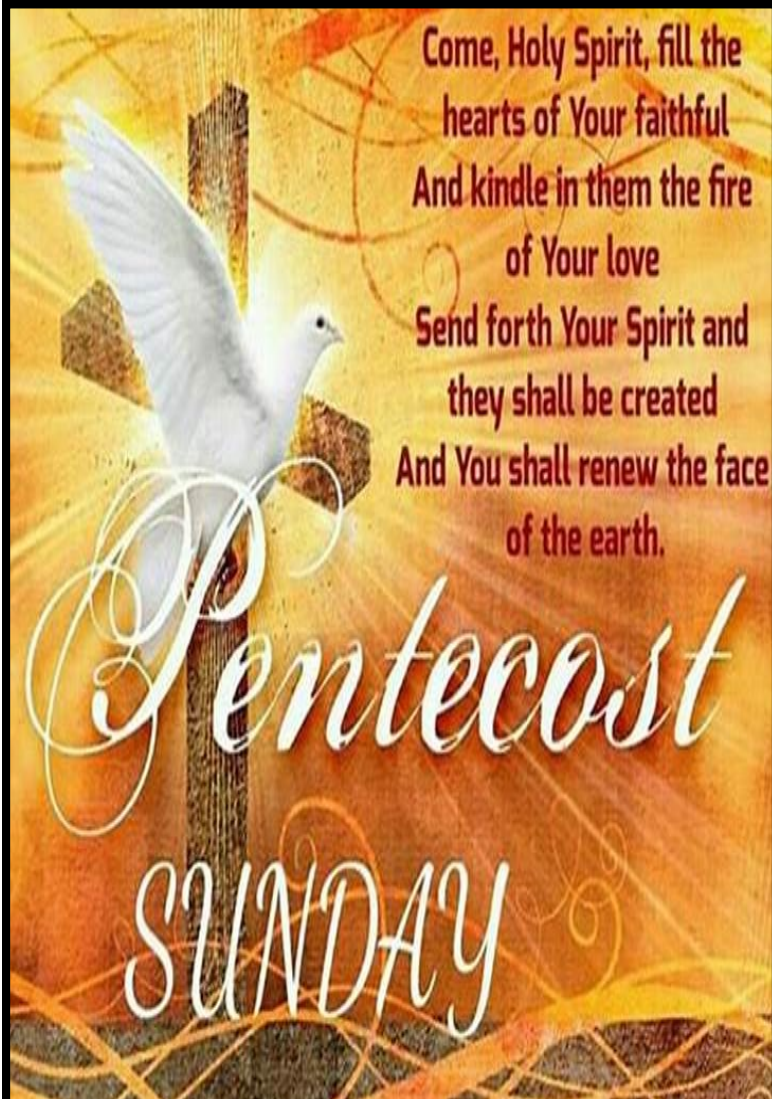


Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



Mass Schedule

- Monday, May 24th **Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**
No Mass
- Tuesday, May 25th **St. Bede, St. Gregory**
Mass 8:15 am **St. Mary Magdalene**
† Robert Bindl
- Wednesday, May 26th **St. Philip Neri,**
Mass 8:15 am
† Janice Marie Bauer
- Thursday, May 27th **St. Augustine**
Mass 8:15 am **Adoration following Mass**
John Shilling family SP.I.
- Friday, May 28th
Mass 8:15 am
Reed & Janie Manke SP.I.
- Saturday, May 29th **St. Paul VI, Pope**
Confessions 4:20-4:50 pm
Mass 5:15 pm
† Bill Shireman
- Sunday, May 30th **The Most Holy Trinity**
Confessions 7:30 -7:50 am
Mass 8:00 am
† Ray Stafford

Confessions 9:50 -10:20 am
Mass 10:30 am
Our Parish Family

Readings for the week of May 23, 2021

- Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/ Ps 10:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf.30]/Rom 8:22-27 Jn 7:37-39
- Extended 20b/ Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/ Dn 3:52, 52, 53, 55, 56 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/ Ez 37:1-14/ Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7,8-9/Jl 3:1-5/Ps104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-29,30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
- 28, Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3 b-7, 12-13Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn15:26-27; 16:12-15
- 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: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 [23b]/ Mk 10:28-31
- Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [Sir 36:1b]/ Mk 10:32-45
- Thursday: Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/ Mk 10:46-52
- Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/ Mk 11:11-26
- Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 19, 11 [9ab]/ Mk 11:27-33
- Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/ Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20



From your pastor . . .

