

June 4, 2017 Solemnity of Pentecost

As we reach the conclusion of the Easter Season with our celebration of Pentecost, we conclude our reflections on the seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit by looking at the highest of those gifts, the Gift of Wisdom.

Pope Francis, in a series of audiences on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, describes this gift well in the following way: "This is wisdom: it is the grace of being able to see everything with the eyes of God. It is simply this: Seeing the world, situations, conjunctures, problems, everything with God's eyes. This is wisdom. Often we see things as we want to see them or according to our heart, with love, with hate, with envy. No, this is not God's eyes. Wisdom is what the Holy Spirit does within us so that we can see everything with God's eyes. This is the gift of wisdom."

It is very easy for us to react to things in a purely human way. When somebody says something hurtful to us, our first reaction is to be resentful, to hold a grudge, even to seek a way of responding in kind. When we encounter some sort of setback, such as the loss of a job, we tend to feel like we have failed. Examples abound that prove this point.

With the help of the Gift of Wisdom, however, we don't need to be enslaved to our human reactions which often drag us down. We can put on our spiritual spectacles of faith to correct our impaired vision and thus see things through God's eyes. This is what is behind those powerful words of St. Paul: "We know that all things work for good for those who love God,* who are called according to his purpose" (Rom 8:28).

Even our failures from sin are an opportunity for hope when viewed with the Gift of Wisdom. I always think of a saying from a saint who said the following on this point: "So you have failed? You — be convinced of it — cannot fail. You haven't failed; you have gained experience. On you go!" Let me suggest one little practice to help ourselves to be guided by this Gift of Wisdom. When you encounter a challenge and you are tempted to fall into seeing it through human eyes, say those words that the blind man Bartimaeus said when Jesus asked him what he wanted Jesus do to for him: "Lord, I want to see!" (Mk 10:51). I want to see this situation, this setback, this problem — everything, through your eyes.

-Father Alford

SCRIPTURE READINGS: June 4th – June 11th

Sunday: PENTECOST

ACTS 2:1-11 1COR 12:3B-7, 12-13

JN 20:19-23

Monday: TB 1:3; 2:1A-8

MK 12:1-12

Tuesday: TB 2:9-14

MK 12:13-17

Wednesday: TB 3:1-11A, 16-17A

MK 12:18-27

Thursday: TB 6:10-11; 1BCDE, 9-17; 8:4-9A

MK 12:28-34

Friday: TB 11:5-17

MK 12:35-37

Saturday: TB 12:1, 5-15, 20

MK 12:38-44

Sunday: Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

EX 34:4B-6, 8-9 2COR 13:11-13

JN 3:16-18

Anointing of the Sick:

If you are going into the hospital for surgery or have a serious illness, receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Please call the parish office to receive the Sacrament, administered privately or during daily Mass. Call Barb Scoggins at 217-498-9197 to have a family member placed on the prayer list.

Prayer List:

Evelyn Conboy, parishioner
Andrew Lacy, son of David & Kelly Lacy
Rachel Copp, parishioner
Jim Hundley, husband of Elaine Hundley
Tracy Medler, sister of Chuck Kuntzman
Tony Magro, Sr., father of Tony Magro Jr.
Jack Zucco, son of Marc & Carrie Zucco
Jim & Mary Kates, parishioners
Len Howard, parishioner
Harold Sheppard, parishioner
David Laub, parishioner
JoAnn Camille, parishioner
Betty & Ray Rowden, parishioners
Jerry Wessling, father of Peggy Gunter
Jim Powell, father of John Powell
Darlene Moroney, sister of Edna Saputo
Steven Butts, brother of Michelle Bullock
Mary Ann Midden, mother of Kathleen Quinn
Reba Cloyd, mother of Anita Schwab
Ray Roth Sr., father of Deacon Ray Roth
Jim Reiser, father of Kevin Reiser
Joanne O'Connor, sister of Ginger Rentschler
F. Ray Camille, brother-in-law of JoAnn Camille
Jennifer Harbeck, cousin of Brad Zack
Fr. John Sohm, Retired Priest
Elizabeth Moose, friend of Barb Scoggins
Joanna Laabs, wife of Deacon Al Laabs
Madeline Conant, friend of Laurie White
Joe Hittler, nephew of Sarah Clare
Bill Thomas, friend of Bill & Laurie White

HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!!

