

# Pentecost Sunday

## June 9, 2019

# AND THEY WERE ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

## Acts 2:4

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ST. MARY WEEKLY CALENDAR

June 10 (Mon)

8:00 PM Al-Anon/L6

June 11 (Tues)

8:30 AM Mass/Chapel

2:00 PM Rosary & Perpetual Help Devotions/Chapel

6:00 PM Facilities Committee/Community Room

7:00 PM Finance Council/Community Room

June 12 (Wed)

12:05 PM Mass

June 13 (Thurs)

12:05 PM Mass

June 14 (Fri)

8:30 AM Mass/Chapel

June 15 (Sat)

9:00 AM Confessions/Church

4:30 PM Mass

June 16 (Sun)

8:00 & 9:45 AM Mass

Coffee & Donuts in Community Room after both Masses

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon., June 10	12:05 PM	Mass at St. Joseph
Tue., June 11	8:30 AM	Emmett & Mary Clark
Wed., June 12	12:05 PM	Audrey & Harold Deprez
Thurs., June 13	12:05 PM	Walter & Jean T. Conse
Fri., June 14	8:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Mary
Sat., June 15	4:30 PM	Bill Hoffman
	2:00 PM	<i>Fitzpatrick/Loesche Wedding</i>
Sun., June 16	8:00 AM	Harold Hanson
	9:45 AM	Maurie DeBruin

PRAYER NEEDS

Contact Mary Jo Zilisch (734-1182) or Laurie Richter ([lauriejrichter@gmail.com](mailto:lauriejrichter@gmail.com)) if you have a prayer need. Please remember the requests in our prayer baskets.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Office—\$2,011.00 Weekend—\$10,512.25  
Children's—\$9.00

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in Jesus.

*Olivia Marie*  
daughter of Nicholas & Brittany Curry

I promise to love you and honor you all the  
days of my life . . .

**McKenna Bocik  
& Matthew Brust**  
united in marriage June 1, 2019

**WELCOME  
BEN WOLF!**

New Youth Minister  
& High School IPRF Coordinator

Ben comes to us from St. Denis in Shiocton.  
We're so glad to have him on our team!  
You'll have a chance to meet Ben at Mass later  
this month - stay tuned for details.

Best wishes and good luck to Peter Leltermann  
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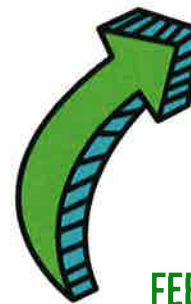
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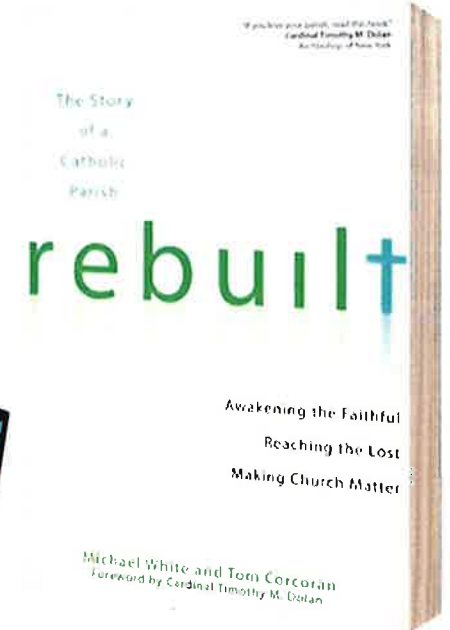


### FEEL THE ENERGY JOIN THE CONVERSATION

You might be feeling that there are exciting things happening around St. Mary. A number of committees and church members have been discussing some big ideas—like how we fulfill the mission Jesus gave us in the Great Commission, how we can share Jesus with the world outside our church walls, and what the future of the Catholic Church looks like. Sound like something you'd like to be part of? Take the first step—read *REBUILT: Awakening the Faithful, Reaching the Lost, Making Church Better* by Michael White and Tom Corcoran. The energy this book creates is astounding, and we need you to be part of the conversation.

St. Mary will have limited copies available for loan in the Marian Way in the coming weeks, or you can purchase it online at [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) or [avemariapress.com](http://avemariapress.com). Stay tuned for opportunities to get together with other parishioners who read this book as well.

