

Pentecost

SUNDAY

June 9, 2019



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There appeared to them tongues as of fire,
which parted and came to rest on each one of them.

Acts 2:3

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Three apostles fell asleep while praying and they all ran away at the first sign of trouble. Mary Magdalene was mentally ill. The Samaritan woman was divorced—more than once. Zaccheus was too small. Paul was too religious. Timothy had an ulcer and Lazarus was dead!

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REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

In the Middle Ages, when science seemed to be stepsister to the arts, people thought that phlogiston was what made something burnable. The more phlogiston, the more readily flammable was the way they understood physics' inner workings. It explained why rocks did not burn and why straw readily did.

Though phlogiston has long been shelved, its theory is not so far removed from how the Spirit of God burns in our lives, nor is it far from the gifts that God's Spirit sets aflame in us. If some effort of ours glows with light and heat, it may be a sign of much Spirit, sort of like phlogiston. On the other hand, if in our effort to shine there's not even a spark, it's quite likely that that is not where the Spirit has settled into us. It might be better to pay attention then to some other aspect of life.

The struggle is to make sure that our imagined passion and where the Spirit of God wants us to be are one and the same so that the former does not cause us to stray from the latter. How does anyone know if they are where they should be? St. Paul says that the Spirit gives each of us our own dose of divine giftedness, our own spark with which to shine, but it's not given to us for our own glory or fun or feel-good self-image but for the good of others, for the community, for building up life. John's Gospel suggests one other such test—whether or not we're at peace. That, too, is the Spirit's gift.

—Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

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CHOSEN, NOT PERFECT

Watch small children singing their favorite song and you'll hear voices piped up loud and clear, and see happy, smiling faces. How quickly we forget this as adults, and become so solemn and even anxious about faith and take ourselves much too seriously. We may think we have to be perfect before God can use us or make a home in our hearts. Some of us, according to one bishop, even come back to confession week after week and confess the same sins. Today we remember Pentecost, the fiftieth day after Easter when, as promised, the power of the Holy Spirit was poured out onto the apostles. This was not just one historical event reserved for them alone. The Spirit is poured out continuously for us all. But your heart must be open to being transformed as the apostles were. Take heart from this popular list of the unlikeliest characters that the Spirit has transformed for God's purposes. *Adam* was a coward. *Noah* was a drunk. *Sarah* was too old. *Isaac* was a daydreamer. *Jacob* was a liar. *Joseph* was abused. *Moses* had a stuttering problem. *Gideon* was afraid. *Samson* was a long-haired womanizer. *Rahab* was a "lady of the evening." *Jeremiah* was too young. *David* had an affair and was a murderer. *Elijah* was suicidal. *Isaiah* preached naked. *Jonah* ran from God. *Naomi* was a widow. *Job* went bankrupt. *John the Baptist* ate bugs. *Peter* denied Christ—three times. *Martha* worried about everything.

MASSES CELEBRATED

DURING THE WEEK

ARE HELD

IN THE CHURCH

SATURDAY — JUNE 8

4:15 — 4:45pm — Confessions

5:00 — Tom Fox for his birthday req. by Doris Fox and for Jim Ellermeier on the 16th Anniversary of his death req. by Carole Ellermeier

SUNDAY — JUNE 9

8:30am — Judy and Lenny Rehak req. by the Rutke's and for The People of St. Luke Parish

11:00 — Breinig & Neff families req. by Mary Breinig and for Felicidad & Norberto Santarromana req. by Sunny Zenarosa

MONDAY — JUNE 10

Mass will not be celebrated today

TUESDAY — JUNE 11

Mass will not be celebrated today

WEDNESDAY — JUNE 12

Mass will not be celebrated today

THURSDAY — JUNE 13

Mass will not be celebrated today

FRIDAY — JUNE 14

Mass will not be celebrated today

SATURDAY — JUNE 15

4:15 — 4:45pm — Confessions

5:00 — Joseph Lewek req. by his children and for Edward & Marcella Schutz req. by their family

SUNDAY — JUNE 16

8:30am — The People of St. Luke Parish

11:00 — Joe Neff req. by Mary Breinig



Please pray for the sick in our parish, especially John & Pat Angelo, Yecenia Bosley, Jenny Casale, Norman Jean Dennison, Disabled Vets, Angel Faulkner, Billy James Gage, Susan Hendron, Tiffany Jacobelli, Tom Mattingly, Patricia Micetic, Abby Peck, John Rossi, Wanda Slupik and Laura Lee Tegtman.

