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PENTECOST SUNDAY

"And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim." Acts 2:2-4

In this painting El Greco invites us to ponder one of the greatest events in our history: the birth of the Church. In his masterful interpretation of the Pentecost, he depicts the Blessed Virgin Mary (centrally placed as the 'Mother of the Church') surrounded by the apostles receiving the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove and imparting its presence and gifts made manifest by the 'tongues of flame' marking the moment the Church was given its mission to evangelize.



Saturday, May 27 5:00pm Vigil of Pentecost Mass

(Bilingual)

Celebrant: Fr. Diego

Sunday, May 28

7:30am Thomas Varco

by Tom & Tari Shea

Celebrant: Fr. Alex

9:00am Dec'd Members of Pham family

by their family

Celebrant: Fr. Diego

11:00am Laura & Bill Miller by their daughter

Celebrant: Fr. Diego

Monday, May 29

9:00am Memorial Day Mass St. Luke's Cemetery

Tuesday, May 30

9:00am Maureen Sullivan

by her family Wednesday, May 31

9:00am Judy Achorn Berry

by Christensen family

Thursday, June 1

9:00am Mark Gagnon

by Jim & Carol Mulcahy

Friday, June 2

9:00am Martha Lille Hayden

by Blaney family **Saturday**, **June 3**

5:00pm Dec'd Members of the

Kwiatkowski family by their family

7:00pm Spanish Mass

Sunday, June 4

7:30am Martha Lille Hayden

by Blaney family

9:00am Alma Higginson

by Buragas family

11:00am Jean Thompson

by her family

Please Pray for...

Susan Bailey, Chloe Nascimento, Jonathan Tomashefsky, Brian Howland, Michael LeBlanc, Mary Mahan, Becky Rawson Bev Longime, James Wright, Evelyn Croteau, Beth Lambert, Lynn St. Jean Annabelle Duvane, Shirley DePalma, Agnes Limberger, Zachary Collins, Kupaa Keiley, Tiffany Kelley, Margie Morcone, Sharon Beaulieu, William Fargelli, Stephen & Kimberly Bankcroft, Toby Claufon, Margaret Valis, Dawn Haight, Carol Aloisi, Teresa Putnam, Carmelia Potenti, Courtney Blumberg, Leanne McCann, Ellie Carlson, Jane Burke, Hayleigh Scott, Kellan Keough, Dorothy Clinton, Sr. Pamela Philbin, Karen Mooney. Paul Fallon, Jim Killeen, Luis Ferreria, Helen Galica, Erik Olsen, Vicki Foley, Brendon Crowley, Richard Kane, Grace Roche, Jack Curtin, Jim Bennett, John Lynch, Kathleen Farrar, KirolosGergis, Gregg Merloni, Tome Valadao, Maryann Bisco, Susan Garry, Melvin Boucher, T.J. Bautz, Joan Fallon, Edward Hubbell, Nancy Camp, David Perry, John Durnan, Linda Darby, Annie Mason, Nancy Santory, Laconya Mobley, Maria Matejko, Gary Wilson, Jr., Debbie Giroux, Kevin & Donna Brennan, Luz Chavez, Joel Rivera, Mary Payant, James Thomas, Christina Narensky, Alyssa Bloom, Ann Martin, Michael Berthuime, Trisha Suzi, Norman Beland, Sofia Shahin, Sarah Cox, Hailie McLatchey, Barbara Auger, Barbara Barnes, George Cabana, Beverly Taylor, Jeanne Amendola, Jack Walker, Daniel Baker Rebecca Coax, Robert Trant, Michael McAndless, Michael Del Pozzo, David Sawyer, Madison Knopf, Claire Kennedy, Susanne Ollman, Frank Sannelli, Pat & John Lusek, Michael Zancewicz, Kristy Cautello, Judy Melfa, Neil Kenny, Joseph Malzone, Lois Kerbel, Michael Turpin, Elise Ollman-Kahle, Patricia Amorelli, Connor Blaney, Debbie Krikler, Austin Tomalewski, Gary Shults, Erin Magrane, George Beecher

