

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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This Weeks' Masses and Liturgies

DATE	DAY	TIME	INTENTION	SAINT / FEAST
May 11	Mon			
May 12	Tues	7:30 am	Shelly Chloupek	
May 13	Wed	7:30 am	+Ralph Hert	
		7:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Joseph	The Ascension
May 14	Thur	7:30 am	All Souls	The Ascension
May 15	Fri	7:30 am		
May 16	Sat			
May 17	Sun	9:00 am	+Rolland Fichtner	7 th Sunday in Easter
		11:30 am	Parishioners of St. Joseph	

Confessions: one half hour before Sunday Masses

Our Offering to God last week	\$1,573.00
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St. Joseph Prayer Chain

A special intention	George Hoffmeister	Cecilia Meeza	Tony Stec
Dan Adler (Sem)	Jim Jackson	Alyssa O.	Shannon Tebo
Andrea Ainsworth	Cathy Kamost	Brad Oschner	Ryan Urbanosky family
Bill Alexander	Bill Kerber	Salvador Palas	Angel Valdivia
Wayne Alley	Kim Kneuvan	Fr. Allan Phan	Landon Van Boening
Greg Almond	Shirley Koenig	Sharon Reasland	Garry Veik
Pete Bartels	Erica Lauinger	Dennis Reddick	The Verde family
Shawna Back	Rita Mach	Nancy Sapp	Teresa Volesky
Randy Chloupek	Cecilia Martel	Randy Schulte	Diane Walz & family
Kelem Fabrice	Shirley McCabe	Jody Schulte	Edith Weber
Cesaria Gabriel		Juan Slazar	

If you have any intentions you would like to add to the prayer chain, call Elaine Almond (402-224-0732) or Shirley Koenig (402-984-0692).

Parish News & Upcoming Events

◆ **Ascension Thursday Holy Day:** This Thursday is the 40th day after Easter, and so it is the Ascension Thursday Holy Day. Masses for this Holy Day will take place at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, May 13 (bilingual) and 7:30 am on May 14. Please spread the word so others will know.

◆ **Food pantry thanks:** Thanks to everyone who assisted with distribution of food this Saturday. Whether it is boxing food ahead of time, bringing it up from the basement, or greeting people and getting their required information, all your efforts combine to make a pleasant and successful event and helps our local community.

◆ **Holy Father Prayer Intention for May:** That everyone might have food – Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



◆ **Thanks for help with the Baccalaureate:** Thanks to everyone who helped with the annual Harvard Baccalaureate which took place at St. Joseph's on Wednesday. Thanks to those who provided music, handed out programs, made cookies, and served at the reception afterward. We pray for a good and fulfilling future for all our area graduates.

◆ **Bishop's Annual Charity and Stewardship Appeal for 2026:** This weekend begins the annual Diocesan Charity and Stewardship Appeal (formerly known as DDP [and still called that by many people]). The CSA pledge cards are available in the parish hall. Thank you to our parishioners who generously give to this appeal which helps fund many diocesan programs. After we meet our goal, we get the extra funds in our own bank account. If we do not meet our goal, any shortfall is paid from our general fund to the diocese. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge to CSA and help our Diocese and our parish.

◆ **Happy 1st Anniversary to Pope Leo XIV!!** May 8 marked the one-year anniversary of the election of Pope Leo XIV at the papal conclave in Rome. He is the successor to Pope Francis who passed away last year the Monday after Easter. We ask God's continued guidance for Pope Leo as he executes the monumental task of leading the worldwide Church.

Charity &
Stewardship
APPEAL

The Coming of the Spirit of Truth

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept...” John 14:15–17

On this, the Sixth Sunday of Easter, we begin to turn our eyes toward the coming of the Holy Spirit. In this passage above, Jesus speaks of asking the Father to send another Advocate to be with us always. This Advocate is the Holy Spirit.

Interestingly, Jesus uses the title, “Spirit of Truth” to refer to the Holy Spirit. He also points out that the world cannot accept the Holy Spirit.

We are currently living in what we may call the “Age of the Holy Spirit.” This is the age that Jesus spoke about with His Apostles. Therefore, it’s good to look at the coming of the Holy Spirit in the way Jesus revealed it.

First, regarding the title, “Spirit of Truth,” we should ponder whether we are able and willing to accept the full Truth that comes with receiving the Holy Spirit. If we are of the world, embracing worldly ideas and values, then we will not be able to accept the Holy Spirit. However, if we are able to see the errors of our world and the many false values within it, we will more easily be able to reject those values and embrace the Holy Spirit and the many truths that the Spirit reveals.

Furthermore, if we are open to the coming of the Holy Spirit, we will receive the greatest Advocate we can have in life. The Holy Spirit is THE Advocate, meaning, the only helper we need. Becoming consumed by the Holy Spirit provides us with every grace necessary in life.

Reflect, today, upon the fact that Jesus’ promise to His Apostles has been fulfilled and that you have the ability to receive that promise here and now in your life. Say a prayer to the Holy Spirit and anticipate celebrating Pentecost Sunday in two weeks.

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 shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen. Jesus, I trust in You.