Please remember our beloved dead, especially Eleanor Evans and the men and women who have given their lives for our country.



June 2, 2019

REG. CHURCH SUPPORT	
130 SUN. ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTIONS	=\$4,149.00
LOOSE CONTRIBUTIONS	=\$ 266.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	=\$4,415.00
AVERAGE CONTRIBUTION	=\$ 33.97

PARISH IMPROVEMENT = \$ 1,004.00

ASCENSION = \$ 222.00

Thank you so much for your ongoing generous financial support of St. Luke Parish! Every amount contributed helps, so we respectfully ask that you continue to regularly use your church support envelopes. It is your generosity that allows us to do what we do. Please give as your financial needs allow.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13) or *Romans 8:8-17*.

Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission (John 20:19-23) or *John 14:15-16, 23b-26*.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14;
Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 119:129-133,
135; Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5-9; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15 — 4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14;
Mt 5:20-26
Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116:10-11, 15-18;
Mt 5:27-32
Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;
Mt 5:33-37
Sunday: Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5;
Jn 16:12-15

PENTECOST SUNDAY

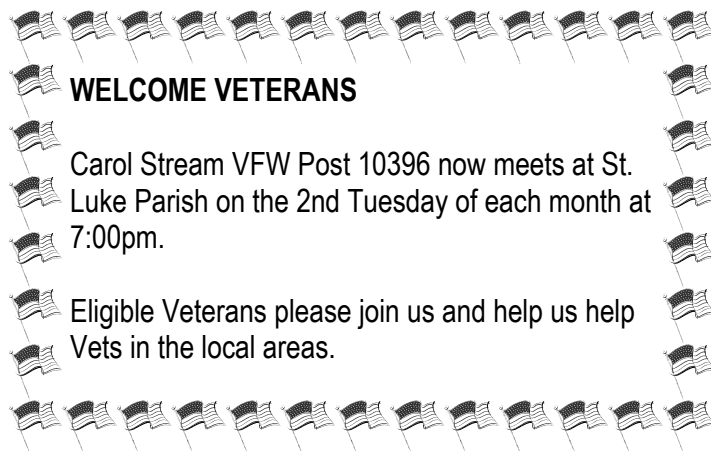
Acts 2:1-11. Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34. 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13. OR Romans 8:8-17. John 20:19-23. OR John 14:15-16, 23b-26.

Being sent. Filled with the Spirit, they were sent to speak in every tongue of Good News. Amazing! Even though I may know only one language, I can “speak” with action of Christ’s peace and love. We pray: Come and fill us!

- ◆ What peace does the world need? My town? My home?
- ◆ How will I trust the Holy Spirit to give me what I need?
- ◆ What mercy work will I “speak” by my action?

MEN OF THE PARISH!

What is your Mission! You are invited to join St. Luke Adult Religious Education as we discuss men’s role in the church. To help the discussion we will be referring to Bishop Olmsted’s exhortation “Into the Breach.” We will meet at 9:45 on June 9th in Jericho.



WELCOME VETERANS

Carol Stream VFW Post 10396 now meets at St. Luke Parish on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm.

Eligible Veterans please join us and help us help Vets in the local areas.

CASH CARD UPDATE

Pick up CCW cash cards **THIS** weekend. Use a card to fill up your tank, stock the kitchen, grab some coffee or lunch. Use cards to fill your garden shed, too. CCW thanks you. This is the last sale until the fall. Check it out!

ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER CAMPS

Wide variety of camps and clinics available for students entering grades 1-12. You can register at the following: <https://sfhs.8to18.com/accounts/login>.

