## PENTECOST SUNDAY

### INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY, May 28, 2023

PENTECOST SUNDAY

**9:00 am** Marie Rump (d) **11:00 am** Luu Nguyen (d)

**7:00 pm** Don and Rose Ashcraft (d)

MONDAY, May 29, 2023

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

**12:00 pm** Anna Hoffman (l)

**TUESDAY, May 30, 2023** 

**12:00 pm** Mary Jo Roesel (d)

12:30 pm Confessions

WEDNESDAY, May 31, 2023

THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED

**VIRGIN MARY** 

**12:00 pm** Mary First (d)

THURSDAY, June 1, 2023

St. Justin, Martyr

**12:00 pm** Martha Coors (1)

3:00 pm-5:00 pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

(Confessions from 3:15...)

FRIDAY, June 2, 2023

Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

**12:00 pm** August Rump (d)

SATURDAY, June 3, 2023

St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Confessions

**4:30 pm** Mary Little/Barbara Leising (d)

**SUNDAY, June 4, 2023** 

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

9:00 am Ray and Margie Glaser (d)
11:00 am Donald Wendling (d)
7:00 pm Anne Mormon (d)

Schroer Eye Center Kenneth J. Schroer, O.D. 5314 Delhi Road At Anderson Ferry 513-451-0010

PLEASE NOTIFY US AT THE RECTORY when a family member is hospitalized or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion and/or the Sacrament of Penance.

#### **SERVERS**

May 28/June 4

To Be Determined

### **LECTORS**

May 28/June 4

To Be Determined

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

May 28/June 4

To Be Determined

May 21, 2023

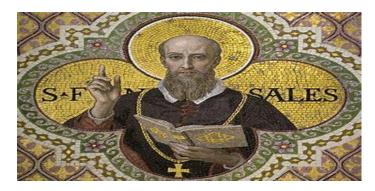
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### Thank You for your Generosity!

<u>Vocation</u> "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." The coming of the Spirit gives us the power and vitality to be a witness to Christ, no matter the cost. (John 20:21)

<u>Thought for the Day</u> "Anxiety is the greatest evil that can befall a soul except sin. God commands you to pray, but He forbids you to worry."

St. Francis De Sales



*Help Wanted:* St. Lawrence Cafeteria is in need of a part time dishwasher, Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. Requires moderate physical effort such as: standing, carrying, bending, and lifting up to 25 pounds. If interested please call Denise Dugan at 513-309-3529.



# The Laurentian



## Fr. Watkins' Desk

<u>Memorial Day Masses</u>: The Mass at St. Lawrence on Memorial Day will be at 8:30 a.m. NOT 12 Noon. Mass at St. Teresa will be at 7:00 a.m. and Mass at St. William will be 9:00 a.m.

Save the Date: Our Second Annual Summer Celebration is Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> this year! The evening will include dinner and an open bar, games, split the pot and the major award. More details and information to follow.

<u>Lower Lot Reconstruction</u> and paving will begin on June 1. Along with the repaving, the lot will have new water retention built underneath it. The lot will also be regraded and leveled out. We will lose the lower lot parking for weekend Masses in June. Additional details to follow.

### Eucharistic Revival

JUNE 9-11, Behold the Lamb of God, 40-Hours Devotion and Family Campout This is a unique weekend combining fun, fellowship, teaching, praise, worship and adoration. It is open to all, but caters to families with children. Guest Rooms available. Bring a Dish to share for Sat. evening meal, Cincinnati Chili, spaghetti and hot dogs provided, Breakfast on Sunday provided. Cost: A donation.

JUNE 19-22, The Eucharist Vacation Bible School, *Ages* 7-High School. Know Jesus Better and be filled with the Holy Spirit. Four Days (Mon-Thur) 9:30am-1:00pm Crafts, activities, Bible, Worship, Lunch. Cost: A donation.

JUNE 19-23 Family Vacation with the Lord (Includes VBS, guest rooms and more.)
Presentation Ministries Our Lady of Guadalupe
Discipleship Center, 5701 Lawshe Rd., Peebles, Ohio 45660 Register online at

www.presentationministries.com or Call 513 373 2397



### St. Lawrence School Presents the Class of 2023

Arianna Amison Liliana Reynoso DeLeon Jemilly Rivera Mendez McKenzie Corbett Alexander Roblero Aranda Jordan Curry Hugo Romero-Silva Demsi Diaz-Jacinto Kyle Eichhorn Anthony Root Samara Endress Marshawn Sally Ke'Mariya Simpson Ana Garrido Lopez Jaskyla Taylor **Austin Hicks** Emmanuel Hollstegge Joseph Huiet Roni Joachin Aguilar Shane Perez Morales Nevaeh Mann Esmeralda Lopez Hernandez **Kyle Watkins** Lisandro Mendez Gonzalez Brenaya Williams Jefferson Mendez-Vasquez Kyra Myers Mili Morales Mendez Josua Ngoie Alejandro Ventura Puac Madison Nettles Prisbeth Victoria-Perez Villian Nguyen Jenifer Perez Perez Byron Ortiz Santizo Wendy Perez Mendoza



