



## Corpus Christi Parish



*"Building the Body of Christ"*

We strive to radiate the presence of Jesus Christ  
in our parish and community  
and invite **others** to join us on our journey.

*May 28, 2023*

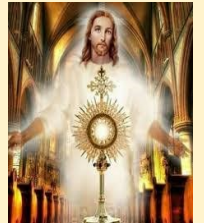


### Eucharistic Adoration at Corpus Christi

**Tuesday: 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm**  
**Thursday: 9:15 am - 12:15 pm**

(Holy Hour for Priestly Vocations  
from 9:15am-10:15am)

**Saturday: 1:00 pm - 3:15 pm**



### *Deacon Aaron Poyer's Blessed Transition*

This weekend I have the sacred task of both *announcing* that Dcn Aaron Poyer will be starting a new assignment on July 1, 2023, and *inviting* you to join me in asking for God's wonderful blessing on our brother. Dcn Aaron came to Corpus Christi in October of 2019, and has truly been a great blessing to the parish, and a great friend and brother to me as well. His leadership, preaching and self-sacrificing approach to ministry has been an inspiration and blessing. To say I'm deeply grateful for the ministry of Dcn Aaron is an understatement...the man has been amazing in his ministry, and I just can't express enough in words what a gift it has been to have him here.

As some of you may know, Dcn Aaron speaks Spanish and has always had a place in his heart for underserved populations. Having attended a Franciscan Seminary, he later chose to live in the city during his college years to be able to serve, when able, in an area of great need. As you may have heard, the population of Latino Catholics is **very large and growing** in the Archdiocese of Detroit. There is a real need for more Spanish speaking priests, and especially, Spanish speaking Deacons to assist the priests we already have caring for the Spanish speaking people. With Dcn. Aaron's ability to speak Spanish, and his holy desire to serve where he is needed the most, the time has come for the Holy Spirit to send him on a new mission in his service in Detroit, a mission involving a lot of Hispanic ministries.

Dcn Aaron will begin his new assignment on July 1, 2023, serving at The Basilica of Ste. Anne de Detroit and Most Holy Trinity in Corktown. Personally, I am very excited for Dcn Aaron, as I know he has had a desire to serve in Hispanic Ministries and that he will indeed minister to many Spanish speaking individuals and families in his new assignment. God has blessed us with Dcn Aaron and now the time has come for us to ask God's blessing on Dcn Aaron as he enters this new season of life in ministry. I would be remiss not to mention the amazing ministry and presence of Dcn Aaron's wife, Julie Poyer, at the parish as well. Julie intends to continue her ministry with Catechesis of the Good Shepherd at Corpus Christi going forward, and so while we'll be seeing less of Dcn Aaron and Julie, we'll still see them from time to time.

On Dcn Aaron's last weekend at the parish (June 24 & 25), he will preach, and we will be sure to have a warm sendoff. And truly, Dcn Aaron & Julie, Corpus Christi will always be a place you can call home!

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**Parish Office Hours are Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9 am - 4 pm**

**Saturday Mass** 4 pm **Sunday Masses** 9 am and 11 am

**Daily / Holy Day Masses** See weekly parish schedule

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays, 1–3:45 pm;** during Penance services; by appointment (call the Parish Office)

**Sick Calls/Prayer Requests:** Please call the Parish Office to schedule or visit or add someone to parish prayer list

**Funerals:** Please call the Parish Office before making arrangements with the funeral home.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Please call the Parish Office for more information.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Please call the Parish Office at least six months before the wedding date.

### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please send bulletin articles and any additional information to :

(cc.bulletin@corpuschristi-detroit.org)

by **12:00 noon on Tuesday** for consideration in the Sunday bulletin.

### Sunday Offertory Report

Weekly Budget 2022 – 2023	\$ 8,115.00
Sunday Offerings 05/21/2023	\$ 5,732.38
Over/ <b>Under</b> for the Budget Year	\$ <b>42,792.17</b>

**Many Thanks for your ongoing donations!**

## The Week Ahead



### Monday, May 29

**Memorial Day**

9:00 am **MASS**

7:00 pm **BIBLE**

**STUDY** (Rainbow Room)

### Tuesday, May 30

8:30 am **MASS**

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm **Eucharistic Adoration**

### Wednesday, May 31

8:30 am **NO MASS or Communion Service**

### Thursday, June 1

8:30 am **MASS**

9:15 am - 12:15 pm **Eucharistic Adoration**

9:15 am - 10:15 am **Holy Hour for Priest Vocations**

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm **Rescue Project** (Rainbow Room)

