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SUNDAY MASS

9:30 a.m.
(Church &
On-line)

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday
7:30 a.m.
(Rectory &
On-line)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

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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ON THE WAY.....



May the grace and peace of the Holy Spirit be with us forever.

The solemnity of Pentecost, the fiftieth day after Easter, celebrates the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the first group of disciples – the eleven apostles “*along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers,*” 120 in all according to St. Luke. The gift of the Holy Spirit transformed them from timorous individuals hiding in an upper room to bold proclaimers of the Good News of Jesus. It is customary to think of Pentecost as the “birthday of the Church” since it is the day when the individual followers of Jesus found themselves joined together into a fellowship of faith, hope and love. Another image beloved of the Fathers of the Church is to imagine the Church springing from the wounded side of Christ on the Cross. St. John reports that “blood and water” flowed from his pierced side which can be seen as anticipating the baptismal waters and Eucharistic elements that are essential to the formation and identity of the Church.

St. John in his gospel has a different image of the coming of the Holy Spirit. On the first Easter evening Jesus appeared to the disciples in the upper room and *he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit”* (John 20:22). In the thinking of the fourth evangelist the Holy Spirit comes as the divine presence directly to sustain the believers when Jesus departs from them. They would need the Spirit as the foundation of their faith. The Risen Jesus wants them to understand that because they have the Holy Spirit they can be filled with peace. “*Peace be with you!*” He tells them twice to make sure they understand that no matter how things seem to be going in the outside world, because they have the Holy Spirit with them and in them they have the blessed assurance of peace. But that Holy Spirit is not meant to remain one’s personal comfort blanket but also equips the believers for action. “*As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.*” The Son of God was not content to remain in heaven but gave his life for the world, so the followers of Jesus are sent on a similar mission of bringing the presence of God into a hurting world. And a major way they would be able to do so was by forgiveness: “*If you forgive anyone’s sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.*” Of course, the experience of the eleven in the upper room is not limited to them but meant as a model for all believers.

On this Pentecost Sunday my congregation, the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity, gathers in Mexico for what is known as “general chapter.” Every four years we meet to elect new leadership and to set priorities for the next four years. We meet on Pentecost as a concrete way of invoking the Holy Spirit to guide our deliberations, to ask that every decision we make will not come from us but will be a genuine discernment of the will of God. I would ask for your prayers during the week that we will respond to every prompting of the Spirit. God willing, see you next Sunday.

In the Most Holy Trinity,
Fr. John Edmunds, S.T

| Sun 05/28 | Pentecost | |
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| | 9:30 a.m. | Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Debra Barker by Phyllis Barker</i> |
| Mon 05/29 | 7:30 a.m. | Mass (Chapel & On-line) |
| Tues 05/30 | 7:30 a.m. | Mass (Chapel & On-line) |
| Wed 05/31 | 7:30 a.m. | Mass (Chapel & On-line) † <i>All Veterans by Sr. Bernadette Eaton</i> |
| Thurs 06/01 | 7:30 a.m. | Mass (Chapel & On-line) † <i>Carmen Bertucci by Josie Bertucci</i> |
| Fri 06/02 | 7:30 a.m. | Mass (Chapel & On-line) |
| Sun 06/04 | The Most Holy Trinity | |
| | 9:30 a.m. | Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Debra and Shirley Barker by Phyllis Barker</i> |



ST. EDNA'S HERE WE COME!

Sunday

June 11th

Depart St. James Rectory

at 10AM

Return at 3PM

Reserve your seat today at bit.ly/SJSTEDNA



Calling all artists!

St. James is hosting its second

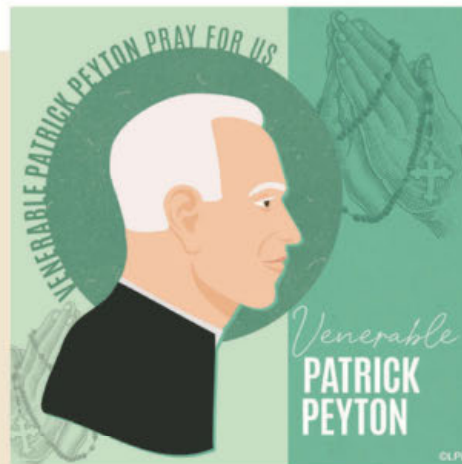
Treasures of St. James Art Exhibit on October 8th. All artists in our parish are invited to present their artwork. We'd like to get an idea of how many artists want to participate and ask that you indicate as much on the forms in the vestibule or at <https://bit.ly/SJTREASURE>. For more information see Amy Pellettiere or Liz Bowman.



Eucharistic Adoration Friday June 2nd

8:30 am & 6:00 pm (Chapel)

Confessions available upon request



Saint of the week

Venerable Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C. was an Irish immigrant to the United States. A true pioneer of mass media evangelism, The Rosary Priest reached the entire world with his message of devotion to Christ reminding us that, "A family that prays together stays together."

Prayer

Prayer for the Beatification of Venerable Fr. Patrick Peyton

Dear Jesus,
Father Peyton devoted his priestly life to strengthening the families of the world by calling them to pray together every day, especially the rosary.
His message is as important for us now as it was during his life on earth.
We beg you, therefore, to hasten the day of his beatification so that your faithful people everywhere will remember his message that The Family That Prays Together Stays Together,
will imitate him in his devotion to your Mother and ours,
and will be inspired by his holy life to draw ever closer to you with childlike confidence and love.
Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://holycrosscongregation.org/holy-ones/servant-of-god-patrick-peyton/prayers/>)



St. James has a google form for submitting prayer requests:

<https://forms.gle/ZgbVkgarRRgDmJR6A>



In Our Prayers



Our Home Bound:

Judy Archer
Margie Bass
Paul Freeman
Juanita James
Barbara Southhall
Dina Williams

Our Sick:

Victoria Allen
Aaylia Cooper

Joe Cunningham
Patsy Cunningham
Marvelean Doss
Claude Fisher
Paul Kanzer

Linda Griffin Kennard
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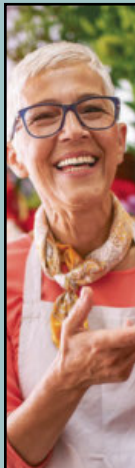
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