Performing & Visual Arts Camps: Summer Musical, Summer Musical Stage Crew, Young Spartan Showcase, Drawing Skills, Art Exploration, Band, Beginning Guitar, Intro to Jazz, Jazz, Music Ensemble, Drumline, Swing Choir, IMEA Choral, Vocal Arts

Curricular Camps: Fun with Grammar, Punctuation Power, Writing the College Application Essay, Yearbook

Technology Camps: Freshman 101, Maker Camp

Athletic/Co-Curricular Camps: Bass Fishing, Baseball, Basketball, Cheer, Dance, Football, Golf, Lacrosse, Running, Soccer, Softball, Strength & Conditioning,

Swim Technique, Tennis, Volleyball, Wrestling

St. Francis High School is a college-preparatory, co-educational Catholic high school located in Wheaton, Illinois and is celebrating more than 60 years of promoting spiritual, academic, physical and social development in students.

JUNE BUG DANCE

St. Peter Church. 202 E. Schaumburg Rd., Schaumburg

Saturday, June 15th from 6:00 – 10:00pm

Specific food will be served between 6:30 - 7:30pm

Soft Drinks, water, Coffee will be available Bring a snack to share

DJ Lou from 6:30-10:00pm

Tickets: \$12.00 per Person. For additional information call Joan Neville: 847/397-9643 Email: nevillejoan1@aol.com or go to the website: anewstartclub.com

Everyone is welcome (Including other groups)

SERRA MASS AND DINNER

THE SERRA CLUB OF DUPAGE, an organization supporting vocations to the priesthood and religious life, invites you to join them on Monday, June 24th at St. Michael's Parish in Wheaton. The evening will begin at 6:00pm with Rosary and Mass in the Church. Dinner will follow in the Parish Center. Bishop Daniel Conlon will be the celebrant of the Mass and will install the new SERRA Officers.

To make a reservation for the dinner, or to find out more about SERRA, please contact Joann Carr at 630/665-0994 or email her at carrgeojo@gmail.com.

VITAS HEALTHCARE

We look forward to VITSA Healthcare's tenth annual Hearts & the Arts program, which will be held this summer.

This fun and meaningful program is for children who may benefit from a music therapy bereavement group. Participants will use live music (singing, instrument playing, lyric

analysis, songwriting, etc.) and other art forms (movement exercises, drawing, and crafts) to promote self-expression and help cope with grief.

There is no charge to participants. Members from the community are welcome to enroll, and no prior involvement with VITAS is required.

Hearts & the Arts will take place at the VITAS Lombard office, 580 Waters Edge, Suite 100, Monday through Thursday: July 15-18. Sessions will be from 9:30am to 12:30pm with a free lunch provided. While the children meet with VITAS music therapists, a concurrent support group held for adults will be led by VITAS social workers.

If you have any questions or wish to register your child or children, leave a voicemail for Ana Madden or Bryn McCabe, VITAS Music Therapists, by calling the VITAS office at 630/495-8484. Or email ana.madden@vitas.com or bryn.mccabe-weiland@vitas.com.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC SINGLES CONFERENCE

Looking for more Catholic community and spiritual enrichment? Join like-minded single Catholics, from all over the country, at an upcoming retreat near **Chicago, July 26th - 28th**. Fr. Thomas Loya and Jim Martini will be presenting on the theme of **"Remaining Relational in an Unrelational World."** The weekend will also include music, time for reflection, Mass, fellowship and more.

Space is limited so register now! For more details and to register visit www.JPIIevents.com (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512/766-5798.)

The National Catholic Singles Conference (NCSC), which has been an annual national event since 2005, is hosting a summer retreat in Mundelein, IL, at the end of July. The retreat is organized by Anastasia Northrop (a longtime promoter of John Paul II's work and message). She has taken to heart the Church's call to a New Evangelization and ministers in particular to single Catholics. Her conferences have been welcomed in eleven dioceses across the United States, with support from the local ordinaries and bishops of neighboring dioceses. The conference normally draws 400-500+ attendees from over 40 states, as well as internationally.