



Pentecost

SUNDAY

MAY 20, 2018

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

Parish Information

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

NEW PARISHIONERS: All are welcome!
Stop by the Parish Office to register and learn more about our Parish.

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: Jun 6 & Jun 26*

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.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: Our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Process is for adults who were never baptized in any faith, who were baptized in another Christian faith but wish to become Catholic or who were baptized Catholics but never received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Contact the Parish Office for more info. Brochures available in the Gathering Area kiosk.

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

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

PRAYERS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL: Call the Parish Office to add a name of someone serving in the military, so our faith community can pray for their safety and service.

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Second Homily

Dear Parish Family of St. Thomas,

The entire “Renew My Church” endeavor touches the heart of who we are and who we should be as faith-filled people. To understand, to deepen, to renew and to live out our faith in our secular world is the primary purpose of “Renew My Church.”

Would you believe that our Palmeadow Heights Grouping Team—composed of representation from St. Theresa, St. Colette, Misión San Juan Diego, and St. Thomas of Villanova—have been meeting since January? And for the moment, this team of thirty five people from the four parishes has concluded their work of providing the possible mission for the future of our Parishes and Schools in this geographical area. The next step is for the team representatives to meet with the Archdiocesan RMC Team to answer any questions so that they can present it to the Full “Renew My Church” Commission who will present the scenarios to Cardinal Cupich for acceptance or alteration. The Cardinal’s decision is expected in the Fall.

As you know, the “Renew My Church” project seeks to deal with the forces of a shortage of priests, financial instability, and lack of Church attendance and other issues. This phase of “Renew My Church” deals with the necessary structural and programmatic changes so as to provide for quality Ministry in Parishes and Schools. This includes personnel, staffing, programs, Ministerial experiences, involvement, and facilities. Each of the three scenarios deal with the partnerships among the parishes for these shared items.

The third scenario specifically proposes in the future that there be one combined school of multi-sites. It would provide a strong, vibrant, diverse and well populated school and it would present our children with the brightest possible path in education. It would make our great St. Thomas of Villanova grade school even greater—even an “exceptional” school. Through this effort and other efforts, Catholic education would be strengthened and be flourishing. The Third scenario also commits all four parishes to a deeper, active partnership in all areas of Pastoral Ministry and Parish Life. We already have two existing shared Ministries with St. Theresa in the realm of the Knights of Columbus and our combined Respect Life Committee and Programs. Our four parishes also share priests for Masses, Confessions, etc.

The three scenarios from “Renew My Church” which were printed in last week’s bulletin all seek to improve our collective Parishes and Schools in order to ensure the presence of these institutions and to provide opportunities for growth and development. We seek to make these great Parishes and Schools even greater and even more life-giving to all as we seek to make Christ present in our families, our Parishes, and our Schools. If you have any questions, or comments about any of the three scenarios, I invite you to write to me directly so that I can share them with the Discernment and Feedback Team.

I want to again thank our St. Thomas of Villanova Grouping Discernment Team for their own faith, commitment, and leadership in this process. Special thanks to: Deacon John Breit, Steve Korney, Jane Murguia, Principal Mary Brinkman, Theresa Hubert, Celeste Kerr, Father Marcin and Father Mirek.

Thank you to our Moms who last weekend shared their Motherhood experience in light of our Gospel on the Feast of the Ascension—“go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.” As usual, we will be printing their reflections in our bulletin! Special thoughts of gratitude to Marian DeGroot, Mary Willer, Pat Leali, and Jennifer Kreig! We thank you for sharing!

Your Pastor,
Father Tom
Rev. Thomas R. Rzepiela

Parish Events

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, May 20

8:30am	Women's Club Breakfast	RAC
9:40am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	MRD
10:30am	TLC—The Linked Cot Mtg	MRB
7:00pm	Polish Adult Volleyball	RAC

Monday, May 21

7:00pm	PPC Committee Meeting	MRA
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Tuesday, May 22

6:30pm	STV School Pin Night	Church
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Wednesday, May 23

9:00am	STV School 8th Grade Breakfast	RAC
4:00pm	VOICES Drop-In	TR/RAC
6:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
7:00pm	Women's Club Steering Committee Meeting	MRC
7:30pm	Finance Committee Mtg	MRA
8:00pm	A.A. (Closed Meeting)	MR4

Thursday, May 24

7:00pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church
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Friday, May 25

7:00pm	STV School Graduation	Church
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Saturday, May 26

8:40am	Morning Bible Study	MRC
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Sunday, May 27

8:30am	Women's Club Breakfast	RAC
9:40am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	MRD
7:00pm	Polish Adult Volleyball	RAC



SUMMER PARISH OFFICE HOURS

June 4—August 10

Monday thru Friday, 9am—5pm
Saturday, 9am—Noon

UPCOMING

- **CHILI'S DINE-N-SHARE** All month long! (Page 8)
- **MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY** Wednesday, May 23, 7pm – NAMI Northwest Suburban Meeting (Every 4th Wednesday of the month) *Speaker: Skylar McKinney, Therapist.* Amita Alexian Brothers Center for Mental Health, 3436 N. Kennicott Ave., Arlington Hts. For more info on this and support group meetings, contact NAMI NWS at naminws@gmail.com / 847-899- 0195.
- **MARILYN'S BOOK CLUB** Saturday, May 26 at Noon. *"Lilac Girls"* by Martha Hall Kelly. Bring a side dish; main course provided. For info call: 847-525-3376
- **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION** Register NOW for our summer VBS Program which will be Monday, June 25 through Friday, June 29. (Page 10)