Congratulations to our young parishioners who were confirmed this past Thursday. A particular thank you to Dr. Andrew Wright and Judy Barnicle, who serve as classroom catechists and Candace McGrath who serves as our Parish coordinator of Religious Education. May God bless our newly confirmed as they now give an adult witness to their Faith.

I will continue with the teaching that has been ongoing over the past weeks concerning the Church's response to the issue of racism. The document that I am reproducing in *italic* type is from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, entitled, *Open Wider Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love – A Pastoral Letter Against Racism*. This statement was promulgated in 2018.

How do we overcome this evil of rejecting a brother or sister's humanity, the same evil that provoked Cain's sin? What are the necessary steps that would lead to this conversion? We find our inspiration in the word of the prophet Micah: "You have been told, O mortal, what is good, and what the Lord requires of you: Only to do justice and to love goodness, and to walk humbly with our God. (Mi. 6:8).

To do justice requires an honest acknowledgment of our failures and the restoring of right relationships between us. "If we acknowledge our sins [God] is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from every wrongdoing" (1 Jn. 1:9). To love goodness demands pursuing "what leads to peace and to building up one another." (Rom 14:19) It requires a determined effort, but even more so, it requires humility, it requires each of us to ask for the grace needed to overcome this sin and get rid of this scourge. In what follows, we hope to provide a Christian call for all of us in this country to "walk humbly with our God" so that, by his grace, racism will be eradicated.

Do Justice

For a nation to be just, it must be a society that recognizes and respects the legitimate rights of individuals and peoples.(10) These rights precede any society because they flow from the dignity granted to each person as created by God.(11) We are reminded of this fundamental truth in the earliest passages of the book of Genesis:

"Then God said, Let us make human beings in our image, after our likeness. Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the tame animals, all the wild animals, and all the creatures that crawl on the earth. God created mankind in his image: in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. (Gen. 1:26-27)

From revelation, we know that the one God who created the human race is Triune, a communion of truth and love, and so by faith we recognize all the more clearly that human beings are, by their very nature, made for communion. Pope Benedict XVI noted, "As a spiritual being, the human creature is defined through interpersonal relations. The more authentically he or she lives these relations, the more his or her own personal identity matures. It is not by isolation that man establishes his worth, but by placing himself in relation with others and with God.(12) We are meant to love God with our whole being, which then overflows into love for our neighbor. "Whoever loves God must love his Brother" (1Jn.4:21)

This is the original meaning of justice, where we are in right relationship with God, with one another, and with the rest of God's creation. Justice was a gift of grace given to all of humanity. After sin entered the world, however, this sense of justice was overtaken by selfish desires, and we became inclined to sin. (13) St. Augustine described well our lives after Eden, say that in the fallen world our relationships with one another have been guided by a "lust to dominate."(14) Whether recognized or not, the history of the injustice done to so many, because of their race, flows from this "lust to dominate" the other. Even when we are freed from Original Sin by Baptism, we continue to struggle with overcoming temptation and sin in our lives. (15)

10 Pope Benedict XVI, *Caritas in Veritate*, no.6; 11 *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1930

12 Pope Benedict XVI, *Caritas in Veritate*, no.53; 13 *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 405

14 St. Augustine, *City of God*, Book I, Preface; 15 *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 978

Until I write again, may God bless you and all the parishioners of Saint Mary's Parish.

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel



**Congratulations
to our newly
Confirmed**

- Hannah Rose Bauer,
Ezra Kay Cosgrove
Mallory Corinne Delagrave
Tekla Rose Donovan
Andrew Harold Honer,
Ethan Joseph Jones
Alec James McDonald
Tianna Marie Marshall-Scott
Adelin Lee Miller
Hannah Bethany Miller
Michael Macgregor Nigl
Anna Rose Rynes
Isabel Rose Salisbury
Armando Sanchez
Grayson Gregory Schmitt
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Who entered into eternal rest
May 8th, 2021

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and
May perpetual light shine upon him.
May his soul

And all the souls of the faithful departed through
The mercy of God, rest in peace.,
Amen

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Adult Tithe.....	\$2,936.00
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Religious Education.....	45.00
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