

THE VOICE

May 31, 2020

ST. GERALD

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

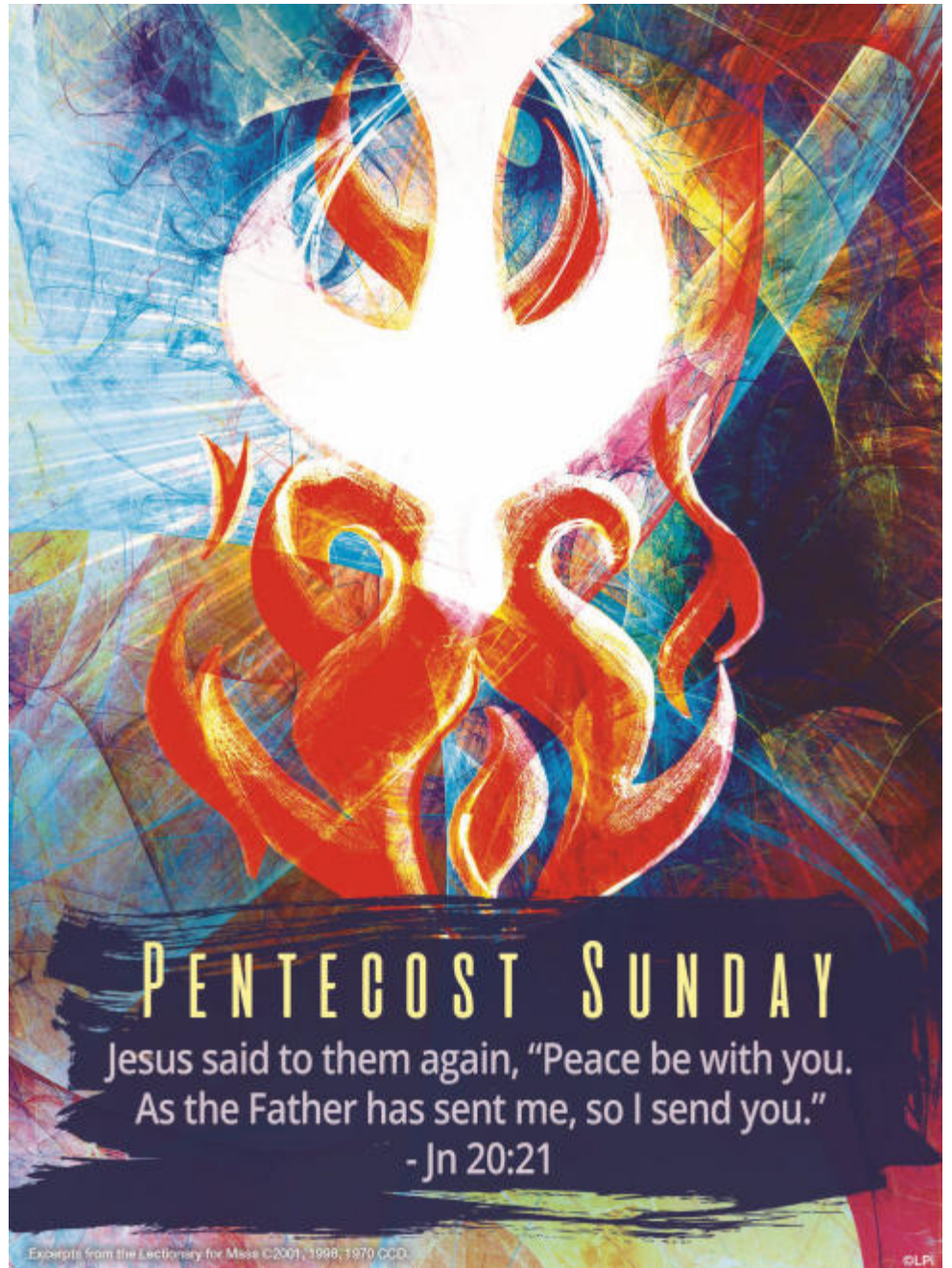
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m.
and 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS

Monday, Tuesday, Friday:
9:15 a.m.
Thursday Evening: 7:00 p.m.

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.



First Friday, June 5

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the 9:15 AM Friday morning Mass ending with Benediction at 5:00 PM.
Adorers needed.**

**Weekday Mass Intentions
June 1 - June 6**



<u>Date</u>	<u>Intention</u>
June 1	Special Intention
June 2	Peter Zanotti
June 4	For All Our Parishioners
June 5	Matthew Egal
June 6	9:15 AM - Dobbs, Kemp, Trayer, Robrecht and Goderman Families

Readings for the week of May 31, 2020

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6
-7/Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16
[1]/Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef [1b]/Mk
12:18-27
Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15/Ps 4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [4]/Mk
12:28-34
Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17/Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168
[165a]/Mk 12:35-37
Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8/Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22 [cf.
15ab]/Mk 12:38-44
Next Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56
[52b]/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

**The Most Holy Trinity
Mass Intentions**

5:00 PM

James Mayotte

Requested by Hunckler Family

8:30 AM

Rina Didonato

Requested by Flora Rossi

10:15 AM

Eglandina Valente

Requested by Valente Family

12:00 PM

For All Our Parishioners

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Pentecost comes 50 days after Easter and ten days after the Ascension of Our Lord, Pentecost marks the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles. For that reason, it is often called the "the birthday of the Church."

Pentecost Sunday is one of the most ancient feasts of the Church, celebrated early enough to be mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles (20:16) and Saint Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (16:8).

When the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles, they were granted the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Those gifts helped them to fulfill their mission to preach the Gospel to all nations. For us, too, those gifts—granted when we are infused with sanctifying grace, the life of God in our souls—help us to live a Christian life.

The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit are:

Wisdom
Understanding
Counsel
Fortitude
Knowledge
Piety
Fear of the Lord

After Christ's Ascension into Heaven, the Apostles knew that He had promised to send His Spirit, but they did not know exactly what that would mean. Granted the gifts of the Spirit at Pentecost, however, they were able to speak the Good News to all men in each of their languages. On that first Pentecost Sunday, over 3,000 people were converted and baptized.

Between Ascension Thursday and Pentecost Sunday, the Apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary spent nine days in prayer, waiting for the fulfillment of Christ's promise to send His Spirit. This was the origin of the novena, or nine-day prayer, that became one of the most popular forms of Christian intercessory prayer (asking God for something).

From the earliest days of the Church, the period between Ascension and Pentecost has been celebrated by praying the Novena to the Holy Ghost, asking God the Father to send His Spirit and to grant us the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit.

While the Novena to the Holy Ghost is most often prayed between Ascension and Pentecost, it can be prayed at any time we find ourselves in need of the strength that the Holy Spirit grants through His gifts.

When the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles, He appeared as tongues of fire. Living as Christians means letting that fire burn within us every day, and for that, we need the constant intercession of the Holy Spirit.

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