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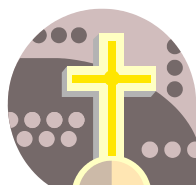
+Pentecost Sunday+

Scripture Insights A miracle of language takes place when the Holy Spirit descends on the Church. Only verse 4 in Acts 2 notes the speaking of various languages, but seven verses emphasize the ability of people to hear and understand (2:2-11). Despite the presence of people from “every nation under heaven” (Acts 2:5) and hence of multiple languages, people are able to hear and understand each other. If Acts 2 associates the Holy Spirit’s coming with having and understanding, the verses in John 20 link it with peace and forgiveness. Forgiveness can help bring peace, but forgiveness seldom occurs without hearing and understanding which enable one to put oneself in another’s shoes.

Perhaps one of the reasons for our difficulties in hearing understanding, forgiving, and being a peace with others is our failure to learn that difference is a gift of the Holy Spirit as today’s second reading makes clear. The same Holy Spirit does not bring about uniformity; instead, we are gifted with different abilities, roles, and functions. The reading further emphasizes that we are given gifts by the Holy Spirit “for some benefit” (1 Cor 12:7).

In Acts 2, what people hear and understand are “the mighty acts of God” (2:11). Likewise, the giving of the Holy Spirit in John 20 has to do with the disciples being sent out to mission. That Jesus needs to give his peace pronouncement twice may indicate that the disciples’ rejoicing is premature (20:20). They did not understand yet that they too will be sent out, and, in doing so, they may experience what Jesus experienced in his hands and side. We find this larger purpose of Pentecost again in Psalm 104. The Holy Spirit works to renew all creation and the face of the earth. Pentecost peace involves more than peace among human beings.

Mass Schedule: May 29 - June 4, 2023



Tues. May 30	8:00 am	(V) Edward Ritter+
Wed. May 31	8:00 am	(B) Wayne Keller+
Thurs. June 1	8:00 am	(V) Harold & Aileen Cole+
Fri. June 2	8:00 am	(B) Mary Agnes Sinnott+
	5:00 pm	(V) Frank Kuddes+
Sat. June 3	8:00 am	(V) People of the Parish
Sat. June 3	4:00 pm	(B) Dave Seaton+
Sun. June 4	8:00 am	(B) People of the Parish
Sun. June 4	10:00 am	(V) Steven VanHamme+

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.....

Lex Ann Alig
Diane Davidson
Vivian Kalambaheti
Rose Refer
Larry Bricker
Duke Wilgenbusch

Gale & Bev Wood
Marvin & Shirlee Lynn
Kyle McWilliams
Dawson Klein
Jim McGrory
Bonnie Barker

Joanna Green
John & Darla Doud
Collette Seda
Julian Boudonck
Chris Jahlas
Shirley Blomme

Rev. Philip Ryan
Ruth DeMeulenaere
Mary Bernhart
Verabeth Bricker
Ed & Joan Doran

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Altar Servers: The Ministers of God's Altar

4:00 PM Sat June 3 Mass at St. Patrick's
10:00 AM Sun June 4 Gracie Waterbeck, Layna Blood

Lectors: The Ministers of God's Word

4:00 PM Sat June 3 Mass at St. Patrick's
10:00 AM Sun June 4 Bill Lynch

Eucharistic Ministers: Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

We are NOT having Eucharistic Ministers at this time for any of the Masses.

Funeral Committee: June Jill DeRycke (647-3233), Diane Wentland (319-640-7228)
Money Counters: June 4 Dan & Julie Cavin, Chuck & Kathy Baetsle

- **Upon This Rock**– Thank you for your support of “Upon This Rock” Campaign. We’ll keep you updated each week on our parish’s progress in the campaign. Thank you to all who have made gifts! Our latest tally as of May 23, we have gifts and pledges totaling \$27,500.00. That’s 17.4% toward our goal of \$158,073.00. Go to davenportdiocese.org/campaign to view the campaign video, explore the Frequently Asked Questions and learn much more.
- **Holy Mass**– You are invited to a Holy Mass to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Josemaria Escriva on Monday, June 26 at St. Wenceslaus Church in Iowa City. Confessions at 6:30, Mass at 7:15pm
 - **AIR CONDITIONER FUND**– Many are asking how close are we to getting the A/C unit paid for. As of today, with any amounts given this week. Please consider a donation! Thanks! The balance in our account is:\$24,478.20. The projected cost will be: \$61,612.00
 - **Confessions**– Confessions can be heard one hour before all Masses.

They were all filled
with the Holy Spirit
and spoke of the
marvels of God,
alleluia.

Financial Overview : Our tithing and stewardship for God and Church. If you wish to receive envelopes, please contact 647-2294. Thank you to all who support our parish.

Envelopes:\$635.00 Offertory:\$369.00 Weekly Online Giving:\$30.00

Fix Air Conditioner:\$675.00

Cemetery:\$51.00

Ascension:\$16.00

Happy Birthday!

May 29– Joan Robinson
May 30– Pat Blomme
May 31– Brett Gerard
Jun 4– Chuck VanOtegham

Happy Anniversary!

