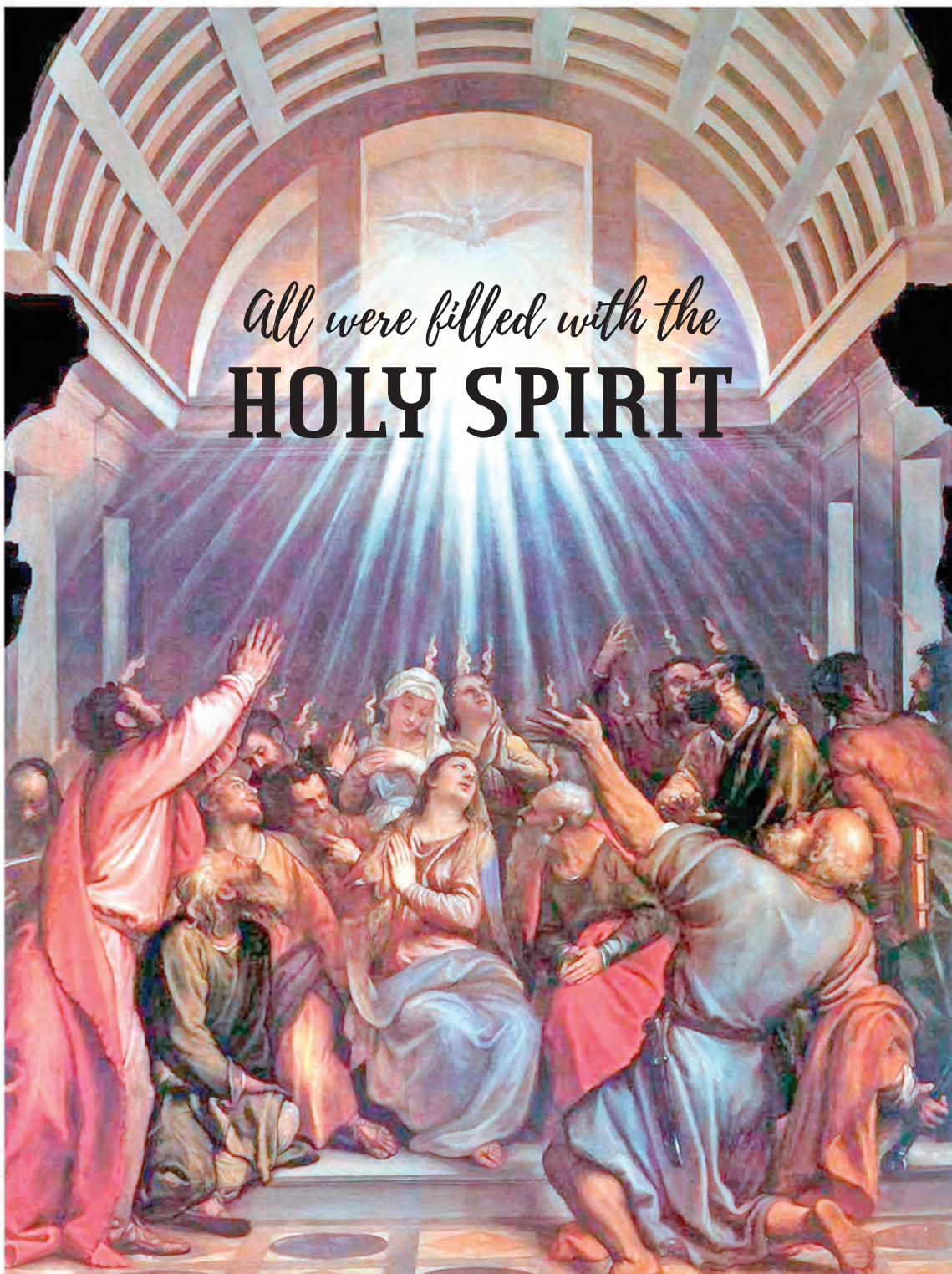


PENTECOST



All were filled with the
HOLY SPIRIT

St. James the Greater
Montague, New Jersey

St. Thomas the Apostle
Sandyston, New Jersey



Come, Holy Spirit

On this glorious feast day today, we celebrate the moment that Jesus' Spirit—the Holy Spirit—was unleashed upon the earth. That's a good thing. This Holy Spirit would guide the Apostles in building the Church that we are a part of today. From now on, the Spirit that guided and moved Jesus would be available to anyone who called upon this Spirit.

We receive the Holy Spirit in its fullness at the time of our Confirmation. As it is conferred, the Bishop offers this beautiful prayer:

All-Powerful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
By water and the Holy Spirit
You freed Your sons and daughters from sin
And gave them new life.
Send Your Holy Spirit upon them
To be their Helper and Guide.
Give them the Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding,
The Spirit of Right Judgment and Courage,
The Spirit of Knowledge and Reverence.
Fill them with the Spirit of Wonder and Awe in Your Presence.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

After this sacred prayer, the Bishop anoints each candidate with a special oil, the holy chrism, as a sign that they have been chosen by God to receive the Holy Spirit.

