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**Mass Schedule:** Sat 5:30p Sun 8:00a & 11:00a Wed & Fri 9:00a **Live-Stream Mass:** May 28 ?

**Reconciliation:** Sat 10a or by appt.

**Office Hours:** Mon—Fri 9a-4p

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### MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

May 27 No Men's Group  
May 27 10:00a Reconciliation till 11:00a  
May 27 5:05p Holy Rosary  
May 27 5:30p Mass †Leo Swiat by Mike & Kathy Walsh  
May 28 7:35p Holy Rosary  
May 28 8:00a Mass For the people of St Martin  
May 28 10:35a Holy Rosary  
May 28 11:00a Mass †Leo Swiat by the Gilbert family  
May 29 Parish office closed  
May 29 No Bible Study with Msgr  
May 31 9:00a Mass †Gerald Yearling  
by Sirotti family  
Jun 02 8:00a First Friday Adoration till 9:00a  
Jun 02 9:00a Mass †Leo Swiat  
by the Gilbert family  
Jun 02 9:00a Adoration continues till 7:00p  
Jun 03 7:30a Men's Group  
Jun 03 10:00a Reconciliation till 11:00a  
Jun 03 5:05p Holy Rosary  
Jun 03 5:30p Mass †Timothy Wolf by Walt Wunderlin  
Jun 04 8:00a Mass †Timothy Kosacek  
by Patricia Chapman  
Jun 04 11:00a Mass For the people of St. Martin



†Pat Thompson  
May 16, 2023

Eternal Rest grant unto her, O Lord

†Don Lemley  
May 17, 2023

Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord

### LECTOR & USHER SCHEDULE

**Jun 03 5:30p Lector:** Roger V  
**Ushers:** Nick & Barb O, Sandy Y, volunteer  
**Raise Rite** DeWolf  
**Jun 04 8:00a Lector:** Priscilla S  
**Ushers:** Joe R, Bill Z, John P, volunteer  
**Raise Rite** Koenigsknecht  
**Jun 04 11:00a Lector:** David S  
**Ushers:** Coleen V, Cindy J, 2 volunteers  
**Raise Rite** Musselman

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Pentecost

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**COME AND JOIN YOUR PARISH FAMILY ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 24TH AT 6:00 P.M. FOR DINNER.** We are honored to have Toni Newell as a guest speaker at 6:45 p.m. Toni is the new head of Catholic Charities for the Diocese of Kalamazoo. The topic of her presentation is "Service as an Expression of our Faith". There are twelve programs that fall under Catholic Charities. I'm sure most of us do not realize the services provided in our Diocese. Be informed! Please sign up for dinner in the narthex. Your Adult Education Committee.

**BISHOPS ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE** Thank you to the 104 families who have made a pledge to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not yet made your pledge, please prayerfully consider doing so and respond next weekend. Your gift, together with those of others across our diocese, will support essential ministries and programs of our Church in Southwest Michigan. You may place your pledge card in the collection basket at Mass or mail it to the parish office. Additional pledge envelopes are available in the pews. No gift is too large or too small.

**FAMILY FARE FUND RAISER PROGRAM DISCONTINUED!** We have been informed by Family Fare that they have discontinued the Direct Your Dollars fundraiser program to pursue other endeavors. Thank you all who devotedly brought your Family Fare receipts each week to help us reach our goals. During the time that I've been here we were able to attain \$2,000 from your receipts. Thank you also to the volunteers who helped us record all the receipts for us to collect our checks. God Bless you, Tim McNamara

**ATTENTION ALL GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!** St. Martin of Tours, your parish community where you worship God and receive His Son Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist, wants to celebrate you, along with our recently confirmed students, and your accomplishments with Mass and brunch on Sunday June 4th. Wearing your cap and gowns, we'll process into the 11 am Mass and worship as one and following, along with your family, we'll enjoy a catered brunch served by Maggie's Catering. Please find a sign-up sheet in the narthex on the Religious Education table to let us know that you and your family will be attending. If you have any questions, please let Tim know at [dre@stmartinvicksburg.org](mailto:dre@stmartinvicksburg.org).

Thank you and God bless you each!

**WE ARE PRAYING THE HOLY ROSARY** during the month of May before the weekend Masses. Rosary volunteers are needed to lead us in the prayers. A sign-up sheet for Rosary leaders is in the narthex. Many thanks to our Rosary leaders!

**THE GARDENING GUILD OF ST MARTIN'S** continues to seek volunteers to keep the garden gorgeous. No experience is necessary! Please prayerfully consider volunteering for an hour a week, or an hour or two a month. Children are always welcome! Please call or text Sharon for more details & information-324.1267. God Bless!

