



Pentecost Sunday May 14 & 15, 2016

Mass Intentions

Saturday
5:00 PM †Obdulia Coffey / Skippy Peterson
Sunday
8:00 AM Loretta Alemany / J. & N. Alemany
10:30 AM Living & Deceased Parishioners
Monday
8:00 AM Angela Bunnell / J. & N. Alemany
Tuesday
8:00 AM Daniel Alemany / J. & N. Alemany
Wednesday
8:00 AM Laurence Schwieterman Family /
Margie Schwieterman
Thursday
8:00 AM Bob & Jill Caudill (Anniversary)
Friday – Our Lady of Fatima
8:00 AM Tommy & Harriet Shields / Fortunati
Saturday
5:00 PM †Margie Schwieterman / Rose Hauser

For Mass intentions for a deceased loved one or for a special intention, please contact the office.

Office Hours: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Kindly pray for our parish family and all those who are journeying in a special way with Our Lord, Jesus Christ.



Paul Bruechner, Jim & Dot Davis, Diane Dickerson, Ed Dubin, Nicole Fehn, **Harry Fletcher,** Jo Flynn, Antonieta Geronilla, **June Henderson,** Margaret Henson, **Marvin Jenkins, Judy Jordan, Margie Kings,** Joe Lacoy, Cece LaManna, Germaine LaPlante, Mary Link, Evan Linville, Monk Manning, **Sara Manning,** Bob & Margaret Nail, Mary Ann Palmer, **Vera Patterson,** Claire Patton, Marsha Porter, **Anita Sanford,** Ruth Sas, Margaret Schaff, Harriet Shields, **Rick Van Norden,** Bootsie Williams, **Theresa Wilmeth**

~ Prayer Requests ~

Terry Danson – 251-961-2165 or tsdanson@gmail.com

If you are ill or know someone who is ill, due to have surgery, or is in the hospital and would like a visit from the pastor, please call the rectory.

First Friday Memorial Mass Association

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| Our Loved Ones – Bob & Margaret Nail | † James E. Link | Living & Deceased Kilday Family |
| Living & Deceased Kaiser, Klein & Murphy Families | † Deacon John Cartaro | Living & Deceased Chubb & Burns Families |
| Living & Deceased Scott & Weiss Families | † Anita Warriner | Living & Deceased Fehn Family |
| Living & Deceased Bush, Alvarez & McAleer Families | † Joseph LaManna | Living & Deceased Lacoy & Clancy Families |
| Living & Deceased Mullek & McCandless Families | † Doris Mullek | Living & Deceased Kearns & Paterson Families |
| Living & Deceased Patton & Norton Families | Mignon Kilday | Living & Deceased Altar Society Members |
| Living & Deceased Shields & Self Families | | For the Baptized Who Do Not Practice Their Faith |
| Living & Deceased Cretaro Family | | The Holy Souls in Purgatory |



This Week's Schedule

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| Sunday | 9:00 AM | "Coffee with the Padre" |
| Monday | 8:30 AM | Rosary Cenacle – IM Hall |
| Tuesday | 8:30 AM | SVdP Meeting – IM Hall |
| Wednesday | 9:00 AM | Adult Faith Formation Bible Study – IM Hall |
| Wednesday | 10:30 AM | Choir Practice – Church |

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

5 PM = 65 8 AM = 66 10:30 AM = 98 Total = 229

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory gift for May 8 = \$2,948.00
Maintenance = \$385.00
2nd Collection – **Today** – Communications
(Envelopes are in the pews)

SVdP Special Collection ~ NEXT WEEK ~ Many thanks!

Special Thanks and Appreciation

from Fr. Maria to our CCD and RCIA participants, teachers, parents, and students who helped all to learn their Catholic Faith. Classes will begin again next fall. Please check the bulletin for registration dates.

WELCOME - Thank you for attending Mass with us today.

We welcome all our visitors and new members and invite you to join in the ministries of our parish by sharing your gifts and talents. If you are not currently a registered member and wish to be, please pick up a census card at the church entrances or contact the parish office. Offertory envelopes are also available at the church office if you did not get yours in the mail.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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| Monday: | Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29 |
| Tuesday: | Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37 |
| Wednesday: | Sir 4:11-19; Ps 119:165, 168, 171-172, 174-175; Mk 10:38-45 |
| Thursday: | Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50 |
| Friday: | Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34-35; Mk 10:1-12 |
| Saturday: | Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16 |
| Sunday: | Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15 |

Gospel Reflections

THE DAY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ~ John's Gospel tells us that when Jesus "breathed" on the disciples, the Holy Spirit came into them, empowering them to forgive sins and to gather all people into union with one another.

