



## Bulletin

### Sacred Heart Parish

Mass: 4:00 pm – Saturdays

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Pentecost Sunday

#### Pentecost

After Jesus had ascended to heaven from Mt. Olivet, the apostles and disciples returned to the Holy City. They remained together in the Upper Room or Cenacle, the place where Jesus had appeared to them and which may well be called the first Christian church. About a hundred and twenty persons were assembled there. They chose Matthias as an apostle in place of the unhappy Judas; they prayed and waited for the Paraclete.

Ten days had passed, it was Sunday, the seventh Sunday after the resurrection. At about nine o'clock in the morning, as they were together praying fervently, the Holy Spirit descended upon them. Note how all the great theophanies in Christ's life occurred during the course of prayer. After His baptism, for instance, when Jesus was praying the heavens opened and the Holy Spirit descended in the form of a dove; likewise, it was during prayer at night that the transfiguration took place on Tabor. Surely too it was while Mary was praying that Gabriel delivered his message, and the Holy Spirit overshadowed her. Pentecost followed precedent. The small community of Christians had prepared themselves through prayer for the coming of the Paraclete. The same is true at Mass today, every day; through prayer we ready our souls for the advent of the Spirit.

The descent upon the apostles was internal and invisible in nature although accompanied by certain visible phenomena. There came a mighty roar, like the onrush of a

violent wind. It came suddenly, from heaven; but unlike storms that strike a structure from without, this one penetrated and filled the room where the disciples were gathered. Therefore it was not a natural wind, it was a miracle peculiar to the occasion. A second visible sign consisted in tongues of fire that descended upon each one present. These fiery tongues gave visible evidence that the Holy Spirit had descended upon them.

Today at Mass, particularly at holy Communion, the power of the Holy Spirit will come down upon us; fiery tongues will not be seen, but invisible tongues of fire will not be absent. There was still another external manifestation of the Holy Spirit; the apostles and disciples were enabled to speak various languages.

After the roar of the wind many of Jerusalem's pilgrims hurried to the Cenacle. Pentecost was one of the three festivals which obliged all Jews to be present in Jerusalem. Jews from distant lands, and Jewish converts from paganism too, attended these feasts. As a result, a colorful crowd speaking a variety of languages surrounded the house. Now the apostles, who so shortly before had hid in fear behind locked doors, came forth and courageously walked among the multitude speaking to each in his native tongue. It was indeed amazing! Galileans, and multilingual?

But the malicious too were present; they had the answer. Nothing marvelous at all! Those Galileans were simply drunk, and their drunken babble sounded like a foreign language! Peter showed no hesitation in answering the charge. None of their number, he said, were intoxicated; it was but nine

o'clock in the morning, and at that hour men usually are sober. What the multitude saw was, in fact, the fulfillment of Joel's prophecy: In those days (of the Messiah), God will pour forth His Spirit upon men and they will prophesy. . . . Then the apostle pointed his words more directly against the accusers: they had killed Jesus, had nailed Him to the Cross; but God had awakened Him and after His departure to heaven, He sent the Holy Spirit.

The pilgrims who had heard Peter give this first pentecostal sermon "were pierced to the heart and said: Brethren, what shall we do? But Peter said to them: Repent and be baptized; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Three thousand responded.

One final question: why the miracle of tongues? In answer, recall the story regarding the tower of Babel. Puffed up by pride, men attempted to build a tower that would touch the heavens. To punish their sin, God confused their speech. Sin causes confusion and division. Now Christ came to gather all men into His Church and thereby to unite them to Himself. This should result in creating but one family of nations again. To this blessed state the miracle of tongues points.

Yes, even we as individuals have a gift of tongues which all men can understand. It is the gift of love infused into us by the Holy Spirit. Love unites, love is a common language, by means of love we can speak to all nations.