SAVE THE DATE—GOLF OUTING—Friday, July 27

GREETER MINISTRY

The Lord needs people to greet everyone who walks into His house for weekend Mass. He wants His friends and family to feel welcomed. He gave each of you a smile and a warm heart, so you can fulfill this role. We are in **desperate** need for greeters especially at the Saturday 5pm and Sunday 7:30am Masses. No experience necessary. Flexible scheduling. Great heavenly pay. No meetings to attend. Training is fast and can be done over the phone. Please, please volunteer! Just contact Jeanie or Jack Landeweer 847-842-0679.



LIVING ROSARY—THANK YOU

Guild 5 of the Women's Club thanks all who participated in or attended the Living Rosary and May Crowning. We could not honor Mary without Fr. Tom's support; all the "beads;" the Guild members, Jeanie and Kelley for hospitality; our musicians Jeanne, and Cindy; Vito and his staff, who not only set up but were Mary's travel agents; the office staff, especially Suzie. Special thanks to Connor for crowning Mary. The Right to Life members led the third decade, the Nativity of our Lord, in thanksgiving for Mary saying "Yes." Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus for their honor guard which added so much to our ceremony. We praised Our Lady in seven languages. Through her intercession, may Jesus bless you and answer your prayers.



GUIDELINES FOR POSTERS / FLYERS

If your Ministry or organization is desiring to hang a poster or flyer at St. Thomas of Villanova, you must first gain approval from our Business Manager, Deacon John Breit. If approved, we will hang the advertisements appropriately for you. Deacon John can be reached at the Parish Office: 847-358-6999 or jbreit@stov.org. Thank you for adhering to our Parish protocol.



PAPER RECYCLING

St. Thomas has started a paper recycling program for our Church and School. There are now two bright green and yellow bins. One located on the south side of the School and one at the west end of our Church parking lot. Please bring any newspapers, cardboard, magazines, etc. so we can make a positive impact on the environment. Please feel free to contact me with any questions—maintenance@stvschool.org.



Vito Manola

Maintenance Supervisor

SUMMER CAMPS AT STV

BASKETBALL

Mike Small will conduct his Basketball Camps at STV for boys and girls grades K-6 as of the Fall 2018. The emphasis will be on fundamentals with game experience and various contests. All participants will be separated according to age and ability.



Monday, June 4 – Friday, June 8

- Boys/Girls Grades 4 – 6 from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.
- Boys/Girls Grades K –3 from 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Contact Mike/Tina: www.mike-small.com / info@mike-small.com / 847.635.8437

VOLLEYBALL

FESL Volleyball Camp offers individual , in-depth work on each skill and phase of the game. Coach /Player ratio—1 : 8.



Monday, June 11 – Friday, June 15

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| • Coed 5th-6th Grade | 9-11am; Mon-Fri (10 hrs) |
| • Coed 7th-9th Grade | 11-1pm; Mon-Fri (10 hrs) |
| • Hitting/Blocking (7th-12th) | 1-2pm; M, Tu, We (3 hrs) |
| • Setter Training (7th-12th) | 2-3pm; M, Tu, W (3 hrs) |
| • Defense-Serve/Serve Rec (7th-12th) | 1-3pm; Th, Fri (4 hrs) |

For more information and to register, visit www.feslvolleyball.com

HONOR FLAG



The Glueckert Family takes pride in participating in the Memorial Day Parade in Arlington Heights. Join us to remember and show gratitude to those who have served or are serving our country. We will provide you with an “Honor Banner” displaying the name and branch of service of your hero. For information visit www.GlueckertFH.com or contact Jackie Glueckert at 847-253-0168 or Jackie@GlueckertFH.com



Finding God in Popular Music

Sunday, May 20 at 7pm

St. Raymond Parish

301 S. I-Oka Ave, Mt. Prospect

Teens and all ages are welcome to explore how faith and spirituality can be echoed in the music from many styles and generations

Marcelline Goes to the Movies

Sunday, May 20 at 7pm

St. Marcelline Parish

822 S. Springinsguth Rd, Schaumburg

Free concert featuring theme music from Hollywood’s biggest block-buster movies like Star Wars, Harry Potter, My Fair Lady and more.

Mother's Day Reflections

Last weekend, four of our parishioners shared their thoughts on motherhood. They spoke from their hearts and allowed us to hear their personal stories on being a mom and what the Sunday Gospel meant to them. We are thankful they said "yes" to open their lives and words to us. This week, we share two of their reflections and will follow up next weekend with the other two reflections. Thank you again, Mary, Jennifer, Marian and Pat!



Mary Willer

(7:30am Mass)

I am Mary Willer. My husband is Deacon Rich Willer.

Happy Mother's day to all of us mothers, mothers in law, grandmothers, aunts and so forth.

Rich and I have 4 adult daughters who are happily married to great husbands. We have several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

When our first daughter was born we had so much love for her I wondered if we had more children, how could we love them as much? God made us mothers with oversized hearts and abundances of love.

To me motherhood is a very high calling. What relationship can ever replace the love of a mother and Grandmother? It is essential for women to realize that the love, guidance and influence they give to their Children are invaluable.

