


**Pentecost Sunday  
May 24, 2026**

*“To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.” 1 CORINTHIANS 12:7*

 <b>Offering</b>	<b>St. Mary</b>	<b>St. Mark</b>
Sunday Contributions	3145.00	1305.00
Online Giving	0.00	145.00
Rectory Roof (weekly)	N/A	318.00
Parish Hall Renovation	220.00	N/A

**Please Note:** Two ongoing 2nd collections:  
**St. Mark** - Rectory Roof  
**St. Mary** - Parish Hall Renovation  
*Thanks to all for your continued support!*

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS SCHEDULE  
Monday, May 25, 2026**

8:00 AM — **St. Mark** / Winchester  
 10:00 AM — **St. Mary** / Pittsfield

The masses will be held at the cemetery weather permitting. If threat of rain, masses will be held in the church.  
**Please bring a chair.**



**Project Rachel:** Help for women and men to heal from the pain of abortion.  
 For assistance call 1-877-RACHEL-5.

**Pray to End Abortion**

**Listened to his Homily and want to hear it again?**  
**Father Mark's Homilies Online:**  
[www.stmaryspittsfield.org](http://www.stmaryspittsfield.org)



**MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK**

MONDAY, MAY 25 **BVM Mother of the Church CEMETERY MASSES**

8:00 AM (W) + **Poor Souls in Purgatory**  
 10:00 AM (P) + **Poor Souls in Purgatory**

TUESDAY, MAY 26 **St. Philip Neri**

8:00 AM (P) **Bill & Pat Ehrheart**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27 **St. Augustine of Canterbury**

8:00 AM (P) **All Parishioners**

THURSDAY, MAY 28

8:00 AM (W) + **Deacon Kim Scott**

FRIDAY, MAY 29 **St. Paul VI**

8:00 AM (P) + **Michael Smith**

SATURDAY, MAY 30

8:00 AM (P) + **Mae & Wally Rupert**

6:00 PM (P) + **Frances & Lyndell Lindsay**

**THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

SUNDAY, MAY 31

8:30 AM (P) **St. Mary Choir Members**

10:30 AM (W) + **Laura Paslay**

**LITURGY SERVER SCHEDULE**

**No longer published in bulletin.**

**Refer to monthly schedule as provided.**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

To receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit you must open your heart and invite Him in! Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your thoughts, words and actions every day! Be grateful for all the gifts God has given you! Regardless of our individual circumstances, God has given all of us many blessings. What we do with those gifts is our gift back to God! By generously sharing everything we have and everything we are, we become more “God-centered” and less “self-centered” and our lives truly reflect God’s light, love and mercy.

Parish Link



**THANK YOU FOR PRAYING FOR OUR SICK**



**Dinisha Batchelder—Pat Dailey — Sandy Davies — Joann Delacruz — Khoy DeWitt  
 Joan Dieker — Bill Hannant — Jace Michael Kunkle  
 Kris Lundberg — Becky Mann — Aaron McCarter — Aniyah McCarter  
 Kingston McCarter — Gary McCartney — Patsy McKinney — Dawn Partain  
 Mary Pranger — Kay Rowley — Teresa Shank — Lindell Shireman — Jim Stark  
 Mary Fran Smith — Donna Smith — Raylan Turnbull — Joshua Turpin  
 Kent & Connie Wasson — Colleen Wishall**

**What Is Pentecost? | Catholic Answers Guide to Pentecost 2026**

**Pentecost 2026 falls on Sunday, May 24.** In the Catholic Church, Pentecost is one of the great solemnities of the liturgical year and marks the close of the Easter season. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops lists Pentecost Sunday among the principal celebrations of the 2026 liturgical year, following Easter Sunday on April 5 and the Ascension of the Lord in May. But Pentecost is not simply the end of Easter. It is the day the Church celebrates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the first disciples gathered in Jerusalem. It is the moment when the fearful followers of Jesus were strengthened to proclaim the gospel boldly to the world. **When Is Pentecost 2026?** Pentecost Sunday 2026 is **May 24, 2026**. The word *Pentecost* comes from the Greek word meaning “fiftieth.” The feast is celebrated fifty days after Easter Sunday, which is why it always falls at the end of the Easter season. In 2026, Easter is celebrated on April 5, making Pentecost May 24. In addition, in the Old Covenant, the feast of Pentecost took place fifty days after Passover, of which Christ’s one paschal sacrifice, sacramentally re-presented and offered anew in the Mass, is the New Covenant fulfillment.

**What Happened at Pentecost?** The event of Pentecost is described in Acts 2. The apostles were gathered in Jerusalem when a sound like a mighty wind filled the house, and “tongues as of fire” appeared and rested on each of them. Filled with the Holy Spirit, they began to speak in different languages, proclaiming the mighty works of God to Jews from many nations who had gathered in the city. This miracle showed that the gospel was not meant for one tribe, one nation, or one language. Christ had commanded his apostles to “make disciples of all nations” (Matt. 28:19), and, at Pentecost, the Holy Spirit empowered them to begin that mission.