May 31– Ron & Karen Nace– 54 years
June 1– Jeff & Sarah Timm– 21 years

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Altar Servers: The Ministers of God's Altar

4:00 PM	Sat.	June	3	Megan Hanlon
8:00 AM	Sun.	June	4	Brian Cadden, Katie Cadden

Lectors: The Ministers of God's Word

4:00 PM	Sat.	June	3	Rob Hanlon
8:00 AM	Sun.	June	4	Barb Hall

Eucharistic Ministers: Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

We are NOT having Eucharistic Ministers at this time for any of the Masses.

Money Counters

June 4 Jenny Bos, Shannon Arment

On the last day of the festival, Jesus stood and cried out: If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink, alleluia.

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- **Community Meal**– The next community meal will be Thurs., June 1, sponsored by all three churches in town! It will be at Landes Park from 5:30-7:00. Serving: hotdogs, chips, ice cream and bottled water. (to go containers will be available)
- **Altar & Rosary**– The next meeting will be Wed. May 31 at 6pm. **DUES OF \$10.00 ARE DUE.** There was an envelope for dues, in your last bunch of budget envelopes.
- **Holy Mass**– You are invited to a Holy Mass to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Josemaria Escriva on Monday, June 26 at St. Wenceslaus Church in Iowa City. Confessions at 6:30, Mass at 7:15pm
- **Calvary Cemetary**– They will have their annual meeting on June 4 at 1pm in the basement of the church.
- **Confessions**– Confessions can be heard one hour before all Masses.

Financial Overview: Our tithing and stewardship for God and Church. If you wish to receive envelopes, please contact 647-2294. Thank you to all who support our parish.

Envelopes: **\$326.00** Offertory: **\$543.00** Weekly Online Giving : **\$288.50**
Improvement: **\$65.00** Ascension: **\$55.00**

Happy Birthday!
May 30– Lee Beumer
June 1– Roger VanRenterghem
June 3– Tim Atkinson

Happy Anniversary!
May 31– Steve & Melia Rhoads– 43 years
June 4– Ken & Jennifer Cline– 29 years

Important Information for Both Parishes:

- **'Upon This Rock' Campaign picking up steam**

We hope you have now received your *Upon This Rock* campaign mailing or will soon. Our parishes public campaign kicked off last weekend, and your packet of information will offer much more information. Once you have read over the information, we ask you to prayerfully consider making a gift to the effort. In the meantime, here are a few Frequently Asked Questions. A compilation of all the FAQ's, the campaign video and other information are available throughout the campaign at davenportdiocese.org/campaign.

- **FAQ**

- **What happens if our parish doesn't hit its financial goal?**

The parish's goal is just that, a goal. It's not an assessment, so there is not penalty for not reaching it. What is asked is that a good-faith effort be made by every parish to reach its goal.

- **Where will donors send their gifts, and where will the money be kept?**

Donors' gifts and pledges will be handled by the Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Davenport, which manages funding for seminarians' education. The foundation will disburse funds to the Priests' Aid Society for priests' retirement and health care costs and to the parishes for their share. The campaign's Priest Committee has worked with the diocese to outline when the "parish share" funds will be distributed to the parishes.

- **Will these funds be at risk from any future lawsuits against the diocese?**

NO. The funds will not go to the Diocese of Davenport. Any donations will go to the "Upon This Rock Campaign" and will be under the management of the Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Davenport, which is a separate legal entity from the diocese.

- **How many retired priests are there? How many more are nearing retirement?**

As of late 2021, there were 98 diocesan priests, 39 of them retired. An additional 33 were 60 or above, which is expected to put great pressure on the retirement system operated by the Priests' Aid Society as these priests retire over the next 10–15 years. (Retirement age is 70, though some stay active beyond that age.) Put another way: In 2021, 73% of the diocese's priests either were retired or within a decade of retirement age.

Domestic Violence– Silence does not help the ones we love find hope or safety. If someone you care about is being abused, call 319-351-1043 or 800-373-1043 www.dvpiowa.org

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend– A Worldwide marriage encounter is like Springtime. It's a weekend of fresh air, the rebirth of romance and new beginnings. If you'd like to make your marriage even more special than it already is you can sign up at wwme.org. The next weekend is Sept 22-24 in Dubuque. For more information call (563)920-9419

Website: stpatrick-stbridget.org please look at it, get up to date information and your bulletins!

Office Hours: The office will be open Monday through Thursday 2:30pm- 4:30pm. Any questions please, call Linda Gensley @ 319-647-2294 or call Father at the rectory @ 319-647-2220. Thank You.

Confessions: There will be confessions heard an hour before all Masses at the parish where Mass is held.

Marriages: Please arrange with Fr. Lemaster at least six months in advance. Engaged Encounter or Pre-Cana is required.

Baptisms: There is a preparation class required in order to have your child baptized. Please contact Father Lemaster for more information.

Newcomers: You may register in the parish by picking up a registration form from Fr. Lemaster or the parish secretary, Linda Gensley. Church line is 319-647-2294 or Rectory is 319-647-2220.

Hall Rental: Anyone interested in renting out the hall please leave a message at 647-2294. The fee is \$100.00 must fill out our parish policy and check on the availability of dates.

Bulletin: Any news for the bulletin needs to be in by Wednesday, or you may call it in or email to us at: stbridget@netins.net

Online giving allows you to make donations, payments and pledges via your mobile phone, smart device or computer to our church. Please visit our website and get started at: www.stpatrick-stbridget.org Thank-You!