Rich and I with our 4 daughters moved into Palatine and St. Thomas of Villanova parish in January of 1971.

The girls graduated from St. Thomas school.

With our daughters I always have someone to talk with and to go shopping with. We have family dinners, celebrate birthdays and enjoy being together with our entire family.

A few summers ago our daughter Carol, her 2 boys and I went to Disney-world in Florida. While we were planning our afternoon, suddenly, Corey was not with us. We had no idea of where he was. Carol called a security Guard who acted immediately and did find him. He went into a store which was very close by but never telling his mom. That was a scare for us.

This incident reminds me of our Blessed Mother and how she must have felt when Jesus wandered from Mary and Joseph to go into the temple to teach those who were present.

There are many things that a mother, grandmother, great grandmother worries about. How the children will do in college, will they be successful? Will they marry successfully?

We have been lucky in the school field but, some of the happenings along the way were disturbing. We have four Marines and a Navy sailor grandsons. That has made life a little unsettling. One grandson (Sgt Nick) who lived with us while his dad was deployed, used to play in the creek splashing in summer and skating in winter he also tried to climb the grandfather's clock. There are so many pieces in a grandfather's clock. He was not the best student therefore he went into the Marines after graduating high school. Seven years in the marines, a sergeant, he was wounded three times in Afghanistan. He went to George

Washington University and graduated Cum Laude. He is now a FBI agent. His father also left the Marines to become an FBI agent and is now retired.

Another grandson Marine Sergeant Corey who fought in Libya, and came home and spoke to our STOV school students and is now a Phoenix police officer. Two other grandsons are still active military. They do not act like normal people, they do not run away from danger, they run to it. They tend to frighten me about their safety but I am so proud of them. Blessed Mother Mary had the same feelings about Jesus so I feel the same anxiety she must have felt.

Our granddaughters have taken calmer endeavors as college grads and Moms, even a PhD candidate.

The most important thing is as a Mother, you have to take the everyday functions of your children and be a mother HEN and guard your chicks.

Today as we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord, the event that concluded Jesus's appearance after his resurrection, and the theological meaning of the event is like the event in my life where my children and grandchildren are no longer present in our home physically but, they remain in our lives spiritually forever.

Being a mom for me is perfect, there is nothing better even with its ups and downs. My prayer is that the Holy Spirit will renew the hearts of all mothers so that they can live out their calling to motherhood with a deeper and more generous love within the daily circumstances of their lives.



Jennifer Kreig

(11:15am Mass)

Good morning and Happy Mother's Day. As Father said, my name is Jennifer Krieg. I am currently the mother of 3 sons. Mason is 13 ½, Alex is 10, and Logan will be 8 in just a couple of weeks.

Father Tom stopped me after mass last week and asked if I would do a mother's day reflection this week during the homily. When we were through talking, my boys asked what Father Tom was telling me. I told my boys that Father Tom wanted me to speak at mass on mother's day. They all got perplexed looks on their faces. One of them asked, "Are you going to do that?" I replied, "Of course I am. You cannot say "NO" to Father Tom. Saying "No" to Father Tom would be like saying "No" to Jesus, and that is something you just don't do!"

I was told to share my thoughts and reflections on motherhood. I truly didn't know where to begin. My first thought was "motherhood, it is the best of times, it is the worst of times." Sometimes both in the same day! Like when my children were enjoying the day outside playing last July 3 and one of them suddenly comes running inside crying. When I ask what happens, he tells me he was climbing the fence and fell off onto his arm. This happens just before dinner that everyone is trying

to eat quickly so we can all meet up with friends at the fireworks. My son musters the courage to go see the fireworks and play well into the night. Finally, two days later, on July 5, when he comes home from camp, he tells me his arm still hurts. At that point, we go to the doctor only to discover that his arm is indeed broken and will be in a cast for the rest of summer break.

Motherhood can also be compared to a roller coaster ride. There are many ups and downs along the way. Sometimes even some upside downs and sideways mixed in, just to keep things interesting. One major upside down time on my path of motherhood came before Mason was born. The year prior to his birth, my husband and I were expecting twins. Unfortunately, the twins, Spencer and Stephanie, were born too early. Spencer survived just a few hours and Stephanie, a few weeks. After experiencing the loss of both infants in less than a month, I wasn't sure how to continue. Our world was truly turned upside down. I felt as if everything we had ever hoped for was lost.

Eventually, with the help of medical experts and a lot of prayer on my part, our life was turned upside right again. With each child, my pregnancy lasted a little bit longer, allowing me to have the three beautiful boys that I have today.

Reflecting on today's scripture readings, I was drawn to the beginning of the second reading. It begins as a plea urging everyone to live with humility, gentleness, patience, and love. I feel as if these four virtues are part of the core of motherhood. The love a mother feels for her child is present even before that child is born. Then there is patience. Parenthood requires a lot of patience. Patience is witnessed early on, as parents wait

patiently for their child to be born. As your child grows, it seems the parents' need for patience continues to grow right alongside the child. For example, answering the same question 10 times before your child is satisfied with your answer. Or, needing to say the same thing to each child 5 times before one of them decides to do what you are asking. Patience! There never seems to be enough in my house!