**Is Pentecost a Holy Day of Obligation?** Because Sunday is “the foremost holy day of obligation in the universal Church” (CCC 2174; 2177), Pentecost Sunday is observed through the normal Sunday obligation, which is distinguished from other holy days of obligation in the United States and elsewhere. In addition, Pentecost is a solemnity and one of the most important days in the Church’s liturgical year.

Taken from Catholic Answers

**May 24, 2026 . Pentecost Sunday**

**ST. MARY**

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS — Monday, May 25, 10:00 AM, Calvary Cemetery.**

**Men's Group** — Wednesday mornings, 6:30 AM, Parish Hall.

**Bible Study** — *Introduction to Theology of Body*, Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8:30 PM, Parish Hall.

**Legion of Mary** — Friday morning, after Mass in Gathering Space meeting room.

**Men's Group** — Saturday morning, 6:30 AM, Parish Hall.

**Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle** — Saturday morning after 8:00 AM Mass.

**Rosary Before Mass** — Sunday mornings (to be offered for Father and his healing).

**Food Pantry Collection** — First weekend each month at Masses (June 6 & 7).

**24-Eucharistic Adoration** — First Friday/Saturday (June 5 & 6).

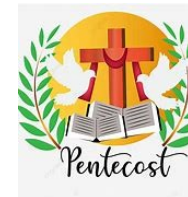
**ST. MARK**

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS — Monday, May 25, 8:00 AM, St. Mark's Cemetery.**

**Men's Group (Into the Breach)** — May 28, June 4 & 11, 6:45 AM, Church Basement.

**Rosary** — Tuesday mornings at 8:00 AM.

**Bread of Love** — Week of: May 26.



**Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth.**



**ST. MARY**

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**Weekend Mass:** Saturday 6:00 PM / Sunday 8:30 AM

**Daily Mass:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 8:00 AM

**Confession:** after 6:00 PM Saturday evening Mass



**ST. MARK**

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**Weekend Mass:** Sunday 10:30 AM

**Daily Mass:** Monday & Thursday 8:00 AM

**Confession:** after 10:30 AM Sunday morning Mass



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217-321-1155

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217-285-4321

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217-285-6702

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday—Friday  
8:30 AM -- 11:30 AM  
12:30 PM -- 4:30 PM

**ST. MARK'S PARISHIONERS TRAVELING CRUCIFIX**



**Please take the opportunity to sign up in the back of Church for our traveling Crucifix.**

**Help us to Pray for an increase in Vocations in our Diocese!**

**THANK YOU!**

**Patsy McKinney** is at home and wants to thank everyone for assisting her at Mass last Sunday. She appreciates everyone's prayers and help.

**Support for Divorced Parishioners** –

Be better equipped to handle life's ups-and-downs after divorce. The Divorced Catholic Recovering from Divorce 13-week group can be attended in person or online and addresses the most pressing challenges following divorce. Some of the session titles are: Why Did God Allow This to Happen? What Does the Church Really Teach About Divorce? and Working on Forgiveness. If interested, please visit [divorcedcatholic.com](http://divorcedcatholic.com). Questions? Contact Gracie Ortiz at [gortiz@dio.org](mailto:gortiz@dio.org) or 217-321-1124.

**NEXT UPCOMING WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER (WWME) Retreat for married couples offered –**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. Sign-up now! For more information or to apply, go to [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317. Next one:

6/12/2026 – 6/14/2026, St. Peters, MO

7/31/2026 – 8/2/2026, Cape Girardeau, MO

10/9/2026 – 10/11/2026, Springfield, IL

**THANK YOU**

*Father Mark Schulte*

**for your service of 29 years to the priesthood!**

**May 24, 1997 – 2026**

**From your parishioners:**

**ST. MARY / Pittsfield  
ST. MARK / Winchester**

**We are Blessed!**



**Quincy Catholic Charities** is proud to participate in WCIL Gives, a four-day online giving event taking place June 8–11, 2026. Hosted by the Tracy Family Foundation, WCIL Gives celebrates the spirit of generosity in West Central Illinois and supports the nonprofits that help our communities thrive.

Starting at 8:00 a.m. CST on June 8, donors can visit [wcilgives.org/Quincy-Catholic-Charities](http://wcilgives.org/Quincy-Catholic-Charities) to make a gift and track real-time progress on the event leaderboard. Every donation helps participating nonprofits compete for bonus prizes and matching funds, making each gift go even further.

Mark your calendar, spread the word, and get ready to give back June 8–11! For more information about Quincy Catholic Charities, to make a donation or to volunteer, contact Kevin Williams, Area Director at 217-222-0958 or [williams\\_qcc@cc.dio.org](mailto:williams_qcc@cc.dio.org).

