

*Pentecost*

..... *A Word from Victoria* .....

**23 Pentecost**

Mass: 8:30, coffee hour following  
Mass: 10:30, coffee hour following  
AA Meeting: 6pm - Church Basement

**24 Monday**

Communion Service: 9am - Church

**25 Tuesday**

Mass: 9am - Church  
Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30am-7pm - Church

**26 Wednesday**

Communion Service: 9am - Church

**27 Thursday**

Mass: 9am - Church  
Choir: 7pm - Church

**28 Friday**

Mass: 9am - Church

**29 Saturday**

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 3:30pm  
Mass: 5pm  
AA Meeting: 7pm - Benincasa Basement

**30 Feast of the Holy Trinity**

Mass: 8:30, coffee hour following  
Mass: 10:30, coffee hour following  
AA Meeting: 6pm - Church Basement

When I first started graduate school, I felt a disconnect between my study of theology and my religious experience. I attended mass, I prayed, but something was missing. I went with a fellow student to a prayer meeting at our local parish. My friend was a Jesuit and had been involved in the charismatic renewal in San Francisco before coming to the University of Chicago. He was one of the most brilliant people I had ever met, and one of the most charismatic—in every sense of the term.

Though I had not thought of myself as someone who would attend a charismatic prayer meeting, I immediately felt at home. The group was a mix of graduate students from the University and parishioners from the neighborhood—diverse in race, education, economic means, experience and talent, yet somehow one body. When the group sang in tongues, I thought I was hearing the song of angels.

The first meeting, as well as the many subsequent ones, was a little Pentecost. The Spirit was palpable in the gathering—in the power of the word, in the unity of the diverse group, in the singing of the angels. The time I spent in this community shaped me even more than my theological studies, as important as they were. I came to know Jesus in the power of the Spirit in the unity of our diverse group.

On that first Pentecost, the disciples felt the Spirit moving in and around and among them. They began to speak in the tongues of the people and all understood. The disciples spoke of Jesus—telling others of all that God had done in Jesus. They spoke in the power of the Spirit. In time, they became one body, though they were diverse in language, nationality, and talent. They became the church.

We are here because of the power of the Spirit in forming those early followers into one body. We are here because Jesus breathed his very Spirit into those early followers. We are here because in the power of the Spirit, those early followers boldly spoke the good news to all the world.

We are here because we too have received the Spirit. We have received the Spirit in baptism, in confirmation, and in every Eucharist we celebrate. The Spirit makes us into one body, emboldens us to bring good news, and transforms us and empowers us to transform the world.

Last week on the Feast of the Ascension, Jesus told his disciples that they would receive power from on high. This is the day on which, once again, we receive power from on high. This is the power from on high, the same Spirit, by which Jesus was conceived. This is the very Spirit that is given to us today.

May we be as open as Mary and the early disciples to receiving the Spirit. May we allow the Spirit to fill, transform, and embolden us that we may be bearers of Christ to our world today.

*Readings for May 30th  
Feast of the Holy Trinity*

Proverbs 8:22-31  
Romans 5:1-5  
John 16:12-15

*PRAYERS*

Bob Barone	James McNamara
Luis Batayola	Mary Roberts
Kay De Ambrosio	Effie Rohner
Evan Dubicki	Sylvia Sheehan
Martha Harris	Julia Simon
Frank Martin	Chris Young

*PRAYERS*

*Victoria*

## Announcements

### *Blessing of Marriages*

At all the masses on the Feast of the Holy Trinity, May 29-30, there will be a blessing of all marriages.

### *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Beginning Memorial Day weekend, May 29-30, the time for the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturdays will shift to 3:30-4:30pm.

### *St. Vincent de Paul*

St. Vincent de Paul Food Closet is in need of food. Please help to re-stock our food closet. Please bring healthy, non-perishable food items such as tuna fish, peanut butter, pasta and sauce, canned vegetables and fruit, cereal, soups and chili. Place in the box in the west vestibule or bring up at the time of the collection.

### *Soccer Sign-up*

Any child in our parish is eligible to play on our CYO sports teams. Registration forms for K-8 soccer are available on the tables at the doors of the church. They are due by June 4.

### *Jr. High Summer Service - Adult Male Chaperones/ Drivers Needed*

The Jr. High students are heading down to Hoquium, Wa for a week of service immersion this summer. We will be volunteering from Sunday, July 18th – Friday, July 23rd. We are looking for adult male chaperones willing to spend sometime with the group that week. Contact Shannon Fleming Bray

### *Vacation Bible School - Teachers/Leaders Needed*

We are looking for High School and adult leaders to help out at our summer Vacation Bible School happening August 2-6th this year. We need help with drama, snacks, games, and small group leaders. If you are interested please contact Shannon Fleming Bray.

### *Foster Parents Needed*

Catholic Community Services is looking for families who are willing to provide a temporary, or perhaps permanent, home for the many infants and young children coming into the foster care system. Single adults and married couples are encouraged to contact Janelle Weaver at Catholic Community Services at 206-328-5914 or [JanelleW@ccsw.org](mailto:JanelleW@ccsw.org).

### *Parish Stewardship*

*May 16, 2010*

Regular Collection: \$11,819.00

Annual Catholic Appeal  
Pledged Amount: \$58,907.00

### *StrengthFinders*

We have been using the StrengthFinders assessment as a means of discovering or becoming clearer about our God-given talents. This tool helps us to know ourselves, to strengthen our relationships, and to become good stewards of our talents in this community and beyond. There will be two sessions for those who are interested in learning more about StrengthFinders and in taking the assessment. This is a great tool for all relationships, for career discernment, for general self-knowledge. There will be a two-session introduction to StrengthFinders, that includes taking the assessment, on Wednesdays, June 23 and June 30 at 7pm in the Benincasa Center. There is a \$15 charge for the book, normally \$25 retail. For more information or to register for the class, contact Victoria at the parish office. All are welcome. Bring your friends, your partners, your family.

### *Altar Society*

No Meeting in May. \*\*\*Don't forget potluck in Betty's backyard June 8th @ 12 noon\*\*\*. Please bring salad or dessert, KFC & Beverage provided by Betty

### *Ignatian Spirituality Center Retreats*

The Ignatian Spirituality Center is offering two summer retreats. The first is our annual Summer Day of Reflection: <http://www.ignatiancenter.org/programs/summer-day-of-reflection> (Saturday, June 19) which is an Examen of life at mid-year. This year's theme is life's hidden graces. Join us for a few hours of reflection and prayer in community with time for exploring the frontiers of your heart. The second opportunity is a Summer Three-Day Ignatian Retreat: <http://www.ignatiancenter.org/programs/summer-three-day-ignatian-retreat> (July 30-August 1) at the Palisades Retreat Center in Federal Way. The theme is On the Path of Ignatius: A Pilgrimage of the Heart. Finally, please join us for our Annual Feast of St. Ignatius Celebration on Sunday, July 25th: [www.ignatiancenter.org/programs/feast-of-st-ignatius](http://www.ignatiancenter.org/programs/feast-of-st-ignatius).