Today's gospel tells us how Jesus spoke to his disciples before He was taken up to Heaven. Jesus sent his disciples out to teach others. As disciples of the Lord, it is our responsibility to be the first teachers for our children. As parents, we teach and guide our children along the path of life no matter how smooth or bumpy the path may be. I often find myself praying to my angels, Spencer and Stephanie, asking them to help me guide their brothers down the right path. Although mistakes are made along the way, I continue to try and do the best that I can at any given moment. Growing up, my mom would say or do something and I would think to myself, when I grow up, I'm never going to do that to my kids. Well, kids learn from example and I'm happy to say, I often do or say the things that I said I never would.

My three boys each have their own sets of joys and pains, their own ups and downs. Motherhood is not always pleasant and easy going. It is often times messy and scattered, but I wouldn't trade it for anything else. I feel as if I am truly blest. It is an honor and a privilege to be called mom. May your day today be filled with more joys and less messes.

School News

From the Principal's Desk

Thanks are again offered to **Friends of St. Thomas of Villanova School, FOSTOVS**, for the new iPads we just received. These are the latest and newest iPads out there. Students will be able to start using them this week! The new chrome books will be ready to use soon also.

Thank you to everyone who sent cards, condolences, Masses, and flowers to me after my mother-in-law passed away. God bless you all. Your support means the world to me!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR TRACK TEAM

We had some fabulous performances this past weekend at the State Competition for our Track and Field Athletes. Congratulations to all our athletes who competed against the best of the best. Everyone did an awesome job!

- Andrew Jordan 2nd Place for the 1600 M new school record 5:04 and 5th Place for 800 M
- Libby Castelli 9th Place for the 1600 M and 25th 800 M
- Abigail Jordan 19th Place for the 1600 M
- Elise Martino 15th Place for the 1600 M
- Tony Iliopoulos 25th Place for the 1600 M
- Anthony Westfall 8th Place for the 800 M and a new school record 2:11
- Anna Martino 29th Place for the 800 M
- Tony, Jack, Sammy, and Andrew 22nd Place 4x400 Relay
- Caroline Kawiecki, Elise, Abigail, Libby 25th Place 4x400 Relay

NEW RENOVATIONS THIS SUMMER FOR STV SCHOOL

St. Thomas School will get a new boiler this summer! We will be nice and cozy for many years to come with our new state-of-the-art boiler. We will also be replacing our back fence, which has fallen into disrepair. Finally, FOSTOVS will be upgrading the junior high rooms and the Art / Health/ Spanish room this summer. Exciting news!

God bless,

Mary Brinkman

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

It's time to clean out those kitchen drawers and turn in all of those Box Tops before school ends! Every box top is worth a dime! And those 10 cents add up! Our last Box Top collection raised \$867.00 for the School! Just drop off your Box Tops in the Parish or School Office. **THANK YOU!**

PRE-K THRU 12th GRADE SCHOOLS & YOUTH ATHLETICS FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

Bring this voucher when you visit (dine in or to go) the Chili's location identified below and **15%** of your pre-tax purchase will benefit:

ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA SCHOOL

GROUP

5/1/18 - 5/31/18

EVENT/EXP DATE

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CHILI'S LOCATION(S)

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2018 FISCAL YEAR SUNDAY SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Date	Weekend Collection	On-Line Giving	Weekly Total	Over / Under Budget: \$23,700
May 6	\$ 22,901.41	\$ 3,133.00	\$ 26,034.41	\$ 2,334.41
May 13	\$ 17,827.72	\$ 1,608.00	\$ 19,435.72	(\$ 4,264.28)
May 20				
May 27				

YTD Totals	
YTD Budget	\$ 1,090,200.00
YTD Actual	\$ 1,000,445.61
Over / (Under)	(\$ 89,754.39)

THANK YOU!

**DSP UPDATE
(DOLLAR SHOPPING POWER)**

Thank you to all who are participating in the Dollar Power Shopping (DSP) fundraising program. It has been one year since we switched to using the ShopWithScrip website to order gift cards. Thank you for your patience and cooperation in this transition process.



There are over 120 school families and over 115 parishioners who participate in DSP. Over 50 families are using PrestoPay™, the online payment method. Those numbers are growing, and everyday more families join the DSP program and are enrolling in PrestoPay™.

DSP DURING THE SUMMER

The last after Mass pick-up / drop-off will be: SUNDAY, MAY 20. Starting **May 26 / 27 and through the summer, there will be no after Mass DSP**. You can drop off your payment and/or pick up your order in the Parish Office.

Weekly submission is on Sundays at 3:30pm. All orders must be placed online, **AND** payment received before submission. Payment options:

- Cash or check(s) (payable to St. Thomas of Villanova) are due to the Parish Office by Saturday 12pm.
- Orders with PrestoPay™ online payment must be placed by 3:30pm on Sundays.

DSP ON-THE-GO

You can use the mobile website *MyScrip-Wallet* for orders on-the-go from your cell phone. Go to myscripwallet.com on your mobile device to download the app.

To enroll in DSP, visit www.shopwithscrip.com.

Use our enrollment code: **B7348LAL55675**

Online payment info: click PrestoPay™
Mobile website info: click MyScripWallet

SUPPORT FOR WOMEN & CHILDREN

TLC Pregnancy Services is a ministry that provides not only free medical and material support to local women facing unplanned pregnancies, but also spiritual and emotional aid as well. TLC has been helping families in the name of Jesus Christ at their medical clinics in Elgin and Schaumburg since 1996. They have just launched a new mobile ultrasound unit that drives to various locations, making services easily available to women in need. This mobilized medical unit provides free pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, and other resources every Wednesday in Palatine parked near the Butera (2070 N. Rand Rd).

