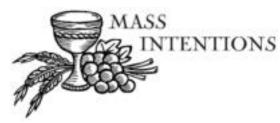
# Pentecost Sunday Sunday, May 24, 2015



# Sunday, May 24, Pentecost Sunday

5:00 + Hilda Merced

8:30 Parishioners of St. John

10:00 (Sp) + Carmelo Montanez Rodriguez

11:30 + John, Jean & Bobby Tramontozzi

1:00 (Sp) + Roma Sassone

Monday, May 25, Weekday

9:00 + Marcelle Myers

12:15 HOLIDAY – No 12:15 Mass

Tuesday, May 26, St. Philip Neri

9:00 + Fr. Edward Fagan, OAR, Brother Peter Stewart, FSC and Brother Joseph Murphy, FSC

12:15 Intention of Felipe Joga

7:00 (Sp.) + Maria Altagracia Salas

Wednesday, May 27, Weekday

9:00 + Joseph Zane

12:15 + Lizzie Mulvihill

Thursday, May 28, Weekday

9:00 + Fr. Edward Fagan, OAR, Brother Peter Stewart, FSC and Brother Joseph Murphy, FSC

12:15 + Michael Coghlan & Sonny Ayres

Friday, May 29, Weekday

9:00 + John Guarracino, Fusco Family & Rosa and Vince Zingone

12:15 + Gladys Rivera

7:00 (Sp) + Previsterio & Juana Gomez

Saturday, May 30, Weekday

12:15 + Michael Lydon and Mathew Foley

5:00 + Cornelius and Nellie Crowley

Sunday, May 31, Most Holy Trinity

8:30 Parishioners of St. John's Parish

10:00 + Rafaela and Gladys Contreras

11:30 + Bartley and Delia Cummins

1:00 (Sp) + Gustavo Ortiz

#### **DONATIONS**

The Altar Candles burning in the Lower Church for the week of May 24-30 in memory of:

FR. MICHAEL J. KENNY, OAR



#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK......

Fr. Peter J. McCrann, SMM, Lindsey Guzman, Alice Ann O'Donohue Mason, Noreen Liddane, Timothy Mahoney, Christiani Medenois. We ask that you please notify the rectory when to remove a name from the list.

### Memorial Day Schedule

In observance of the Memorial Day national holiday on Monday May 25th, the parish office will be closed and the only parish Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 am.

#### 2015 Mass Intentions

Arrangements to schedule Mass Intentions from July through December 2015 for the newly merged parish of St. John-Visitation will begin on Monday June 1st at the St. John's Parish Office.

#### Did You Know?

The number 50 represents the fulfillment of divine promise. Today's celebration of *Pentecost* is the fiftieth day of the Easter jubilee celebration and recalls the fulfillment of Jesus' promise by sending the promised gift of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples to continue his saving work and the ongoing mission of evangelization. With Pentecost Sunday marking the conclusion of the Easter Season, the Easter or Paschal candle that has been prominently displayed near the ambo since the Easter Vigil will be moved to baptismal font.

#### The Church's Four Newest Saints

Last Sunday May 17th, Pope Francis canonized four women from Palestine, Italy, and

France as saints in which he reminded Christians "to abide in God and in his love, and thus to proclaim by our words and our lives the resurrection of Jesus, to live in unity with one another and with charity towards all."

About the newest French saint, Sister Jeanne Émilie de Villeneuve, Pope Francis noted that "she consecrated her life to God and to the poor, the sick, the imprisoned and the exploited, becoming for them and for all a concrete sign of the Lord's merciful love."

He noted that Sister Maria Cristina Brando from Italy gave witness by remaining faithful amid obstacles that she faced. "From prayer and her intimate encounter with the risen Jesus present in the Eucharist, she received strength to endure suffering and to give herself, as bread which is broken, to many people who had wandered far from God and yet hungered for authentic love."

Regarding the two new saints from Palestine, Pope Francis noted that both exemplified another aspect of giving witness to the risen Lord by showing "unity among ourselves."

"Sister Mariam Baouardy experienced this in an outstanding way. Poor and uneducated, she was able to counsel others and provide theological explanations with extreme clarity, the fruit of her constant devotion to the Holy Spirit. Her docility to the Spirit also made her a means of encounter and fellowship with the Muslim world."

"Sister Marie Alphonsine Danil Ghattas came to understand clearly what it means to radiate the love of God in the apostolate, and to be a witness to meekness and unity. She shows us the importance of becoming responsible for one another, of living lives of service to one another."

