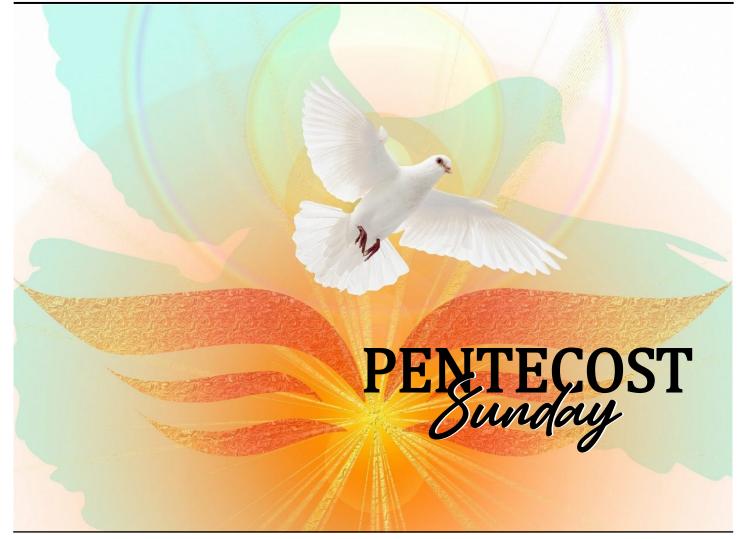


Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday

June 8, 2025



# May you find Christ here...may you take Christ to the world!

Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m. Sunday, 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. Thursday, 12 noon Friday, 9:00 a.m.

Confessions: Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m. Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass Fr. Thomas A. Sebastian, Pastor tanatharackal@gmail.com, 681.404.2521

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### Sunday Reflection: Pentecost Sunday

Do we know and experience in our own life the gift and power of the Holy Spirit? After his death and resurrection Jesus promised to give his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit. He said to them, Receive the Holy Spirit! (John 20:22). Jesus knew that his disciples would need the power of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them. The gift of the Holy Spirit was conditional upon the Ascension of Jesus to the right hand of the Father. That is

why Jesus instructed the apostles to wait in Jerusalem until you are clothed with power from on high (Luke 24:49). Why did they need power from on high? The Gospels tell us that Jesus was filled with the Holy Spirit when he was baptized at the Jordan River: "And John bore witness, 'I saw the Spirit descend as a dove from heaven, and it remained on him...this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit'" (Mark 1:8).

Just as Jesus was anointed with the Spirit at the beginning of his ministry, so the disciples needed the anointing of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them by Jesus. The Holy Spirit is given to all who are baptized into Jesus Christ to enable us to live a new way of life - a life of love, peace, joy, and righteousness (Romans 14:17). The Holy Spirit fills our hearts with the love of God (Romans 5:7), and he gives us the strength and courage we need in order to live as faith-filled disciples of the Lord Jesus. The Spirit helps us in our weakness (Romans 8:26), and enables us to grow in spiritual freedom - freedom from doubt, fear, and from slavery to our unruly desires (Romans 8:21). The Spirit instructs us in the ways of God, and guides us in living according to God's will. The Spirit is the source and giver of all holiness. Isaiah foretold the seven-fold gifts that the Spirit would give: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:2). Let us pray: Lord Jesus, we thank you for the gift of Pentecost and for the new life you offer in the Holy Spirit. Fill us with your Holy Spirit and set our heart ablaze with the fire of your love that we may serve you in joy and freedom.

## Saint of the Week ... St. Anthony of Padua

St. Anthony of Padua was born in Portugal in 1195 to a wealthy family and was raised in the Church. In 1220 he joined the Franciscan Order in hopes of preaching to the Saracens (Muslims) and be martyred.

On his way to Morocco, he became seriously ill and was forced to return home. However, his ship back to Portugal was blown off course and eventually landed in Sicily. Because of his continuing poor health, he was not allowed to pursue his missionary work among the Saracens. Instead, he taught theology in Italy and France.