We are always looking for new friends to partner with us in our mission!

- Would you be able to volunteer in our clinics or our mobile unit a few hours a month? We are always looking for volunteers to assist our nurses and ultrasound techs ministering directly to our mothers.
- We also need volunteers for mailings, serving at our events and many other duties.
- Donations of baby clothes, diapers, and formula for our “Hope Services” are always a blessing, as are monetary donations.

For more info, contact Julie Segoviano or Mary Viz at 847-622- 1235
www.TLCPregnancyServices.com

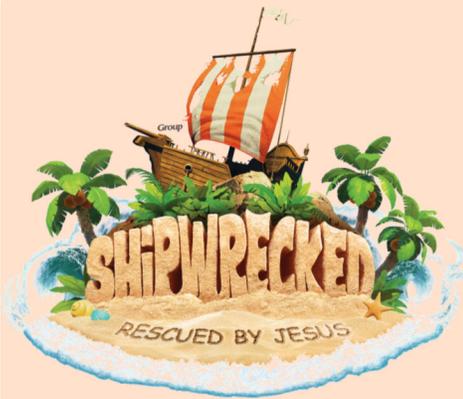
STV'S 15TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Friday, July 27th, 12:00pm

White Deer Run Golf Club, Vernon Hills

Please check the parish bulletin in the next few weeks for further information, or contact the Parish Office at 847-358-6999.





2018 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**JUNE 25th—29th
from 9am—Noon
Rowley Activity Center**

**Children age 4 years old to
those entering 5th Grade**

We'll venture onto an uncharted island and anchor ourselves in the truth that Jesus carries us through life's storms. Come for the songs, Ship Rec Games, Castaway Crafts, Bible Discovery, KidVid Cinema and even Tropical 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

Beacon



ON PENTECOST, A CELEBRATION OF SPIRIT

Happy Pentecost! We don't hear the expression very often. We hear Happy Mother's Day! We hear Happy Father's Day! And come December, the secular world gives us Happy Holidays! But Happy Pentecost? Not so much. Per an online British dictionary, Pentecost in the Old Testament was "the harvest festival celebrated fifty days after the second day of Passover on the sixth and seventh days of Sivan, and commemorating the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai." I don't know about that. I know about the other definition, though: "a Christian festival...commemorating the descent of the Holy Ghost on the apostles," and in my book/column, this needs a greeting of its own...

Happy Pentecost! Decades ago, several parishioners and I met in our parish hall to determine who would be the Facilitator of our just-formed Parish Pastoral Council. It was meant to be a collaborative deduction--not a vote--so the tables were arranged in such a fashion that we could easily converse with one another as we all went about this task of discernment. A friend named Casey had led many of our preliminary PPC conversations, so I was leaning in her direction. Someone else was, too, for he said that the Holy Spirit was hovering over Casey, implying that she should get the assignment. Casey immediately looked upward over her shoulder and said, "I don't see him..."

Happy Pentecost! I go by different names, depending on the crowd that I'm hanging with. I like this notion. I like it a lot, in fact. My Uncle Lee is long gone now, but he used to call me

Cobbie because of my childhood enjoyment of corn-on-the-cob. A few friends in high school called me JR (this was pre-Dallas, by the way) and now some work colleagues address me the same. My mom used to call me Johnny, as does my wife on occasion. The Spirit has different monikers also, depending on our relationship with him in the moment. Consider Comforter/ Counselor/ Advocate. Alternatively, consider Spirit of Light, Spirit of Truth, Spirit of the Lord. Or, if you're around my age--and/or use online British dictionaries--consider the Holy Ghost...



Happy Pentecost. I also like the notion of movement when it comes to the Holy Spirit. The notion of ebb and flow. The Spirit's movement has a certain mysticism to it, a certain other worldly-

ness. I read somewhere once that the Spirit is real and eternal while everything else is unreal and fleeting. Cool. In today's first reading, the Spirit makes an impressive entrance ("and suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind"), but surely we've all heard the Spirit whispering to us, too. While several artists have recorded the song Hallelujah, authorship typically goes to Leonard Cohen. I like this verse: "There was a time you let me know/ What's really going on below/ But now you never show it to me, do you?/ And remember when I moved in you/ The holy dove was moving too/ And every breath we drew was Hallelujah..." Let's invite the Ghost into every aspect of our lives. Into every breath. Happy Pentecost! On Pentecost, and every day.

Children's Worship Bulletin

May 20, 2018 • John 16:12-15

The Work of the Holy Spirit

Jesus said that the Holy Spirit would come.