Pope Francis concluded his homily by stating that the lives of the four saints challenge Christians to bear witness to the resurrection of Christ. To do this, the pope remarked about the importance to carry within ourselves the joy of this encounter with the risen Lord. "Let us cultivate in our hearts the commitment to abide in God's love. Let us remain united to him and among ourselves, and follow in the footsteps of these four women, models of sanctity whom the Church invites us to imitate."

Upcoming Spring Parish Celebrations
First Holy Communion: Saturday June 6th 5:00 pm Mass
Sunday June 7th 11:30 am and 1:00 pm Masses

# 50th Anniversary of Sr. Christine Carrigg, R.J.M. Religious Profession

Sunday June 14th 11:30 am Mass with general reception following Mass

St. John School Alumni Association Reunion
Saturday June 27th 5:00 pm Mass
celebrated by Rev. Aurelian O'Dowd Class of 1960
followed by gathering at St. John's Catholic Regional
School

#### **Explaining Incardination**

Many parishioners noted seeing and reading in the April 30th issue of *The Catholic New York* the photo of a group of ten priests who were incardinated that included me. Several inquired about what incardinated means.

Incardination is a church process in which a priest who was originally ordained for another diocese or a religious community and who desires to become a priest in another diocese or archdiocese goes through a formal process of several years to become a priest in another diocese or archdiocese. Once accepted by the bishop or archbishop, the priest becomes a member of the presbyterate in the diocese or archdiocese in which he is formally welcomed.

In my case, I was ordained a priest for the Paulist Fathers in May 1987. After prayerful reflection and vocational discernment, I requested a leave from the Paulists in August 2010 to begin the process for being considered to become a priest for the Archdiocese of New York. During that time, I served at St. Catharine of Alexandria Parish in Blauvelt and Sacred Heart Parish in Monroe until I was appointed as Administrator of St. John's Parish in November 2013.

Cardinal Dolan formally welcomed me along with nine other priests seeking to be incardinated in a private ceremony with the Auxiliary Bishops, Chancellor, Vicar General, and Director of Priest Personnel on April 14th at The Catholic Pastoral Center. I am grateful to His Eminence for welcoming my request and continue to look forward serving as a priest for the Archdiocese of New York, hopefully for many more years to come.

Fr, Michael Kerrigan

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly
Pentecost Sunday
May 24, 2015

"In the same way, the Spirit too comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groaning. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because he intercedes for the holy ones according to God's will."

The Pentecost event is so well known. The signs of fire, wind and noise accompany the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. What was is no more, as the fear which brought them together was unlocked as were the doors and a new era began.

The Spirit which Jesus breathed into the apostles became the breath of new life for the church as the Spirit of God sent them to renew the face of the earth. As the doors were opened, the windows of Aggiornamento of Pope Saint John XXIII allowed new life to spring forth in the church.

The Spirit comes to us in our weakness today, as we do not have all the answers but He intercedes for us, allowing us to be spirit driven to bring the gospel to our waiting world.

### Prayer for the 2015 World Meeting of Families

God and Father of us all,
in Jesus, your Son and our Savior,
you have made us your sons and daughters
in the family of the Church.
May your grace and love help our families
in every part of the world to be united to one another
in fidelity to the Gospel.
May the example of the Holy Family,
with the aid of your Holy Spirit,
guide all families, especially those most troubled,
To be home of communion and prayer
and to always seek your truth and live in you love.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, pray for us.

## **SU PALABRA HOY**

por el Reverendo William J. Reilly

Domingo de Pentecostés

24 de mayo de 2015

"Igualmente, el mismo Espíritu viene en ayuda
de nuestra debilidad porque no sabemos orar
como es debido; pero el Espíritu intercede por

nosotros con gemidos inefables. Y el que sondea los corazones conoce el deseo del Espíritu y sabe que su intercesión en favor de los santos está de acuerdo con la voluntad divina."

El evento de Pentecostés es bien conocido. Las señales de fuego, viento y ruido acompañan el poder de transformación del Espíritu Santo. Lo que fue ya no lo es; el miedo que los llevó a unirse desapareció cuando se abrieron las puertas y una nueva era comenzó.

El Espíritu que Jesús sopló a los apóstoles se convirtió en el aliento de una nueva vida para la iglesia cuando el Espíritu de Dios los envió a renovar la faz de la tierra. Así como las puertas se abrieron, las ventanas del Aggiornamento del Papa San Juan XXIII permitió que nueva vida retoñara en la iglesia.

El Espíritu nos llega en nuestra debilidad hoy, ya que no poseemos todas las respuestas. Sin embargo El intercede por nosotros, permitiéndonos ser espíritu dirigido a llevar el evangelio a un mundo que espera.