The Spirit brings with Him those Gifts expressed above. All who have been confirmed carry those gifts with them at all times. They are a spiritual toolbox which can help us in every situation or problem or decision. How often do you call upon them? Here is a reminder of all that we possess:

Wisdom: helps us to learn from our mistakes, to grow in self-confidence and to be open to God's Word

Understanding: aids us in seeing all things in the light of God's love and mercy

Right Judgment (Counsel): guides us to choose the best path and to make the best decisions

Courage (Fortitude): encourages us to be witnesses to the Lord in the midst of an unbelieving society

Knowledge: keeps us open to the truth and impels us to continue searching for it

Reverence (Piety): helps us to express our love for the Lord and our need for His grace

Wonder and Awe (Fear of the Lord): keeps alive our joy in God's awesome, gentle presence in our lives, and instills a fear of offending One who loves us so much

With these Gifts, we have all that we need to serve the Lord capably, and to live our lives to the fullest. Let us rejoice in this Feast Day of the Pentecost—the climax of the Easter Season.

God bless you,
Father Wayne

PENTECOST SUNDAY

June 5, 2022

St. James the Greater

The Sanctuary Lamp this week burns in
Memory of Walter & Norma Journey at the
Request of their Family

SATURDAY, June 11

8:00AM – Brother Ralph Darmento, F.S.C.

req. by Christian Brothers

-Edward & Rita Dinan

req. by Margie Mullins

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

June 12

8:00AM – John Klimkewicz

req. by Jane & Doug Sandberg

11:30AM – Mary Lou Pratschler White and Mary Pratschler

req. by Kathy Werheim & Family

ST. JAMES THE GREATER

\$1,244.00 – Regular Collection – May 29, 2022

\$ 596.00 – Online Giving

\$2,477.00 – Weekly Budget Need

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St. Thomas the Apostle

The Sanctuary Lamp this week burns in
Memory of Louis & Helen Briegel at the
Request of their Family

MONDAY, June 6

9:00AM – Donald Martin, Sr.

req. by his Family

TUESDAY, June 7

9:00AM – Louis & Helen Briegel

req. by their Family

WEDNESDAY, June 8

9:00AM – Francis J. Montimurro

req. by his Family

THURSDAY, June 9

No Mass

FRIDAY, June 10

9:00AM – Bernie, Grace and Michael Reich

req. by Diane and Gerry

SATURDAY, Vigil, June 11

4:30PM – Robert Schulze

req. by his Family

-Sandy Matthews

req. by her husband, Jim

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

June 12

9:30AM – Ruth Winder

req. by Gerry Mahon & Family

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

\$ 1,331.00 – Regular Collection – May 29, 2022

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\$ 4,410.00 – Weekly Budget Need

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TO CHRIST THE DIVINE HEALER WE PRAY FOR:

T.J. Albert, Agnes Ciesielski, , Gerry Gacquin, Patricia Harrington, Erin Hockenberry, Deacon Joe Roder, Ginny Sabia, Brian Scarpone, Kathleen Sibbio, Cecelia Smith, Shirley Strong, Richard Vergona and Ricky Wunder



Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima Statue/Legion of Mary

This beautifully adorned statue is a visible reminder of the love God has shown in the Blessed Mother. Placing such a beautiful image in your home turns hearts to prayer and brings grace to those who open their hearts to any image of God's love. If you would like to have the statue of Our Lady of Fatima in your home, or need any further information about the Legion of Mary in our parishes, please contact the parish office. *Pray the Family Rosary*



We ask your continued prayers for the following men and women of our parish who are serving our country in the Armed Forces: George Abboud, Saige Bruzard, Brandon Heimall, Mikey Heimall, Nicholas and Karissa Kealy, Ryan Kowal, Joseph Mannion, Hunter Olenick, Christopher & Ana Sarao, Nicole Sarao, Marissa Snook, Peter Spinks and James Orr



Come, Holy Spirit

Pentecost Sunday takes place on the 50th day after Easter Sunday, this year falling on June 5th. It's a day when we remember how the Holy Spirit came down upon the apostles and Mary and gave the Church special gifts. Those gifts helped the apostles proclaim the Gospel of Jesus to all people. This is the same call we receive when given the gifts of the Holy Spirit at the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Holy Spirit teaches us who Jesus is and how we are to become more and more like Him.

Celebrate June – June 6th – The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

In 2018, Pope Francis established the Feast Day of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church to be celebrated on the Monday following Pentecost. Although this feast day is fairly new, devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, under the title of Mother of the Church, is very ancient. In creating this feast, the Holy Father said he wished to “encourage the growth of the maternal sense of the Church in pastors, religious and faithful, as well as a growth of genuine Marian piety.”

Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us!

Prayer Shawl/Rosary Makers Ministry

Our parishes have an active group of women who knit and crochet prayer shawls, lap robes and scarves for those who need comfort and to feel the warm embrace of our loving community. We also have some women who make Rosary Beads. Every year, our Religious Education students receive rosary beads as a gift from this parish ministry, as well as the dozens that are taken from the basket in our Gathering Areas.

