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Worship Times

Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00p
Sunday Mass 11:15a; En español, 1:00p
Daily Mass, Holy Days Consult bulletin
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays, 3:00-4:00p

Sunday Mass 9:00a
Communion Service Tuesdays, 12:15p
Holy Days 7:00p
Sacrament of Reconciliation
By appointment

Welcome, New Parishioners

We are a Stewardship Community, sharing our time, talent, and treasure, in the most life-giving ways possible. Parishioners are expected to participate in weekly worship, in our community life, and in our service among our dear neighbors.

Sacramental Life ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Matrimony

For Sacrament preparation, you must be a registered, active member and attend preparation sessions.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For those who desire to explore the Catholic Faith, spirituality, customs, and practices.

Anointing of the Sick

For those with chronic illness or who are pre-surgery, contact Father John or Sister Janis

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 22, 2022

Keep the Word. Keep your Word.

Morning Church!

Conflict Resolution:

Conflict resolution is a way for two or more parties to find a peaceful solution to a disagreement among them.

The disagreement may be personal, spiritual, financial, political, or emotional.

The Acts of the Apostles documents the triumphs and struggles of the early Jewish-Christian communities. A major conflict the community dealt with is how to welcome and incorporate new members, especially among the Gentiles ~ anyone who is not Jewish. Are they require to keep the Mosaic Law and be circumcised before becoming Christians? The differences and serious conflicts they faced caused them to face some big decisions: how to continue their Jewish traditions as they simultaneously lived into Christ's teachings.

Integrating the Gentiles into the Jewish community seemed like an impossibility. Some disciples begun preaching that prospective members must abide by Mosaic Law and be circumcised. Paul and Barnabas were vehemently opposed to this. They left Antioch and traveled to Jerusalem. There the whole community gathered to discuss this conflict. This pivotal moment for them at what is now know as the Council in Jerusalem. Guided by the Holy Spirit, they decreed that Gentiles didn't have to observe the Mosaic Law before becoming Christians. The Spirit of Jesus lead them to Keep the Word and to love as inclusively as Jesus loved.

This Council offers us a life-giving way to handle conflict.

Everyone comes together and has their voice heard and their viewpoint is respected.

Everyone prayerfully discerns what the Spirit says about the situation/issue.

Everyone shares the fruit of their prayer ~ where, in the heart of God,
that we find our common ground and are grounded in God.

This is one way Jesus' disciples kept his Word and
built a strong foundation for the Judeo-Christian community.

Christ's Law is the Law of Love, which he taught, preached and lived. Make the courageous choice to go to the Table of Resolution and stay there until you come to a shared decision. The Spirit is made visible at the Table of your family, neighbors, and those "Gentiles" you've yet to accept into your circle of love. They belong at the Table, too.



From now on, remember this text from Acts when dealing with some conflict, a difference of opinion, or before an argument becomes a name-calling fight. Come to the table and speak your heart and listen to the others with the same openness you expect from them. This is how you keep the Word and foster community life. This is how you follow the lead of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit served as the Divine Memory of Christ
for the newly-forming community of believers.

The Spirit of Jesus is with you today continuing
to help you live and keep The Word
and be faithful to the gospel's mission.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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M A Y	
22	6th Sunday Easter Faith Fusion
 23	RCIA
24	Communion Service, 12:15p
29	Feast of the Ascension Faith Fusion
 30	RCIA
31	Communion Service, 12:15p Clergy Connection Racism, 3:00p

PROCLAIMERS of the WORD		
5/22	John O	Mary H
5/29	Rob W	Theresa M
6/5	Janis McQ	Karen G

 *Reflecting and Acting on the Word* 

*How do you handle conflict?
How do you engage it? Why do you avoid it?
What are the consequences for avoiding it?*

Daily Readings <https://bible.usccb.org/>

M A Y	
22	+Yaira de Jesus
29	Crista & Patrick Gantz (11 th Anniv) Mary Tyrrell (Birthday)

Parish Celebrations

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|---|--|--------------------------|
| 23 Aymes Davis |  | 26 Lila Keller |
| Morgan Orta | | 28 Alex Lara Serafin |
| Jonathan Ramirez | | 30 Mark Kroeger |
| 24 Gail Pieropan | | Brian Lopez |
| Crystal Fuentes | | 31 Hilda Lopez-Sanchez |
|  | | 28 Theresa & Phil Martin |
| | | 30 Joyce & Aaron Kelly |



