MAY 28, 2023   PENTECOST #1184 /1185

Come Holy Spirit, fill our hearts with the fire of your love!

**St. Michael the Archangel,**
defend us in battle.
Be our defense against the
wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly
pray, and do thou, O Prince of the
heavenly hosts,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan, and all the evil
spirits, who prowl about the
world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

**PRAYER FOR PEACE**
God of peace and justice, today we hold
the people of Ukraine in our prayers.
Please bring peace to our world and the
laying down of weapons. Jesus, we ask
you to please end the invasion and war
in Ukraine and soften the hearts of the
Russian authorities.
May all experience your spirit of comfort
and compassion.
With Your mercy and grace,
please save Ukraine and our world.
Amen.

Please join us for Adoration
from 7AM to 8AM
before the 8:30AM
weekday morning Mass.

Pray the Rosary with us
Monday through Thursday
at 9 AM
and on Thursday evenings
At 7PM
PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of Holy Ghost Parish, are one body of Roman Catholic people with diverse gifts and blessings, who share responsibility for the transformation of ourselves and our world according to the teachings and example of Jesus Christ. Fed by the Holy Spirit, we nurture our faith through private prayer, liturgy and sacraments, through life-long learning and teaching of Gospel values, and through love and support of each other. Empowered by the same Spirit, we live our faith in action through the ministries of service, social justice, evangelization and witness, because all are called to one and the same goal: unity with God, now and forever. Amen.

Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal
Diocese of Joliet

If you have already pledged your support to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), thank you! If we all participate, we can meet our parish’s CMAA goal of $54,300. Each and every gift, large or small, makes a difference. If we raise more than our goal, the diocese will return to us 70 percent of the amount over goal. This is an amazing opportunity for our parish. Thank you for so much for prayerfully considering a donation to CMAA.

2023 CMAA Pledge Report
As of 4/23/2023

2023 PARISH GOAL: $54,300
2023 AMOUNT PLEDGED: $54,514
2023 AMOUNT PAID: $37,352
2023 BALANCE DUE: $17,163

THANK YOU
for your generosity

Our Sanctuary Lamp
Our sanctuary lamp is a 7-day candle that is always lit above the tabernacle. If you would like to contribute $20 to the cost of the weekly candle, we will include an acknowledgement in the bulletin. You are also welcome to make the donation in memory of a loved one. You may mail your request with your contribution to: Holy Ghost Church at 254 N Wood Dale Road, Wood Dale IL 60191.

In Memory of
Stefania Kosla
From Krystyna Smutek

Names will be printed in the bulletin in the order in which they are received.

Food for the Banquet
A beautiful way to honor your loved ones, living or deceased, is through providing Food for the Banquet. You may mail your request with your $50 contribution to Holy Ghost Church at 254 N Wood Dale Road, Wood Dale IL 60191.

In Memory of
Audrey M. Hornicak
From The Council of Catholic Women

Please include your choice of date from the list below.

*The following dates are open for donations:
June 24/25
July 1/2, 8/9, 22/23
August 5/6, 12/13, 19/20, 26/27
September 9/10, 16/17, 23/24

(*Availability subject to possible change once the bulletin has gone to the printer.)
ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Pray for Our Military

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

AIR FORCE:

LT COL Anthony Calabrese
LT COL Patty Calabrese
MAJ Mary Dones
CAPT Joseph Piscopo
CAPT Jeremy Shimanek
1st LT Joshua Jalowiec
SSGT Robert W. Dones
SSGT Timothy Latvis
SRA Randall Petrbo

ARMY:

LTC Robert Bowen
LTC Grace Gallagher
1LT Elizabeth Gonzales
SSGT Zack Cieslak
SPC Marco Garcia
SPC David Patcher
CWO4 Anderson Mann
PVT Steven Badgley
PVT Ian Schauchuk

MARINE CORPS:

CAPT Edward W. Miller
SGT Nicholas Reid
CPL Charles Golowcz
CPL Jack Rowley
LCPL David Lozeau
PVT Cameron Andresen
PVT Vincent Anthony Eltman
PVT Billy Termine
PVT Michele Giuseppe Bottalico

NAVY:

LCDR Nicholas Lucania
LT Matthew Starsiak
Ryan James Ruizol

Please help: Is our Military Prayer List current? Please email: joni@holyghostparish.org or call the parish office at 630-860-2975 to help us update this information. Thank you!

