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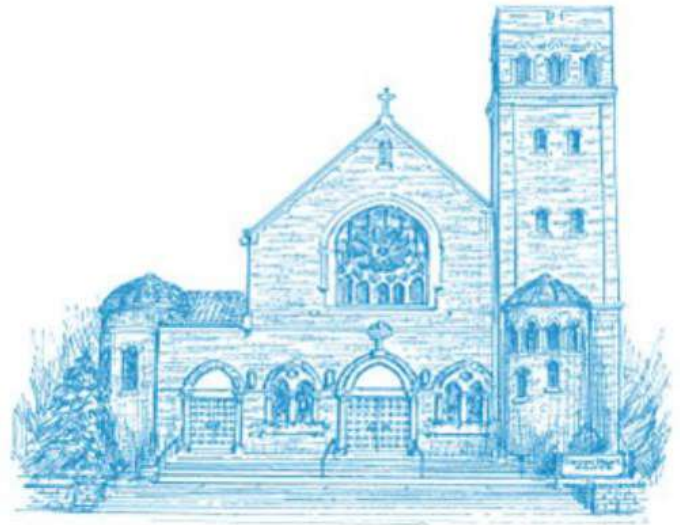
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The Lord's Day

Saturday Evening 5:00 PM

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Daily Mass 9:30 AM Monday-Saturday

Rosary 9 AM (Monday-Saturday)

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Saturdays - 4:00 to 4:45 PM, Any time upon request

Parish Registration

Please formalize your membership in our parish community by registering at the parish office. We sincerely welcome all new parishioners!

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Office Hours - Sunday 10 AM - 3PM

Monday–Friday 9 AM - 5 PM

Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM

Church open daily until 5 PM (Sundays until 3 PM)

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Pro Life Rosary: Tuesday 9 AM

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Sick Calls

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Please contact the pastor for an appointment to arrange the Baptism.

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Couples should contact the rectory at least 6 months before the wedding to arrange the time, banns, and Pre-Cana Conference.

Sponsor Certificate

If you have been asked to be a godparent for a Baptism or Confirmation attend the 9 AM Mass on Sunday and see Sister Barbara immediately after in the church vestibule. Please see the parish website under the Worship/Sacraments link for godparent guidelines.

Websites:

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MAY 23, 2021

PENTECOST SUNDAY

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

READING 1 ACTS 2: 1-11.

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd, but they were confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites, inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,

Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya near Cyrene, as well as travelers from Rome, both Jews and converts to Judaism, Cretans and Arabs, yet we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God."

Responsorial Psalm PS 104;
1,24,29-30, 31,34.

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD, my God, you are great indeed! How manifold are your works, O LORD! the earth is full of your creatures.

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD be glad in his works! Pleasing to him be my theme; I will be glad in the LORD.

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

If you take away their breath, they perish and return to their dust. When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth.

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

READING 2 GAL 5:16-25.

Brothers and sisters, live by the Spirit and you will certainly not gratify the desire of the flesh. For the flesh has desires against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; these are opposed to each other, so that you may not do what you want. But if you are guided by the Spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: immorality, impurity, lust, idolatry, sorcery, hatreds, rivalry, jealousy, outbursts of fury, acts of selfishness, dissensions, factions, occasions of envy, drinking bouts, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. In contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified their flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also follow the Spirit.

SEQUENCE: VENI, SANCTE SPIRITUS

Come, Holy Spirit, come! And from your celestial home: Shed a ray of light divine! Come, Father of the poor! Come, source of all our store! Come, within our bosoms shine. You, of comforters the best; You, the soul's most welcome guest; Sweet refreshment here below; In our labor, rest most sweet; Grateful coolness in the heat; Solace in the midst of woe. O most blessed Light divine, Shine within these hearts of yours, And our inmost being fill! Where you are not, we have naught, Nothing good in deed or thought, Nothing free from taint of ill. Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness pour your dew; Wash the stains of guilt away: Bend the stubborn heart and will; Melt the frozen, warm the chill; Guide the steps that go astray. On the faithful, who adore: And confess you, evermore In your sevenfold gift descend; Give them virtue's sure reward; Give them your salvation, Lord; Give them joys that never end. Amen. Alleluia.

ALLELUIA

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL **JN 15: 26-27;** **16: 12-15.**

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth that proceeds from the Father, he will testify to me. And you also testify, because you have been with me from the beginning. "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Fa-

ther has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you."

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from Heaven (BOW) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



A Note from The Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Catholic psychiatrist, Dr. Aaron Kheriaty points out, “The reason work elevates the human spirit is rooted in our original vocation as human beings. From the beginning, man was created by God to work. God placed man in the garden of Eden to work, *to till the garden and keep it*. (Genesis 2:15). This vocation to work was given to us before the sin of our first parents, and it was easy in paradise to live out that vocation. Man worked without toil. So, contrary to some mistaken interpretations of Genesis, work is not a punishment for sin: the commandment to work comes before the account of the Fall. The original vocation to work pointed to the divine image in man, reflecting God’s own activity in creating and governing the world. God’s punishment of Adam for Original Sin reads: *Cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life* (Genesis 3:17-19), and again: *In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread*. But notice that the curse was the toil and hardship (*the sweat of your face*) that accompany work; work itself was not a punishment. (Aaron Kheriaty, *The Catholic Guide to Depression* [2012], 195-196).

