



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 24

8:00 Sarah Shimmel *by family*

Tuesday, May 25 - St. Bede the
Venerable/St. Gregory VII/
St. Mary Magdalene de
Pazzi

8:00 Communion Service

Wednesday, May 26 - St. Philip
Neri

5:30 Communion Service

Thursday, May 27 - St. Augustine
of Canterbury

8:00 Communion Service

Friday, May 28

8:00 Special Intention

Saturday, May 29

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's

4:30 Joseph Mueller *by wife*

Sunday, May 30 - The Most Holy
Trinity

8:00 Earl and Marie Reger *by
Gerry and Sandy
Klostermann*

10:15 Eleanore Demblewski *by
family*



Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday - 1 Peter 1:3-9;

Mark 10:17-27

Tuesday - 1 Peter 1:10-16;

Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday - 1 Peter 1:18-25;

Mark 10:32-45

Thursday - 1 Peter 2:2-5, 9-12;

Mark 10:46-52

Friday - 1 Peter 4:7-13; Mark
11:11-26

Saturday - Jude 17, 20b-25; Mark
11:27-33

Next Sunday - Proverbs 8:22-31;
Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

If you ask me, a *house*
becomes a *home* when
you can write "I LOVE
YOU" in the dust on the
furniture.



PASTORAL SHARINGS

Pentecost! This is the day the Spirit came, a celebration of the great event when diverse individuals became one. Just as the breath of God animated the first human beings and the mighty wind of Sinai re-created them into one people of God, the Spirit unites members of every nation, race and tribe. This happens when people gather together to pray and seek God's guidance. Then the breath of God opens closed minds so that prejudices disappear and the barriers between us vanish. Then everyone will sing the praises of God in one voice.

Paul understood the unity that Christ intended for the church. Although there are many members with unique gifts and different ministries, there is only one Spirit, one Lord of all—women and men, black, brown, red, yellow, white. We are all one people, baptized into one Body. What a mystery when the Body of Christ processes to the table to share in the Body of Christ—His broken body offered for our broken lives, offered to heal a broken world!

"Peace be with you!" Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit into each of us, and the tiny spark becomes a giant blaze burning with God's love and mercy. Cold hearts are melted by God's grace to love and pardon those who are held bound by hatred and unforgiveness. Everything we do must be done for the common good of all, for without God's Spirit we will perish, and all our efforts will turn to dust. The "Great 50 Days" may have ended, but the task of bringing about God's reign has just begun.

A Pentecost Prayer: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. And kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you will renew the face of the earth. Let us pray: Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit you have taught the hearts of your faithful. In the same Spirit help us to relish what is right and always rejoice in your consolation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers

Our Special Prayer Request for the Week: That our community be an example to others and that the power of the Spirit renew and transform the people of today; we pray to the Lord...



Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members particularly; Thomas Brennan, Alexis Bruno, Julie Conschafter, Loretta Varo, Julie Carlo, Pamela Rodgers, Rose Cvitanovich, Rita Matynka, Scott Tellgren, Dan Roland, Roxanne Gabbey, Kevin Bowerman, Ed Buekers, Mike Levandowski, Arlene Scheeda and Arlene Corbett. Please also continue to pray for the troops who are serving our country in Iraq, Afghanistan and around the world, especially Kenneth Pask.



In a Little League baseball game, a line drive was hit to right field, but the little right fielder made no attempt to catch it. At the end of the inning, the coach asked the boy why he hadn't tried to catch the ball. The boy opened his glove to show a butterfly he had caught in the field. "if I'd caught that ball," said the boy earnestly,, "my new friend would have been killed."



Knights of Columbus - John Cardinal O'Hara Council is sponsoring a "Weekend Get-Away" for two at Salvatore's Garden Hotel, 6675 Transit Road. Raffle includes: dinner for two at Russell's, a one-night stay in a Jacuzzi suite, a good morning breakfast buffet, plus \$100 for miscellaneous expenses. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Please contact Bill O'Donnell at 542-3036 or Greg Hartl at 542-6353 for tickets. The drawing will be held at Our Lady of Peace on June 5, 2010. The Knights of Columbus thank you for helping support their charitable works.

A Local March for Life - Saturday, May 29 at 8:00 am. Mass at St. Rose of Lima Church, Parkside and Parker Avenue, Buffalo. Mass is followed by praying the rosary quietly in a walking procession to a local abortion clinic. This event is prayerful, peaceful and open to all. The goal is to pray for an end to abortion.

Take A Reflective Moment . . .

In our attempt to praise our risen Lord we compound image upon image, metaphor on metaphor. Jesus is the king who reigns in heaven; the victorious conqueror of primordial chaos; the one who governs both heaven and earth with justice rather than brute force; the one who elicits rejoicing rather than fear. He is the Son of Man seen by Stephen, standing in heaven in the place of honor at God's right hand; the one to whom were given dominion and glory and kingship. He is the consummation of all things; the Alpha and Omega, the first and last, the beginning and end. He is the long-awaited Messiah, who heralded the new day of promise. We have heard Jesus described with these images so many times they may have lost their power in our lives. If He is indeed all they imply, why is our faith so weak, and why are our lives so shallow? Stephen prayed to be received into the presence of this exalted Lord, and his prayer was answered. But he is not the only one invited to share in Christ's exaltation. All who wash their robes have been given a right to the tree of life and permission to enter the new city through its gates. Jesus prayed for *us* to share in the intimate union that was His with God. It was His wish that *we* would be with Him, that *we* would share the glory that had been His from the beginning and will be His forever in His exaltation. This Sunday we ponder these things as we await the power of the Spirit of God, which will soon take hold of us.

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
 Body of Christ, save me.
 Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
 Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
 Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
 O good Jesus, hear me.
 Within my wounds hide me.
 Suffer me not to be separated from thee.
 From the malicious enemy defend me.
 In the hour of my death call me
 and bid me come unto thee,
 that with thy saints I may praise thee
 for ever and ever. Amen.



Lord, Jesus, Son of Mary, You called the apostles to become "fishers of men." We pray that many faith-filled and courageous young men and women will follow Your call to religious life. Inspire them to dedicated their lives to building up Your kingdom on earth. Lord, we pray as well for all priests and religious. Help them to be joyful in service to Your people, and eager to bear witness to the power of Your love in the world. Lord, help them to remain steadfast in their commitment to You and Your people. Grant them the gifts of wisdom and understanding, and reward them with lasting peace and joy. Grant that they may work without ceasing in obedience to Your will and for Your greater honor and glory. Amen.

"Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love." Send forth workers into your vineyard. May some of our parishioners choose to serve you by becoming priests, brothers, sisters and deacons. If God is calling you, call Father Walter Szczesny at 847-5535.

Attention St. Teresa's Cemetery Visitors: Just a reminder that all garbage is to be taken with you when you leave the cemetery. We do not have a service that picks it up for you. Thank you for your courtesy in this matter!

BOTTOM LINE:

The Spirit sends us forth.