



Pentecost Sunday: "God is always more." Have you ever heard that? If we truly believe that He is infinite, then this statement is worth exploring. Today, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit in power upon the early Church. But Pentecost wasn't the first time the disciples received the Holy Spirit. The

Gospel actually occurs chronologically before Pentecost. Soon after the Resurrection, Jesus already "came and stood in their [the disciples] midst... he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'" God is always more. Sometimes we might think the grace of God as one and done. God might break through in people's lives, but it's a one-time event on a retreat or preceding a dramatic conversion of life. But there's always more to come. Even today's Gospel isn't the first time the breath of God stirred. In Genesis, it's God's breath that stirs life into Adam in the garden. Jesus breathes on the Apostles, giving them the Holy Spirit in the quiet and silence. Later, that breath will stir into a "driving wind", and the Spirit will descend with flame...not unlike Moses on Mount Sinai. God is always more. He has spoken throughout salvation history, and continues to speak into our lives through His Church and through the Holy Spirit alive in our hearts. This Pentecost Sunday, let us come before

Readings for the Week of June 9th, 2019

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, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39.
 Monday: Gen 3:9-15 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
 Tuesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [cf. 2b]/Mt 5:13-16
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 5:20-26
 Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 116:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [17a]/Mt 5:27-32
 Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/Mt 5:33-37

Next Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2a]/Rom 5:1-5/Jn



Prayers for the Sick: Merciful Jesus, onto your Compassionate Heart we recommend Emelda Harris, Morris St. Julien Sr., Jaiden Gardner, Sylvania Cormier, David Bernard Sr, Mary Jane Jacquet, Shavawna Flugence, Gustavia Thibeaux, Reginald Brown, Florena Landry, John Albert Ledet, Andre' Serio, Roy Brown, Lisa Trahan, Charles Lee, Mayola Williams, Lorena & Lester Mouton, Mrs. Louvenia L Gibson, Barbara Leon, Hazel Allen, Wilfred Thompson, Edward Lawrence, Audrey Armelin, Rodney Dupuis and those in the following nursing homes:

Maison de Lafayette:

Dorothy Lavan



The next Baptismal class will be held on **Monday, August 5th** at 7pm in the Bishop Perry Learning Center. The actual baptism will take place following the 5pm vigil mass on **Saturday, August 10th**. Parents are required to bring a copy of the baby's birth certificate and a \$25 registration fee to the church

Mass Intentions

Sat. 5:00 p.m: Hilda Johnson, Alexson Mathieu, Audrey Mathieu, deceased members of the Mathieu & Mouton families, Christopher J Anderson, Wilbert & Thelma Jeanlouis, Harold Anderson Sr. & Ethel Mae Decuir, Mercedes St. Julien, and the deceased members of the Washington, St. Julien & Foster families. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

Sun. 8:00 a.m: Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and Donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

Sun. 10:00 a.m: Mae Helen Bernard, Gregg Bernard and Damien Bernard. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and Donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

God's Housekeepers:

St. Joseph: Thanks to all of the ladies in **Group A** that cleaned the church on June 8th, 2019. The next group is **Group B:** Barbara Thomas, Laura Williams and Carolyn Domingue – June 15th, 2019.

St. Anthony – June, 2019: (Group C) Ann Tate, Theresa Jones, Marie Decuir and Lorita JeanBaptiste.

Your hard work and time dedicated is appreciated!

PSR (Parish School of Religion) Corner:

Classes are on Saturdays from 9am – 12 Noon

1st – 5th Grade



6th – 11th Grade

2019-2020 Registration:

TBA

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR MAY 2019

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST:

Saturday, June 15th 9:00a.m.—11:00a.m. in the BPLC. Guest Speaker: Robert Benoit

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Thursday, June 13th at 6:30pm in the BPLC.

