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Pentecost Sunday

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend

Saturday Vigil

7:00pm Spanish (organ & cantor)

Sunday

8:00am English (organ & cantor)
9:30am Spanish (organ & cantor)
11:30am English (organ & cantor)
1:30pm Vietnamese (keyboard & choir)

Weekdays

Monday - Friday

8:30am Spanish 12:00pm English

Thursday & Saturday

7:45am Vietnamese

SACRAMENTS

Confession, First Communion and Confirmation

Make contact with the coordinator of this area for information about the various programs available. Appointments can be made in the parish office at anytime.

Baptism

Parents wishing to baptize their children (ages 1-5) are invited to make an appointment in the parish office to speak with a staff member in order to make arrangements.

Confessions

Saturday 5:30-6:30 p.m. and at the parish office by appointment.

Marriage

Couples planning to be married should call for an appointment six months in advance of the wedding.

Visits to the Sick

In emergency, call the parish office at any hour. Please inform the office of sick or homebound who desire the sacraments.

2 PRAYER AND WORSHIP

MAY 24, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 25

9:00 a.m. All souls, Joseph Fausto Dunk (D), Ayamilki Matos Segura (D), Isabel Mercedes Jimenez (D)

Tuesday, May 26

8:30 a.m. America Garcia Polanco (D), Josefa Lopez de Peña (D)
12:00 p.m. Peace & health of mothers

Wednesday, May 27

8:30 a.m. Olinda Salcedo, Anastacio Montero, Fernando Hernandez (D), Ana Felicita Hernandez - conversión
12:00 p.m. Crespianiano Flores Paulino & Angela Espinal (D), Oneal A Grell (D)

Thursday, May 28

8:30 a.m.
12:00 p.m. Ricardo Reyes (D)

Friday, May 29

8:30 a.m. Jose Peguero Montero & Jose Peguero Mejilla (D)
12:00 p.m. Cirilo Abrea, Elena Abrea, Cresus Abrea, Jane Weiss (D)

Saturday, May 30

7:45 a.m. All Souls
7:00 p.m. Ramon Ceballos (D), Candida de Leon (D), Benera Sufron, Petra Ortiz, Damaris Sanchez, Wilberto Rivera, Angel Luis Figueroa (D), Marciano & Anita Ramales, Udulia Muñoz, Jose Flores (D), Jane Weiss (D) - 40th day of death, Virginia Yatol (D)

Sunday, May 31

8:00 a.m. People of SNT
9:30 a.m. Anajulia Nuñez (D), Manuel Mendieta, Claudia Molina, Bolivar Mendieta, Pastora Mendieta (D)
11:30 am Andrew Burnett (D), Elisabeth Basambukila (D)
1:30 pm Gioanbaotixita Hung (D)

READINGS

First Reading:

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. (Acts 2:3-4)

Psalm:

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (Ps 104)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. (1 Cor 12:12)

Gospel:

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (Jn 20:21)

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Readings for the week of May 24, 2026

Sunday: **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 and 35, 27-28, 29b-30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 or, for the **Extended Vigil:** Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/ Jn 7:37-39 (see Lectionary for Mass Supplement, 62) **Day:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1 and 24, 29-30, 31 and 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23
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: 1 Pt 1:10-16/ Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/ Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mk 10:32-45
Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/ Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5/ Mk 10:46-52
Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13/ Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-26
Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25/ Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mk 11:27-33
Next Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

PENTECOST

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Pentecost Sunday
John 20:19-23

"He breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.'" (John 20:22-23)

For those of us who go to confession regularly, there is often a familiar frustration: "Why do I keep confessing the same sins?" It can feel like a loop, cleansed but unchanged.

Pentecost reveals a hopeful perspective. When the Risen Jesus breathes on his ashamed and fearful disciples and gives them the Holy Spirit, he echoes Genesis, when God breathes life into Adam. This is not just primarily the removal of guilt, but new creation.

In confession, we receive more than forgiveness. We receive a fresh outpouring, the breath of the Spirit, and a renewed mission. Jesus does not say to us, "You're forgiven, now go back to your old life." He says, so to speak, **"As the Father has sent me, so I send you."** (John 20:21)

That is why penance is not just saying a few prayers. It is reorientation. It is the Spirit summoning us to live differently: with mercy and healing.

Just as Adam was sent into the world, and the Apostles were sent out after Pentecost, so too we are sent from the confessional — not just clean, but consecrated.

Pentecost Challenge: After your next confession, ask the Holy Spirit for one way you can participate in Christ's healing will for you. Then take one small, concrete step, and do not look back.

— *Father John Muir*

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Pilgrimage of St. Nicholas of Tolentine Parish
Following St. Augustine's footsteps in Italy:
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Sept. 21st- Oct 1st, 2026 Spir. Dir.: Fr. Luis Vera, OSA

- 21-Sep NY -Rome
- 22-Sep Parish of St. Aurea in Ostia, Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls
- 23-Sep Audience with Pope, St. Peter and St. Augustine Basilica, P. Navonna & Trevi
- 24-Sep Bas. of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Roccaponera, St. Rita of Cascia Basilica
- 25-Sep St. Rita of Cascia Convent, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Clare, and St. Carlo Acutis
- 26-Sep St. Mary of Angels (Porziuncula), St. Gimignano
- 27-Sep Holy Cross, Di Santo Spirito and St. Mary the Fiore Basilica. Piazza de la Repubblica, Porcellino market and Ponte Vecchio
- 28-Sep San Pietro in Ciel d'Oro (skeletal remains of St. Augustine), Certosa di Pavia
- 29-Sep Cassago Brianza
- 30-Sep Duomo, St Ambrosio Basilica and Saint Lawrence Maggiore Parish.
- 01-Oct Departure to NY

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Today, Jesus calls the Holy Spirit "the Advocate." The Latin for lawyer is "advocatus." Like a lawyer, the Holy Spirit defends us. The Holy Spirit guides us. So, when you're in trouble, don't forget: ask for your lawyer, and do what he tells you.

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