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm **Evangelical Charity Commission**  
(Rectory Living Room)

### Friday, June 2

8:30 am **MASS**

9:00 am - 9:30 am **Church Decorating** (and/or Saturday)

### Saturday, June 3

10:00 am - 6:00 pm **Confirmation Retreat at Subiaco**  
(off site)

10:00 am - 10:00 am **Church Decorating** (and/or Friday)

10:00 am - 12:00 pm **Image of God Crisis Pregnancy Center - Activities Center**

11:30 am - 2:30 pm **Ladies of St. Peter Claver**  
(Rainbow Room)

1:00 pm - 3:15 pm **Eucharistic Adoration**

1:00 pm - 3:45 pm **Confessions - Church**

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm **Recovery** (Rectory Basement)

**4:00 pm - MASS**

### Sunday, June 4

**Pentecost Sunday**

8:00 am **Coffee and Donuts** after both Masses

**9:00 am MASS**

**9:00 am CGS Level 2**

10:15 am - 11:15 am **Women's Society** (Rainbow Room)

**11:00 am MASS - Graduate Recognition**

**11:00 am CGS Level 1**

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm **Church Decorating**

### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

"Where a Child falls in love with God."

Registration is now open for Level I for any child ages 3-6, which meets during the 11:00 Mass and for Level II for children 7-12 which meets at 9:00 am on Sundays. Catechists and catechist assistants are needed for this ministry. See information in the back of the Church.





# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



## May 28 – June 4, 2023

Sunday	9:00 am	Intentions of our Parishioners
	11:00 am	Intentions of our Parishioners
Monday	8:30 am	+ Deceased Members of Corpus Christi Parish
Tuesday	8:30 am	All the Sick and Homebound and their Caregivers
Wednesday	No Mass or Communion Service	
Thursday	8:30 am	Intentions of our Parishioners
Friday	8:30 am	For the legal Protection of the Unborn and the Corpus Christi Crisis Pregnancy Center
Saturday	4:00 pm	Intentions of our Parishioners
Sunday	9:00 am	Intentions of our Parishioners
	11:00 am	+ Fr. Richard Pouget and + John Pouget

### *An Invitation for YOU...*

We would like to invite adults in our parish to consider sharing your faith with adults, youth or children. We have the OCIA for adults considering coming into the church, sacrament preparation classes for Confirmation and Eucharist. We also have sessions for children in Generations of Faith and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and Liturgy of the Word with Children. If you would like to work with adults, youth, or children, we have a place for you. Please contact Sr. Therese for more information.

### **Please Remember the Sick in your Prayers** **Members of our Parish Family...**

Shermia Anding, Doris Billion, Paul Billion, Jane Breslin, Michael Busby, Jr., Lucius Davis, Mary Davis, Sister Ellen, Connie Gant, Camille Graves-Douglas, Michael Lanton, Nancy Loper, Pat Mueller, Yve Nemeth, Elaine O'Neill, Sean Ross, Shirley Sands, Jeff Smale, Lois Shepherd, Joyce Wilson

### **Friends and Family of Parishioners...**

Sheila Adams, Kelly Davis, Sue Deeds, Barbara Gay, Agnes Holt, Robert Jarey, Pat LaRoy, Harold McRae, Jill Stachkunis, Marilyn Waddell, Sara Nell Wallace, Nevada Worsham

### **Please Remember the Homebound in your Prayers...**

Joseph Cagle, Michelle Cagle, Beatrice Hunter, Beverley Brown-Johnson, Lucy Lee, Thelma Polley, Mary Thompson, Joyce Wilson



### **Corpus Christi 2023 CSA Campaign**

Fr. Patrick here again announcing that beginning this weekend (5/27-5/28) Corpus Christi is embarking on a **five-week** CSA 2023 campaign. The CSA (Catholic Services Appeal) is an annual campaign that takes place throughout the entire Archdiocese of Detroit to help raise funds that assist ministries of the Archdiocese. The theme for this year's campaign is **Go and Announce the Gospel of the Lord**.

