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Saturday: 5:00 PM Vigil Mass Sunday: 8:30 AM (English)

12: PM (Tiếng Việt)

Monday, Wednesday; 1<sup>st</sup> Friday

6:00 PM

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

9:00 AM

#### **HOLY HOUR**

Monday; Wednesday; 1<sup>st</sup> Friday

4:30 PM

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday

7:30 AM

#### **WEEKEND HOLY HOUR**

Saturday Evening: 4: 00 PM Sunday: 7:00 AM & 11:30 AM

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**After Mass** 

Monday - Thursday & Saturday

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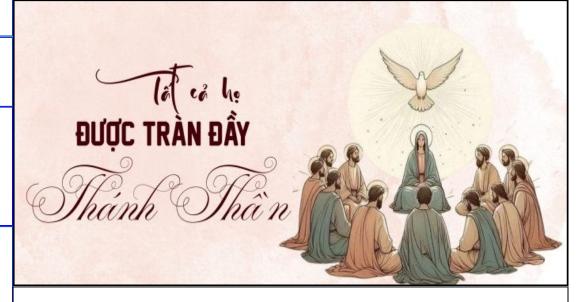
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## Pentecost Sunday 06. 08. 2025

"All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit". (Act 2,4)

# The Pope Leo's Intention In June 2025

### That the world might grow in compassion:

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus,

and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

## Cầu nguyện cho sự gia tăng lòng nhân từ đối với thế giới:

Chúng ta hãy cầu nguyện để mỗi người chúng ta có thể tìm thấy niềm an ủi trong mối tương quan cá nhân với Chúa Giêsu và biết học nơi Trái Tim Chúa lòng nhân từ đối với thế giới.



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SAT: 06/07 5:00 PM	(Vigil) PENTECOST SUNDAY  Joan Rice By Gerrie Chalk  Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 (62) or, for the Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5 Rom 8:22-27/ Jn 7:37-39
8:30 AM 12:00 PM	PENTECOST SUNDAY Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26 Nancy Cash White By Jeffrey White
MON: 06/09 6:00 PM	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14 Jn 19:25-34 Ron Thole by Eileen Helgeland
TUE: 06/10 9:00 AM	<b>Weekday</b> 2 Cor 1:18-22/Mt 5:13-16 <b>Lh. Maria (D)</b> - <i>Lễ giỗ Nga Pham</i>
WED: 06/11 6:00 PM	Saint Barnabas, Apostle Memorial Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Mt 5:17-19
THU: 06/12 9:00 AM	Weekday 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Mt 5:20-26 Ed & Eleanor Thole & son By Eileen Helgeland
FRI: 06/13	Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 5:27-32
6:00 PM	NO MASS
9:00 AM 5:00 PM	<b>Weekday</b> 2 Cor 5:14-21/Mt 5:33-37
SUN: 06/15 8:30 AM	SUN THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Prv 8:22-31/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-1! Nancy Cash White
12:00 PM	By Jeffrey White  Thomas and Maria (Giỗ 100 ngày)  by AC Chương Hài

# Pentecost Sunday TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today we are at the fiftieth day of the Easter celebration: seven weeks of seven days, a week of weeks, now culminating in a festival fiftieth day. While the liturgical color of the Easter season is gold, on this last day we have red. For the first thousand years of the church, there were no firm rules for using colors. Only wealthy churches could afford a full array of colors, and most places used the best vestments, no matter the color, for the greatest feasts. The Church spelled out an exact plan for color, including red for Pentecost, only in 1570, but local differences held on until the 1800s.

Color experts tell us that red is a hot color, best used for fast-paced, upbeat, active experiences. It is hard to be neutral before red, as any matador will tell you. It invites commitment, draws you in. It is a stimulating color, engaging the eye, stirring hunger. It is the most fitting color for this day when we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit into our lives, a dynamic presence overturning neutrality in favor of passion and commitment.