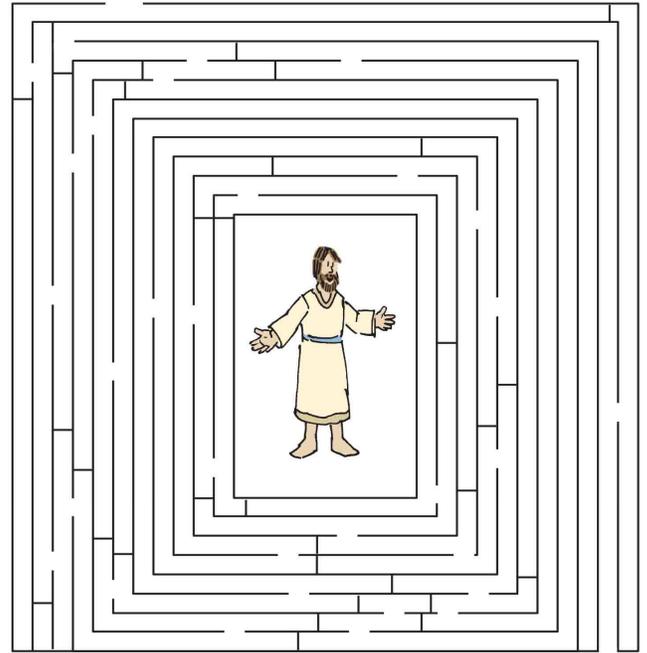
Trace the shape to draw a symbol for the Holy Spirit. Trace the letters.



Jesus told the disciples to go tell the "Good News."



Find the correct path through the maze to help the disciples take the news about Jesus to others.



LITURGY SCHEDULE for MAY 26 / 27

	SATURDAY 5:00 PM	SUNDAY 7:30 AM	SUNDAY 9:30 AM	SUNDAY 11:15 AM	SUNDAY 1:30 PM
PRESIDER	Fr. Tom Rzepiela	Fr. Mirek Kulesa	Fr. Tom Rzepiela	Fr. Marcin Zasada	Fr. Marcin Zasada
DEACON	Deacon Rich Willer	Deacon Bill Karstenson	Deacon Tom Dunne	Deacon Bill Karstenson	
HOMILY	Fr. Tom Rzepiela	Deacon Bill Karstenson	Fr. Tom Rzepiela	Deacon Bill Karstenson	Fr. Marcin Zasada
LECTORS	Bob Trauth Jean Pope	Tom Greener Jim Hajost	Phil Giuntoli Denise Giuntoli	John Holmes Norma Holmes	
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Mike Kanis Mick Lasiewicz Louis Akins Mary Bragiel Larry Coco Marian DeGroot Dan Dunne Jim Dunne Corinne Greico	Sarah Rauen Gay Sladky Bob Slanicky Lori Smithe Rita Snyder Bob Stanek Margo Stanek Marilynn Stone Don Ullmer	Alice Witt Sue Allen Bev Dalton Ken Doruff Dave Haen Jean Haen Mary Haig Leo Herz Barb Howell	Jill Lott Joyce Miller Tom Nolan Carol O'Shea Brian O'Shea Sheila O'Shea Sandy Peterson Howard Pettinger Earl Schaffnit	
SERVERS	Madalyn Chambers David Dabrowski Caitlin Wilson	Mark Hulsebosch William Slatkay Michelle Weber	Connor Loftus Ryan Loftus Victoria Walsh	Bree Holmes Matthew Sloan Timmy Sloan	
GREETERS	M G N OPEN Sylvia Schaffer Bob & Nancy Bachmann	Mila Quiaoit Tom & Marianne Greener Bob & Margo Stanek	Bob & Margo Stanek Mary Ann Kenesey Donna Koehler	John & Jan Harahan Laura Klotz Tom & Nancy Hulsebosch	

Our Weekly Prayers

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 21

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

Tuesday, May 22

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am † Jerry Boehm

Wednesday, May 23

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am † Jane & Harv Hochhalter

Thursday, May 24

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am † Carlos Murguia

Friday, May 25

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

Saturday, May 26

8:00am † Dorothy Dias
5:00pm All Living & Deceased Parishioners

Sunday, May 27

7:30am † Umberto D'Alessio;
9:30am † Jennifer Lis;
† Shirley Konczyk;
† Sylvia Gronski;
† Dorothy Dias;
† Vivian Drews
11:15am † Marie Kay;
† Marguerite Brinkman;
† Jack Scheife
1:30pm Mass—POLISH

DAILY READINGS

Mon: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34
Tue: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37
Wed: Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40
Thu: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50
Fri: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12;
Mk 10:1-12
Sat: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16
Sun: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20,
22; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20



OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Nathan Oliver Schrader

FOR OUR SICK

Barbara Amato	Jaime Forseth	Harold Lewis	Elaine Romanchek
Lou Anderson	Kirk Forseth	Allan Loden	Ken Romanchek
Jim Baur	Faith Forseth	Peggy Lowe	Bridget Rubin
Vito Boffa	Parker Forseth	Baby Alexa Mang	Dick Samojsla
Cherie Bott	Daniel Gajewski	Helen Mariano	Dan Schaffer
Andy Bouchonville	Mel Gass	Bob Maruska	Carlos Serna
Charles Campagna	Bill Gerl	Elayne Maruska	Corky Smith
Eleanor Campagna	Ron Hennis	Baby Benjamin Mauro	Shawn Smith
Anna Marie Candorla	Dave Hicks	Mike McGee	Russell Spano
Tom Cook	Adeline Kaczmarek	Candida Morales	Kristina Sromek
Baby Seamus Cullen	Katherine Kearney	Mike Moran	Alice Stedronsky
Jason Dean	Barbara Kerlin	JoAnn Moser	Anne Swaw
Vince DeGiulio	Wesley Knutson	Paul Moser	Robert Szott
Emily Dempsey	James Kobler	Rita Olles	Sharon Tadsen
Beth Dix	Mary Alice Kobler	Larry Peterson	Jack Treanor
Joe Donzelli	Susan Kordell	Catherine Prendergast	John Welge
Julia Rose Donzelli	Lauren Lambert	Patty Reynolds	Jim White
Eamon Downey	Gene Lazich	Barb Ridge	Sharon Woelfel
Jeanne Formanski	Diane Leo	Bob Ridge	Martha Zara

IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY

U.S. Air Force

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

U.S. Army

- MAJ Robert Bland
- MAJ Bernadette O'Shea Bland
- PFC Ryan Camis-Sutherland
- CPT Ben Couchey
- SSGT Brian J. Dankowski
- SGT Raymond Dickenson
- PVT Ryder Dickenson

- CPT Joel Hilborn
- SF Joseph Kilcullen III, Green Beret
- LT Michael Labek
- 2LT Daniel Lloyd
- SSGT Dustin Lyles
- SPC Michael Medina
- SGT Kevin Miller
- CWO2 Timothy O'Cain
- CPT James Ruetsche, Ranger
- PFC Will Willis

U.S. Coast Guard

- LT Kevin O'Brien

U.S. Marine Corps

- MAJ Joey Cross
- CPL David Crouse
- PVT Nicholas G. Dean
- WO1 Thomas Grygowski
- PFC Jeffrey Daniel Krantz

- CPT Thomas McCarthy
- CPL Cameron Miller
- SGT Conor O'Neill
- SGT Nicholas Regini
- SGT Kyle Rich
- LT Jake Schlenbecker
- SGT Corey A. White

U.S. Navy

- LTJG Jeremy Adams
- LCDR Kevin Brandwein
- CMDR John-Paul Falardeau
- CAPT Jason Haen
- SN Caleb Harrington
- PO2 David Holley
- LT Quinn Daniel Kilpatrick
- AN James Steininger

And all those serving in the Middle East.



ROSE OF LIFE

In Loving Memory of Our Mothers
MARY MURRILL & MARILYN VLEEK

FOR OUR DEPARTED, REST IN PEACE

† Marguerite Brinkman
Mother of Tom Brinkman

UROCZYSTOŚĆ ZESŁANIE DUCHA ŚWIĘTEGO – Duch Święty jest jak Wi-Fi...

Nie jest łatwo mówić o Duchu Świętym. W świecie zdominowanym przez przywiązanie do rzeczy wymiernych wręcz niemożliwe wydaje się opisanie czegoś, czego nie widać, nie słychać i czego nie można dotknąć. To trochę jak anegdotyczne opowiadanie niewidzącemu o kolorach...

Pozostając w realiach XXI wieku, wyobraźmy sobie piękny dom, wyposażony w najnowszy sprzęt elektroniczny i AGD. I nagle zabrakło prądu... Niby wszystko stoi na swoim miejscu, właściciel domu nadal może mówić, że posiada to czy tamto. Tyle że wszystko to jest bezużyteczne, bo siła, która te sprzęty ożywia, niespodziewanie zanikła...

Gdy mówimy o duchowym życiu chrześcijanina czy też szerzej – o funkcjonowaniu całego Kościoła, tym alegorycznym prądem jest właśnie Duch Święty.

Wyobraźmy sobie gigantyczne Wi-Fi, którego fale dają darmowe połączenie z siecią dosłownie na całym świecie; internet, z którego możemy korzystać wszędzie, dowolnie i o każdej porze; narzędzie, które staje się kluczem do innej rzeczywistości.

Tak właśnie działa Duch Święty. Tyle że rzeczywistość, do której daje dostęp, nie jest rzeczywistością wirtualną, lecz realną, choć dla nas (tymczasowo) niewidzialną. To jest ten świat, w który jako chrześcijanie wierzymy: świat duchowy, świat głębi i wewnętrznego piękna. To jest również ten świat, którym

chcielibyśmy już teraz żyć, czerpać z niego garściami, bo przecież wiemy, że to tam jest droga do naszego ziemskiego szczęścia.

W Kościele – właśnie dzięki Duchowi Świętemu – mamy do niego dostęp. W najprostszej modlitwie, w sakramentach, w czynkach miłosierdzia. Nasza wiara – nawet jeśli kuleje – pozostaje realną więzią, którą Duch Święty ożywia.

Trafnie ujął to w słowa patriarcha Antiochii Ignacy IV: 'Bez Niego Bóg jest daleko, Chrystus staje się przeszłością, Ewangelia – martwą literą, Kościół – zwykłą organizacją, misje – propagandą, kult – wspomnieniem, a postępowanie chrześcijan – moralnością niewolników...'

Czy pamiętamy, jakie dary daje nam Duch Święty? Którego nam brakuje?

