

PENTECOST SUNDAY

INVEST JUST FIVE MINUTES A DAY, AND YOUR FAITH WILL DEEPEN AND GROW, A DAY AT A TIME."

SUNDAY, MAY 23, 2021 SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST SING A NEW CHURCH INTO BEING

Pentecost celebrates crowded places, multiple languages, and diverse people uniting in one Spirit. It's a hard feast to celebrate during a pandemic in an era clouded by social conflict. All the more reason to challenge ourselves by celebrating not only what makes us the same, but also what makes us different. God showers on the world "gifts that differ," as Benedictine hymnist Delores Dufner declares. So "Bring the hopes of every nation;/ bring the art of every race. /Weave a song of peace and justice;/ let it sound through time and space." And let the church say: Amen!

TODAY'S READINGS: Day: Acts 2:1-11; Galatians 5:16-25 or 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; Sequence Veni Sancte Spiritus; John 20:19-23 (63). "There are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone."

MONDAY, MAY 24, 2021 MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH THE MOTHER OF ALL FEASTS

In 2018, Pope Francis created the new Marian memorial that the universal church celebrates today, the Monday after Pentecost. The title "Mother of the Church" was bestowed on Mary in 1964 by Pope Saint Paul VI at the closing of the Second Vatican Council. Her role as mother of the church goes back to when Jesus, on the cross, gave her and the beloved disciple to one another and to when she became the mother of Christ, whose body we are all members of. Not everyone has a mother figure to rely on—know that you can always rely on the mother of us all.

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; John 19:25-34 (572A). "When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, 'Woman, behold, your son.'"

TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021 MEMORIAL OF MARY MAGDALENE DE' PAZZI, VIRGIN A SPIRIT FOR THE DRY SEASON

When Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi became a Carmelite nun in 1583, she couldn't foresee the great physical suffering from an unknown disease that would besiege her. Nor could she foresee having the same type of ecstatic religious visions—followed by years of "spiritual

dryness"—as did another Carmelite saint, Teresa of Ávila. Magdalene's bout of spiritual dryness, so severe that she considered suicide, ended on Pentecost in 1590. With Pentecost 2021 so recently behind us, pray as she did: "Come, Holy Spirit . . . Come, as you descended on Mary, that the Word might become flesh and work in us through grace."

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 35:1-12; Mark 10:28-31 (348). "Give to the Most High as he has given to you, generously."

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 2021 MEMORIAL OF PHILIP NERI, PRIEST NOW IS THE TIME TO DO GOOD

In the middle of Rome in the 16th century lived a man whose joyful nature made him something of a people magnet for both the powerful and the poor. Saint Philip Neri was a deeply spiritual man who exuded natural warmth, listened well, and in loving generosity, led others to know God. This spiritual director, priest, and confessor was known to ask, "Well, when shall we begin to do good?" It is no surprise that Neri, known as the "Apostle of Rome," inspired followers to join him in caring for the sick and the poor. Where can you do some good today?

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Mark 10:32-45 (349). "For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve."

THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2021 MEMORIAL OF AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP CAN'T WIN THEM ALL

Augustine of Canterbury, memorialized today, is remembered as a major figure in evangelizing England. The renowned Canterbury Cathedral was built on the site of a church and monastery he built around the end of the sixth century. In spite of his stature now as "Apostle of the English," he met with bitter disappointment, too. His efforts to bring the English bishops in line with Rome were roundly rebuffed, a disappointment he took to his death. Can you let go of your failures, knowing that, like Augustine, they do not define your life?

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 42:15-25, Mark 10:46-52 (350). "He began to cry out and say, 'Jesus, son of David, have pity on me.'"

FRIDAY, MAY 28, 2021 GIVE A FIG!

Figs are a popular fruit in the Bible, from Genesis with Eve and Adam wearing fig leaves clear through the Book of Revelation's apocalyptic falling of winter figs. Why so many figs? The fig itself is sweet and has lots of dietary fiber, calcium, and various minerals and

vitamins. It is a great source of energy and flavor. Perhaps because it is so plentiful, delicious, and nutritious, the fig is also rich in symbolism for health and abundance. In the gospels, Jesus expects us to be like figs—to be "nutritious" to others and abundant in our presence and giving. Let us go forth to nurture the world!

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 44:1, 9-13; Mark 11:11-26 (351). "As they were leaving Bethany Jesus was hungry. Seeing from a distance a fig tree in leaf, he went over to see if he could find anything on it."