In the words of Archbishop Vigneron, "your generosity makes it possible for 170 ministries, services, and programs to love as Jesus loves and bring the indescribable joy found in Him to our communities." The ministries, programs, and services supported by CSA funds help to meet the spiritual and physical needs of countless individuals throughout the Archdiocese and southeast Michigan. It turns out, Corpus Christi is heavily featured in this year's CSA video, check it out by visiting our parish website.

This year, as with last year, the Archdiocese is taking a burden off of parishes by encouraging CSA donations to be given directly to the Archdiocese. It is very easy (and safe) to give online through our parish website: <https://corpuschristi-detroit.org/> Just click on the "How to Donate" tab and then select "CSA" and you'll be on your way to being able to make a quick online donation to the Archdiocese. Going through our website will enable your gift to be automatically counted for funds given from Corpus Christi. Each household also has received a mailing from the Archdiocese that has an envelope in it which you can use to write a check for CSA to the Archdiocese if you would prefer that method. Our CSA target goal this year is \$46,914, which was determined by a formula the Archdiocese uses to determine CSA target goals for each parish.

If you would rather contribute to Corpus Christi's CSA target goal by giving directly to Corpus Christi, you may indeed do so. In whatever way you give, simply specifically identify the donation as "CSA" and we'll be sure to send it along for you. If the parish goes over the goal, those funds go back to bless the parish, if we are under the goal, the deficit is paid out of parish savings. Thank you for every bit of your generosity, God bless you!

*Fr. Patrick*



## Readings for the Week of May 28, 2023

### Sunday: Pentecost

**Vigil:** Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b  
or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/ Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35,  
27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

**Extended Vigil:** Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b  
Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/ Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28,  
29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

**Day:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34  
(see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

### Monday: Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; Memorial Day

Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and  
5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

### Tuesday: World Day of Prayer for Vocations

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

### Wednesday: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd,  
5-6/Lk 1:39-56

### Thursday: St. Justin, Martyr

Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
Mk 10:46-52

### Friday: Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-26

### Saturday: St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mk 11:27-33

### Next Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 (52b)  
2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

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## Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

### The Flame Communicated

“Fire! Fire! They’re all gonna die! They’re all gonna burn up!”

I had absolutely no hope of restoring order as I read the story of Pentecost with my young children last year. As soon as they glimpsed the tongues of fire hovering over the foreheads of the apostles, they were lost to giggles and shrieks. I sighed, sipped my coffee, and wondered resentfully why the Holy Spirit couldn’t have chosen to be a dove on that particular day. Just a nice, peaceful dove.

I’ll say this, though: the fire left an impression. It usually does, doesn’t it? Fire consumes. It renews. It illuminates. It leaves you breathless with fear and awe. The memory and scent and impact of a flame lingers long after it is extinguished.

When I am trying to explain theology to my kids, I have an awful habit of overcomplicating things. I’d had a whole speech prepared for them about what the Holy Spirit is, but it went out the window as soon as they saw the flames. And you know what? It’s probably for the best. They wouldn’t have remembered that speech. The flames, though? The flames they remembered. The flame communicated.

As a result of Pentecost, the apostles suddenly had the ability to give the truth to foreigners. Aliens. People who were heretofore beyond their reach, isolated by language. The flame communicated.

God’s sense of timing is impeccable, and His delivery is carefully crafted. And on Pentecost, the Holy Spirit did not descend as a dove or pour forth as water.

On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit burned.

**“Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.” — Psalm 104**

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**Sunday, June 11<sup>TH</sup> is the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Our Savior, Jesus Christ, our Parish Feast Day.** Our celebration will begin with Mass at 11 am, immediately followed by a Eucharistic Procession, then the Hospitality Committee invites you to join them for an Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social. We will be serving in the Rainbow Room AFTER the Eucharistic Procession. Dine in or carry out. Come and celebrate that great Corpus Christi Parish vibe with Guernsey Farms Ice Cream and more. Please take a moment to sign up at the back of church or email [mary.davis@corpuschristi-detroit.org](mailto:mary.davis@corpuschristi-detroit.org) or call 313-506-7049 to let us know how many are coming and how you can help. Volunteers are needed for set up on Saturday, June 10 and serving and clean up on Sunday, June 11. Please consider pitching in.

### The Little Free Library



The Little Free Library which is sponsored by the Northwest Detroit Youth Coalition has installed a Library box here at Corpus Christi (on our front lawn). We have several library boxes throughout O'Hair Park. Our Library team will stock the box on a weekly basis with spiritual and fun reading books for ages 4 to

12. We are excited about our Corpus Christi box and we want the kids here and in the community to not only read but to enjoy reading. We accept book donations (new and gently used) which you can leave in the parish office. We would like to thank Fr. Patrick who shares our vision.... "We want our kids to read a book and share a book".

