

May 31, 2020
Pentecost Sunday
**THE FAITH COMMUNITY OF
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

Mission Statement: St. Francis of Assisi is a Roman Catholic worshipping community, dedicated to ministering to our members and to the greater community in the image given to us by Jesus. This ministry is centered on the Sacraments and our Acts of Faith, Hope and Charity.



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What is Spiritual Communion?

Spiritual Communion is the practice of desiring union with Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. It is used primarily by individuals who cannot receive Holy Communion, such as the ill, the divorced and remarried, and those who have not yet been received into full communion with the Church. St. Thomas Aquinas described it as “an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament and lovingly embrace Him” at a time or in circumstances when we cannot receive Him in Sacramental Communion.

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.

– *Pedro de la Cruz*



Mass Intentions Week of May 31, 2020

DATE	NO PUBLIC MASS	INTENTION / DONOR	READINGS
MON. JUNE 1 <i>The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church</i>		Living & Deceased Members of the Rosary Society Rosary Society	Gn 3:9-15, 20 Jn 19:25-34
TUES. JUNE 2 <i>Ss. Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs</i>		+Robert Meagher Janice Meagher & Family	2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18 Mk 12:13-17
WED. JUNE 3 <i>St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Marytrs</i>		+Friar Colmcille Murphy, OFMConv. fr. Anthony Francis	2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12 Mk 12:18-27
THURS. JUNE 4 <i>Weekday</i>		+Wanda Waligora Ken & Donna Brozack	2 Tm 2:8-15 Mk 12:28-34
FRI. JUNE 5 <i>St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr</i>		+Rosolino & Agnes Lucia Daughter Cel Neiderer	2 Tm 3:10-17 Mk 12:35-37
SAT. JUNE 6 <i>St. Norbert, Bishop</i> SAT. JUNE 6 <i>The Most Holy Trinity</i>		Special Intention +Sophie Regula Mike Muto	2 Tm 4:1-8 Mk 12:38-44 Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9 2 Cor 13:11-13 Jn 3:16-18
SUN. JUNE 7 <i>The Most Holy Trinity</i>		Parishioners & Benefactors +Ethel Petak Sister-in-law Barb Maddox & Family	Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9 2 Cor 13:11-13 Jn 3:16-18

CONGRATULATIONS!

Fr. John Voytek, OFMConv., former Administrator at St. Anne Parish, Davidsville

Fr. John Voytek has been appointed to be a confessor at St. Peter's Basilica. The Franciscan Friars Conventual have served as the official confessors at the Vatican Basilica since 1774, when Pope Clement XIV in his Apostolic Letter *Miserator Dominus* established our order as the "College of the Penitentiaries." Upon passing his examination at the Vatican on the 12th of May, John was immediately taken to the Chapel of the Penitentiaries by Cardinal Mauro Piacenza, and Regent Msgr. Krystof Josef Nykiel, to take his oath and make his profession of Faith. Having signed the official documents, the Vatican officials enrolled John in the official ranks of friars who for 246 years have carried out this great service of the Order to the Church.

GETTING CHUMMY WITH THE SAINTS
WITNESSES TO THE FAITH AND GOOD EXAMPLES OF LIVING OUR FAITH



Monday, June 1 – The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church – On February 11, 2018, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments issued a Decree implementing Pope Francis’ decision that the Memorial of the “Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church” be inscribed in the General Roman Calendar and observed on the Monday following Pentecost, taking precedence over conflicting obligatory Memorials. The joyous veneration given to the Mother of God by the contemporary Church, in light of reflection on the mystery of Christ and on His nature, cannot ignore the figure of a woman (cf. Gal 4:4), the Virgin Mary, who is both the Mother of Christ and Mother of the Church.

Tuesday, June 2 – Ss. Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs – Marcellinus, presbyter, and Peter, exorcist, died 303; beheaded under Diocletian; both mentioned in the Roman Canon.

Wednesday, June 3 – S. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs – Charles Lwanga and twenty-one Ugandan companions, died Nov. 15, 1885 - Jan. 27, 1887; proto-Martyrs of Black Africa; over one hundred killed in this period, including Anglicans; Charles is the patron Saint of African Catholic Youth Action.

Friday, June 5 – St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr – died 754; Anglo-Saxon O.S.B.; founded Abbey of Fulda; Bishop of Mainz; martyred along with thirty companions at Dokkum in Frisia; known as the “Apostle of Germany.”

Saturday, June 6 – St. Norbert, Bishop – died 1134; founded (1120) the Premonstratensians or “Norbertines,” [O. Praem], today numbering some 1200 members; Archbishop of Magdeburg; strong supporter of Church reform and evangelization; devoted to the Holy Eucharist.

Families and the Gospel – John 20:19-23 – Like the Disciples in today’s Gospel, there are times when we shut the doors of our hearts to people or events. It’s how we create emotional distance. Permanent distancing is lethal and prevents the PEACE Jesus offers you today.

