	Peggy Lowe	John Socha
Baby Ray Callahan	Marino Guardalabene	Baby Alexa Mang	Russell Spano
Anna Marie Candorla	Rose Guevara	Helen Mariano	Alice Stedronsky
Tom Cook	RJ Hubka	Bob Maruska	Anne Swaw
John Cooney	Adeline Kaczmarek	Elayne Maruska	Robert Szott
Abbey Corbett	Mary Anne Kiesel	Candida Morales	Sharon Tadsen
Baby Seamus Cullen	Wesley Knutson	Mike Moran	Marcy Weckler Barr
Brenda Darling	Mary Alice Kobler	Paul Moser	Jeri Sue Welty
Jason Dean	Susan Kordell	Mary Obey	Connie Wilberding
Emily Dempsey	George Kwaitkowski	Rita Olles	William Yadron
Beth Dix	John Kwaitkowski	George Oslovich	Martha Zara
William Dvorak	Leia Kwaitkowski	Valentine Pawlak	

IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY

Lord, bless the men and women of our military as they answer the call to serve our nation and defend our freedom. Protect and heal them-- body, soul, mind and spirit--especially those in harm's way. Most of all let them know your love; that you are with them, and that you will never forsake or abandon them. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

U.S. Air Force

- MSGT Dan Fialek
- SrA Justin Godsey
- MSGT Matthew Grelck
- CPT Erin Killion
- CPT Sean McGee
- SrA Trenton J. Metyk
- SSGT Darrel J. Moe
- SSGT Brian R. O'Donnell
- A1C Joshua Olszak
- MAJ Matthew Walz

U.S. Army

- SPC William Banville
- MAJ Robert Bland
- MAJ Bernadette O'Shea Bland
- PFC Ryan Camis-Sutherland
- CPT Ben Couchey
- SSGT Brian J. Dankowski
- CPT Joel Hilborn

- SPC Jeffrey Ketelsen
- SF Joseph Kilcullen III, Green Beret
- LT Michael Labek
- 2LT Daniel Lloyd
- SSGT Dustin Lyles
- SPC Michael Medina
- SGT Kevin Miller
- CW2 Timothy O'Cain
- CPT James Ruetsche, Ranger
- CPT Jesse Turner
- CPT Tina Stowick Turner
- PFC Will Willis
- Troops in the Middle East

U.S. Coast Guard

- LT Kevin O'Brien

U.S. Marine Corps

- MAJ Joey Cross

U.S. Navy

- CPL David Crouse
- MSGT Jason Dean
- WO1 Thomas Grygowski
- PFC Jeffrey Daniel Krantz
- CPT Thomas McCarthy
- LCPL Cameron Miller
- CPL Sam Miller
- SGT Conor O'Neill
- SGT Nicholas Regini
- CPL Kyle Rich
- SGT Corey A. White



ROSE OF LIFE
In Loving Memory of My Sister
PAULA TRIFARI

FOR OUR DEPARTED, REST IN PEACE

✠ *Joseph Robert Wiedemann*
- Father of Jane Candela

✠ *Howard Gray*
- Father of Gary Gray



UROCZYŚĆ ZESŁANIA DUCHA ŚWIĘTEGO –

Dar pokoju

Spotkanie wystraszonych uczniów ze Zmartwychwstałym nie tylko dodało im odwagi, ale dzięki obdarowaniu ich Duchem Świętym uzdolniło ich do podjęcia powierzonej im misji głoszenia prawdy o Bogu. Wydarzenia związane z męką Jezusa tak bardzo wstrząsnęły uczniami, że nawet wieczorem w dniu zmartwychwstania trwali oni w swoim odizolowaniu od świata. W tę rzeczywistość skeptycyzmu i braku nadziei wchodzi Jezus, który pomimo zadanej Mu śmierci, okazał się zwycięzcą. Przestraszonym uczniom przynosi dar pokoju, który ma przemienić nie tylko ich samych, ale ma stać się treścią głoszonego przez nich orędzia. Jezusowy pokój jest inny

niż ten, który mógł im zaoferować świat; ziemskiego pokoju jednak nie doświadczają... Posłani przez swojego Mistrza spotkają się wielokrotnie z odrzuceniem i prześladowaniem, które prawie wszystkich z nich doprowadzi do śmierci męczeńskiej. Pokój przyniesiony im przez Jezusa związany jest z darem Ducha Świętego. To On będzie ich prowadził, wspierał w powierzonej misji oraz uzdalniał do czynienia tego, co wielokrotnie czynił ich Mistrz, gorsząc tych, którzy wołali: 'Kim On jest, skoro mówi bluźnierstwa? Kto może odpuszczać grzechy, jeśli nie sam Bóg...?' Tak więc od tej pory uczniowie będą uczestniczyć w sposób szczególny w misterium Boga, który wyzwala człowieka z grzechu i śmierci, obdarzając życiem. Każdy z nas wezwany jest do stawiania się uczniem, do tego, by dać się prowadzić i przemieniać Duchowi Świętemu. On nie jest darem obiecany jedynie małej grupie. Bóg w swojej hojności posyła Go do serc nas wszystkich. Otwórzmy się na Niego i pozwólmy Mu w nas działać...



Modlitwa o siedem darów Ducha Świętego

'Duchu Przenajświętszy, racz mi udzielić daru mądrości, bym zawsze umiejętnie rozróżniał dobro od zła i nigdy dóbr tego świata nie przedkładał nad dobro wieczne; daj mi dar rozumu, bym poznał prawdy objawione na ile tylko jest to możliwe dla nieudolności ludzkiej; daj mi dar umiejętności, bym wszystko odnosił do Boga, a gardził marnościami tego świata; daj mi dar rady, bym ostrożnie postępował wśród niebezpieczeństw życia doczesnego i spełniał wolę Bożą; daj mi dar męstwa, bym przewycięzał

pokusy nieprzyjaciela i znosił prześladowania, na które mógłbym być wystawiony; daj mi dar pobożności, bym się rozmyślał w rozmyślaniu, w modlitwie i w tym wszystkim, co się odnosi do służby Bożej; daj mi dar bojaźni Bożej, bym bał się Ciebie obrazić jedynie dla miłości Twojej. Do tych wszystkich darów, o Duchu Święty dodaj mi dar pokuty, bym grzechy swoje opłakiwał, i dar umartwienia, bym zadośćuczynił Boskiej sprawiedliwości. Napelnij Duchu Święty serce moje Boską miłością i taską wytrwania, bym żył po chrześcijańsku i umarł śmiercią świętobliwą...' Amen.

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MSZE ŚW.

Parafia Świętego Tomasza z Villanova zaprasza całą wspólnotę polskojęzyczną do wspólnej modlitwy i nabożeństw.

Msze św. w jęz. polskim—niedziela: 1:30pm; Pierwszy Piątek miesiąca: spowiedź od 5:30 do 7:15pm, Msza św. o godz. 7:30pm

SAKRAMENT CHRZTU ŚW.

Sakrament Chrztu Św. w jęz. polskim jest udzielany w pierwszą i trzecią niedzielę miesiąca po Mszy św. w języku polskim—prosimy o wcześniejsze potwierdzenie daty z biurem parafialnym! Rodzice zobowiązani są do uczestniczenia w przygotowaniu do Sakramentu Chrztu Św.

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Niedziela 12:45pm- 1:15pm.

SAKRAMENT NAMASZCZENIA CHORYCH

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KONTAKT Z KANCELARIĄ

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