# **Pentecost Sunday**

Octave of Pentecost Masses and Intentions for the Week

Sunday, May 11 Red

Pentecost Sunday, I Class

7:30 AM Ted Hagen + 10:30 AM Pro populo

Our Lord had frequently promised His disciples that He would send them another Advocate and Consoler who would teach them all things. The marvelous events which accompanied the arrival of the Holy Spirit were signs of the far greater effects of grace He produces in the souls of those who receive Him. We pray then with the Church: Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

Monday, May 12 Red

Pentecost Monday, I Class

12:00 PM Walt Cranson +

Tuesday, May 13 Red

Pentecost Tuesday, I Class

7:00 PM Living and deceased members of

Ed and Alma Simmermeyer family

Wednesday, May 14 Red

Pentecost Wednesday, *I Class* 12:00 PM Phyllis Vore +

Thursday, May 15 Red

Pentecost Thursday, *I Class* 7:00 AM Mark Wolfe

Friday, May 16 Red

Pentecost Friday, I Class

12:00 PM Tom and Anna Konnersman

7:00 PM Dormas Trimble

Saturday, May 17 Red

Pentecost Saturday, I Class

7:15 AM Tom Stewart +

Sunday, May 18 White

Trinity Sunday, I Class

7:30 AM Bertha Vilkoski +

10:30 AM Pro Populo (May Crowning)

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# Easter Duty Reminder

Holy Mother Church attaches a *grave obligation* for all Catholics of age to make a confession of all mortal sins (since the last worthy confession) and receive Holy Communion at least once during the Easter season, which lasts until Trinity Sunday (May 18).

# Altar Server Reds Game

Any of the altar servers planning on attending the Reds game on Thursday are asked to meet at the church by 5:00 PM. For those coming from Sunman/Harrison area, please meet at the fireworks store at the US-52/I-74 entrance at 5:30. From there, the plan is to caravan over to the stadium for the 7:10 game. Please contact Fr. Saguto if there are any questions.

# May Crowning - Next Sunday

The annual May crowning will take place next Sunday, May 18, at the 10:30 High Mass. As in the past, this year's first Communicants will present the crown for our Lady. All are invited.

# Corpus Christi - May 25

The annual Corpus Christi procession and benedictions will take place on Sunday, May 25, at the 10:30 High Mass. At that time we will renew the parish's consecration to the Sacred Heart, so all are most encouraged to attend and assist in the consecration and procession and also in thanksgiving to God for the numerous benefits the parish has received this past year.

#### **Summer Dress Code Reminder**

With the welcomed arrival of warmer weather, it is kindly asked that due attention is taken in the attire worn for Holy Mass. Shorts and tank-tops are never appropriate in church as well as any tight-fitting or low-cut clothes that tend to accentuate form and draw the eyes away from the face. As modesty seems to be a relentless battle in modern society, all Christians are called to set the example, even at the cost of some ridicule. Proper and modest attire is a sign of respect for God and His house, of respect for oneself, and also an act of charity towards our neighbor.

# Please Keep in Your Prayers...

Archbishop Buechlein; Patricia Wycislo; Rosie Rolfes; Danny Mason; Ted Knight; Tim Hindenberger; Tom Peter; Ryan Reeves; Joseph Shake; Virginia Mendel; Teresa Hall; Andrew Voelker (Iraq); Todd Lecher (Iraq); closure of Planned Parenthood in Bloomington; Donald Farwick +; Dorothy Schaedel +; James Peter +; Ed Lachman +; Shirley Heppner +; Martha Deller +; Mary Deegan +; Dottie Voegele +; Victor Weigand +; Msgr. Bernard Schmitz +

# Contributions - Thank You!

May 4 \$2345.00

Window Fund \$37219.24 (81%)

#### Calendar of Events

May 11 Pentecost Sunday
May 14 Boys' Group
May 18 May Crowning
May 22 Evening of Recollection

May 24 Married Men's Solidarity
May 25 Corpus Christi (Procession)

# A Final Thought...

We begin by admitting, without delusion, that suffering means suffering and there is no disguising the fact. But there are two sides to every painful experience - there is subjective pain and there is my subjective reaction. The same objective source of pain - say a cut or a wound in the body, an insult or humiliation in the soul - can produce only a mild reaction in one person and invoke a delirium of agony in another. Or even the same person, on one occasion is not much disturbed over the painful experience he has, and at another time, feels it excruciatingly or worries and can worry himself sick over some future suffering with compulsive fear. Our interest here is not to know how psychologically to cope with the trials of life so as not to suffer more than we should; it is rather to see how we can preserve ourselves in peace whenever God's hand touches, or He asks us, as He does, to carry our Cross.

The method, we said, is through the prayer of sacrifice. What does this mean? It means that whenever any trial enters our life, no matter how small, we prayerfully place ourselves in God's presence and voluntarily accept the trial. Memorize that. We prayerfully place ourselves in God's presence and voluntarily accept the trial. I said we should do this no matter how small the trial may be, and one index of how big we are or how grown-up spiritually is the little things that can rock us. After all, most of

our difficulties are not individually major problems and there is great wisdom in spelling out and dealing with each one as it comes. That's a side issue, just to mention it: one trial at a time. These trials can be humiliatingly small things taken separately but together they can become oppressively big.

A priest-confrere of mine tells the story of a pilgrimage he once attended and during the pilgrimage he shared his room with another man. The priest said: "Hardly had my partner gone to bed than he began to snore very loudly, loud enough to wake the dead. At first I started to be impatient, then I applied the remedy - I willed to listen to the snoring and hear it clearly, tranquilly observed it and, a little later, fell asleep. Waking up once during the night I used the same method again and returned to sleep."

There are in the lives of all of us countless sources of annoyance - all kinds of noise and distasteful persons, places, and things. We can be opposed or oppressed but we should never be depressed by nomatter-what tribulation enters our lives. The way to retain our peaceful serenity is to promptly ask God to endure what cannot be changed or in His own time change what for the time being is to be endured. What God wants of us is a pure sacrifice unalloyed by our reluctance to suffer at His hands or made worse than His providence intends. What He wants us to endure us all the pain that He wants to give us, being sure He will never give us more than we can bear. What He does not want is to have us spoil the opportunity for sacrifice by making an issue of what is, after all, the normal way He deals with those whom He calls His friends. This is God's way of embracing those that He loves. What God wants is that we, by resigning ourselves to His gracious will, may do His will - which can sometimes be hard but always it is to be done in peace. [...] Peace is the absence of conflict between wills, here between the will of God and ours. It is open to everyone who is willing to pray and live by His prayer: Lord, not my will but Thine be done.

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