

MAY 9, 2019

PENTECOST SUNDAY

ST. BASIL'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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SUNDAY MASSES

5:00 pm (Sat);
9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 pm; 4:30 pm

CONFESSIONS

Mon-Fri: 11:30 am - 12:00 pm
Sat: 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS

Please see the parish website or call the main office for details. Weddings require a one year notice.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon-Fri: 7:30 am; 12:10 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

VESPERS Mon-Fri: 5:10 pm
LAUDS Sat: 9:00 am

ADORATION

Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm

PARISH STAFF

Pastor:	Fr. Morgan Rice, CSB
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Director of Family Ministries:	Marilena Berardinelli
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:	Mariann Dunsmore

FROM THE MOUTHS OF BABES

By Marilena Berardinelli

One of the great gifts of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in the lives of its catechists is the reminder that the great teacher is not the catechist, but God and that the catechist listens to God alongside the child. As such, the catechist and child learn about and experience God together. The children in our atriums have revealed to my fellow catechists and I much about the love of God, Jesus and most certainly the Holy Spirit. Today I share with you three moments from our time with the children, in the hopes that the children's openness to and perceiving of the Holy Spirit may inspire in you the same awe and wonder it did in them and us.

1—After presenting the Annunciation to the children preparing for First Communion, the catechist invited the children to ponder Jesus' divine nature, by wondering together how it was that this unmarried young girl had come to be

Since 1856, St. Basil's Parish has been home to people of all ages and needs.

Mothers are welcome to nurse their children in church or provide them snacks as needed. If you need to, feel free to walk with your child in the back of the church or in the hallway off the side aisle. We are blessed because you are all here!

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pregnant. An eight-year old autistic child shouted, "epiclesis". At first instinct the catechist was tempted to correct the child, but with pause realized that the child was not mistaken. Epiclesis is the gesture in the Mass that communicates the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the bread and wine, transforming them into the body and blood of Jesus. This young child (who we often, mistakenly, thought wasn't even listening) was able to reconcile the coming of the Holy Spirit to Mary some 2000 years ago as the same Spirit he had experienced at Mass in the breaking of the bread.

2—A four-year old child was working with a material recounting the story of Jesus' birth. When the catechist looked over, the child had placed in the manger not the baby Jesus, but had gone to the Annunciation material on the nearby shelf and taken the flame (symbol the Holy Spirit) and placed it in the manger. A passing observer may have pointed to the baby Jesus that lay to the wayside, but the catechist saw in the child's meditation what even she had often failed to recognize.

3—The parish's ministry with JK/SK students concludes with the CGS presentation of Pentecost. Following this presentation, the catechist asked the children who they recognized in the action of the wind and fire. A child raised his hand and confidently replied, "God". The classroom teacher (interrupting) corrected him with a quick "no". When the catechist pointed out that the child's response was indeed true, that God was present among the apostles that day and in that moment we call God "Holy Spirit", the teacher stood in silent amazement and the child smiled a great (and holy) smile!

Happy Pentecost to all the children in our parish and to all our parishioners who desire "to change and be like children so that they too will enter the Kingdom of God" (Matthew 18.2)

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

- ACTS 2.1-11
- PSALM 104
- 1 CORINTHIANS 12.3B-7, 12-13
- JOHN 20.19-23

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR
 JUNE 2019**

The Mode of Life of Priests

*That priests, through the modesty and
 humility of their lives, commit themselves
 actively to a solidarity with those who are
 most poor.*

CONGRATULATIONS

The community of St. Basil's extend's our heartfelt congratulations to the young people who journeyed together with catechist, Mariann Dunsmore, to receive First Eucharist:

Abby and Ella Ryan

And for those confirmed by the gift of the Holy Spirit:

*Laudomia Lo Greco, Gabrielle Reyes,
 Giulia Del Vescovo, and Cade Menezes*

As well for their parents and godparents, may they be all renewed with an outpouring of the gifts of the Holy Spirit as the Church celebrates Pentecost.

MINISTRY FAIR & PARISH BBQ

The Parish BBQ and Ministry Fair takes place **this weekend following the 10:30AM and 12:00PM Masses.** At Pentecost, the Apostles were filled with the Holy Spirit, and each received a gift.

Pentecost is an opportunity for each one of us to discern our gifts and how we use them to respond to our baptismal call to share in Christ's office of Priest, Prophet, and King.

"It is a lively faith family that challenges us as disciples to do great things for Jesus, in the spirit of the Acts of the Apostles."

- **Cardinal Collins,**
 Pastoral Letter on Stewardship, 2019

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to *Father James Sand, SJ* on his Ordination. Deacon James was ordained a priest on Saturday, June 8, in Milwaukee. Over the past year, Deacon James has been stationed here at St. Basil's; he will return later in June to assist in the Parish before his departure to Toledo.

Please keep Father James in your prayers over the coming weeks.

AD MAIOREM DEI GLORIAM

LITURGY OF ST. JOHN

Please note that the Liturgy of the Eastern Oriental Rite will not be celebrated on the first Sunday of July and August. The monthly celebration of the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom resumes in the Fall.

BUNDLE-UP WEEKEND

Thank you for your generous contributions to the June 1/2 Saint Vincent dePaul Bundle-Up Weekend. Your donations have helped tremendously.

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Sunday, June 2, 2019 \$6,220.58



MASS INTENTIONS

JUNE 9TH – 15TH

SUNDAY

PENTECOST SUNDAY

9:00am Elizabeth Perera (+)
10:30am *Pro Populo*
12:00pm Joaquim Ciuro (+)
4:30pm Shane Beal (+)

MONDAY

7:30am Robert Young (+)
12:10pm Eufemia Quimado (+)

TUESDAY

ST. BARNABAS

7:30am Katherine Thalheimer (+)
12:10pm Etienne Laurent (liv.)

WEDNESDAY

7:30am Rose Atkinson (+)
12:10pm Donald MacDonald (+)

THURSDAY

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

7:30am
12:10pm Katrina Teh (liv.), Matteo, Marco and
Sonia Babera (liv.)

FRIDAY

7:30am Jose Cimafranca (+)
12:10pm Victor and Santina Barreca (+,+)

SATURDAY

5:00pm Priscila Mascardo Santiago (+)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, *Clare DeMello, Roberto Martello, Filomena Larocca, Rebecca Beaton, Gemma Ciavarella, Gordon Walsh, Michael West, Rita Moran, Paul O'Brien, Barbara Boyle, Maria Teresa Blackwell, Margaret Mary McKenzie, Jose Gaitero, Romulus DeMello, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Neil McCormack, Alexander Wu, Desmond Brownlee, Emilia Perejmybida, Hilary McCormack, and Jasper David-Fuchs.*

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, especially, *Shane Beal, Jean Gracias, and Rowena Jose Rabacal.*

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