The † symbolizes the Mass is someone who is deceased.

Saturday, June 3rd
 3:45 p Confessions
 4:30p Mass (Int: Ben Lake†)

Sunday, June 4th
 7:30 a Confessions
 8:00 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)
 9:30 a Wyndcrest: Nelson
 9:45 a Confessions/Choir Rehearsal
 10:30 a Mass (Int: Evelyn Cannon†)
 First Reception of Holy Communion:
 Samantha Kerley

Monday, June 5th
 9:00 a Counting Team #1
 No 5:30 p.m. Mass
 6:00 p Fishes & Loaves

Tuesday, June 6th
 No 7:30 am. Mass

Wednesday, June 7th
 No 7:30 am. Mass
 6:30 p PGC Session

Thursday, June 8th
 No 7:30 am. Mass

Friday, June 9th
 No 7:30 am. Mass

Saturday, June 10th
 3:45 p Confessions
 4:30p Mass (Int: David Kincaid†)

Sunday, June 11th
 7:30 a Confessions
 8:00 a Mass (Int: David Leach†)
 9:30 a Wyndcrest: DeGroot
 9:45 a Confessions/Choir Rehearsal
 10:30 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)

Upcoming Parish Meeting/Events:

Due to the Annual Priests retreat, there will be no Daily Masses June 5-9, 2017.

Mon, June 5 – 6:00 pm Fishes & Loaves
 Wed, June 7 – 6:30 pm PGC Session
 Mon, June 12 – 7:00 pm Finance Council Meeting
 Wed, June 14 – 1:00 Ladies Tea/Bunco

In case of an emergency,
call 217-498-9197, choose option 2.

Parish Sacrificial Giving Fiscal Year 7/1/16-6/30/17

| | Last Week | Year to Date |
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| Collection (95) | \$ 5,601.00 | \$257,135.82 |
| Electronic funds (17) | \$ 200.00 | \$ 49,401.00 |
| Bldg. Dev. Fund (1) | \$ 20.00 | \$ 12,806.00 |
| EFT – Dev. Fund (4) | \$ 0.00 | \$ 7,628.00 |
| Poor Fund | \$ 36.00 | \$ 3,326.97 |
| Children's Stewardship (0) | 0.00 | \$ 64.30 |
| Calvary Cemetery (20) | \$ 370.00 | \$ 1,024.00 |
| Cath. Communic. (2) | \$ 40.00 | \$ 649.00 |
| Pentecost (4) | \$ 181.80 | \$ 328.80 |
| Maryknoll Collection (25) | \$ 1,529.29 | \$ 1,529.29 |
| Number of collection envelopes used: | 145 | |
| Number of electronic contributions: | 23 | |

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Saturday, June 10th – 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Egizio, Scheufele,
Deacon Tom

Lectors: Bertrand, Dwyer

Servers: Callahan, Gladson

Hospitality: Dambacher Family

Sunday, June 11th – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, C & G Leach, Rayhill

Lectors: H & J Hendrickson

Servers: C & M Fairbanks, Lauwerens

Hospitality: McClintock Family, Parnell

Sunday, June 11th – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Kohlrus, V Walker
Deacon Tom

Lectors: Maynerich, Schudel

Servers: G, K, J Petty

Minister of Care: DeGroot

Hospitality: Decker Family

CLOW: Kohlrus, B Toliver

Volunteer for this week: June 5th – June 11th
Church Dusters: Volunteer needed
Recycling Vol. June: John Fox
June Food Volunteer: Steve & Debra Decker
Coffee & Donuts: Sun, June 11th:
 Don & Roberta Vanover

The sharing of new life through our Catholic faith continues in the sacraments of initiation as we celebrate infant Baptisms and the First Reception of Holy Communion throughout the Easter Season as we approach the great feast of Pentecost.

