St. Mary Catholic Church

June 4, 2017

Pentecost

601 Jennings Road ~ Van Wert, Ohio 45891

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Deacon

Deacon Andrew McMahon

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Office Manager

Angie Renner

Masses:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Weekday: Tuesday 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:45 a.m.



Confirmation 2017

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SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:00am—3:30pm

> Friday 8:00am—Noon

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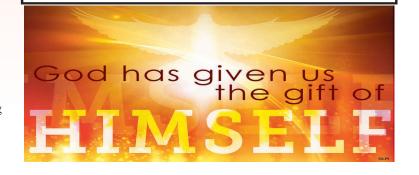
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This Week in Our Parish

Sun June 4: Bingo (K of C) 6:15 pm

Thu June 8: Book Study (HFR) 9:30 am

Bingo (K of C) 6:15 pm



Liturgical Schedule

SUNDAY, JUNE 4

8:30 AM St. Mary's Parish 10:30 AM Gail Packer

MONDAY, JUNE 5 + ST. BONIFACE

No Services

TUESDAY, JUNE 6 + ST. NORBERT

8:00 AM-5:30 PM Adoration

5:30 PM Benediction and Evening Prayer

6:00 PM Carmen Jacobs

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7

8:45 AM John and Heather Metzger

THURSDAY, JUNE 8

8:45 AM Amelia Salinas

FRIDAY, JUNE 9 + ST. EPHREM

8:45 AM Helen Schemmell

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

4:00 PM Robert Renner

SUNDAY, JUNE 11

8:30 AM St. Mary's Parish 10:30 AM Thom Gemmer



Servers, Eucharistic Minister, Lector & Usher Schedules for June 10 & 11, 2017

SATURDAY, JUNE 10, 4:00 PM

Servers: Kitty Kopack, Brandon & Annie Renner E. M.: T Heckler, J Hoersten, T Marshall, D Mathew,

C Mowry, A Renner, M Yackey

Ushers: T Turnwald, D Michael Lector: Caroline Kopack

SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 8:30 AM

Servers: Alexa Gearhart, Addie & Austin Sorgen E. M.: M Dickman, C Golliver, J Keipper, J Plas,

J Sheeran, B Wasserman, B Wolke

Ushers: Frank Minnig, S Pollock, R Say, D Kleinhenz,

P Shoppell, D Carter

Lector: Diana Pollock

SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 10:30 AM

Servers: Natalie Riethman, Caton & Braxton Williamson E. M.: J Gemmer, L Kill, M Klosterman, B Tobias

A Schaufelberger, R Turnwald, B Williamson

Ushers: J Robideau, D Klosterman

Lector: Cherie Freewalt

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Please come forward immediately when the prayers for extending Peace are offered. This will help substitutes know they are needed and allow sufficient time to be ready at the altar. Also, please watch for a total of 8 with Father, Deacons and yourselves.

"LORD, USE ME!"

Several months ago, I received this reflection from a parishioner. Permit me to share it on this Feast of Pentecost.

One of the most discouraging things we could say to the pastor is "This parish is your responsibility, not mine." By contrast, one of the most encouraging things we could say is "I want to be on your team. How can I help serve the mission of the Church here in my parish and in the community around us?" It's offers like these that help make the Church into the light of the world that Jesus wants it to be.

We all know the statistics. Church attendance is decreasing in many places. But rather than lose hope, let's decide to go out and love, because love is the foundation of true evangelization. More than anything else, love will bring people back to the Church. Let's ask the Holy Spirit for the attitude of a servant so that we can make a difference.

We have all been appointed by God to do something special for Him. Each one of us has been created to add to life, to build people up, to give and not just take. It's built into our spiritual DNA and we won't be at peace until we discover what our calling is. If we don't step forward, the job won't get done.

Jesus wants to use us to make His Church even more beautiful than it already is. He wants to use us to make the Church even more warm and appealing to the lost, the needy and the doubters. It's a big job, but we have a big God. It's a demanding joy, but we have been given all the graces we need to accomplish it. It's a complex job, but we can rely on each other's support - - and we can rely on the Lord!