The book of Genesis had explained the divisions among nations with the story of the Tower of Babel. In rebellious pride, human beings had struggled to become equal to God. The result was chaos, strife, the inability even to speak the same language among themselves. Today's reading from Acts tells how the Spirit has just the opposite effect. Strangers from many nations hear and understand one another, each in his or her own tongue.

This message of unity in the Spirit is repeated in the reading from Corinthians. There are many gifts, many ways to serve. One way is not "higher" nor one person "better" than another. There is but one Spirit, who accomplishes all the different works we do, acting through us.



"COFFEE WITH THE PADRE"

The host for today is our SVdP Conference. Everyone is invited for good food and fellowship in IM Hall from 9 AM to 10 AM on the first and third Sunday of each month.

Sing to the Lord a new song (Psalm 98:1)

Why should we sing? Because singing engages our hearts as well as our minds, and God cares about the whole person, emotions included. He wants to breathe life into our spirits and minds and bodies. Singing offers him entry into our whole being in a way that ordinary speech doesn't. And if we have difficulty opening our hearts, singing can open the pathway for his Spirit to move in us.

So sing! Sing of Jesus' victory on the cross, his victory over sin. Sing because God has given you victory through Christ (1 Corinthians 15:57). Sing because you do not have to live mired in guilt and shame. Sing because you have access to the Father through the blood of Jesus' cross. Sing because he who is faithful will cleanse you in the pure water of life. These aren't things we just hope will happen; they are steadfast promises of God!

PLEASE NOTE: EXERCISE/FITNESS CLASS in IMMACULATE MARY HALL **has been postponed until September.** Questions? Call Harriet Shields at 961-1611.

| May 21 & 22 | Lectors | Ext. Ministers | Gift Bearers | Ushers |
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| Sat: 5:00 PM | S. Williams | J. Caudill /Sr. Thérèse | M. Miller/F. Wabnitz | F. Mullek / E. Hasselback |
| Sun: 8:00 AM | P. Van Norden | B. & M. McCandless | B. & Claire Patton | R. Geiger/ S. Pinzone |
| 10:30 AM | M. Cote | E. & N. Fehn | E. & Nicole Fehn | J. Crump / B. Jarveis |



Our Congratulations to

Mark and Heather Lipscomb on the Baptism of their son, Hunter Lee, at our 10:30 AM Mass last Sunday.

ST. JOSEPH GIFT SHOP NEWS

We receive many donated or gently used religious items that are marked "Make Donation." You choose the price! Also, come check out the new items that have just been added.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH COOKBOOK

Cookbooks are \$12.00 each and are an ideal gift or keepsake. They are available in the office, or contact Harriet Shields at 961-1611.



CHURCH FLOOR CLEANING CALENDAR

We appreciate those who have signed up for weekly cleaning of the floor in the church. Two people are needed to clean each month. Please sign your name on the schedule in the vestibule indicating when you will be able to help.

Baldwin-Escambia Deanery ACCW Quarterly Meeting – Wednesday, May 18 at Our Lady of the Gulf in Gulf Shores. To carpool, call Sr. Thérèse at 251-979-6515.

THEME: "Our Holy Doors of Mercy Are Open"

at Our Lady of the Gulf. See flyer on the bulletin board and pamphlets at church entrances for conditions required to receive the Jubilee Indulgence.

VOLUNTEER THIS SUMMER

If you have expressed an interest in volunteering at the orphanage/hospital for disabled children in Antigua, Guatemala, please contact Bill Specht at (251) 979-5705 or williamfspecht@yahoo.com. The deadline for reservations is May 20. If you are unable to volunteer and would like to make a donation to help with accommodations and airfare, please mail your donation to Bill Specht, 33595 Helms Ln., Lillian, AL 36549.

The Old Country Philosopher Sez - Bob Nail

We did not choose this life we've got,
But we can choose the way we live it.

NOTICE: The auditorium, kitchen and rooms in Immaculate Mary Hall are available for rent. For more information, please contact the office.