Przypomnijmy zatem czym one w ogóle są... A są – mówiąc najprościej – daną nam przez Boga umiejętnością odbierania jego natchnień do pełnienia różnych czynów. Są one udzielane już na chrzcie, ale bierzmowanie daje ich pełnię. Poznajemy ich dynamizm, aktywność i działanie będąc ludźmi '8. Błogosławieństw'. Błogosławieństwa bowiem to postawy będące skutkiem dynamizmu darów Ducha Świętego. Oto one:

Dar mądrości—Dar mądrości jest najważniejszym. Wzmacnia miłość i wrażliwość, upodabniające nas najbardziej do Boga. Błogosławieństwo: 'Błogosławieni pokój czyniący' jest jego odbiciem. Wszyscy więc zaprowadzający w sobie samych pokój wewnętrzny, powodują, że zanikają konflikty i antagonizmy na wielu płaszczyznach życia wielu...

Do kierujących się darem mądrości odnoszą się też słowa: 'Błogosławieni, którzy cierpią przesładowanie'. Bywa przecież, że nasza wierność Bogu i jego przykazaniom, i wypływająca z nich miłość, prowokuje otoczenie do szykan i arogancji...

Dar rozumu [zrozumienia]—Dar ten wspomaga nas w rozumieniu prawd wiary. Wiemy, dlaczego Bóg coś sugeruje, nakazuje lub zakazuje w przykazaniach,

a także np. dlaczego Jezus doświadczył cierni na krzyżu, dlaczego powstał zmartwych, etc.

Do kierujących się darem rozumu odnoszą się słowa 'błogosławieni czystego serca'. Czystość bowiem to zawsze wierna miłość. A im lepiej rozumiemy naszą wiarę, tym bardziej podziwiamy Boga, stawiamy Go na pierwszym miejscu i przykładowo nie zrezygnujemy z niedzielnej Mszy Świętej.

Dar rady—Dar rady to inaczej dar zaradzenia nękającej kogoś biedzie: duchowej lub materialnej. Owocuje w nas błogosławieństwem: 'Błogosławieni miłosierni'. Jako miłosierni, służymy więc innym 'czynami miłosierdzia': karmimy głodnych, pielęgnujemy doświadczających choroby, wspieramy ubogich, odwiedzamy izolowanych, wyalienowanych i samotnych, wspomagamy podróżnych, kierujemy na dobrą drogę zdezorientowanych.

Dar męstwa—Dar męstwa determinuje wytrwałość w realizowaniu tego, do czego skłania i zaprasza nas Bóg poprzez pozostałe dary. Nie poddajemy się więc: ani naszemu zmęczeniu, ani apatii, ani przeszkodom ze strony otoczenia.

Do kierujących się darem męstwa odnoszą się słowa: 'błogosławieni, którzy łakną i pragną sprawiedliwości'. Dzięki męstwu jesteśmy w stanie domagać się sprawiedliwości tam, gdzie jest jej brak, np. w sytuacji ponizania kogoś na naszych oczach.

Dar umiejętności [wiedzy]—Dar ten to umiejętność postrzegania naszego życia z perspektywy Boga. Dostrzegamy co w naszym życiu prowadzi ku doświadczeniu zbawienia, a co w tym przeszkadza. Dar umiejętności wiążemy z błogosławieństwem: 'błogosławieni, którzy płaczą', czyli ubolewają nad swoim grzechem.

Dar pobożności—Ten dar uczy nas determinacji, wytrwałości i konsekwencji w modlitwie i w wypełnianiu naszych codziennych zadań [nauki, pracy, innych zobowiązań] w Bożej perspektywie. Do kierujących się darem pobożności odnoszą się słowa 'błogosławieni cisi'. Tacy, którzy spokojnie czynią to, co do nich należy, czego Bóg od nich oczekuje...

Dar bojaźni Bożej—Dar ten kształtuje w nas postawę pokory – czyli zgodne z prawdą poznawanie siebie i Boga. W efekcie to Boga stawiamy na pierwszym miejscu, a siebie i wszystko inne na drugim. Trościmy się też, by Bóg nigdy nie zszedł z tego miejsca.

Urzeczywistniają się w nas słowa: 'Błogosławieni ubodzy w duchu', a więc wszyscy, którzy w swym myśleniu i 'chcieniu' uwzględniają niewiele: głównie Boga i jego sprawy. I nie dadzą np. skusić się do niekoniecznej pracy w dzień święty.



Modlitwa o dary Ducha Świętego

Dostrzegając brak, jednego, dwóch, kilku darów Ducha Świętego módlmy się do Boga:

'Duchu Święty, Ty nas uświęcasz, wspomagając w pracy nad sobą. Ty nas pocieszasz wspierając, gdy jesteśmy słabi i bezradni. Proszę Cię o Twoje dary:

Proszę o dar mądrości, bym poznał i umiłował Prawdę wiekiustą, którą jesteś Ty, mój Boże.

Proszę o dar rozumu, abym na ile mój umysł może pojąć, zrozumiał prawdy wiary.

Proszę o dar umiejętności, abym patrząc na świat, dostrzegał w nim dzieło Twojej dobroci i mądrości, i abym nie łudził się, że rzeczy stworzone mogą zaspokoić wszystkie moje pragnienia.

Proszę o dar rady na chwile trudne, gdy nie będę wiedział jak postąpić.

Proszę o dar męstwa na czas szczególnych trudności i pokus.

Proszę o dar pobożności, abym chętnie przebywał z Tobą w modlitwie, abym patrzył na ludzi jako na braci, a na Kościół jako miejsce Twojego działania.

Na koniec proszę o dar bojaźni Bożej, bym lękał się grzechu, który obraża Ciebie, Boga po trzykroć Świętego. Amen...'