He was greatly admired as a preacher and was noted for his simple yet profound teaching of the Catholic faith. He died on his way to Padua, Italy, where he is buried.

Anthony was the most celebrated of St. Francis of Assisi's followers and had the reputation of a miracle worker. In art he is shown with a book, a heart, a flame, a lily, or the child Jesus. Among his writings are sermons for Sundays and feast days which were published in 1979. Both Padua and Portugal claim him as their patron saint, but he is best known for being invoked for the return of lost property.

Source: britannica.com

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Harbaugh, Jean Harber, Shawn Hartman, Kathy Jenkins, Sarah Jones, Margie Keister, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Joanne Knott\*, Jeffrey Labonte, Pam Launi, Bill Lupis, Lance Lupis, Angelo Luvara, Betty McAvoy, Steve Miner, Paul & Connie Murray, Wanda & Randy Nairn, Debbie Pappas, Cathy Pardee, Crystal Pollet, Susie Radcliffe, Katherine Revell, Carole Rhodes, Carla Riggleman, Jeff Roth, Margie Roy, Helen Shallis, Sparrow Shannon, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Barbara Stanislawczyk, Melissa Stanislawczyk, John Stephen Jr., Patsy Summers, Stefanie Swanger, Maleigha Taylor, Nathaniel Taylor, Shawn Whetzel, Courtney Whiteman, Ron & Barbara Willis. \*Resident of Keyser Healthcare Center (135 Southern Drive, Keyser WV 26726)

Feast Day: June 13





ASSUMPTION PARISH **COMPLIANCE STATUS:** 51%

All volunteers are asked to complete their Safe Environment training as soon as possible!

www.virtusonline.org

Readings for Next Sunday, June 15, 2025 Proverbs 8:22-31 Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15

#### **Diocese Evangelization Plan Announced**

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston has completed a comprehensive envisioning process which led to the development of a new Evangelization Plan that leads our diocesan vision of commitment to Christ's Great Commission to go make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Using our core values of faith, hope, and charity, this plan has three priorities:

- Formation defined as the intentional and ongoing process of educating, equipping, and spiritually developing individuals—both clergy and laity—who can effectively live out, effectively witness to, and proclaim the Gospel.
- **Infrastructure** which means to equip the entire Diocese including the chancery, priests, deacons, parishes, and faithful with the tools they need to spread the Gospel.
- **Parish renewal** which is to maintain the Church's relevance in an increasingly secular society through vision and strategy to revitalize our Parish Community.

Each priority has two goals that will be a guide for living out the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston's purpose: Empowered by faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, our Diocesan purpose is to serve and evangelize, transforming us and our world into one joyful, unite people who share divine communion.

## **Training for Extraordinary Ministers**

A refresher training for Extraordinary Ministers will take place this Wednesday, June 11 in the church following the 5:00 Mass. All Extraordinary Ministers are encouraged to attend. Any parishioner who would like to begin serving in this liturgical role is invited to attend as well.



## Parish Council Vote

# Please cast your vote for new Parish Council members today!

All adult parishioners are eligible to vote for three (3) persons. If you did not receive a ballot on your way into the church, please see one of the greeters. Completed ballots can be dropped in the offertory basket.



Mass Schedule and Intentions				
Date	Time	Intention	Offered by	
Saturday, June 7	4:00 pm	The Alt, Cobb & Kuh families	Dean & Kathy Alt	
		Intentions of Charles Potts	Margaret McGee	
Sunday, June 8	8:30 am	Soul of Sam Lyons	Frances Lyons	
		Intentions of James Tetrick	Mike & Rosie Landis	
		Intentions of Peggy Dyer	Margaret McGee	
Monday, June 9	No Mass			
Tuesday, June 10	No Mass			
Wednesday, June 11	5:00 pm	Soul of Richard Gibson	Kathleen Gibson	
		Intentions of Howard & Karen Barrick	The Barrick family	
Thursday, June 12	12:00 pm	Souls of Bill & Helen Semenuk	Cathy Pardee	
		Souls of Toby & Anne Stickley	Anonymous	
Friday, June 13	9:00 am	Intentions of Bob & Phyllis Harman & Katie Kuhn	Kelley & Jeff Kuhn	
		Intentions of Mary Shannon	Sue & Jean Harber	
Saturday, June 14	4:00 pm	Soul of Fred Selders	The House & Trezise families	
		Souls of John & Hazel Coffman	Cindy & Jim Alt	
Sunday, June 15	8:30 am	All Fathers	Assumption Parish	
Join us to pray the Ro	sary 30 minu	tes prior to each weekday Mass.		