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Cathy Alcozer
Gloria Anderson
Joel Calderone
Anna Canale
Ron Catalano
Martin Chioldo
James Cumo
John Davis
Rose Marie Davis
Gerry Grupe
Evelyn Hickman
Special Intention
Anthony Jasinski IV
Karen Junke
Meaghan K.
Mike Kaiser
Virginia Kapelanski
Joyce Kordas
Carrie Krush
Patricia Krush
Angela Liga
Noel Lopez
Mary Marino
Wendell Meyer
Bill Morse
Bonnie Murphy
Gloria Paz
Lisa Perez
Laverne Peterson
Rose Powers
William Powers
Joseph Prince
Robert Rosch Sr
Andrew Rosinski
John Rossi
Reiner Siedentop
Wanda Slupik
Jackie Vanjoske
Larry Venere
Carol Williams
Maria Yanez

RECOGNIZE GOD IN OUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Fame Communicated

“Fire! Fire! They're all gonna die! They're all gonna burn up!”

I had absolutely no hope of restoring order as I read the story of Pentecost with my young children last year. As soon as they glimpsed the tongues of fire hovering over the foreheads of the apostles, they were lost to giggles and shrieks. I sighed, sipped my coffee, and wondered resentfully why the Holy Spirit couldn’t have chosen to be a dove on that particular day. Just a nice, peaceful dove.

I’ll say this, though: the fire left an impression. It usually does, doesn’t it? Fire consumes. It renews. It illuminates. It leaves you breathless with fear and awe. The memory and scent and impact of a flame lingers long after it is extinguished.

When I am trying to explain theology to my kids, I have an awful habit of overcomplicating things. I’d had a whole speech prepared for them about what the Holy Spirit is, but it went out the window as soon as they saw the flames. And you know what? It’s probably for the best. They wouldn’t have remembered that speech. The flames, though? The flames they remembered. The flame communicated.

As a result of Pentecost, the apostles suddenly had the ability to give the truth to foreigners. Aliens. People who were heretofore beyond their reach, isolated by language. The flame communicated.

God’s sense of timing is impeccable, and His delivery is carefully crafted. And on Pentecost, the Holy Spirit did not descend as a dove or pour forth as water.

On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit burned.

"Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth." — Psalm 104

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I hope you’ll acknowledge with me a simple fact: it’s not normal to have tongues of fire “part and come to rest” on people. It is actually pretty strange. Yet that is precisely what we celebrate in this feast of Pentecost. How can this mean something to us in our daily lives?

Jews had a tradition that heaven is a temple made of bricks of fire. So, through the apostles, the heavenly temple is coming to earth. But this fire looks like tongues, not bricks. That means that heavenly speech will be crucial to building a dwelling place for God on earth among men and women. So, it’s no surprise when the apostles begin to speak in a miraculous way that is understood by all language groups. They are speaking of what God has done in and through Jesus: bringing heaven to earth and uniting all peoples to God and to each other.

How often our speech divides: gossip, slander, insults, and so on. How strange and rare it is when people speak in ways that truly unite instead of divide. Imagine how powerful it would be if you and I began to speak at home, at work, and in our community in a way that made people hear heavenly speech.

— Father John Muir
Please join Pope Francis in praying his May 2023 intention: We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Please join us in celebrating

Father John’s 20th Anniversary of his Ordination into the Priesthood
Sunday June 11th, at noon in the gym, following the Feast of Corpus Christi Procession.

We will be serving lunch a delicious lunch buffet to all. We will also have activities for the young ones such as games and crafts. It will be a fun and joyous day for all who attend. We will holding a gift baskets raffle and all proceeds will be donated toward the betterment of Holy Ghost Parish on behalf of Father John.

God will choose a faithful priest who shall do what I have in heart and mind. I will establish a lasting house for him and he shall serve in the presence of my anointed forever.

