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ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

2020 State Rte 146 E, Vienna, IL – 62995

Sat – 5:30 pm Sun - 10:00 a.m.

Weekdays – Wed 6:30 pm & Fri 12 pm

Parish Council Chair: Steve Pobst

Trustees: Matthew Slife, Jared Bergmann

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES CHURCH

Mulberry Street, Stonefort, IL – 62987

Sunday - 8:00 a.m.

& First Saturday – 8:30 am

Parish Council Chair: Mary Treat

Trustees: Myron Cole, Stan Treat

The Outpouring of the Spirit In the Old Testament, God promised that, in the last days, in the days of the Messiah, he would pour out his Spirit on all of his people. ([Joel 2:28](#)) The apostle Peter quotes this promise to explain what is happening when the apostles speak in tongues at Pentecost. This outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost marks the beginning of the period promised so long ago.

But why would God want to mark this great new beginning, the fulfillment of the Messianic promise, the start of the Church, by having the apostles speak in all the myriad languages of the polyglot world of their time? There are so many other things the Spirit might have done! Later, filled with the Spirit, the apostles heal the lame, cure the sick, cast out demons. Why didn't God mark the beginning of the outpouring of his Spirit by something more glorious than the ability to communicate with others without a translator?

God marks the beginning of the reign of his Spirit in the Church by overturning the babel of human language. Here we should remember the story of the Tower of Babel, told early in Genesis ([Genesis 11:1-9](#)), not so long after the Fall. The people building the Tower of Babel all spoke one language; but they used the power that the commonality of language gave them for evil, to build a tower that reached to heaven. God defeated them by the simple expedient of multiplying their languages and leaving them unable to understand each other.

Now, in the new age, Christ offers all people salvation from their sin, through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. In this age of the Spirit-filled Church, all human beings are invited into communion with the Lord and with each other. Human beings can be trusted with unity when they are incorporated into the one body of the Lord.

And maybe that is why God marks the beginning of the reign of his Spirit in the Church by overturning the babel of human language. Filled with the Holy Spirit, human beings can be given again what they lost at the Tower of Babel, not for storming heaven, but for proclaiming the kingdom of heaven on earth.

Eleonore Stump

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CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

Sun	June	4	8:00 am	SFD	Angela Skaggs
			10:00 am	SP	Inez Ross
Tue	June	6	9, 11 am	DOC	Masses Shawnee, Vienna
Wed	June	7	6:30 pm	SP	General Intention
Thr	June	8	11:30am, 1 pm	Marion Penitentiary	
Fri	June	9	12:00 pm	SP	General Intentions
Sat	June	10	5:30 pm	SP	For the Parishioners
Sun	June	11	10:00 am	SP	Bill Kinkead
			12 noon	SFD	James M McCabe Fam

Birthdays:

Jun 6	Tyler Bishop
Jun 7	Mont Bishop
Jun 9	Suzanne McHugh
Jun 10	Stan Treat
	Arlene Dueker
	Dick Bigler

St Paul, Vienna

Sun, June 4, 10 am
Server: B Bertran, A Webb
Lector: Keith Felcy
Gifts: J. Cecchi, K. Felcyn
Ushers: P Kalicki, J Nelson
 M Palmer, S Widowski
E. Minister S Nelson
 D. Bishop, P Widowski
Greeter: Bill & Billie Porter

Sun, June 11, 10 am
Server: J Bayles, R Slife
Lector: Joan Galey
Gifts: Garrett Family
Ushers: F Dueker, J Slife
 M McMahan, D Bishop
E. Minister M Nelson
 Md Slife, Z Garrett

Sun, Jun 18, 10 am
Server: A Webb, B Bertran
Lector: Sabra Moore
Gifts: Frank, Arlene Dueker
Ushers: K Felcyn, R. Stoerger,
 J. Bergmann, S. Hupe
E. Minister A. Dueker
 P Shallenberger, C Webb
Greeter: Cathy Kruep

St Francis DeSales, Stonefort

Sun, June 4: 8 am
Server: Mary Treat
Lector: Myron Cole
Gifts: M Moore, L Herbert
Usher: Stan Treat
E. Min: Cecilia Parks

Sun, June 11: 8:00 am
Server: Brenda Morse
Lector: Mary Treat
Gifts: Parks Family
Usher Fred Deaton
E. Min: Christine Deaton

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sat	Jun	3	St Paul Mass.....	5:30 pm
Sun	Jun	4	St Francis DeSales Mass	8:00 am
			St Paul Mass.....	10:00 am
			First Sunday Social & Liturgy Committee Mt	11 am
Tue	Jun	6	Masses at Shawnee, Vienna DOC.....	9 am, 11 am
Wed	Jun	7	Weekday Mass.....	6:30 pm
Thr	Jun	8	Marion Penitentiary Masses.....	11:30 am, 1 pm
			Eucharistic Adoration...at St Paul.....	4 pm – 7:30 pm
Fri	Jun	9	Weekday Mass.....	12 pm
Sat	Jun	10	Anointing of the Sick at weekend masses	
			St Paul Mass.....	5:30 pm
Sun	Jun	11	St Paul Mass.....	10:00 am
			St Francis DeSales Noon Mass & Picnic....	12:00 pm



PENTECOST celebrates that the Holy Spirit has been given to continue the work of Jesus' Mission through the Church. The success of his plan depends on our response.

