

# Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

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Monday to Friday (except Wednesday)

### Mass Times

**Sunday:** 8:30 a.m. Low Mass

10:15 a.m. High Mass

**Monday-Friday:** 7:45 a.m. Low Mass

**Saturday:** 8:30 a.m. Low Mass

**Holy Days:** *please consult the bulletin*

### Confessions

30 minutes before Mass every day

### Regular Devotions

**Every Thursday:** Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m.

**First Friday:** Additional Mass at 6:00 p.m., followed by Devotions & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

**First Saturday:** After Mass, Adoration with Holy Rosary, 15-minute meditation & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

May 19<sup>th</sup> 2024

Pentecost Sunday

## Masses this Week

Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>

### **PENTECOST SUNDAY**

8:30 a.m. - ✠ Adeline Reyen

*requested by Edward Reyen*

10:15 a.m. - Pro Populo

Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>

### **Whit Monday**

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Elizabeth Boyle

*requested by Mr. Raymond Dunne*

Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>

### **Whit Tuesday**

7:45 a.m. - Janelle Manoni

*requested by George Smith & Denise Manoni-Smith*

Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>

### **Ember Wednesday of Pentecost**

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Charlotte Vendetti

*requested by June Vendetti*

Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>

### **Whit Thursday**

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Juliet & William Carpenter

*requested by Colleen M. McCarty*

Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>

### **Ember Friday of Pentecost**

7:45 a.m. - Jesse Alvarado

*requested by Jean Zamora*

Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>

### **Ember Saturday of Pentecost**

8:30 a.m. - Éli Lynn Gaboardi

*requested by Linda Gaboardi*

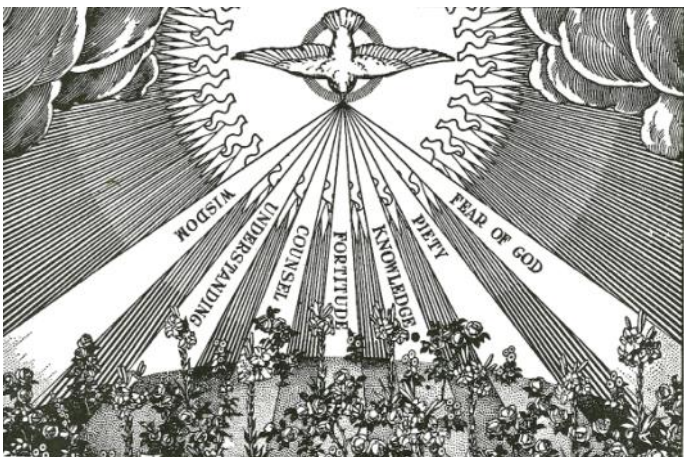
Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>

### **TRINITY SUNDAY**

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - ✠ Marieto & Ophelia Fajarda

*requested by Mr. & Mrs. James T. DeSilva*



## Upcoming Events

### Mary's Month of May

Please feel free to bring fresh flowers to Our Lady's special May Altar throughout the month

### Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>

FEAST OF PENTECOST

Solemn Choral Vespers (with Bishop Caggiano) in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament at 2:30 p.m., as part of the diocesan Eucharistic pilgrimage

### Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>

Adult Theology class at 7:00 p.m.

Theme: "The Second & Third Commandments"

### May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>

SUMMER EMBER DAYS

Traditionally days of fast & abstinence {still encouraged but no longer mandatory}

### Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>

Holy Hour & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

### Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>

After the High Mass, practice for all servers for Corpus Christi {*please sign up—many servers needed!*}  
*No Vespers or Benediction*

### Week of May 27<sup>th</sup>

Volunteers are needed to help remove weeds from the processional path for Corpus Christi  
*Tests for the First Communion candidates*

### Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Solemn Mass & Procession at 6:00 p.m.

### Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>

SUNDAY AFTER CORPUS CHRISTI

Benediction after the High Mass

*First Holy Communion of Gerard Manoni*

Farewell to Abbé MacGinnis—please sign up!

### Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>

SUNDAY AFTER THE SACRED HEART

*First Holy Communion of Grace Quatela*

### June 10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>

Canon Altieri away on annual silent retreat

*Local priests will offer Mass at the usual time each day.*

## THE HOLY GHOST AND THE CHURCH

The Church which, already conceived, came forth from the side of the second Adam in His sleep on the Cross, first showed herself before the eyes of men on the great day of Pentecost. On that day the Holy Ghost began to manifest His gifts in the mystic body of Christ, by that miraculous outpouring already foreseen by the prophet Joel (2:28-29), for the Paraclete “sat upon the apostles as though new spiritual crowns were placed upon their heads in tongues of fire” (S. Cyril Hier. *Catech.* 17). Then the apostles “descended from the mountain,” as St. John Chrysostom writes, “not bearing in their hands tables of stone like Moses, but carrying the Spirit in their mind, and pouring forth the treasure and the fountain of doctrines and graces” (*In Matt.* Hom. L, II Cor. 3:3). Thus was fully accomplished that last promise of Christ to His apostles of sending the Holy Ghost, who was to complete and, as it were, to seal the deposit of doctrine committed to them under His inspiration. “I have yet many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now; but when He, the Spirit of Truth, shall come, He will teach you all truth” (John 16:12-13). For He who is the Spirit of Truth, inasmuch as He proceedeth both from the Father, who is the eternally True, and from the Son, who is the substantial Truth, receiveth from each both His essence and the fullness of all truth. This truth He communicates to His Church, guarding her by His all powerful help from ever falling into error, and aiding her to foster daily more and more the germs of divine doctrine and to make them fruitful for the welfare of the peoples. And since the welfare of the peoples, for which the Church was established, absolutely requires that this office should be continued for all time, the Holy Ghost perpetually supplies life and strength to preserve and increase the Church. “I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Paraclete, that He may abide with you forever, the Spirit of Truth” (John 14:16, 17).