—Excerpted from *The Church's Year of Grace*, Pius Parsch

**Collection**  
**May 28, 2022**

<b>Envelopes</b>	<b>\$235.00</b>
<b>Loose</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>
<b>Latin America</b>	<b>\$55.00</b>
<b>Cemetery Fund I/M of Mary MacNeil, Valerie Cormier, Michael MacNeil, Kenzie MacNeil</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>
	<b>\$520.00</b>

**NOTICES:**

**1: The Johnstown Landing Artisan & Farmers Outdoor Market:**

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Saturday – bi-weekly – June 4<sup>th</sup> – October 8<sup>th</sup>

Dates: June 4, 18. July 2, 16, 30, August 13, 27, September 10, 24, October 8

The location is directly across from the Johnstown Parish Hall located at 15290 Highway 4 in Johnstown. The outdoor market will run bi weekly starting Saturday June 4th ending the season on Saturday October 8th, 2022.

**2: Tentative Summer Schedule:** more details will be provided closer to the event

- Sunday July 10 – Strawberry Festival and Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass – 2 pm
- Saturday July 30 – Eat-in/Take-out Supper – 4:45 pm
- Saturday August 13 – Cemetery Mass – Eat-in/Take-out Supper 4:00 pm
- Friday August 19 – Milling Frolic – 7 pm – 1 am
- Saturday August 20 – Music Royal Concert in the church - Aurore String Quartet – 7:30 pm
- Sunday August 28 – Music Royal Concert in the church - Curly Music - Benjamin Macke accordion, Birgit Bornauw bagpipes, baroque musette – 4:00 pm
- Saturday September 3 – Eat-in/Take-out Supper: 4:45 pm

**3: Tuesday, June 7, 7:30 pm**

Holy Family Church, Sydney Mines

'Mama's Faith'

A tribute to mothers and their faith in stories and song

Tickets available from parish offices in Holy Family, Sydney Mines; St. Anne's, Glace Bay; and St. Joseph's, Port Hawkesbury and the Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Membertou or by phone from the Emmaus Centre (902) 539-6188/toll free 1-800-656-5311 ext 222

**4: Love in the Kitchen: A Recipe for Holiness**

The dinner table and the kitchen aren't just for making memories – they're where saints are created. This Corpus Christi weekend, June 18-19, Chalice is inviting everyone, from aspiring chefs to those who just like to eat (or enjoy a drink!), to a free online event, Love in the Kitchen: A Recipe for Holiness. Discover why our Catholic faith should have a place at every meal. Register today at [chaliceevents.org/love-in-the-kitchen](http://chaliceevents.org/love-in-the-kitchen). Bon Appétit!

For more information: [chalice.ca](http://chalice.ca)

**5: Richmond County Strategic Plan ReFRESH: Have your Say!**

If you're a resident of Richmond County, we want to hear from you! Join the Municipality of the County of Richmond for one of three upcoming Community Open House sessions June 14-16 and provide input on Richmond County's new strategic direction.

Open House Schedule:

- Tuesday, June 14, 2022 | 6- 8 p.m. | Isle Madame New Horizon Seniors Club, 2373 Hwy 206, Arichat
- Wednesday, June 15, 2022 | 6- 8 p.m. | Louisdale & District Fire Hall, RR#1 Hwy 4, Louisdale
- Thursday, June 16, 2022 | 6 – 8 p.m. | St Peter's & Area Lions Club, 39 Lions Ave., St. Peter's

Can't make one of the in-person Open Houses? Fill out the online survey before June 24 at <https://tinyurl.com/RichmondCountyStrategicPlan> or provide your feedback by emailing [refresh@richmondcounty.ca](mailto:refresh@richmondcounty.ca)!

Let's build a brighter future together for Richmond County.

### **6: Global Rosary Relay for Priests**

Worldpriest is inviting you once again to join us on June 24 (Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus) in the Global Rosary Relay to pray and offer the Holy Rosary for our Beloved Priests. On this special day, the entire globe will be united in prayer for our Priests.

Last year, Canada won a special award from Worldpriest for Outstanding Participation and Promotion of the Global Rosary Relay. We are hoping to multiply our numbers even more this year.

You may pray the Holy Rosary in your home, gather in your parish church, as a prayer group, etc.

For more information about Worldpriest/The Global Rosary Relay, please see:

[www.worldpriest.com](http://www.worldpriest.com)

If you are interested in joining us, please contact:

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### **7: Now Open for the Season:**

Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine

Gift Shop, Mabou

The gift shop is now open daily from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

Hours for the gift shop will be extended as of June 1 to 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

The Shrine has been open for visitation throughout the winter, and remains open daily for visitation.

Thank you for your support