**GOD BLESS ALL OF US AS WE SEEK WAYS TO WALK WITH EACH OTHER, ALONGSIDE THOSE IN SEARCH OF A SAVIOR!**



### IN LOVING MEMORY

In the spirit of Christian charity, please pray for the families of those who have lost a loved one. May fond memories comfort you. If you have lost a loved one and would like him or her remembered in the bulletin, call us at 739-5119.

It is said that the longest journey you or I will take in our lifetimes is the journey from our heads to our hearts. What is that? I'd guess about eighteen inches or so.

My dream for our Family of God here at St Mary Parish is that more and more of us will fall in love with Jesus. It is easy enough to fill our heads with knowledge about Jesus but that knowledge will not change our lives if we do not have a friendship with Jesus. Knowledge in the head without passion in the heart will never transform the world. Having a relationship with the Lord means that, during the course of every moment of every day, you and I feel connected to the Lord. We walk through our day with the deliberate intention of seeing Jesus in the people we interact with, being Jesus to those people, and always trusting that the Lord's Spirit is in charge and that Jesus has our back. We easily admit that we need Jesus as a shield to protect us from our sinfulness that can get us off track. We trust that He loves us no matter what and that he gave his whole life, even to the last drop of His Blood on the Tree of the Cross, to save us from our sinful selves.

His unconditional love is stronger than anything that might keep us from Him, even death. Accepting His love into our hearts changes us, fills us with joy and peace, and gives us a desire to witness to the Lord's goodness to the people around us. Because we have personally experienced the Good News of Jesus, we give witness to that Good News by the way we always live our lives. We are the Lord's disciples, who have sat at His feet, soaking in His Words, writing those same Words on our hearts, and living as Jesus lived.

Within our parish family, our hope is to touch every heart with the love of Jesus, a love that will change their lives. Our hope is to suffer with those who suffer, and to rejoice with those who rejoice. Our hope is to literally be the Body of Christ, whom we receive in Holy Communion, to each other, including every person under the mantle of Jesus' Magnificent Love.

By now, you should have picked up the vibe that we have to figure out how to truly be the Body of Christ in our families, our communities, and in our parish. Catholics remain the largest religious group in the US, at about 60 million. The second largest group of people in the United States are former Catholics, some thirty million strong, who have deliberately chosen to walk away from membership in the Church. Maybe at best two out of ten young people, ages 18 through 30, are connected to

the Church. Aware of this disconcerting backdrop, we need to do things very differently as a parish community if Jesus is to make a difference in people's lives.

Since my arrival at Saint Mary Parish five years ago, we have embarked on a path to do things differently. We worked hard on developing new mission and vision statements. They are good ground to guide us as we move forward. We have embraced Bishop Ricken's dream that every Catholic discover, follow, worship and share Jesus. The ALPHA Course has literally touched the hearts of hundreds of people in our parish. We continue to explore different ways to build on that experience, keeping people connected to each other in small groups and challenging them to go out and make a difference in our parish community and mission field.

We have embarked on a new adventure, trusting in the Holy Spirit, to rebuild our parish. This rebuilding is all about figuring out how to touch more hearts and how to draw others to Jesus and His Church. Our only purpose for existing as a faith community is to raise up disciples, with hearts burning with love for the Lord, who then go out and make more disciples. If we are not living Jesus' Great Commission to go out and make disciples in our families, work places, parish, and, even to the ends of the world, we are spinning our wheels. Every aspect of the life of our parish needs to be about disciple-making!

How can we surrender our lives to the Lord, be open to doing parish very differently, and touch hearts and change lives?

The Parish Leadership Team is studying the transformation of a parish in Maryland. This transformation is recounted in the book **Rebuilt: Awakening the Faithful, Reaching the Lost, and Making Church Matter**. We want you to join us on this adventure. A great first step is to read the book - we have limited copies available for loan, or you can purchase a copy online on Amazon or Ave Maria Press. Also, head to [stmaryparish.org](http://stmaryparish.org). On our Rebuilt page, you'll find book discussion questions, more information about the Rebuilt parish in Maryland, and a link to sign up as a member of our St. Mary Rebuilt community.

Come, Holy Spirit, and renew the face of our parish family here at St Mary!

Fr. Bill +





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