By Him the bishops are constituted, and by their ministry are multiplied not only the children, but also the fathers — that is to say, the priests — to rule and feed the Church by that Blood wherewith Christ has redeemed Her. “The Holy Ghost hath placed you bishops to rule the Church of God, which He hath purchased with His own Blood” (Acts 20:28). And both bishops and priests, by the miraculous gift of the Spirit, have the power of absolving sins, according to those words of Christ to the Apostles: “Receive ye the Holy Ghost; whose sins you shall forgive they are forgiven them, and whose you shall retain they are retained” (John 20:22, 23). That the Church is a divine institution is most clearly proved by the splendour and glory of those gifts and graces with which she is adorned, and whose author and giver is the Holy Ghost. Let it suffice to state that, as Christ is the Head of the Church, so is the Holy Ghost her soul. “What the soul is in our body, that is the Holy Ghost in Christ’s body, the Church” (St. Aug., *Serm.* 187, *de Temp.*). This being so, no further and fuller “manifestation and revelation of the Divine Spirit” may be imagined or expected; for that which now takes place in the Church is the most perfect possible, and will last until that day when the Church herself, having passed through her militant career, shall be taken up into the joy of the saints triumphing in heaven.

— from the encyclical *DIVINUM ILLUD MUNUS* of Pope Leo XIII (1897)

## CORPUS CHRISTI - Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup> Solemn Mass & Eucharistic Procession at 6:00 p.m.

*Children who received their First Holy Communion last year or who will receive this year are welcome to walk in the procession in their suits and dresses (the boys will carry a candle and the girls will scatter flower petals). Please contact Canon to participate.*



## We welcome you to Saints Cyril and Methodius!

If this is your first time here, we look forward to meeting you. We hope you will be able to join us for our next coffee hour. If you are interested in registering as a parishioner, forms are available at both entrances.

Holy Mass and all the sacraments at Saints Cyril & Methodius Oratory are celebrated in the traditional Latin Rite. This form of worship, which developed many centuries ago, is a priceless treasure of our Catholic faith. On Sundays and feasts, there are handouts containing English translations of the Propers (the prayers and readings proper to the day). If you are unfamiliar with the traditional Latin Mass, please do not hesitate to approach the clergy of the Oratory with any questions you may have. The pastoral care of the Oratory has been entrusted by the Bishop of Bridgeport to the clergy of the Institute of Christ the King, a Catholic priestly society founded in 1990 and currently ministering in dioceses across the United States, Europe and Africa.

Holy communion may be received by practicing Catholics in the state of grace. In the traditional Roman Rite, holy communion is received kneeling at the communion rail (unless you are impaired from doing so) and directly on the tongue. The mouth should be open with the tongue slightly extended. You do not reply when the priest places the host in your mouth. The sacrament of confession is available every day 30 minutes before the start of Mass (ending approximately 7 minutes before Mass begins).

The church narthex (vestibule) functions as a cry room during Mass. As a courtesy to others, please feel free to make use of it when you have a crying child by exiting quietly down one of the side aisles. Everyone is kindly reminded that all conversations should be held outside.

Out of respect for God's house, please bear in mind the importance of modest and decent attire. Ladies who wish to do so may borrow a veil to wear at Mass (available in baskets by the entrances).

If you are not a Catholic, you are warmly invited to learn more about our faith. The Catholic Church was founded 2000 years ago by Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to carry on His work for the salvation of souls. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or simply want to learn more about the Catholic faith, please do not hesitate to contact us. The Oratory offers individual instruction. We look forward to hearing from you.

### “ONE IN CHRIST” - 2024 Bishop's Appeal

The Bishop's Appeal for 2024 is well underway. Envelopes are still available in church. Please make sure to turn in the envelope in the collection basket or in one of the candle donation boxes or drop it off at the rectory (do not mail to diocese). We still need about 10 or more donors—any amount helps! Any funds we raise above the designated goal before the end of June will be returned to our parish! Supporting the Bishop's Appeal is a concrete way for us to participate in the life of the diocese and to show our gratitude to the bishop for establishing the Oratory.

### Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

The diocesan Eucharistic Pilgrimage begins today, with stops at several Bridgeport churches on the first day. Saints Cyril & Methodius has the privilege of being chosen as one of the station churches. To mark the occasion, we will be holding **Solemn Choral Vespers of Pentecost in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament** (which will be held *instead of* the usual 6:00 p.m. Sunday Vespers). The bishop will be attending the ceremony, as well as several clergy and many of the seminarians of the diocese. **It is very important that we should have a very large participation of our own parishioners at this very significant event, so we look forward to seeing you all here this afternoon!**

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