

KICKING IT UP A NOTCH

The Feast of Pentecost

[Acts 2:1-11](#)

[Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34](#)

[1 Corinthian 12:3b-7, 12-13](#)

[John 20:19-23](#)

Two different versions of Pentecost are presented this week. In Acts we hear of the Spirit raining down upon the disciples fifty days after the resurrection. In John's gospel we are told that the risen Christ breathes his Spirit upon the disciples on Easter night.

Neither of these accounts proves the other to be inaccurate, for the primary point of Scripture is never to give an historical record, but rather to proclaim the good news. And the good news is this: God responds to the crucifixion not with anger or resentment, but with renewed overwhelming generosity. It is this response that enables God's plan to reach new heights.

Pentecost celebrates the fact the God not only fixes what we had destroyed. He not only repairs what we had broken. Rather, in the wake of the crucifixion God intervenes in a new and radically wonderful way so that the plan to gather all people into life-giving communion does not fail. This new intervention - in the form of the Spirit - takes the divine plan to the next level.

The Spirit has the ability and the power to go where Jesus could not and to do so in a way that can never be thwarted by human beings. The Spirit now fills every nook and cranny of the world, and does so with the intent of renewing all of creation. We become part of this renewal to the extent that we open our hearts to the Spirit's activity.

Without the Spirit the disciples are agitated, fearful, and paralyzed. With the Spirit they find themselves brimming over with peace, hope, and apostolic zeal. Their lives are transformed once they open their hearts to the Spirit.

The same can be true for us.

Stephen J. Sauer, S.J.
Pastor

**Teen's
Encounter Christ Retreat
June 27-29**

The Archdiocesan CYO/Youth and Young Adult Ministry Office is sponsoring a Teens Encounter Christ retreat **June 27-29**. Those who have completed their junior year of high school, as well as college students and young adults are welcome.

Apply at www.tecneworleans.com or call 507-836-0551.

May Social & Dinner

Please plan to join us **this Sunday, May 31 following the 7:30 Mass** for this month's social and dinner in Lenex Hall. The Vanderbrook, Francingues and Krentel families are generously sponsoring this month's event. We look forward to seeing you there!

Marriage Encounter Weekend

If you'd like greater depth, growth, and passion in your relationship, you'll like the difference a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can make! Their upcoming weekend will be held June 5-7 at the Holiday Inn in Slidell, La. For more information, please call 1-888-469-3735 or email: registration@wwme-nogl.com or visit the website: www.wwme-nogl.com.

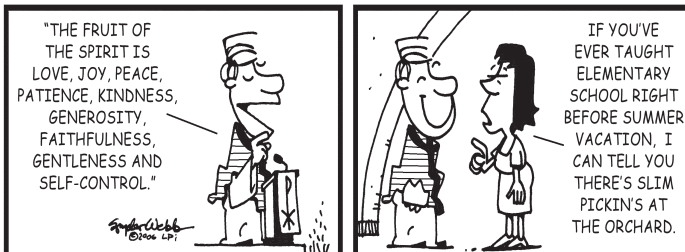
Summer Employment Opportunity

Anyone interested in helping the parish office on a part-time basis during the summer months is asked to contact Cathy Brown in the parish office (504) 529-1477 Ext. 223. Applicants must be competent in Microsoft Office skills and comfortable learning other computer applications.

**2nd Collection
Sunday, May 31**

The second collection this week will be for the collection for the Holy Father (Peter's Pence). Please be generous.

PENTECOST



Parish Prayer List

If you would like to place a loved one's name on the parish prayer list, please contact the parish office. As a practice, names are removed from the list every three months unless they are renewed.

Also, we will begin to publish the names of parishioners and loved ones who have passed away. Please contact the parish office so that we may publish your loved one's name.

Feast of Corpus Christi

Contrary to what was announced earlier, this year's Corpus Christi procession will **NOT** take place downtown. Instead, on June 14 at 4:00 p.m. the Archbishop will preside at a Mass at Corpus Christi-Epiphany Parish, located at 2022 St. Bernard Avenue. The Mass will be followed by a procession to St. Raymond-St. Leo the Great Parish located at 2916 Paris Avenue.

Altar Flowers

Would you like to remember a loved one, a special intention, or a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, graduation, etc.) by sponsoring flowers? What a wonderful way to show your love by having flowers placed in their honor on our beautiful altar.

Please call Cathy in the church office for more information: 529-1477, Ext. 223

Congratulations!

Good Shepherd School Class of 2009

- D'Monte Carter
- Kamri Demourelle
- Kaitlin Glapion
- Ashley Henderson
- Carl James
- Ivan Phipps
- Tia Robinson
- Toni Smith

Graduation Mass
Immaculate Conception Church
Thursday, June 4
8:00 a.m.

Reception afterwards at The Good Shepherd School
353 Baronne Street, New Orleans, La.

PRESIDER SCHEDULE**Saturday, May 30**

4:00 p.m. Fr. Stephen Sauer, S.J.

Sunday, May 31

8:00 a.m. Fr. Tony Rauschuber, S.J.
 9:30 a.m. Fr. Stephen Sauer, S.J.
 11:00 a.m. Fr. Fran Pistorius, S.J.
 7:30 p.m. Fr. Stephen Sauer, S.J.

Saturday, June 6

4:00 p.m. Fr. Paul Osterle, S.J.

Sunday, June 7

8:00 a.m. Fr. Paul Osterle, S.J.
 9:30 a.m. Fr. Fran Pistorius, S.J.
 11:00 a.m. Fr. Stephen Sauer, S.J.
 7:30 p.m. Fr. Paul Osterle, S.J.

*Prayer List***Reminder:**

Names placed three or more months ago will be removed on **June 2** if not renewed.

Please call the church office to renew your prayer list request.

Anne Accardo	Lauren Read
Lourdes Armbruster	Vince Rocky Russo
Sea Barry	Wescoat Sandlin
Alfred Stephen Berry	Steve Schmedtje
Musette Mary Buckley	Gilbert St. Germain
Ed Burks	Jim Washington
Kelsey Favrot	Allison Webb
Rosealie Foster	Justin Webb
Gina Gauthreaux	Whitney Welsh
Pamela Hatton	Keri White
Maggie Hebert	Gerald A. Wilson
Juliann Kiefer	
Tara Stoulig Monistere	
Beverly Morris	
Karen Oxmann	
Darlene Peters	
Desmond Peters	

MASS INTENTIONS**Tuesday, June 2**

7:30 a.m. Joseph M. Bertucci
 Noon Jim Taylor

Wednesday, June 3

7:30 a.m. Deborah Barker Hamburger
 Noon Sandra Bourg

Thursday, June 4

7:30 a.m. Michael R. Boh
 Noon Michel L. Tyler

Friday, June 5

7:30 a.m. Warren Abadie
 Noon Banos Family

Saturday, June 6

4:00 p.m. Sue Sevier
 Michel L. Tyler
 In Thanksgiving

Sunday, June 7

8:00 a.m. Jerome J. D'Argonne
 7:30 p.m. Marie Kron Grieshaber
 In Thanksgiving

Weekly Collections

May 24: \$6,251.00

*Wedding Banns***May 30, 2009**

Stacey McDaniel & Brett Lala

June 5, 2009

Kathryn Foster & Benjamin Moscona

June 6, 2009

Kristin Gonzales & William Delsa, Jr.

June 12, 2009

Nicole Pertuit & Casey Genovese

Adoration

Please join us for Adoration
 first Friday of each month
 June 5, 2009
 8:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.