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# Please keep the following People in your prayers

Mr. & Mrs. Louise & Don White, Mr. Steve Dessauer, Mary Wheeler, Angela Hanh, Harold Alexander, Tom Snider, Bill Dineen Meg Guck, Laura Barnett, Pearline Smith and Doug Pickens, Sharon Cook, Dorothy Cook, Mary Ann Coughlan, Joan Rice, Ronny murphy Eddie Hallford, Jay McAtee, Melissa Grigg, James Meyn, Dan Dwyer, Calvin Isbell, Jerry Powell, Kim Kellams, Danny Carter, Lori Gasque, Tim McGlone Sr., Timothy McGlone Jr. Robert McGlone, Joe Franz Mathes, Christen Cook, Lindsey McDonald, Rebecca Gonzalez, Nancy Barbour, Connie Tirico, Tammie Tweedy, Nancy Sterling, Geneva Alexander, Alie Smith, Lisa Carothers, Randall Adams, Melissa Dillon, David Boston, Mildred & Hallie Edenfield, Kimberly Simmons, Charlotte Hazel McEvilly, Ray Brueland, Joseph Schork, Brenda, Wolfrey Isabelle Dixon, Teresa Jones, and for all others not mentioned. If you want to submit an individual for Prayer Intentions, please call the office at: (706) - 886 - 2819 - ext 1 or Mrs. Gerrie Chalk at: 706 - 963 - 0050 for a loved one who is sick. Our homebound Ministers are please to

bring you Holy Communion and the Weekly Bulletin.

## Sunday, June 08, 2025 Pentecost Sunday

# "And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit". (Act 2,4)

Meditation: Today's readings seem like a study in contrasts, don't they? In the first reading, St. Luke gives a dramatic account of today's feast of Pentecost: a rushing wind, mysterious tongues of flame, prophetic declarations, and a vast crowd hanging on Peter's every word. But in the Gospel, St. John paints a quieter, more intimate picture. He tells how Jesus appeared to the apostles privately on Easter, breathed his Spirit into them, and sent them out to forgive, just as his Father had sent him to forgive.

So does the Spirit inspire great excitement and grand gestures, or quiet acts of mercy? Both. It's not a matter of either/or. When Jesus breathed the Spirit into the apostles, he showed them the reason for his death and resurrection: to win forgiveness for their sins and for the sins of all the world. Then when the Spirit came rushing into them on Pentecost, he filled them with the power to proclaim that mercy far and wide.

This is the key to our celebration today: we need to experience both the mercy and the power of the Holy Spirit. We need to know, intimately and personally, just how forgiving God is. We need to know that nothing, not even the greatest of sins, can overcome the love that he has for us. But we also need to experience the powerful rush of his Spirit filling us with confidence in God's love. That confidence can propel us into the world to share the good news with everyone we meet.

Today, more than any other day, is a great day to ask for a fresh new outpouring of the Spirit. Ask the Spirit to flood you with a personal encounter with God's mercy. Then ask the same Spirit to give you the courage to proclaim that mercy far and wide.

### "Come, Holy Spirit! Fill me and empower me!"

Chuyển ngữ: Sr. Maria Trần Thị Ngọc Hương Theo the Word Among us

## Chúa Nhật, ngày 08. 06. 2025 Lễ Chúa Thánh Thần Hiện Xuống

## "Tất cả họ đều được đầy ơn Chúa Thánh Thần". (Act 2.4)

<u>Suy niệm:</u> Hôm Các bài đọc hôm nay dường như là một nghiên cứu về sự tương phản, bạn có thấy vậy không? Trong bài đọc thứ nhất, Thánh Luca trình bày một trình thuật rất ấn tượng về ngày lễ Ngũ Tuần: một cơn gió mạnh, các lưỡi lữa mầu nhiệm, các lời công bố tiên tri và một đám đông dân đang chăm chú lắng nghe từng lời của tông đồ Phêrô. Nhưng trong bài Tin Mừng, Thánh Gioan lại vẽ một bức tranh yên tĩnh, riêng tư hơn. Người kể về việc Chúa Giêsu đã hiện ra với các tông đồ cách riêng tư vào ngày Phục Sinh, ban Thần Khí cho họ và sai họ đi để ban ơn tha thứ, giống như Chúa Cha đã sai Người đi để ban ơn tha thứ.

Vậy Thần Khí truyền sự phấn khích và những cử chỉ lớn lao, hay những hành động thương xót thầm lặng? Cả hai. Đó không phải là vấn đề của một trong hai. Khi Chúa Giêsu ban Thần Khí cho các tông đồ, Người cho họ thấy lý do cái chết và sự phục sinh của Người: để giành được ơn tha thứ cho tội lỗi của họ và cho tội lỗi của tất cả thế gian. Rồi khi Thần Khí xuống trên họ vào ngày lễ Ngũ Tuần, Người đã ban cho họ tràn đầy quyền năng sức mạnh để công bố lòng thương xót đó cho khắp mọi nơi.

