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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 (except during the summer months)

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

June 1st 2025

Sunday after the Ascension

Masses this Week

Sunday, June 1st

SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - Dr. & Mrs. Andrew Wang & Family
requested by Colleen Rowe McCarty

Monday, June 2nd

Mass of the Ascension

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Rosario Santana
requested by Jean Zamora

Tuesday, June 3rd

Mass of the Ascension

7:45 a.m. - Maud Joseph
requested by Neo Neal Bernardo Natividad

Wednesday, June 4th

Saint Francis Caracciolo

7:45 a.m. - Stephen & Tamara Grosso
requested by Thomas & Lisa DeFelice

Thursday, June 5th

Votive Mass of Jesus, Eternal High Priest

7:45 a.m. - Aarti McMahon
requested by Paul McMahon

Friday, June 6th

Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Augustine & Daniel Jarosko
requested by Jerry Cunningham
6:00 p.m. - Intentions of Monsignor Gilles Wach

Saturday, June 7th

Vigil of Pentecost

Note: 10:15 a.m. - ✠ William & Teresa Carpenter
requested by Colleen Rowe McCarty

Sunday, June 8th

PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo
10:15 a.m. - June Vendetti
requested by your friends at Saints Cyril & Methodius



Upcoming Events

THE MONTH OF JUNE IS DEDICATED TO THE
MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS.

May 30th to June 7th

Pentecost Novena recited after Low Mass daily

**** Today, Sunday, June 1st ****

Monthly social in the church hall after High Mass
**Visit from the Adorers of the Royal Heart of
Jesus, the Sisters of the Institute**
The Sisters look forward to meeting you after Mass!
Vespers & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 3rd

Adult theology talk at 7:00 p.m. in church hall
Theme: "Prayer, part 2 – Liturgical Prayer"

Thursday, June 5th

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

Friday, June 6th

VISIT FROM MONSIGNOR WACH {First Friday}
Solemn Mass at 6:00 p.m., celebrated by the Prior
General of the Institute of Christ the King
*It has been several years since the founder of the Institute
of Christ the King has been able to visit our parish, so
please plan to attend the reception after Mass!*

Saturday, June 7th

VIGIL OF PENTECOST {known as "Whitsun Eve"}
Vigil ceremonies & Mass beginning at 10:15 a.m.
*Church will open at 9:15 a.m., with confessions held at
9:45 a.m. There will not be an early Mass.*

Sunday, June 8th

FEAST OF PENTECOST {known as "Whitsun"}
Solemn Choral Vespers at 6:00 p.m., followed by
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, June 13th

Blessing of lilies in honour of Saint Anthony of
Padua after Mass at 7:45 a.m.

Thursday, June 19th

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI
Solemn Mass & Procession at 6:00 p.m.



Liturgy Corner: THE VIGIL OF PENTECOST

Already in very ancient times, the sacrament of baptism was celebrated on the feast of Pentecost as on Easter; this is said explicitly by Pope Saint Siricius (384-399) in a letter to bishop Himerius of Tarragon. Pope Saint Leo I (440-461) reasserts that this was the practice of the Church in a letter to the bishops of Sicily, exhorting them to follow the example of the Apostle Peter, who baptized three thousand persons on Pentecost day. This custom is expressed in the liturgy of the vigil of Pentecost, which resembles in many respects the rite of Holy Saturday. This resemblance is found in the Missal of St. Pius V, as in all of the missals that came before it, and in the medieval usages of the great cathedrals and religious orders.

The rite begins in the penitential color, violet. There is no blessing of a Paschal fire, nor of a Paschal candle, nor the *Exsultet*; therefore, the vigil begins with six prophecies, repeated from the vigil of Easter, each of which is followed by a prayer. (The three tracts from Easter night are also repeated in their respective places). The six prayers are different from those of the Easter vigil, but express in many respects the same ideas. After the sixth prophecy, the blessing of the baptismal font is repeated, changing only the prayer at the beginning, following which the Litany is sung. During the Litany, the major ministers return to the sacristy and change to red vestments for the Mass.

Other rites of the Easter vigil are repeated at this vigil Mass; there is no Introit, and the bells are rung at the *Gloria in excelsis*. (The Introit *Cum sanctificatus fuero* was later assigned for private Masses only.) The collect of the Mass refers to the baptismal character of this celebration even more clearly than that of the Easter vigil Mass. After the *Alleluja* of the Mass is sung the same Tract which is sung on Easter night. At the Gospel, the acolytes do not carry candles. Just as on Easter night the Resurrection is watched for, but not anticipated, so also with this same gesture, the Church watches for the coming of the Holy Spirit in tongues of fire, as Christ told His disciples to do, but does not anticipate it. A further reference to the baptisms done in the first part of the rite is found in the Canon of the Mass, in which the proper *Hanc igitur* of Easter is said. This text speaks explicitly of those whom the Lord "(has) deigned to regenerate of water and the Holy Spirit, granting to them remission of their sins." It is said in this Mass, and though the entire octave of Pentecost, as it is also said at the Mass of the Easter vigil, and throughout the octave.

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The solemn Pentecost Vigil will be celebrated at the Oratory next Saturday June 7th at 10:15 a.m. – the best way to prepare for Pentecost!

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 parish social today! 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.

VISIT FROM MONSIGNOR WACH THIS FRIDAY!

On Friday, June 6th we will have the joy of welcoming Monsignor Gilles Wach, founder and prior general of the Institute of Christ the King. Monsignor will celebrate Solemn Mass at 6:00 p.m. for First Friday, and then you will be able to greet him afterwards at the reception in the church hall. Please sign up to bring (meatless) refreshments, and be sure to invite friends for this important event!

“ONE IN CHRIST” - 2025 Bishop's Appeal

The Bishop's Appeal for 2025 is still underway.

Envelopes are available in church. Your participation helps our parish! 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 directly to the diocese). Thanks to your generosity, we have reached our goal. This means that if you donate before June 30th anything we raise above the goal will be returned to the parish!



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