Dr. Kheriaty continues, “Work was part of God’s original plan for humanity: He created us with an intelligent and free nature suited to work as a participation in His providential direction of the world. As it says in the Book of Job: *Man is born to work as the birds are born to fly*. (Job 5:7). This biblical observation is the deepest reason sustained unemployment is such a significant risk factor for developing depression. It is not just the financial hardship that accompanies unemployment, but the fact that we are deeply unfulfilled without meaningful work. Without work, man feels dislocated in the world, disconnected from his profound purpose. John Paul II points out, ‘Man, created in the image of God, shares by his work in the activity of the Creator,’ and he quotes Vatican II on this point: ‘Awareness that man’s work is a participation in God’s activity ought to permeate ... even the most ordinary everyday activities.’” (Ibid. John Paul II, *On Human Work*, 24.).

The subject of work is at the heart of today’s great celebration: Pentecost Sunday. In a very real sense, today is “Labor Day” in the Church. We celebrate with gratitude the gift of the Holy Spirit. Apart from the Spirit, the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity, no work can be done, that is, no salvific work can be accomplished. Salvific work is connected to salvation. It is the work of God. These are the deeds that foster our salvation and that of others. These are the acts that conform us to Christ, and have merit in God’s eyes. None of these works are possible without the assistance of the Holy Spirit.

Without the Holy Spirit we cannot have faith. *No one can say Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit*. (1 Corinthians 12:3). In other words, without the Holy Ghost there is no faith in men’s hearts. Faith is the work of God. It’s that simple. Faith is not something we can achieve on our own. Our blessed Savior was asked: “*What can we do to accomplish the works of God?*” *Jesus answered and said to them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in the One He has sent.”* (John 6:28-29). However, it is not enough to simply believe in Christ. Our faith must find expression in works of charity. St. James said once: *For just as a body without a soul is dead, so also faith without works is dead*. (James 2:26). The Holy Spirit gives us the gift of faith and then works through that faith to produce works of charity through us. How can we fail to be grateful for such a gift that the Spirit is in our lives?

Happy Pentecost Sunday!

God bless you!

Father Eric

Save the Date!!

Sacred Heart Holy Name Communion

Breakfast Sunday, September 19th.



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Saturday, May 22:

5:00 Grace O'Donnell

Sunday, May 23:

7:00 People of the Parish
9:00 Desmond Corrigan
11:00 Brendan Hoey
1:00 Malik Skrine

Monday, May 24:

9:30 Louise Pietromonico

Tuesday, May 25:

9:30 James Geraghty & Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, May 26:

9:30 John Ahern

Thursday, May 27:

9:30 Hector & Marianne Gallo

Friday, May 28:

9:30 John J. Clark

Saturday, May 29:

9:30 Edith Modzelewski (29th Anniversary)
5:00 John & Maureen Driscoll

Sunday, May 30:

7:00 Al Amore
9:00 Jack Graham & Souls in Purgatory
11:00 Deceased Members of The Vittaco,
Marrone & Abate Families
1:00 Gerome Sterlacci

(In case of an emergency the AED Box is located outside the restroom.)

Saturday, May 29:

5:00 PM Bill Jones

Sunday, May 30:

7:00 AM Sister Barbara
9:00 AM John Mooney Jr.
11:00 AM Patricia Jezycki
1:00 PM Donald Maj

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 29:

5:00 PM Jason Suazo

Sunday, May 30:

7:00 Abigail Cruz
9:00 Jason Torres
11:00 Stella Albano
1:00 Michael Contardo

Collections:

May 16th.....\$8,805.00
Ascension Thursday.....\$1,662.00
Church in Eastern Europe.....\$1,001.00

**ATTENDANCE MAY 16TH: 437
ASCENSION THURSDAY: 189
CAPACITY FOR MASS : 210**

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Food Donations: The Holy Name Society is in need of food donations for their food pantry. Non-perishable items such as canned vegetables, fruit, meats, fish, soups, tomato sauces, boxes of pasta, pancake mix, mashed potatoes and cereal are needed. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Schoenstatt May Crowning: On Sunday, May 30th a special May Crowning will take place beginning with a Bilingual Mass at 2:30 PM at Sacred Heart Church. After the Mass there will be a procession to The Schoenstatt's Shrine located at 337 Cary Avenue for the crowning ceremony. Please bring a flower for Our Lady.

Sacred Heart Women's Group: The next meeting for Sacred Heart's Women's Group will be held on Thursday, May 27th at 7 PM in the Rectory Basement. Please use the rear entrance to the Rectory basement facing Market Street.

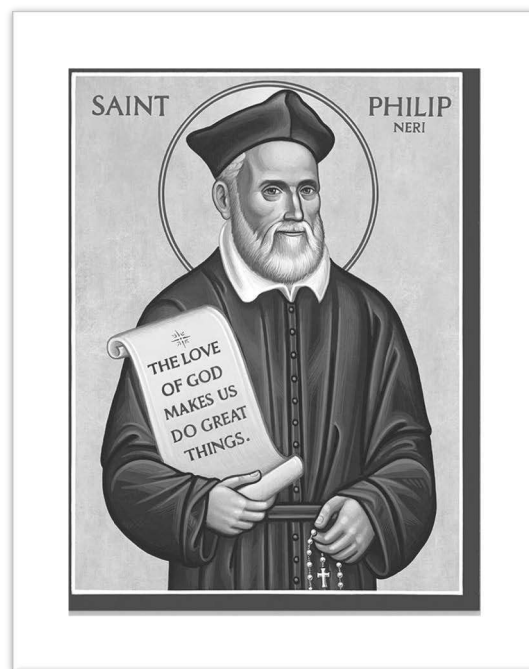
Edger Sweeney Memorial Golf Outing: The 7th annual Edger Sweeney Memorial Golf Outing will be held on Friday, June 11th at Silver Lake Golf Course at 8 AM. If you are interested in going please contact either Tom Corson at (718) 909-7709 or Jeff Maida at (917) 270-8229.



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MAY 26TH

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