1 Samuel 2:35

If you would like to help with this event or give a donation,

Please contact Frannie @ Phone - 630-860-2975
Or text - 708-218-6511
Or Email - fran@holyghostparish.org
Please help: Our food drive is ongoing.
Non-perishable canned, boxed and bagged food items may be placed on the shelving unit in the gym. Your continued support is most appreciated.

DISCIPLES MAKING DISCIPLES

CORPUS CHRISTI: JUNE 11
Our parish will be celebrating Corpus Christi: The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ on June 11th with a procession after the 10:30am mass. Even if you attend another mass, please be sure to join us in the North Lot to be part of our procession around 11:30am. If you would like to be part of our Corpus Christi celebration but are not able to walk in the procession, please remain in the Church and pray for those in procession. Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Fr. John’s 20th Anniversary Celebration: June 11
Join us in the gym to celebrate Fr. John’s 20th Anniversary of his Ordination after our Corpus Christi procession. Happy Anniversary Fr. John!

Susan Tutaj
Coordinator of Discipleship
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Companions on the Journey Ministry

God does not want us to be alone as we encounter the joys and challenges which we all experience during our journey here on earth. God blesses us with His Word, the Church, the sacraments, our families, and faithful friends. We can receive healing grace and strength through prayer.

Jesus is the Divine Physician, the infinite font of grace for healing and redemption. Throughout our lives, Jesus is there beckoning us to draw closer to Him and to trust Him completely. Jesus wants to heal us and restore us to wholeness.

Call the parish office at (630) 860-2975 to find out more or to schedule an appointment:

To receive the special blessings of the Sacrament of the Anointing
To have a trained prayer team pray in Jesus’ Name with you
To meet with a trained Spiritual Director (spiritual companion)
To become involved with a small group to read and discuss the book “Be Healed” by Bob Schuchts. (This book is being widely used within the Dioceses of Joliet and throughout the world at retreats.)
To have a Minister of Care bring the Eucharist to you if you are homebound.

Did you know we are on Facebook?
You can find us listed as: Holy Ghost Parish
Like our page to receive uplifting messages.
Father’s Day is just around the corner. A beautiful way to honor each of your loved ones, living or deceased, would be through a spiritual bouquet of remembrance at the Masses at Holy Ghost on this special day. Honor your Dad, Grandfather, Uncle, and Godfather or anyone who is like a Father to you. We are offering beautiful customized cards. The stipend for each Spiritual Bouquet is $10. Father John will silently remember each person, as requested, during the Masses on Father’s Day weekend. Please complete the form below.

SPIRITUAL BOUQUET FOR FATHER’S DAY

PLEASE REMEMBER: ___________________________  O LIVING  O DECEASED

THAT THEY MAY SHARE IN THE SPIRITUAL BENEFITS OFFERED AT HOLY GHOST IN OBSERVANCE OF FATHER’S DAY.

MY NAME IS: ____________________________________

MY ADDRESS IS: ____________________________________

MY PHONE NUMBER IS: ____________________________

MY EMAIL ADDRESS IS: ____________________________

ENCLOSED IS MY STIPEND OF $10 PER SPIRITUAL BOUQUET FOR A TOTAL OF $______.

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Questions? Contact Kathy at 630-860-2975 or kgrant@holyghostparish.org

Sharing Your Faith

Question: I want to share the Gospel with others but I feel afraid to do so. How do I share my faith?

Answer: There are a lot of ways to bring up the topic of religion, without being judgmental or pushy. Begin by asking what their thoughts are about religion, or what their experience was growing up. Finding common ground is often easier than you think, because the questions and problems we have about God, the presence of evil, our purpose in life, and our relationship with God are universal concerns.

Why are you afraid? If you do not want to insult or offend someone, don't be pushy or judgmental. If you are uncertain about how to explain your own faith, do a little reading or practice with a friend. If you measure success only by one person converting, focus your attention more on beginning the conversation, not on bringing it to a perfect close! Faith is a journey of many acts of belief, many discussions about God, and many choices about how we practice what we preach. In some we will have great success; in others we will need forgiveness and perseverance. The most important thing to keep in mind is that the Holy Spirit is always at work and our most humble efforts can bear great fruit. Have faith in God because he has faith in you!