Đây là chìa khoá cho việc cử hành lễ hôm nay của chúng ta: chúng ta cần kinh nghiệm cả lòng thương xót và cả quyền năng của Chúa Thánh Thần. Chúng ta cần biết, cách sâu sắc và cá vị, cách Thiên Chúa đang tha thứ như thế nào. Chúng ta cần biết rằng không có gì, ngay cả những tội lỗi lớn nhất, có thể chiến thắng tình yêu mà Thiên Chúa dành cho chúng ta. Nhưng chúng ta cũng cần kinh nghiệm sự thôi thúc mạnh mẽ của Thần Khí tuôn đổ xuống chúng ta lòng tin tưởng vào tình yêu của Thiên Chúa. Niềm xác tín đó có thể thôi thúc chúng ta đi vào trong thế giới để chia sẻ Tin Mừng cho mọi người chúng ta gặp.

Hôm nay, hơn bất cứ ngày nào khác, là một ngày tuyệt vời để cầu xin một sự tuôn đổ mới mẻ của Thần Khí. Bạn hãy xin Thần Khí làm tràn ngập bạn bằng một cuộc gặp gỡ cá vị với lòng thương xót của Thiên Chúa. Rồi hãy cầu xin chính Thần Khí ấy ban cho bạn lòng can đảm để công bố lòng thương xót đó khắp mọi nơi.

"Lạy Chúa Thánh Thần! Xin ngự trong con và ban sức mạnh cho con!"

The HML/Debt Reduction Program The Debt Reduction Weekly Update		HML Sponsorship Report from 10/27/2024 to 06/01/2025.			
10. 27. 2024	\$ 5,000.00	Please continue to support.			
10. 28. 2024	\$ 20,025.00	Thank you for	your	gene	rosity.
11. 04. 2024	\$ 5,060.00	Sponsored Items	Available	Taken	Sponsored Amt
11. 12. 2024	\$ 1,610.00	PRAYER GARDEN			
11. 17. 2024	\$ 2,105.85	ARCH #1	1		\$18,000.00
11.25. 2024	\$ 50,020.00	ARCH #2	1		\$15,000.00
12.01. 2024	\$ 3,129.00	Parish Life Center	1	X	\$ 50,000.00
12. 08. 2024	\$ 810.00	Religious Education Building	1	X	\$ 50,000.00
12. 15. 2024	\$ 61, 670.00	Holy Family Statue w/base	1		\$ 25,000.00
12. 22. 2024	\$ 600.00	Jesus The Good Shepherd Garden	1		\$50,000.00
12. 29. 2024	\$ 12,867.00	St. Michael Garden	1		\$50,000.00
01. 05. 2025	\$10,514.96	Planter Box	1	х	\$ 2,500.00
01. 12. 2025	\$ 1,060.00	Planter Box	1	X	\$ 2,500.00
01. 26. 2025	\$ 100.00	Planter Box	1	X	\$ 2,500.00
02. 02. 2025	\$3,587.00	Planter Box	1		\$ 2,500.00
02. 09. 2025	\$16,520.00	Planter Box	1		\$ 2,500.00
02. 16. 2025	\$6,700.00	Planter Box	1		\$ 2,500.00
02. 23. 2025	\$ 1,500.00	Prayer Seat	1	X	\$ 7,500.00
03. 02. 2025	\$ 7,792.00	Prayer Seat	1		\$ 7,500.00
		Terrace Bench	1		\$ 4,000.00
03. 09. 2025	\$3,435.00	Terrace Bench INTERIOR PARISH HALL	1		\$ 4,000.00
03. 16. 2025	\$650.00	Donor Tree	1		\$ 20,000.00
03. 23. 2025	\$410.00	Large Last Supper	1	Х	\$ 8,000.00
03. 30. 2025	\$400.00	INTERIOR EDUCATION BLD			
04. 06. 2025	\$580.00	Classrooms	1	X	\$ 25,000.00
04. 13. 2025	\$ 575.00	Classrooms	1	X	\$ 25,000.00
04. 20. 2025	\$ 1,610.00	Classrooms	1	x	\$ 25,000.00
04. 27. 2025	\$ 200.00	Classrooms	1		\$ 25,000.00
05. 04. 2025	\$ 797.00	Classrooms	1		\$ 25,000.00
05. 25. 2025	\$ 650.00	Classrooms	1		\$ 25,000.00
03. 23. 2023	Ç 050.00	Primary Wall Art		X	\$7,500.00
06. 01. 2025	\$ 913.00	PAVER RECOGNITION	94	106	\$ 200.00 ea.