### Come Holy Spirit

by Sr. Theresa MacKinnon, D.C.



Today we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles with the Virgin Mary in their midst and filled them with the power to courageously spread the Word of God.

The religious community, the Daughters of Charity, to which I belong, always prays a novena to the Holy Spirit in preparation for this great feast, the birthday of the Church. The prayer we say is the sequence from the Mass of Pentecost. The first few lines are:

*Come, thou Holy Spirit, come,  
and from thy celestial home  
shed a ray of light divine!  
Come, thou Father of the poor!  
Come, thou Source of all our store!  
Come, within our bosoms shine!*

If you have a chance, treat yourself and read the whole prayer in the missalette or on line.

What is going on in the parish for children this summer? Children's activity booklet with pages for each Sunday's liturgy, along with special sections on Mary and on Pentecost. are available in the back of church.

What is **CLOW**? Children's Liturgy Of the Word. This session is for children, twelve years old and younger who have made their first communion. We also welcome younger children who wish to come. The catechists are trained and well prepared to lead the children in reflecting on the scripture readings for each Sunday. This gives the children an opportunity to listen to the readings and discuss them at a level that is meaningful to them. It helps bring the Bible alive for them. This session meets during the 11:00 Mass from after the opening prayer until the offertory when the children return to the church assembly. CLOW meets in the basement of the rectory.

What is **CGS**? Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a catechetical program, based on the Montessori method of teaching. It is liturgically based with emphasis on the needs of the child and how children learn. Children are encouraged to meditate and pray as Jesus prayed. The approach is also a hands-on method where children get to see and use things related to the Mass. We ask that children, ages 3,4,5,6 are registered to attend Level I during the 11:00 Mass in the Atrium, Room 4, in the school building. Children leave Mass at the opening prayer and may be picked up at the Atrium after Mass.