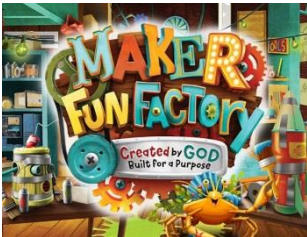
Schedule of First Communion:

June 4: Samantha Kerley

→PSR NEWS←

Have you registered for the 2017-18 PSR classes?

If you register early, we can have a good start in figuring out next year's classes. We will still have Wednesday evening classes just like this year. How many Sunday classes will depend on how our pre-registration goes, and how many children are registered for each class. We will make the determination about the number of Sunday classes after Sunday, May 14th. **Please help us prepare by registering early!**



It's SIGN UP TIME for Maker Fun Factory VBS!

If your child is entering kindergarten through the 5th grade, here's your chance to bring them to an experience of church that will fire up their spirit and make them want to come each night. As is our custom, our parish VBS takes place during the final full week of July. This year VBS runs Sunday, July 23rd through Thursday, July 27th from 6:00pm to 8:30pm at the Parish Center. To register, visit <https://vbspro.events/p/stjudevbs> which will take you to the on-line registration page. The cost will stay the same so please mail or bring in \$10 per child or \$20 for two or more children. We won't be ordering T-shirts this year. For any other questions contact Frances Tomashavich @ the parish office ext. 105.

12 Day Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Jordan

Under the Spiritual guidance of Fr. Dean Probst, a trip to the Holy Land and Jordan (thru Holylands Arts) is available. The trip will be from November 5-17, 2017. For those interested, information is available on the Church bulletin board or in the parish office.

Waters Agency, Inc.
Insurance
124 N. John St., Rochester, IL
217-489-9309

Help Wanted!

St. Jude Parish Liturgy Ministeries could use your help! We are in need of more people for Hospitality, particularly for the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass, and more people for the Childrens Liturgy of the Word (CLOW). If you are interested in volunteering, we offer on the job training. All adult volunteers (18 years of age and older) must have attended a Protecting God's Children Session. Please contact the parish office (498-9197).

ROCHESTER CHURCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE



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Our schedule for next Sunday, June 11: The coed team plays at 1:45 on Diamond 2 vs Douglas Ave. United Methodist. The men's team plays at 3:15 on Marshall Bell Field vs Sherman United Methodist. Come on out and enjoy the games!

Any men, women, or high school students interested in playing can sign up in the back of the Church or contact Barry Houmes at 971-1631. Adult players (over 18 years of age) must have attended a Protecting God's Children session.

Called & Sent

Are you a high school aged Catholic this fall? Consider joining Father Alford and his team at the Villa Maria on Lake Springfield for a week (July 9-14) of growing in your Catholic faith in a fun and interactive setting with other teenagers from throughout the diocese. Check out the website for more information: <http://www.dio.org/vocations/cas>

Feeling the call to become more active within the Parish?

A **Protecting God's Children** session has been



**Protecting God's Children
Adult Training Sessions**

scheduled at St. Jude Church, **June 7th at 6:30 p.m.** Please contact the Parish Office (498-9197) to register for this session. Please assist the parish in providing various services for our youth and children by fulfilling the requirement for all parish volunteers. **The Protecting God's Children Adult Training Session is a requirement for anyone age 18 or older who is volunteering within the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.**

Congratulations to our young parishioners who recently received entered a new chapter of life by receiving First Eucharist and Confirmation.