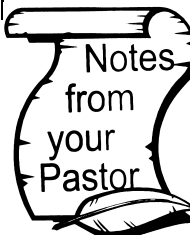
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: Thursday, June 20th, at 630pm in the BPLC

2020 CENSUS TAKER: Call Timothy Stroud (337) 303-

Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Ushers
SATURDAY June 15, 2019 5:00pm	Melvin Brown Bertha Brown	Linda Alfred Diann Foster Dan Foster Cynthia Jacquet	Jayde Spurlock Jordan Sprulock	Russell Flugence Jarrot Spurlock Harold Anderson Michael Rabon
SUNDAY June 16, 2019 8:00am	Donald Mitchell Theresa Cormier	Rose Lee Eddie Chretien Laura Fontenette Godfrey Robertson	Jarvis Berard	Loucinda George
SUNDAY June 16, 2019 10:00am	Jori Jordan Asia Davis	Gaynell Kimble Paul Kimble Carolyn Flugence Edward Decuir	Tylan Davis Javen Harrison Daemyn Harrison	Anthony Wiltz Shaun Davis George Thomas Anthony Broussard

Please Note: Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion; by calling for a replacement when you are scheduled but cannot serve, you honor your commitment and help to ensure that there is no interruption for mass. Thanks!!

PASTORS CORNER



Today we celebrate **Pentecost Sunday**. Last Sunday in our worship service, we celebrated the 7th Sunday of the Easter Season as we celebrated the feast of the Ascension of the Lord which was transferred to this Sunday. At that time the Lord departs from the Apostles and promises them they will receive help in their ministry. He assures them that He will not leave them Orphans, and they will not be alone. He will empower them with a special gift, the Paraclete, the Holy Spirit with seven, (7) distinctive gifts. In this little vignette I will touch on only three, (3) of them briefly, (courage, right judgment, (making good healthy decisions) and understanding, (we need God and each other, no one lives a healthy life alone< we are dependent)!

The Apostles were promised the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to lead and guide them in their ministry:

- 1) **Courage:** Cum, (Latin meaning with strength), Rage (the word indicates a person with an inner passion and rage, (controlled) to change something that is evil, unfair, destructive, immoral etc. And has been given the strength to bring that about personally or with a group. Throughout history we all know people who have done this positively or negatively.
- 2) For every life making good healthy, quality decisions are critical. The blind spots can cripple us for life, ruin our life and the lives of those we love and those who love us.
- 3) Understanding that in our life we need God and our neighbor. No one stands alone. The key in this value is relationships that are free, trusting and healthy.

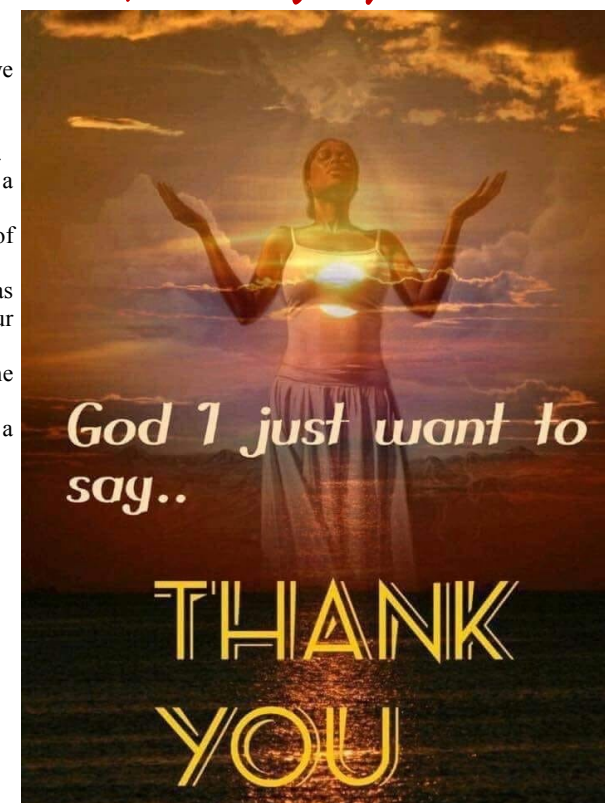
The Gift promised them, would eventually lead them and guide them in developing and evangelizing the Church, a Church that throughout history must respond to challenges in every age and era. Now here we are! The Church is established. Now we are the stewards that must evangelize, bring the gospel those who need his word. Today, we must take up our cross, love as he has loved and be a faithful disciple. **~ Rev Thomas James ~**



Our Church Community is in need of a Volunteer Safe Environment Coordinator and DRE for 6th-11th Grade.

Please contact the church office or pastor .

Inspirations for Your Week



The Web Site for St. Joseph/St. Anthony is: stjostant.org

Our Giving

June 1st & 2nd, 2019

St. Joseph: (114 Envelopes out of 213) **1,345.00**

St. Anthony: (31 Envelopes out of 84) **596.00**

\$1,941.00

"No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord your God has bestowed upon you."