**Look for news about Vacation Bible School in August.**

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

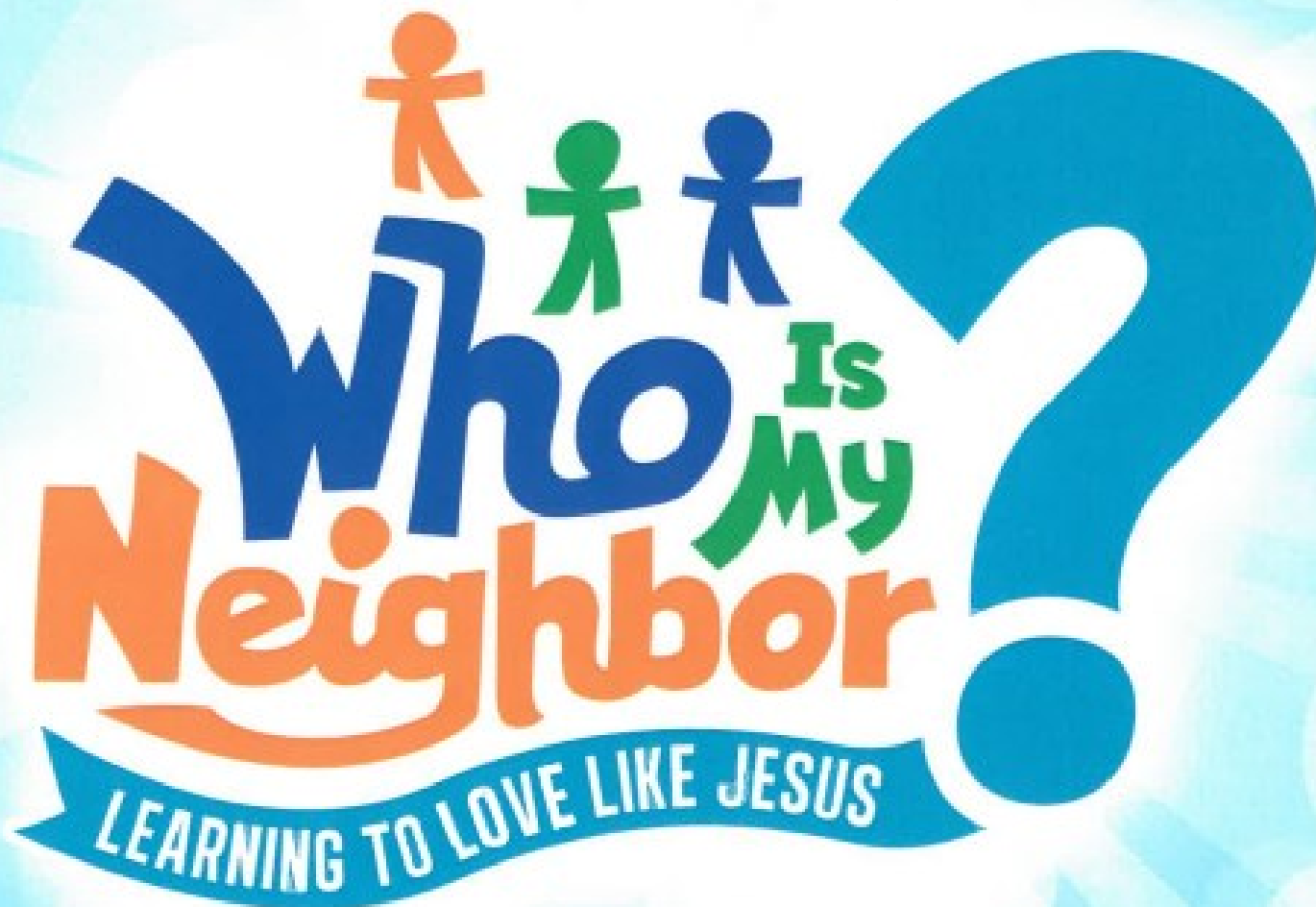
Coming Soon to Corpus Christi

19800 Pembroke (at Evergreen), Detroit, 48219

WHEN: August 14th - 18th (Monday—Friday)

TIME: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

breakfast, snacks and lunch provided



All children Kindergarten through 5th Grade are invited to register.

We are happy to offer this opportunity for free for all who attend.

Friends, family, and neighbors are always most welcome to join us!

Please register and reserve a space by calling, (248) 743-7685.

This enables us to plan for supplies, snacks, and lunches.

We look forward to growing together and sharing  
in the love of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

## Graduate Recognition Weekend



Corpus Christi will be celebrating **Graduates Recognition** weekend Saturday and Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> this year! We want to be sure to celebrate those from our parish who are celebrating a graduation but to do so, we need your help! If you would like your graduation recognized and celebrated at the parish June 24 & 25 please be sure to visit the back of Church and fill in the “**GRADUATION INFORMATION**” sign up sheet and then make sure the graduate comes to one of the parish masses on the weekend of June 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

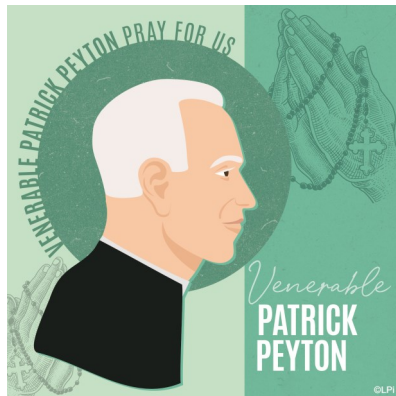
### GRADUATION INFORMATION

**Name of the Graduate:**

**School Being Graduated From:**

**Level Being Graduated From :**

**Any future plans you'd be okay with us sharing:**



## Venerable Patrick Peyton

Venerable Fr. Patrick Peyton was born in Ireland near the Ox Mountains on January 9, 1909, to a devout Catholic family with nine children who prayed the rosary together every single day. Despite his early interest in a priestly vocation, Patrick's rebellious side prevailed and he dropped out of school at an early age, shifting his focus to working on his family's farm. He worked hard on the farm during his youth and teenage years until two of his sisters, who had already immigrated to the states, sent for him and his older brother, Thomas, to join them. The young men immigrated to Scranton, Pennsylvania in 1928 when Patrick was 19 years old. They moved in with their sister Beatrice and her husband.