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We remember those who have died

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Prayers For Sanctity of Life 5:00pm
BENEDICTION AT 6:00PM



We invite you to pray the Rosary everyday after the 9am weekday Mass Monday through Friday



Cover Image: El Greco, *The Pentecost* (Doña María de Aragón Altarpiece, Madrid), c. 1600. Source: Museo Nacional del Prado / Wikimedia Commons

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FROM THE PASTOR

We celebrate today the Solemnity of Pentecost, a Jewish festivity in which, according to the book of the Acts of the Apostles, Jesus' disciples receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The feast of Pentecost goes back to ancient times in Israel. The name comes from the Greek (πεντημοστή), meaning "Fiftieth." The name in Hebrew is Shavuot meaning "weeks" since the feast was celebrated 7 weeks after Passover (Pesah). This celebration holds at least two meanings; one comes from the agricultural world for the time of harvesting (Hag HaKatzir) when the first fruits of barley and wheat were offered as an offering of thanksgiving. The second meaning is the celebration of the reception of the Law on Mount Sinai.

As Israel commemorates the reception of the Torah from the Almighty, Christians rejoice in the bestowal of the Holy Spirit. The prophets had foretold this divine gift during the era of the Messiah, and Jesus had assured his disciples that by declaring him as the Messiah, the promised time had arrived and the gift was imminent.

As Christians, we celebrate Pentecost to signify our hopeful anticipation of the salvation that is available to all who seek it. Nevertheless, as we are bound by the limitations of time and space, we must continue our efforts to establish genuine communion among ourselves in the present, based on the divine example of unity within diversity and difference.

Asking for the gifts of the Holy Spirit entails anticipating practical ways to live in communion. St. Paul refers to each expression of the Spirit as a means of intentionally and tangibly experiencing the fellowship that the Holy Spirit nurtures between us and God. (1Cor 12:7)

We understand the charismatic gifts from the Spirit of God as talents, capacities, and abilities that help us to build a society in communion, reversing the story of Babel that ended up in confusion and dispersion. The supernatural actions of God are directed to achieve the fullness of life we have been called to, both as individuals and members of the human community and the whole of Creation, expressed as many ways as people are.

Pentecost commemorates the divine presence and unity within us, as we willingly embody it and continue to do so through the Spirit's manifestations in those receptive to His inspiration. Happy end of Easter and Happy Pentecost!

Fr. Diego

TOGETHER IN THE SPIRIT

Praise, Worship, Reflection, Prayer Wednesday 6:00-7:30PM May 31

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WORD DEED The sixth grade class took a tour of the including a walk through the printing press. There were so many different parts of the machinery feeding the paper, then printing, sorting, stuffing, folding, counting and bundling. It was noisy and impressive. If one thing went wrong, or got off track, the whole process was shut down, the necessary repair made and then started up again. Everything had to work together if the paper was to get out on time.

Many different gifts and ministries enable the Church to spread the Gospel. The Holy Spirit gives to each of us the virtue, grace and abilities we need to fulfill our part of the mission. No one is overlooked or missed. Through the Holy Spirit, we are joined with the whole communion of saints to form one Body, the Body of Christ. When one part of the Church is off track, or is missing, the overall mission suffers. The Spirit once again comes to heal, forgive, nourish and strengthen the Body and once again, restores unity and strength.

Do not make the mistake of thinking that the mission of the Church is found in the grand and public work of the Church. It is found in the quiet moments of consoling our neighbor, or working at the soup kitchen, or donating clothes to Good Will or helping a young child master math. The Spirit calls us to real people, in real situations, in our homes and within our reach. Use your gifts and keep the mission going! James Gaffney

Please use this address for all parish correspondence. Thank You.



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SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Here at St. Luke's, we follow the guidelines of the national charter for the Protection of Children and Young People approved by the US Bishops and the policies of the Worcester Diocese in screening those who work with children in our care and in helping victims of abuse find healing. For questions, information or help please contact Judy Audette, Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Worcester at 508-929-4361 (direct line and confidential voicemail is available).