### HML UPDATE

### **HML FINANCIAL NEWS:**

We have good news concerning the HML debt-reduction program!

As of this month, we're happy to report that the Church will have paid down more than 50% of the construction debt!

This is fantastic and we extend a special "Thank you" to all who have made HML donations or sponsored part of the HML program!

Please keep it up! We're aiming to have the whole debt paid off as soon as possible. If you haven't donated yet or considering a sponsorship, please take note that HML pledges are welcome for either donations or sponsorships. A down payment is all that's required with a promise to pay the balance within a given amount of time.

Don't hesitate to reach out to an HML committee member or Father Henry to discuss how you might participate. The committee members are Father Henry, Quyen Ha, Jack Marcinik, Nancy Williamson, Tony Vu and Joe Creighton.

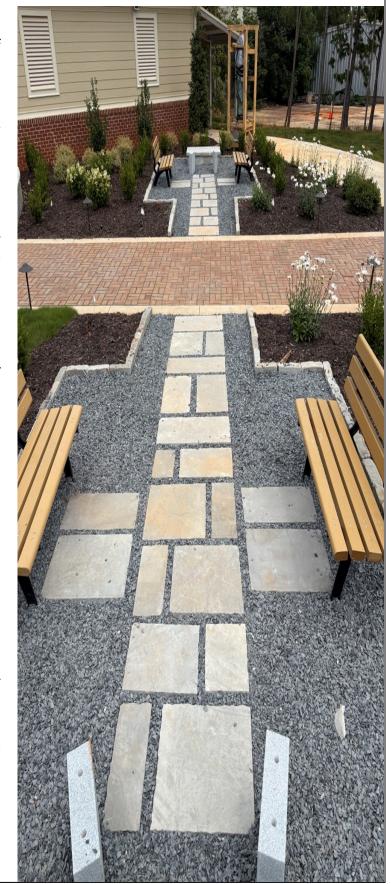
### **HML GARDEN PROGRESS:**

You'll note that the two prayer gardens, the Good Shepherd Garden and the St. Michael Garden both have had Cruciform flagstone paths added. They look great! Come and see!

### **HML DONOR RECOGNITION LEAVES:**

We still need all who have donated to the HML program to let Joe Creigton know that you are a contributor. This is so that your HML Recognition leaves can be ordered. Many donations have been cash, and we have no way of knowing who the donating party is. Joe's email is:

joecreighton@secoinc.biz



The Office of Mission Advancement (OMA) would like to share some new announcements regarding our Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

**Annual Appeal Announcements:** With almost three months since the Pledge/Collection weekend:

Received to Goal: 62% or \$6M

Pledges and Received: 93% or \$9.1 M

23,478 donors

34,399 gifts processed

The OMA team continues to send out pledge reminders, and a second mailing will go out **on June 10**, to those who gave last year but have yet to give (LYBUNT).

Look for some updated bulletin and social media blurbs to help fulfill pledges or to encourage first-time giving in July on our Parish Resource Page.

The Office of Mission Advancement would also like to thank everyone who participated in the **Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2025 feedback survey**. Your insight is truly appreciated as we work to strengthen our 2025 campaign.

AAA 25 survey results and actions may be found here.

#### **Position vacancies**

St. Mary's Catholic Church, located in Toccoa, has an immediate opening for a part-time administrative assistant. This position organizes office procedures and operations to ensure the parish's organizational effectiveness and efficiency.

Qualified candidates should possess a high school diploma and two to three years of general administrative and clerical work experience. Must have strong computer skills and working knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel and Outlook).

Prior light bookkeeping and accounting experience is highly desirable. Candidates are encouraged to apply by forwarding a cover letter (with salary requirements) and resume to Reverand Henry Thắng M. Pham, pastor, at tpham@archatl.com. To learn more about the position, please call (770) 561- 3918.

# Offertory/Contribution Weekend of May 31 & June 01, 2025

weekend of May 31 & Julie 01, 2025		
Weekly Budget	\$ 3,100.00	
Offertory	\$ 4,369.00	
HML (Debt Reduction Program)	\$ 913.00	
Unscheduled	\$ 1,541.00	
Total deposit	\$ 6,823.00	

#### The counters for the week of 06/09 are:

Cathy Staley, William King & Connie Tirico
The second collection for this week is for
BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

Thank you for your generosity!

