

Pentecost Sunday

May 20, 2018

*With joy, knowing the Spirit of God dwells within us, we
open our hearts and minds to the fire of God's love.*

Save the date!

Good Shepherd Parish BBQ, **Sunday 22** July following the 11:15 am Mass. Please mark your calendars... fun and food for all!

SECOND COLLECTION – There will be a second collection for the Pastoral Works of the Holy Father the weekend of May 26/27.

Good Shepherd CWL Scholarship 2018

The CWL is pleased once again offer the Good Shepherd CWL Scholarship for \$300, which will be offered to a graduating, male or female Grade 12 parishioner in June 2018. In order to be eligible, applicants must be:

- A current Grade 12 student embarking on post-secondary education starting in Sept. 2018 or Jan. 2019 (name of current school and proof of admission offer required, as well as confirmation of successful graduation for recipient);
- Currently practicing **his or her faith** at Good Shepherd Parish; and
- Involved in an ongoing way in ministries and/or activities at Good Shepherd Parish, which must include activities and initiatives organized by the CWL.

Applicants must submit the required information, and outline their parish involvement specifically highlighting any involvement with CWL activities. Applications must be submitted online, and can be done so at the following

link: <https://tinyurl.com/cwlscholarship2018>

Applications must be submitted by **Friday, June 8th, 2018**. We will notify the successful applicant with our decision by June 30, 2018.

Palliative Care Focus-Groups: The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB) in collaboration with Pallium Canada and Dominican University College, has initiated focus-groups with some Catholic parishes in Ottawa. The purpose of the focus-groups is to ascertain the questions that are being asked by the faithful with regards to what palliative care is, Catholic teaching on end-of-life issues, and the support mechanisms they feel are needed as a person prepares to die, including subsequent bereavement. The next focus-group will take place here at Good Shepherd Parish on **Sun., May 27, 1-3 p.m.** All are welcome.

The Beauty of Catholic Education' Seminar: At Good Shepherd Parish, **May 31, 7:30pm**. For teachers and homeschooling parents. Speakers will touch on the essence of Catholic education, how to integrate faith throughout the curriculum, and how to search for quality resources. RSVP: info@academiastellamaris.ca. Info: Academia Stella Maris (343-883-6600).

Offering for May 13, 2018

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 3071.00
AC/Visa/MC	\$ 2660.00
Loose:	\$ 529.00
Total Collection:	\$ 6260.00

Our financial requirements are approx. **\$8,000** per week to support our approx. **\$2,000** a week mortgage payment.

Fr. Shroff's Corner

The 50 days of the Easter Season come to a close with the feast of Pentecost. More often than not, Pentecost falls within the month of May, which is also the month that the Church dedicates to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our Lady's role at Pentecost is an important one. Indeed, she is seen to be front and centre when the Holy Spirit descends upon the Apostles gathered in the upper chamber. The Apostles are in prayer, praying for the Gift of the Holy Spirit that Our Lord promised to send them "in a little while" from the time of His Ascension. Their prayer is fervent because they have Mary at their centre. She is, in a certain sense, the leader of this "first Apostolic College." Our Lady, in fact, is given the title *Queen of the Apostles* in order to highlight the fact that she has a privileged role in the life of the Church.

Pentecost is the birthday of the Church. It is the Holy Spirit that gives life to the Church founded by Jesus Christ. Without the Holy Spirit, the Church could do nothing. But with the Holy Spirit, she can do all things.

In recent decades, there has been an unfortunate tendency to oppose the Institutional Church and the Charismatic Church. The former is represented by the Church's official structures and organization, including the hierarchy; the latter is often presented as "the Church of the Holy Spirit." The truth, however, is that the two are completely and fully one. "What God has joined together, let no man put asunder." Christ is the Head of the Church, which is His Mystical Body, and the Holy Spirit is the breath that animates His Church and gives it life. The Holy Spirit and the hierarchical structure of the Church can no more be separated than could Christ the Head from the Church His Body. To be "charismatic" in the true sense means to be a faithful son or daughter of the Church, and not to seek a type of independence from it. Just as the Church always leads us to Christ, so too Christ always leads us to the Church.

Mary is the Queen of the Apostles and the Mother of the Church. In a recent decree signed by Cardinal Robert Sarah, Prefect of the Congregation of Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, Pope Francis I established a new feast in the Church to be celebrated on the Monday after Pentecost. Pentecost used to have its own Octave until it was abolished in 1969 after the Second Vatican Council. In the aforementioned decree, Pope Francis established on what used to be known as Pentecost Monday a feast entitled "Mary, Mother of the Church." This feast day is now promulgated in the General Roman Calendar and is given the rank of "Memorial." The Memorial of *Mary, Mother of the Church* will therefore be celebrated for the first time on May 21, 2018. It is a beautiful reminder of Our Lady's maternal care over the Church that was born on Pentecost.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 19 – Solemnity of Pentecost

7:00 pm For Our Parishioners

Sunday, May 20 – Solemnity of Pentecost

9:00 am For Our Parishioners

11:15 am †Eva Valere req by Joe & Bernadette Cabrera
Intention of Daphne D'Souza req by Carmen D'Souza

Monday, May 21 – Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church

9:00 am †Anthony D'Souza req by Daphne & Anne D'Souza

Tuesday, May 22 – Memorial of St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

9:00 am †Clara Constance req by Knowlton Constance
Mass of Special Intentions

Thursday, May 24 – 7th Thursday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am †Anthony D'Souza req by Carmen D'Souza

Friday, May 25 – Memorial of St. Gregory VII, Pope

9:00 am In loving memory of Jack, Peg, Joe & Sylvie

Saturday, May 26 – Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

5:00 pm †Alfred Reede req by Myrna Andrews
†Arthur & Ellen Sharf req by Eric & Geraldine Sharf
†Andy Dugandzic req by Rose Dugandzic
†Antoinette Tissaaratachy req by Jean & Doreen Dumont
Intention of John Gartke req by the CWL
Intention of Michael Laciak req by Mom & Dad
Deceased members of the CWL

Sunday, May 27 – Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

9:00 am †Rosemary Pantin req by Betty Ouellet
†Mercy Isaac req by Joseph Abraham and family
†Cécile & Alfred Grenier req by Deacon Wayne & Claire Lee

11:15 am †For Our Parishioners

Please pray for our sick; Joe MacDonell, Jean Scharf, Romina Andrews, Lorretta Dillon-Robinette, Jean-Ella Lemire, Michael Nortey and John MacDonald.

Please pray for our deceased, that they may be received into God's love

PRO LIFE CORNER

On this Solemnity of Pentecost, let us pray that the Holy Spirit, who gives Life, may breathe over all nations and create a Culture of Life that cherishes every child, welcomes the stranger, cares for the poor, and protects those at risk of being euthanized. Please pray for Ireland as they prepare to vote in a referendum that would permit unrestricted abortion in that country. If you or someone you know is pregnant and needs support, confidential help is available www.stmaryshome.com www.miriamottawa.org 613-830-8623 www.birthright-ottawa.org or visit: www.abortionincanada.ca www.adoptionincanada.ca or contact the parish office.