Originally hoping to embody the American dream and find a job to bring him and his family wealth, Patrick eventually landed as the sexton, or as he referred to the job — “a janitor” — in St. Peter's Cathedral under the guidance of Monsignor Paul Kelly. This job, which had Patrick in the Cathedral and among other religious daily, reignited Patrick's interest in a vocation. As he was lacking his high school education, Monsignor Kelly instructed him to pursue his education first and then investigate joining a novitiate. Soon after this directive, both Patrick and his brother entered the Congregation of Holy Cross in Notre Dame where they finished their high school education and went on to study at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

During his second year at the university, Patrick was diagnosed with tuberculosis and had to leave school to be transferred back to Notre Dame for more intense long-term care. During his time in their infirmary, he dedicated himself to constant prayer, seeking the help and intercession of Mary, Mother of God. It was this devotion to Mary that he credits for the miraculous healing of the disease. His lungs eventually cleared and healed completely so he returned to the university to finish his studies and take his vows as soon as he could. He was ordained on June 15, 1941, at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at the University of Notre Dame, along with his brother Thomas, as priests of the Congregation of Holy Cross.

For his first priestly assignment he was sent to Albany, New York, as a chaplain of the Holy Cross Brothers of the Vincentian Institute. While there, Peyton began the Crusade for Family Prayer. He wrote letters to bishops, Catholic laity leaders, and other Catholic groups promoting the importance of praying the rosary together. Due to his life-long dedication to the Holy Mother and the rosary, he became known as “The Rosary Priest.” He coined the now popular phrases — “The family that prays together stays together” as well as “A world at prayer is a world at peace.”



**SAVE THESE DATES!!!****SUNDAY, JUNE 11**

**Celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi following the 11 am Mass in the Rainbow Room with delicious Guernsey Farms Ice Cream and subs from Jimmy Johns.**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 13**

**Dust off your best Pot Luck recipes for our annual Church Picnic! In the gym & outside after the 11 am Mass.**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 AT 6PM**

**The annual fundraiser Detroit River Cruise for our Haiti Outreach Mission. Sail with us on the beautiful Diamond Belle and enjoy great food, great views and great company all for a great cause.**

**WATCH THIS SPACE FOR MORE DETAILS****We Are Never Alone**

My children want my help sometimes, and other times, not so much. I remember being a teenager and young adult myself. At times, I thought I knew everything. I didn't need help because I was just so darn smart. Truth is, I needed to find my own way. I needed to stretch my wings and prove to myself and my family I could fly. I assume that is what is happening with my own children as well. It just seems so different now that I'm the parent.

Human beings need help. We need community, and we need to rely on one another. At Pentecost, we reflect on Jesus sending to the Church a helper, the Holy Spirit. God interacting with us in this manner means we are never truly alone. We focus most of the time on the Spirit of God as the assistance we need, and we do need Him for sure. However, since it is that very same Spirit that turned us into "Church" from a band of people looking to carry on after Jesus' ascension, at Pentecost we gained more than divine help: we gained each other.

Today, the Church needs help in a profound way. We need to lean on the Holy Spirit to blow through the Church with a profound renewal. But we cannot forget that we have been given each other to lean on as well. We are a gift to each other, and together with the Spirit's help, we are the Body of Christ here on earth. We must be strong and stand for one another. If we do that, this Pentecost will bear fruit that will be with us for many Pentecosts to come.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

**The Gift of Prayer**

Do you want to give an amazing gift to someone you know? Have a Mass offered for their intentions or in Thanksgiving for God's continued blessings in their lives! Mass intention forms can be found at the back of the church and also online. **Pat Tillery is coordinator for Mass Intentions. She can be reached by calling the main office at (313)-537-5770.**

MANRESA JESUIT



RETREAT HOUSE

**Embracing Soul Care**

**T**his weekend retreat in the tradition of St. Ignatius welcomes men and women from parishes in the metro-Detroit area. Our time together includes daily presentations, time on your own to pray, reflect and hear what God may be saying to you through the silence. Walk the nature trail or sit among the trees and gardens. Surrender to the solitude of your own room and enjoy delicious meals with others. Gain insight to help you grow in your relationship with God and one another. Leave refreshed and renewed in body, soul and spirit.

**Retreat Team:**

Fr. Robert Scullin, SJ who is a member of Manresa's Ministry Team, Jesse Cox, Allen Jones, DiAnne Patterson Schultz, Joni Scott and Kathleen Walker.

**Friday, June 2–4, 2023**

Arrive any time after 4:30 PM on Friday, with dinner at 6:00 PM. Retreat concludes Sunday after a later morning Mass.

To register, go to [manresa-sj.org/060223-urban](http://manresa-sj.org/060223-urban) or phone 248.644.4933 Ext. 0.

A non-refundable, non-transferable deposit of \$50 is due at registration.