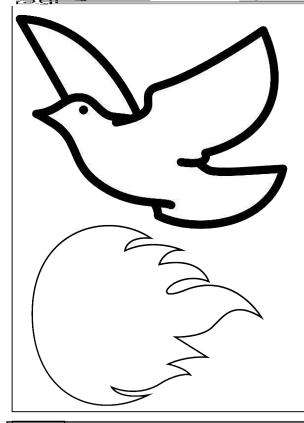
So let's pray together, "Lord, as we begin this new year, we ask you to help us grow in holiness. Come and fill us with your love. Melt our hardened hearts, and mold us into your likeness. Use us to build up your Church. Jesus, we love you!"

Fr. Stan

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Religious Education Connection



A Pentecost Activity for Children

Discuss today's readings as you and your child make this craft.

Cut out the figures shown and use them as templates. Make one Holy Spirit symbol out of white cardstock. Make seven flames, representing the tongues of fire of Pentecost and the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit, from orange cardstock or from white cardstock colored with crayon or marker. Orange and gold glitter can be glued on. Be creative. Purchase a large D-ring from a craft store along with small spools of ribbon, 3/8" X 9'. You need one white spool and three other spools in yellow, orange, and red. Remove all the ribbon from a spool and cut off 3 feet. Fold the long section in half. Push the loop in the ribbon (the fold) through the D-ring and thread the loose ends of the ribbon through the loop. Secure the ribbon on the D-ring. Do the same with the rest of the ribbons. If you feel the ribbons are too long for your child, cut the ends to a better length. On one strand of the white ribbon, about three inches from the D-ring, glue the Holy Spirit symbol. On each of the remaining strands, three inches from the D-ring, glue one of the flames. Now, your child has a Holy Spirit streamer to fly as he or she dances or to hang like a windchime near an open window.

Caution: Always supervise play with ribbon.

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SCHOOL NEWS



Congrats to Harper Reindel who was chosen as this year's VW Fire Dept. overall coloring contest winner. Pictured are all the different coloring contest winners at the different grade levels.

Last Few Days of School!!!!



Having fun tossing water balloons at Officers Beiberstien, Officer Blackmore, Mr. Hesseling. Proceeds went to help support DARE.



Lots of fun activities to take part in at our annual Fun Field Day



Our 6th Graders received a Bible and a Certificate of Completion at our End of the Year Awards Ceremony.



June 4 Jon Jarrett, ED FOX, Angie Renner,

Rosemary Dunno, Julie Jarrett

June 8 Ed Fox, CHARLES BRICKNER, Dave Hohman,

Ashley Lantz, Ryan Lindermann

June 11 Ed Fox, PAUL OECHSLE, Sindi Hazeltine,

Pam Cassidy

June 15 Neil Smith, ED FOX, Jamie Dickinson,

Jennifer Hammons

KITCHEN WORKERS Report By 4:30 PM

June 4 Sara Berheide and Cathy Smith
June 8 Sharyn Smith and Theresa Anderson
June 11 Kelly Gross and Jennifer Florence
June 15 Laura Rhoades and Louise Haas

St. Mary's Bingo—K of C Hall 425 Woodland Ave.

Doors open at 4:00 PM for games-Warm-Up Bingo at 6:15 PM

SOS

We are desperately in need of workers for the Bingo kitchen this summer. The food is always provided and only needs to be warmed and dished up as needed. Arrival time is 4:30 and clean up is usually done before 8:30. If you could help at least one Sunday or Thursday, please Joyce Oechsle at 419-203-1545.

RESPONSE TO THE LORD FOR SUNDAY, MAY 28 2017

CHECK BACK NEXT WEEK

Traveling? Need to find a Catholic Church?

Visit www.thecatholicdirectory.com. Catholic churches around the world are listed with Mass times and locations.



BRICKS FOR SALE IN SUPPORT OF THE LANDSCAPING FUND

The ongoing efforts continue to help beautify our Church and School. We invite the St. Mary's community to participate in our "Paving the Way" Campaign. Many have already taken this opportunity to purchase a brick in memory or honor of family and friends. For examples of bricks stop by the school entrance to check them out.