1ST SUNDAY SOCIAL will be offered following the mass in the parish hall. Liturgy Committee members are reminded of the meeting following the social.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS The entire church rejoices in priestly ordinations occurring in many dioceses this weekend. They show a sign of life and vitality to each local church. Young men and women who might be intrigued and then inspired by the commitment of those called to the priesthood are among the graces received by these ordinations. Those who might be considering a vocation will be infused with new life as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon us this weekend.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION will be offered this Thursday, June 8, 4 -7:30 pm. It is offered not only for personal inspiration, but for the Church's ministry of prayer. If you can participate, please indicate the time you will attend on the bulletin board schedule.

SFD NOON MASS & PARISH PICNIC will be held Sun, June 11th, 12 pm at Fred and Christine Deaton home (519 Chitwood). Meat will be provided; participants are asked to bring covered dish (salad, vegetable or dessert). See sheet on bulletin board.

NEW CD! RELIGIONLESS SPIRITUALITY: Why We Need the Church. Renowned Scripture scholar and author, Dr. Tim Gray, provides a fascinating explanation of the importance of the visible Church and the centrality of God on Earth. He offers incredible insights that make clear the role of the Church as an essential part of God's plan for salvation, which are sure to help those who have left her, or who mistakenly claim to be "spiritual, but not religious"

BEER MAKING CLASS Frank Dueker will be offering a beer making class starting on Monday evening June 26th at 6PM at his home on 530 Poplar Road, Tunnel Hill. The class will meet twice. once to brew the beer and 2 weeks later to bottle it. Nominal fee for price of ingredients. Call Frank at 618-559-1405 to enroll.

Many Catholic parishes -- but fewer Catholic priests. INTO MY VINEYARD will help train dedicated lay men and women to assist the Pastor of their Parish / their Partnership. *INTO MY VINEYARD* will meet once a month, on Saturdays (in Belleville, Marion or Mount Vernon). It is a two-year program to train well-qualified servant-leaders for ministry in our parishes throughout our Diocese. At the diocesan website, <http://www.diobelle.org/offices/into-my-vineyard> you will find more information and an application. Talk with your priest: *Will you step forward for your parish?*

DIFFERENT BUT THE SAME. Different gifts. This is the memorable line from the Second Reading (1 Corinthians 12:4-6)

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit;
there are different forms of service but the same Lord;

there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone.

This is all because of Baptism. The one Christ and the one Spirit is given to each one coming out of the font. But each one gets a handful, and not all, of spiritual gifts (charisms, really). Each gift, each charism – given for some benefit – can only be used for someone else's good. · What are spiritual gifts, charisms given to me in Baptism? Who needs my service? What good can I do? · What can I do for the benefit of another?

Pentecost

Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 104; 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13; John 20:19-23

Christians are temples of the Holy Spirit. The temple is not a hiding place but a manifestation. Today's readings define Christ's followers as community members empowered to release the Spirit for the common good. Salvation is never single file but arm in arm. To receive the Spirit is to share the Spirit.

Luke, the author of Acts, understands Pentecost as the start of the Church's universal mission. The Spirit is the driving force. Pentecost is linked with the Tower of Babel story in Genesis 11:7-9; the outcome at Pentecost, however, is vastly different -- unity rather than division.

Paul's Corinthian community featured high-strung individuals who flaunted their gifts of the Spirit. They understood the manifestation of the Spirit in purely personal terms. Paul therefore educates his new Christians about unity and diversity. There are many gifts but they come from one Spirit. Gifts are for others, "To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good" (vs. 7). The human body proves the point; each organ contributes to the overall good. So too in community, there are no distinctions between Jew and Greek, slave and free.

For John, Pentecost occurs on Easter Sunday. On that occasion the glorified Jesus, who has already ascended to God, conveys the Spirit to the disciples. The word "peace" suggests God's presence (see Judges 6:23). By showing the disciples his wounds, the exalted Lord links the crucifixion and the Resurrection. The sharing of the Spirit is thereby grounded in a life of service.

Pentecost was never intended to be an isolated experience in the early history of the Christian community. By its very nature, the reception of the Spirit is dynamic, not static. Today's biblical authors challenge us to confront the divisions that continue to exist in our family, our government, and our Church. As temples of the Spirit we must not keep the Spirit's gifts of healing to ourselves. To receive the Spirit is to share the Spirit.

-- John Craghan, Th.D., S.S.L.

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QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION Every nation was confused and amazed, because everyone understood in his or her language what the apostles were saying. If you were completely open to the Holy Spirit, would you have a deeper understanding of all that you hear? Was the miracle in the speaking or the hearing? How does the Holy Spirit use the miracle of hearing with you?

Different gifts are displayed through different works. St. Alphonsus Rodriguez was a Jesuit Brother (1533-1617) whose job was to answer the door of the Jesuit College in Majorca. For forty years he encountered God in each person he welcomed at the door. Nobility, and crowds of poor and sick who knew about his holiness and his reputation for miracles attended his funeral.

Jesus "breathed" on them. How does this relate to Genesis 2:7, "God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life?" What is the significance for you? How important is the Holy Spirit to you?

NEXT SUNDAY SCRIPTURES: Trinity Sunday Exodus 34:4b-6,8-9; Ps Daniel 3:52-55; 2Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18