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LORD, send out  
your SPIRIT, and  
renew the face  
of the earth.

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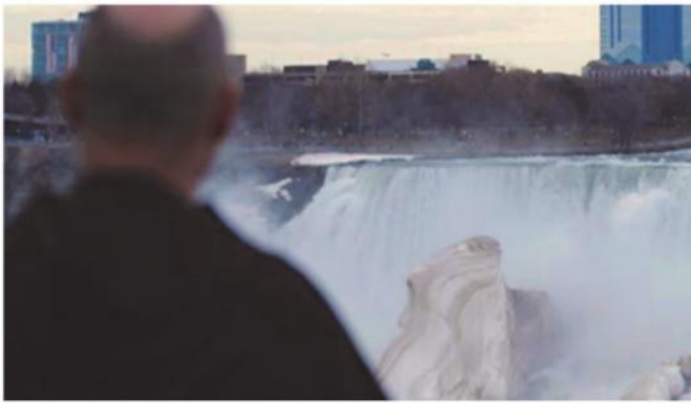
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## God's Love Poured Out | Episode 1

During the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we remember a fundamental pillar of our Faith: "God is love" (1 Jn 4:8). This simple statement is the beginning and the ending of our pilgrimage of Faith. In this episode of The Wild Goose, join Fr. Dave Pivonka as he illuminates God's eternal pouring out of Love.

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### The Age of the Holy Spirit

#### Solemnity of 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*

And with that, the Church was born. Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost which, in many ways, was the culmination of the mission of Christ. The pinnacle of His mission will come at the end of time when He returns in all His glory to judge the living and the dead and to establish His permanent Kingdom. But for now, we live under the rule of the Holy Spirit Who has descended upon us in full form, transforming us and making it possible to prepare for Jesus' final and glorious coming.

The Trinity is truly a Mystery of Faith. In our limited way, we understand that God is Three in One. He is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Each a distinct Person. Each fully sharing in the one divine nature. Though They act in perfect unison, They each fulfill Their unique mission. The Father is the one Who sent the Son into the world and willed that He give His life for the salvation of all. The Son was sent and perfectly fulfilled the will of the Father, uniting humanity with divinity. The Holy Spirit is the Promise of Father and Son Who proceeds from Them and descends upon us, animating us and making it possible for us to share in the life of the Most Holy Trinity.

If that is hard to comprehend, it should be. Our limited intellects can only grasp a shadow of the reality of God. That fact, however, should not discourage us. On the contrary, it should inspire us to anticipate that day when we will see God face to face and enter more deeply into the mystery of His divine life.

Today we especially focus upon the Third Person of the Most Holy Trinity: The Holy Spirit. It is an incredible gift we have been given to live in this age of the Holy Spirit. Perhaps you have thought to yourself that it would have been nice to live during the time that Jesus walked the earth. But Jesus Himself said that it was good that He go. Why? Because then He would send His Advocate, the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Truth, Who will lead you into all Truth. Thus, the age in which we now live, the age of the Holy Spirit, is the most blessed age the world has ever seen. This is because we are now able to receive the indwelling of the Most Holy Trinity by the power of the Holy Spirit. God is no longer spoken only through the prophets. He is no longer revealed only through the Person of the Son in Jesus Christ. He is now also able to live within us, making our very souls His dwelling place. Heaven and earth unite within our souls. There could be nothing greater than this.

As the Holy Spirit descends upon you, He brings the presence of the Father and the Son. They are inseparable. Therefore, as we prayerfully look within ourselves, we discover the Voice of the Father, leading us into His holy will. We discover the Person of the Son to Whom we are called to be conformed in every way, living as members of His very body on earth. This is made possible because the Holy Spirit descends upon us in a way similar to the way the Holy Spirit overshadowed our Blessed Mother, conceiving within her the Son of God. As the Holy Spirit overshadows us, God is conceived within our souls, and we begin to share in the very life of God here and now.

Reflect, today, upon these holy mysteries of our faith. See the actions of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit as a true mystery. The only way we will be able to begin to probe these mysteries is through prayerful pondering. We must look for the workings of God within, see Him at work within our souls, savor His presence, rejoice in it and keep our eyes firmly fixed on Him. We must see the fruit of God's presence in our lives, such as the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Below is a full list of these Gifts. Ponder them today. As you do, and as you see these Gifts within you, you will be seeing God Himself, the Holy Spirit, alive and living within the depths of your soul.

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I worship You and adore You with all my Heart. Thank You, Father, for sending Your Son into the world. Thank You Father and Son for sending the Holy Spirit into my life. May I open my soul more fully to You today and every day so as to prepare for Your glorious return at the end of the ages. Jesus, I trust in You.

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