6 X 12 and 12 X 12 bricks are for sale, \$50 and \$100 respectively.

Order forms are at the Scrip table and in the Parish Office. This will be an on-going sale for the areas of the patio, gazebo and school.

Summer is a great time for fun and relaxed schedules. It is however, easy to forget our obligations, especially to the liturgical ministries at Mass (ie being a server, reader, Eucharistic Minister or an usher). Why not put them on our calendars now - - if you are unable to be present, please arrange for a substitute. If is difficult for people to "fill-in" at the last minute. This is a gift to all our parishioners and visitors as we celebrate the great gift of the Eucharist.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The Annual Parish Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, August 20th at Camp Clay! More info pending. Enjoy your summer!

Check this out on FORMED.org

Fr. Michael Gaitley's **DIVINE MERCY**

The Second Greatest Story Ever Told

This series can be found under the tab Study > Faith Formation



Pray for Kelly Andersen, Rev. Tony Bus, Joy Demidovich, Steve Dietrich, Pat Fellers, Robert Ford, Stacie Golliver,

Cyndi Hesseling, Michael Kahle, Megan Klosterman, Kourtney Kohnen, Mariam Lamb, Robert Lammers, Beth Lianez, Mary Alice Louagie, Tom Metzger, Kirk Michaud, Joan Miller, Lane Mosier, Dean Osburn, Janice Osburn, George Palombi, Theresa Parkanzky, Tyler Priest, Doris Reinhart, Joel Rivera, Julie Sadler, Bob Say, Mary Say, Jim Schneider, Tom Stachler, Melba Voltz, Russ Waltmire, Brad Wannemacher, Anne Wells, Chris Wilson, Bob Wolters, Larry Youtsey

Please call the Parish Office at the beginning of each month to continue the above name(s) on the prayer list. The sick person or a close relative are the only ones who should call to add or remove name(s) to this list.

GOD BLESS OUR SERVICE MEN AND **WOMEN-**Please pray for all those serving in our military: Lance Corp. Josh Bolenbaugh, Capt. Virginia Brickner, Sgt. William (Ed) Carter, Commander Christopher Cavanaugh, Lance Corp. Tyler Goodlin, Airman Andrew Hammond, Airman Leisal Hanf-Fleming, Sgt. Kleman, MSG Andrew McMahon, Quintin Mengerink, Corp. Joseph Moreland, SSgt. Nate Sinning, MSgt. Robert Stant, SRA Ashley Stant, Spec. Jeremy Stevenson, Pvt. R. J. Szymanski and Sgt. Brian Wilson. Please submit to the Parish Office names of parishioners who are currently serving in the armed forces.

Welcome to St. Mary's

Congratulations to the following who received the Easter Sacraments:

Logan Anderson **Jack Aurand**

C W Harting Linda Sidle

"Walk in the light of Christ, and learn to walk in His wisdom."

PENTECOST





Congratulations to all the Students of St. Mary's Parish who were confirmed Wednesday, May 17, 2017

Allison Natalie Benner

Schaufelberger Adam Berryman

Dylan Anna Cassidy

Alexa Gearhart William Sharpe Lorynn German

Alexandra Cole Gorman Chase Martin Stefanek

Lauren McHugh Kaitlyn Motycka Joseph Stratz

Connor Pratt Toshua Reichert James Reinhart

Elizabeth

Rutkowskí Sophie

Rutkowskí

Schimmoeller

Tyler Stephens

Erin Terhark Louis Ulrey

Joshua Weiss Braxton

Williamson

CONFIRMATION

Readings for the Week of June 4, 2017

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b

> or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8/Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-6/Mk Monday:

12:1-12

Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-9/Mk 12:13-17 Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-5ab, 6, 7bc-9/

Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps

128:1-5/Mk 12:28-34

Friday: Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-10/Mk

12:35-37

Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh-8/Mk

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52-56/2 Cor 13:11-Next Sunday:

13/Jn 3:16-18



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