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2023

Vigil: (1) Gn 11:1-9, (2) Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b, (3) Ez 37:1-14,(4) JI 3:1-5/ (1) Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15, (2) Dn 3:52,53,54,55,56 or Ps 19:8,9,10,11, (3) Ps

PENTECOST SUNDAY 107:2-3,4-5,6-7,8-9, (4) Ps 104:1-2,24+35,27-28, May 28

29-30/Rom 8:22-27/ Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1+24, 29-30, 31+34/

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church MONDAY Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3+5, 6-7/ May 29

Jn 19:25-34

TUESDAY Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14+23/Mk 10:28-31 May 30

Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary WEDNESDAY Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/ls 12:2-3,4bcd,5-6/

May 31 Lk 1:39-56

Saint Justin, Martyr THURSDAY Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 10:46-52 June 1

Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs FRIDAY

Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 149:1b-2,3-4,5-6a+9b/Mk 11:11-26 June 2

SATURDAY Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs June 3 Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mk 11:27-33

MOST HOLY Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/ TRINITY

2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18 June 4

Pilot Bulletins

Women of St. Luke's Hibachi Dinner

Hibachi Style Dinner at Sachi Restaurant Wednesday, June 7, 2023, 6:00pm Sachi is located in the Roche Bros Plaza

\$35 per person Cash Bar

All women in the Parish are invited! Sign up by May 31 Please email Susan at Diamondgirl623@verizon.net or call / text 508.942.7198.

Pentecost Sunday

"To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." (1 CORIN-Stewardship THIANS 12:7) To receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit you must open your heart and

invite Him in! Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your thoughts, words and actions every day! Be grateful for all the gifts God has given you! Regardless of our individual circumstances, God has given all of us many blessings. What we do with those gifts is our gift back to God! By generously sharing everything we have and everything we are, we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered" and our lives truly reflect God's light, love and mercy.

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Monday, May 29 Memorial Day

We will have our traditional Memorial Day Mass at St. Luke's Cemetery. The Parade of Veterans starts at our cemetery at 8:30am and Mass will follow at 9:15am. (If it rains the mass will be celebrated in the church.) The cemetery is on Route 135 going toward Hopkinton.

We thank **Lawrence Orlando** and **Pat Malone** for their hard work preparing the cemetery for Memorial Day. We are blessed in so many ways by their love and dedication to our parish.



Are you available from 6pm – 7pm once a month on a Monday evening? Do you love the Eucharist and enjoy being with others who are in

need? If so, consider joining St Luke's ministry at Whittier Rehabilitation Hospital in

Westborough. We will train you to be an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion for Catholic residents who are hospitalized there. Not sure if you would be a good fit? Feel free to shadow one of our ministers and if you desire to move forward, we will continue train you. Commitment is once a month on Monday evenings from 6pm – 7:15 pm. For more information, please contact Julie Basque at pastoralassociate@StLuke's-parish.org, or call 508 -366-8509, ext 4.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Westborough Ecumenical Vacation Bible School registration has begun! This year, we will have a stellar time going on a cosmic quest to learn about shining Jesus' light in the world.

VBS will meet Monday-Friday, July 31st-August 4th, from 9am-12pm each day. It is located at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church this year: 183 W. Main Street, Westborough.

Each day will include songs, skits, crafts, outdoor games, Bible storytelling, snacks, and lots of fun and laughter with our volunteers and counselors-in-training! The cost for each camper is \$40 (with a family maximum of \$80) if you register by July 3rd. Registration links and more info can be found on St. Luke's website or here: https://forms.gle/LBitv4ryfjK1Us3q9

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5 PM, in Spanish 7 PM

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:00AM,

11:00AM

Weekday Masses
Monday through Friday,
9:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the Rectory for information

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45PM ~ also by personal request
Reconciliation Room is handicapped accessible

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact a Priest at least six months in advance

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Our extraordinary ministers are always pleased to bring the Eucharist to parishioners who are unable to join us for weekly worship. If you or a family member would like to receive Communion, please call the Rectory. If you know of someone from the parish who is in the hospital, please let us know.





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