If I do not go away, the Comforter will not come to you

After Christ had completed his mission on earth, it still remained necessary for us to become sharers in the divine nature of the Word. We had to give up our own life and be so transformed that we would begin to live an entirely new kind of life that would be pleasing to God. This was something we could do only by sharing in the Holy Spirit.

It was most fitting that the sending of the Spirit and his descent upon us should take place after the departure of Christ our Savior. As long as Christ was with them in the flesh, it must have seemed to believers that they possessed every blessing in him; but when the time came for him to ascend to his heavenly Father, it was necessary for him to be united through the Spirit to those who worshipped him, and to dwell in our hearts through faith. Only by his own presence within us in this way could he give us confidence to cry out, *Abba*, *Father*, make it easy for us to grow in holiness and, through our possession of the all-powerful Spirit, fortify us invincibly against the wiles of the devil and the assaults of men.

It can easily be shown from examples both in the Old Testament and the New, that the Spirit changes those in whom he comes to dwell; he so transforms them that they begin to live a completely new kind of life. Saul was told by the prophet Samuel: The Spirit of the Lord will take possession of you, and you shall be changed into another man. St. Paul writes: As we behold the glory of the Lord with unveiled faces, that glory, which comes from the Lord who is the Spirit, transforms us all into his own likeness, from one degree of glory to another.

Does this not show that the Spirit changes those in whom he comes to dwell and alters the whole pattern of their lives? With the Spirit within them it is quite natural for people who have been absorbed by the things of this world to become entirely otherworldly in outlook, and for cowards to become men of great courage. There can be no doubt that this is what happened to the disciples. The strength they received from the Spirit enabled them to hold firmly to the love of Christ, facing the violence of their persecutors unafraid. Very true, then, was our Savior's saying that it was to their advantage for him to return to heaven: his return was the time appointed for the descent of the Holy Spirit.

by St. Cyril of Alexandria, bishop



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### The work of the Holy Spirit

The titles given to the Holy Spirit must surely stir the soul of anyone who hears them, and make him realize that they speak of nothing less than the Supreme Being. Is he not called the Spirit of God, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, the steadfast Spirit, the guiding Spirit? But his principal and most personal title is the Holy Spirit.

To the Spirit all creatures turn in their need for sanctification; all living things seek him according to their ability. His breath empowers each to achieve its own natural end.

The Spirit is the source of holiness, a spiritual light, and he offers his own light to every mind to help in its search for truth. By nature, the Spirit is beyond the reach of our mind, but we can know him by his goodness. The power of the Spirit fills the whole universe, and he gives himself only to those who are worthy, acting in each according to the measure of his faith.

Simple in himself, the Spirit is manifold in his mighty works. The whole of his being is present to each individual; the whole of his being is present everywhere. Though shared in by many he remains unchanged; his self-giving is no loss to himself. Like the sunshine, which permeates all the atmosphere, spreading over land and sea, and yet is enjoyed by each person as though it were for him alone, so the Spirit pours forth his grace in full measure, sufficient for all and yet is present as though exclusively to everyone who can receive him. To all creatures that share in him he gives a delight limited only by their own nature, not by his ability to give.

The Spirit raises our hearts to heaven, guides the steps of the weak, and brings to perfection those who are making progress. He enlightens those who have been cleansed from every stain of sin and makes them spiritual by communion with himself.

As clear, transparent substances become very bright when sunlight falls on them and shine with a new radiance, so also souls in whom the Spirit dwells, and who are enlightened by the Spirit, become spiritual themselves and a source of grace for others.

From the Spirit comes foreknowledge of the future, understanding of the mysteries of faith, insight into the hidden meaning of Scripture, and other special gifts. Through the Spirit we become citizens of heaven, we are admitted to the company of angels, we enter into eternal happiness, and abide in God. Through the Spirit, we acquire a likeness to God; indeed, we attain what is beyond our most sublime aspirations – we become God.

by St. Basil the Great, bishop