This past year, over 75 shawls/lap robes/scarves/hats were blessed by Father Wayne and were given to many veterans and to all who may have been going through an illness or a difficult time in life.

Baptismal blankets were also made and given to babies on the day of their Baptism to welcome the newest members of our family! Infant blankets were made and distributed to new moms through local hospital maternity wards and to Good Counsel Homes.

There is never a charge for these works of love and we always have them available for whenever they are needed. **Our ministry (and our hands) are resting for the next few months and we will begin again on September 19th. We meet at the Msgr. James Gacquin Youth and Religious Education Center on the first and third Mondays and are always ready to welcome new members!**



A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly
Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ

Pentecost Sunday June 5, 2022

“No one can say, ‘Jesus is Lord’, except in the Holy Spirit. There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service, but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.”

How special was the day of Pentecost then, but even more special today. As Paul speaks of what is happening around us. The gifts, the service. The Spirit is at work today. Take a minute to realize the gifts that your best friend has. Where did they come from? Do you affirm them for their gift? Who seems to render great service in the community, at church, home visits, a friendly telephone call? When did you thank them for what they do? Where is the Spirit at work in the parish, school, on the job? We are asked to think about the manifestation of the Spirit in our lives.

We now move to a final consideration. St. Paul tells us that the gifts are given and present in everyone for some benefit. The gift you have received perhaps is asleep in your life. May the noise, wind and fire of Pentecost awaken all of us.

The Columbiettes meeting is TODAY, Sunday, June 5th after the 9:30 AM Mass at St. Thomas.

The next St. Thomas Coffee Hour will be on Sunday, June 12th after Mass and the next Pot Luck will be on Saturday, June 18th after Mass.

This Week in Our Parishes

STC – St. Thomas Church or Fr. Lewis Center

SJC – St. James Church or Church Hall

REC – Fr. Gacquin Religious Ed Center

Sunday, June 5, 2022

Feast of the Pentecost

10:30a.m. STC Columbiettes' Meeting

Monday, June 6

Blessed Virgin Mary: Mother of the Church

Tuesday, June 7

1:00 p.m. STC Bible Study

Wednesday, June 8

Thursday, June 9

Friday, June 10

10:00a.m. STC Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, June 11

Sunday, June 12, 2022

Feast of the Most Holy Trinity

9:30 a.m. STC Coffee Hour after Mass

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Next Sunday's Readings: *Holy Trinity*

1st Reading: *Proverbs 8: 22--31*

Resp. Psalm: *Psalm 8*

2nd Reading: *Romans 5: 1--5*

Gospel: *John 16: 12--15*

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Corpus Christi Diocesan Food Collection

June 19. Our parishes have been asked to take part in this Diocesan-wide collection, coordinated with every other parish in the Diocese. We have been asked to donate: **coffee, tea.** If you can help, please drop off these items at either church. With the thanks of Bishop Sweeney.

Feast of Pentecost. Today's Feast of the Pentecost completes and climaxes the Easter Season. It celebrates our Lord sending His own Spirit to fill the apostles, after His ascension into heaven. From this moment on, those apostles could depend upon the Holy Spirit to guide them and give them strength to carry on the work that Jesus began.

Jesus shares His very Spirit with all who are open to receiving the Spirit. The **Gifts** of the Holy Spirit remain in full force in our lives—each time we call upon them. The **Fruits** of the Holy Spirit are evident in those who embrace the Spirit.

We can do no better than to allow God's Holy Spirit to have full reign in our lives. God's Spirit could transform the whole world—if we let it.

St. Thomas — St. James — O.L.Q.P. Summer Camp

Calling all kids from Grades k – 5. Enjoy five great days of fun, faith and food. Location: Queen of Peace Church, Branchville. Dates: June 20—24. Times: 9 a.m.—12 Noon. Cost is FREE. Confirmation candidates needed to help. Still FREE.

- To register: www.olqpbranchville.org Call Mary at 862-268-1876 for more info.

Camp Auxilium, Newton. A full-day Catholic Day Camp in our area. Run by Salesian Sisters throughout the summer. Check their website for more information about activities and tuition costs: www.campauxilium.org

Pie Safe Raffle. St. James Church announces the raffle of a beautiful, **expertly hand-crafted, red oak 18th century style Pie Safe.** Complete with authentic period hardware and antique pierced tin panels. It was built by a master-craftsman of our parish, Doug Sandberg.

Raffle Drawing will be on Sat. July 23rd, the date of St. James Summer Picnic. **Tickets** for the raffle are **\$ 10. each, or 3 for \$ 25.** Pie safe is available for inspection at St. Thomas Church. Tickets are on sale after Mass at both churches, or from the Parish Office.

"The Church of Christ is always, so to speak, in a situation of Pentecost: she is always gathered in the Upper Room in prayer, and at the same time, driven by the powerful wind of the Spirit, she is always on the streets preaching."

--Saint Pope John Paul II, June 8, 2003

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