SATURDAY, MAY 29, 2021 MEMORIAL OF PAUL VI, POPE A PENTECOSTAL POPE

The ecumenical movement received a much-needed boost during the papacy of Saint Pope Paul VI (1963-78). After the Second Vatican Council in the mid-1960s, Pope Paul went out of his way to promote ecumenical dialogue and partnership. When asked by a cardinal for permission to initiate a joint Catholic-Protestant translation of the Bible, Paul is said to have responded, "I am totally in favor!" He issued formal approval later that year on Pentecost Sunday, our recently celebrated feast commemorating the moment when the Holy Spirit allowed believers of all backgrounds and languages to truly understand each other. Come, Holy Spirit!

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 51:12cd-20; Mark 11:27-33 (352). "By what authority are you doing these things?"

Next Sunday SUNDAY, MAY 30, 2021 SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY FOR YOU ARE MY GOD

TODAY'S READINGS: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40; Romans 8:14-17; Matthew 28:16-20 (165). "Know, and fix in your heart, that the LORD is God . . . and that there is no other."

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING CORNER May 22-23 – Pentecost Sunday

The Easter flame opens up this day to Pentecostal fire as we celebrate the sending of the Spirit who makes us God's new creation. There is no return to business as usual, through the action of the Holy Spirit we stand now, as Jesus did, proclaiming in word and deed the saving love of God and the coming of God's reign. Today is not the end of a season, but a celebration of the mission for which we were baptized. Let our alleluias continue to ring as we continue this great mission given us by God!

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MAY 23, 2021 ~ HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH AUSTIN, TX.

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MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY MAY 23 8:00AM

For the repose of the soul of Chief Patrick Onyiaovute, and traveling grace for his family

In Loving Memory of my Aunt Betty Linton, on her birthday in heaven, requested by Jennifer Brooks

SUNDAY, MAY 23, 10:00AM

For all our dearly departed Holy Cross Parishioners, may their families be assured that they are in God's hand, and there is no better place to be.

CALENDAR OF WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday Mass

8:00am – 10:00AM

Rosary Hour – 8:30PM ZOOM

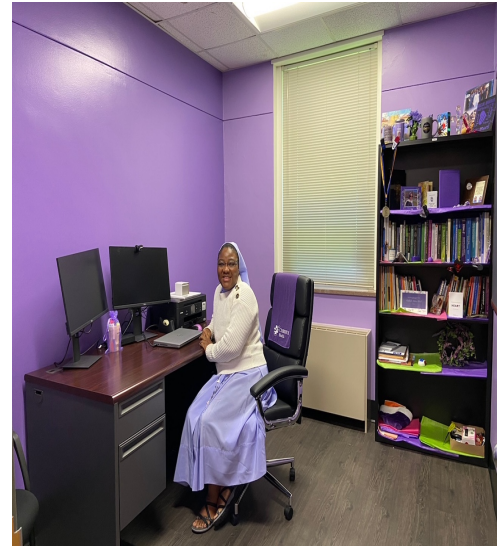
Week Day Mass 12 Noon Tue - Fri

Please contact Dr. Dokpe Ogunsanya if you have any question:
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HOLY CROSS 2021 GRADUATES MAY 30, 2021

Jake Abam
Michael Agwuncha
Jalyn Ellison
Dasia McClain
Patrick Onyia Jr.
JaRayl Peoples
Esperance Asoka Ukanda



Sister Paula

Sister Paula would like to thank all Holy Cross Parishioners for the love and support during her stay in Texas. Sister will remember all parishioners in her prayers.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ella Adams	Mary Anthony
Evelyn Battle	Mildred Carter
B.J. Dukes	Jude Ekpe
Vanessa Downey-Little	Bernie Little
Monica Godsey	Lester Johnson
Marion Welch	Sam King, Jr.
Vonnys Rice-Gardner	Bernadette Phifer
Ella Pease	Betty Ridley
Mary Sobers	Mary Waters
Gloria Harris	Gladie Stelly
Cornelius Harris	Jim Castro
Pearl Cox	Brent Brown
Frances Brown	Naomi White
DeKarlos Blackmon	

MAY 16, 2021

OFFERTORY	\$10,451.00
SVDP	40.00
E-GIVING	2233.68
SVDP(E-GIVING)	29.00
FLC(E-GIVING)	391.00
MSP(E-GIVING)	29.00
FLC/Debt Retirement	1900.00
NEEDS OF PARISH(E-GIV)	146.71
NEEDS OF PARISH	400.00
ASCENSION	45.00
HOLY FATHER	30.00
FISH FRY	150.00

Holy Cross Catholic Church Annual Scholarship

Save the Date!

Scholarship Application available online - Website	April 18 th , 2021
Scholarship Application Submission Deadline	May 16 th , 2021



HOLY CROSS ROSARY HOUR

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