First Eucharist:

- April 22 – Molly Eichholz, Joseph Heiple, Ehren Woehrmann
- April 23 – Samuel Lindstrom, Camden Berberet
- April 29 – Miles Carroll, Conner Carroll
- April 30 – Peyton Zeidler, Annie Hardiek, Douglas Sommer, Rachel Deen
- May 6 – Hannah Florent, Nicholas Mrozowski
- May 13 – Lane Megginson, Lyla Harrison
- May 14 – Audrey Lowder, Logan Carmody, Jack Zucco, Beck Reid
- May 20 – Frankie Stefano, Carson Wacaser, Chase Beckham
- May 21 – Aubrey Pyle
- June 4 – Samantha Kerley

Confirmation, May 22:

Nathaniel Adams, Lyza Barkus, Eva Carlson, Cassidy Conlon, Kyra Copp, Jenna Dorman, Kadence Farris, Katelyn Florent, Arianna Gillespie, Dawson Gladson, Claire Gray, Ryan Gunter, Jack Hanna, Benjamin Hardiek, Ben Ihlenfeldt, Abigail Jerszynski, Madison Jerszynski, Caitlyn Lauwerens, Jordan Laurwerens, Griffin Leach, Anna Lindstrom, Alan Livengood, Alexzander Livengood, Anthony Magro, Anthony Marinelli, Kaitlyn Martin, Reagan Martyn, Marcus McKinney, Callie Morgan, Carter Morgan, Samantha Palazzolo, Dylan Patton, Audrey Quinn, Kolton Reiser, Grace Reynolds, Isaac Saxbery, Karlie Schnepf, Curtis Sommer, Lula Staley, Makenna Sutker, Francesca Torricelli, Megan Weier, Colleen Zeibert

Considering Catholic Education for your family?

Look into Little Flower Grade School, on Stevenson Drive near South Sixth St., Springfield, located close to the I-55 & I-72 interchange. We currently enroll students from Springfield, Chatham, Rochester, Taylorville, Virden, Glenarm, Riverton, Girard, Illiopolis, New Berlin, Tovey, Sherman, Auburn and Mechanicsburg!

Full-day Preschoolers and students in gr. K-8 learn in a faith-based environment, with a 21st century curriculum. Students compete in school sports programs and academic extracurricular activities. **Student-teacher ratio is 18:1. Tuition rates have NOT increased for the 2017-18 school year. Visit our website for complete details – www.little-flower.org . Call today for a tour** and see what Little Flower can offer your

family (217-529-4511).

Pilgrimage to Ireland – Fr. Adam Prichard, our new Parochial Vicar effective July 1, will be leading a pilgrimage to Ireland June 19th – 28th, 2017. Some of the sites are Galway, Our Lady of Knock, the Cliffs of Moher, Killarney and Dublin. The trip is through Proximo Travel. The price is \$3,700, all-inclusive, aside from lunches & travel insurance. For more information, go to https://www.proximotravel.com/trip-store/?action=view_trip&triptemplateid=143 .

St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Chatham invites you to come out for our **9th Annual Fr. Franzen Memorial Golf Outing** on June 11, 2017 at Piper Glen Golf Course in Springfield. Four-Person Scramble is \$75 per golfer. Mass begins at 11:15AM, lunch to follow and Shotgun start at 1PM. A Catered dinner and Awards Banquet to follow. Forms are available on our website at <http://www.stjoschatham.org/golf-> . All proceeds are split between 50% Retired and Infirm Priests & 50% Youth going to Catholic Heart Work Camp. For questions call Diane VanderKooy 971-6126.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter
Belleville/Springfield Encounter**

“And when he said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit”. Let the Holy Spirit infuse your marriage with increased trust and intimacy by participating in a WorldWide Marriage Encounter Weekend on August 4-6, 2017. To register or for more information, call 314-649-7317 or go online to www.stl-wwme.org .

The Junior Cyclone Football Camp will be June 12-14 from 8:00-10:00 am for those students in grades K-8. The cost is \$75.00. The SHG Football Padded camp will be July 17-20 from 6:00-8:00 pm for students in grades 4-8. The cost is \$75.00. For more information or to register, contact Bob Brenneisen at 414-8874 or 787-1595x104. An online registration form can be downloaded at www.shg.org.



Due to Parish Center scheduling conflicts, there will be no Sew-n-Sews in June. See you in July!