**Our Lady,
Queen of Peace,
pray for us!**

Almsgiving/Service Opportunities

Feed to the Elderly (every 6 wks.)
Contact Gail Altemueller (336) 835-2633

Tri-County Christian Ministries
Gelda or Jody (336) 526-1089

Pope Francis Walking the Word

*The Word reveals God, a God who is not detached and indifferent
...a God who is very close and loves each of us tenderly...
God is no cold bystander, detached and impassible, nor a neutral and indifferent God...
...instead the Spirit, the lover of humanity, who defends us, counsels us,
defends us, sustains us and partakes of our pain.*

Blessings & Congratulations!
Vincent Cahill, graduated
Penn Law, May, 2022!

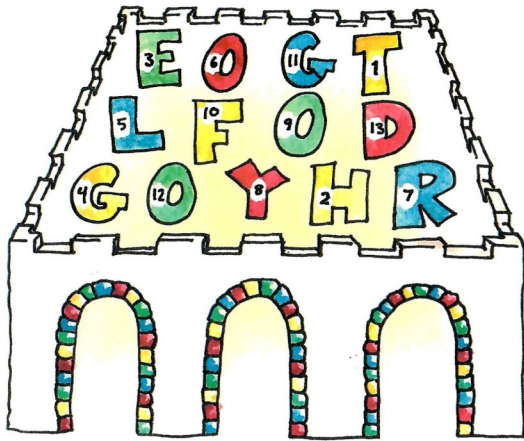


Blessings & Congratulations!
Luis Rodriguez and
Ethan VanHorn
Class of 2022 Elkin High



The Kids' Bulletin

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 22nd, 2022



Today's second reading tells about the new Jerusalem, the heavenly city. Sort out the letters by their numbers to fill in the blanks...

The city has no need of sun or moon because

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13

will be its light. Rev.21:22-23

Gospel Mch-up

How well do you know today's Gospel?
See if you can match the sentence parts correctly.

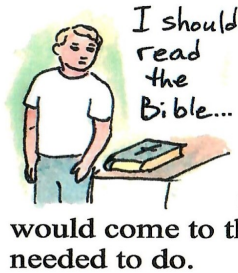
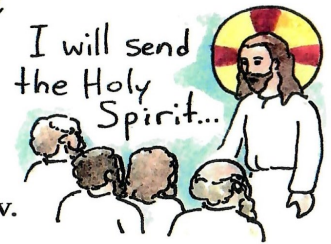
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|---|---|
| 1. If you love me, you | A. make our home with you. |
| 2. My Father | B. is my gift to you. |
| 3. We will come to you and | C. will not keep my words |
| 4. Those who do not love me | D. will keep my Word. |
| 5. These things I | E. have spoken to you, while I am still with you. |
| 6. The Holy Spirit | F. will love you... |
| 7. A peace that world cannot give, this | G. will teach you all things |

Christ peace fill your heart!



Jesus Promises to Send the Holy Spirit

In today's Gospel reading Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit to the disciples after He was gone. The Holy Spirit would teach them all they needed to know.



After Jesus left, the disciples would be confused about what Jesus had wanted them to do and how to go about building the Church He had started. But Jesus promised that they would not be alone. God the Holy Spirit would come to them and show them what they needed to do.

The Holy Spirit still helps the Church today today is right and to serve others. The Spirit guides our Church leaders to do what God wants and to teach others by their good example.



Can you recall a time the Holy Spirit helped you do what is loving?

Puzzle answers: on front The glory of God
Answers to Match-up puzzle: 1-D, 2-F, 3-A, 4-C, 5-E, 6-G, 7-B

Saint Mary Magdalene de Pazzi May 25



MARY MAGDALENE DE PAZZI RECEIVED MANY VISIONS FROM GOD, AND BY WHAT SHE SAID PEOPLE LEARNED A LOT ABOUT HIM. BUT SHE SUFFERED A LOT TOO. SHE WAS SICK DIFFERENT TIMES, AND HAD VERY HARD TEMPTATIONS, BUT SHE STAYED FAITHFUL TO GOD. SHE DIED FROM A PAINFUL SICKNESS WHEN SHE WAS 41.