## Hot Dog Sale Next Saturday!

The Ladies Guild is hosting one of their famous hot dog sales next Saturday, June 14 in St. Mary's Hall following the 4:00 Mass. Hot dogs with your choice of toppings, chips and drinks will be available for a free will offering. Thank you for supporting the Ladies Guild!



#### **Return Baby Bottles Next Weekend!**

Please return your filled baby bottles to the church next weekend (Father's Day, June 14-15) when you attend Mass. The bottles were distributed on Mother's Day weekend by

members of Knights of Columbus to support the James Isaac House.

# Your Faithful Stewardship

May 31-June 1, 2025

#### **Offertory**

Offertory Envelopes	\$3,445
Loose Donations	\$540
Repairs & Maintenance	\$100
Total	\$4,085
<u>Attendance</u>	
Saturday, 5/31	73
Sunday, 6/1	103
Total	

#### **Diocesan Collection**

A Diocesan collection is being taken this weekend for the Peter's Pence collection which supports the universal church and the work of the Holy See. A separate basket is available for this appeal.

#### May Balance Sheet

Income	\$21,071
Expenses	\$16,493
Balance	





#### Next Sunday = Donut Sunday!

Please join us after Mass next Sunday (March 23) at St. Mary's Hall for donuts, coffee and fellowship! Thank you to the

Finance Committee for hosting this month.

	CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL Assumption Parish	
\$0	<b>\$10,034</b> ( <b>55%)</b> as of today	<b>\$18,400</b> parish goal
We are already past the 50% mark, so that means all new donations are returned to our parish! Please return the		

donations are returned to our parish! Please return the pledge card you received in the mail or visit the CSA website listed below. Checks can also be accepted at the Parish Office.

www.csa.dwcministries.org/donate

## Gifts from the Holy Land

Our friends from Bethlehem Wood Carvings will be visiting us next weekend with their beautiful handmade olivewood carvings from the Holy Land. Profits from the sales support fellow Christians in the Holy Land and support peace in the Middle East. The items will be available for sale after both Masses.

# Liturgical Minister Schedule

<u>Saturday, June 14</u>				
Lector:	Cathy Pardee			
Servers:	Alan Taylor & John Gustafson			
EMs:	Cathy Pardee, Janet Corley (c), Norma Clark (c)			
Cantor:	Mike Dupuis			
Greeters:	Bill Lupis & Mary Wagoner			
Sunday, June 15				
Lector:	Pam Williams			
Servers:	James & Tess Maybury			
EMs:	Tina Stephen, Kelley Kuhn (c), Charlotte Delilo (c)			
Cantor:	Julie Alt			
Greeters:	Doug & Jane Placka			
Saturday, June 21				
	Doug Minnich			
Servers:	Eric Hatfield & Eric Hatfield II			
EMs:	Mary Wagoner, Bill Lupis (c), & Eric Hatfield (c)			
	Linda Marsh & Anita Tetreault			
Greeters:	Kelli & Kerri Wittman			
<u>Sunday, J</u>	<u>lune 22</u>			
Lector:	Paul Bogdan			
	Tina & Derek Stephen			
EMs:	Beverley Iser, Nancy Starcher (c), Dave Minnich (c)			
Cantor:	Patrick George			
	Tony & Marie DelSignore			
Keyser Healthcare Center EM				
June 12	Joanne Stickley			
June 19	Cindy Alt			