BEAUTIFUL SPIRITUAL Counsel
from an
ARCHDIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN NEWSLETTER
Entitled “A Short Course in Courtesy” via DEAR ABBY

The SIX most important words: ‘I admit I made a mistake.’
The FIVE most important words: ‘You did a good job.’
The FOUR most important words: ‘What is your opinion?’
The THREE most important words: ‘If you please.’
The TWO most important words: ‘Thank you.’
The ONE most important word: ‘We.’
The Least important word: ‘I.’

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR HOMEBOUND

James Edward Adams; Rose Blaschak, Odessa Bobak, Galynn Brady, Sister Carol Jean Czynnik, Verne Esposito, LeAnn Golby, Caleb Herdman, Alicia Junghans, John Kasper, Kathryn Legat, Tyler McKinley, Rick McKinley, Margaret Murray, Carl Pavlosky, Rowen Ream, Kathy Reddy, Alexandra Rice, Carly Rice, Doug Rice, Rose Rice, James Schuster, Gary Singel, Betty Spisak, Joanna Stone, Carol Sobecky, Leona Sutt, Agnes Swarney, Jeanne Toth, Sheila Weppner, Dorothy Youchak.

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SALUTE TO THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY AND A REMEMBRANCE IN OUR PRAYERS

May God bless these brave men and women who serve God and Country.

Ensign Adam Guarino, USCG; **Master at Arms 2nd Class Izeke W. Pinkas**, Fallon, NV; **Lt. Col. Joshua P. Higgins**, US Army; **Petty Officer 1st Class Paul Rambish**, US Navy, Coronado Naval Base, San Diego; Major **Melinda Rován Corallo**, Nellis Air Force Base, Las Vegas, NV; **HMC David Bakos**, US Navy; **PFC; Lance Corporal Jacob Taylor**, USMC; **Private 1st Class Zack Taylor**, US Army; **Trista L. Urban**, PFC, Army National Guard; **Jared N. Dull**, HM3, US Navy, Quantico, Va.; **Stefanie Kollar**, TSgt. Air Force, Hurlburt Field, Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; **Fr. Don Fullerton**, USS Enterprise, **Airman 1st Class Maxwell Schutte**, F. E. Warren, Wy; **Sgt. Bryan Maxwell Porath**, **Captain Aaron Donahey**, US Army, Fort Stewart, GA; **Petty Officer 1st Class Heather L. Dovala**, Great Lakes, IL.; **Sgt. Jarod Pisarchik**, Army National Guard; **Ens. Kara Yingling**, Pentagon; **Lt. JG Shannon Yingling**; **S/SSgt Devon Gilbert**, Tinker AFB, OK; **Senior Airman Daniel Christner**, USAF, 193rd Special Operations Wing; **Lt. Col Steven Thomas**, USAF, deploying to the Middle East; **2nd Lt. Colin Harrington**, US Army, Bethesda, MD; **2nd Lt. Ryan Powers**, USMC, Camp Lejeune, NC; **Senior Airman Anthony Rosage**, USAF; Fort Gordon, GA; **Tech Sgt. Daniel Bracken**, USAF, deployed to Kobal Afghanistan; **Spc. Adken Torchia**, US Army, Fort Drum, NY; **Sgt. Lucas Tomak**, US Army, Fort Hood, TX; **Lt. Kenneth Yacynych**, US Army, Fort Lewis, WA; **Cpl Elliott Mulvehill**, USMC, New River, NC.; **Senior Airman Jeremy Williams**, Kandahar Air Base, Afghanistan; **Kasey Meredith**, O.C.S., USMC, Quantico, VA.; **Pvt. Harrison Barham**, US Army, Fort Leonard Wood, MO.; **Cpl. Aunna Yingling**, US Army, Afghanistan; **Petty Officer 2nd Class, Gage Pollino**, US Navy.

To add a name to our Salute to those in the Military, please call 539-1632. If a person is no longer serving on active or reserve duty, please call the Parish Office to remove his/her name.

A PRAYER FOR OUR DEPLOYED MILITARY: Heavenly Father, inspire those who are overseas for the cause of peace. Send Your Son, Jesus Christ, as the Prince of Peace. Bless the men and women of our military who respond to the needs of peacekeeping. Keep them safe from harm. Let them be models of discipline and courage and bring them home safely to their loved ones. We ask this in Your Name. Amen.

PARISH OFFICE will be **CLOSED** on Tuesday, June 3.

Donations to the parish May 24: Adults - \$1,730.84; Children - \$4.00; Monthly - \$100.00; St. Vincent de Paul - \$80; Cemetery - \$140; Holy Day - \$113.00; Mother's Day - \$26.00; Pentecost - \$45.00; Candles - \$13.00; Catholic Communication - \$20.00; Donation - \$45.00; Misc - \$150.00 Total Collection: \$2,466.84.

Thank you Parishioners who are continuing to send in/bring in your offering envelopes. It is deeply appreciated! God Bless! fr. Anthony Francis