# The month of June is dedicated to The Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The Month of June (Overview - Calendar) is dedicated to the Sacred Heart. The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the Friday following the second Sunday after Pentecost. In addition to the liturgical celebration, many devotional exercises are connected with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Of all devotions, devotion to the Sacred



Heart was, and remains, one of the most widespread and popular in the Church.

Understood in the light of the Scriptures, the term "Sacred Heart of Jesus" denotes the entire mystery of Christ, the totality of his being, and his person considered in its most intimate essential: Son of God, uncreated wisdom; infinite charity, principal of the salvation and sanctification of mankind. The "Sacred Heart" is Christ, the Word Incarnate, Saviour, intrinsically containing, in the Spirit, an infinite divine-human love for the Father and for his brothers.

Excerpted from the Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy

#### The Popes on Devotion to the Sacred Heart

The feast of the Sacred Heart was approved for specified dioceses by Clement XIII in 1765, and extended to the whole Church by Pius IX in 1856. In 1889 Pope Leo XIII elevated it to the rank of first class, and through an encyclical letter in 1899 dedicated the whole Catholic world to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart was also an essential component of Pope John Paul II's hopes for the "new evangelization" called for by the Church.

"For evangelization today," he said, "the Heart of Christ must be recognized as the heart of the Church: It is He who calls us to conversion, to reconciliation. It is He who leads pure hearts and those hungering for justice along the way of the Beatitudes. It is He who achieves the warm communion of the members of the one Body. It is He who enables us to adhere to the Good News and to accept the promise of eternal life. It is He who sends us out on mission. The heart-to-heart with Jesus broadens the human heart on a global scale."

Here are some of the relevant documents: Leo XIII in his Encyclical Letter <u>Annum sacrum</u> (1889) on the consecration of mankind to the Sacred Heart; Pius XI in <u>Caritate Christi Compulsi</u> (On The Sacred Heart) and <u>Miserentissimus Redemptor</u> (On Reparation To The Sacred Heart); Pius XII in his Encyclical Letter <u>Haurietis aquas</u>; Paul VI in his Apostolic Letter <u>Investigabiles divitias Christi</u> (1965) and John Paul II in <u>Message on the centenary of the consecration of mankind to the Sacred Heart of Jesus</u> (1999), in <u>L'Osservatore Romano</u>, 12 June

### St. Patrick's Prayer

May the Strength of God pilot us.

May the Power of God preserve us.

May the Wisdom of God instruct us.

May the Hand of God protect us.

May the Way of God direct us.

May the Shield of God defend us.

May the Host of God guard us

Against the snares of the evil ones.

Against temptations of the world.

May Christ be with us!

May Christ be before us!

May Christ be in us,

Christ be over all!

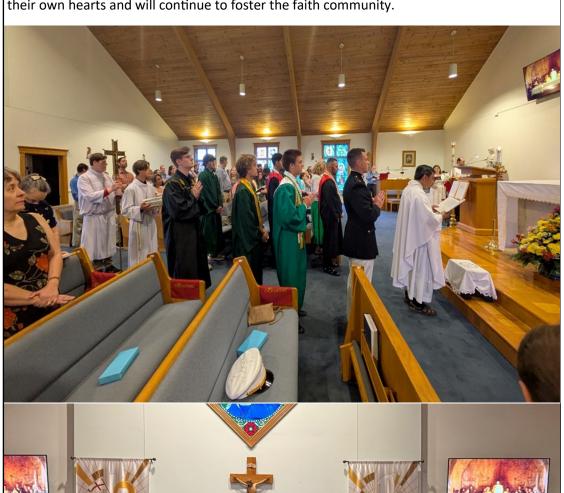
May Thy Salvation, Lord,

Always be ours,

This day, O Lord, and evermore. Amen.

### **Graduation Mass**

We at St. Mary's would like recognize all of our high school and college graduates for their many achievements. These young men have all been members of St. Mary's since they were little and watching them grow and mature in the faith has been a blessing and honor. It is our hope that as they venture out into the world; they will carry the light of Christ with them to everyone they meet on the way. That they will not let that light dim in their own hearts and will continue to foster the faith community.







## **VBS-** True North 2025 "Let's Trust In Jesus



This week has been so exciting as we explored the Alaskan North with the kids at VBS.



We would like to thank all of our station leaders that helped.

As well as our wonderful crew leaders that were the youth of the parish.





Thank you to our generous benefactors that helped with meal preparation, donations for supplies, set up of the rooms and clean up, as well as everyone who helped to make sure our children were fed. It is a wonderful time to be a part of the St. Mary's community as we





