

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Saturday,	May 19	5:00 pm	For + Camille Lajeunesse by the CWL
Sunday,	May 20	9:30 am	For + Donald Dirksen by Marie Marks
		11:30 am	For All deceased members of Liber family by the Hearn family
Tuesday,	May 22	9:00 am	For + Arsenio Balanga by Encarnacion Atip
Wednesday,	May 23	9:00 am	For + Sophie Warawa by Charlene and Paul Robins
Thursday,	May 24	9:00 am	For + Arsenio Balanga by Fannie
Friday,	May 25	7:00 pm	Community Mass Intentions

FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Saturday,	May 26	5:00 pm	In Thanksgiving for new grand daughter Josephine Salaysay by Erna and Noel
Sunday	May 27	9:30 am	For All St. John Bosco Parishioners
		11:30 am	For + Aurelio Reyes Jr. by his Son Aurelio



YUP...THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT!!!!

(Encouraged by Archbishop Richard Smith)

It delivers news and movies in an instant, it keeps us connected to family, friends and workplace, it tells us the time and weather, it reminds us of appointments, it even wakes us up in the morning. **But the powerful hand-held gadget known as the smartphone also has a spiritual side. It can offer prayers, Scripture and meditations,** and even remind you to put the darned thing down and take some time out to pray.

This is the environment in which Novalis Publishing launched its new ***Living With Christ Prayer App*** in February. Available free of charge on the iPhone and Android devices, the app offers daily Mass readings as well as seasonal collections of daily prayers, daily meditations with attractive images, and a liturgical calendar with feast and saints' days. The ***Living With Christ app*** is available from the [iTunes Store](#) or [Google Play](#). It is also available in French as *Prions en Église* or in Spanish as *Vivir en Cristo*.

THANK YOU!! Thank all those who attended the 5 p.m Mass and celebration at Max Chicken for their generous gifts, prayer cards, and well-wishes on our 50th wedding celebration. Your presence made the occasion very memorable. We also thank Fr. Raja who graciously permitted Fr. Mel Trinidad to preside over the celebration of the Mass and renewal of vows. Also to the "Marians" for their very uplifting music on this special celebration. We are blessed indeed!" **Noel & Erna Salaysay**

What's Happening This Week:

Tuesday,	May 22	7:00 pm	K.C. Meeting
Wednesday,	May 24	7:00 pm	Seniors Care Ministry Meeting
Thursday,	May 25	7:00 pm	Legion of Mary (Everyone welcome)

K.C. GARAGE SALE AND BBQ. The Knights are having a garage sale Thursday, May 24, Friday, May 25th and Saturday, May 26.

On Saturday the 26 our youth group will be having a BBQ for all to enjoy while shopping for your new treasures. All proceeds will go towards Youth programs and activities. Come and support our young people!!



CWL News – our council is delighted to support our youth by making available the **Marcella Gillis Christian Family Life Award**. This award (\$200) is available to any Grade 7 – 9 student who is putting their faith into action by being that "shining light of Christ" within the family, school and community. Application forms are located on the foyer table. Please contact Fay Henry at 780 478 0427 for additional information. **Deadline for this application is Friday, June 1st.**

Guatemala Mission Dinner and silent auction June 16, 2018 @ 6.00 pm

Tickets \$ 20.00 Donations accepted for silent auction items

Tickets will be available after each mass in the front foyer



OUR CONDOLENCES AND THE ASSURANCE OF OUR PRAYERS are extended to **Carolyn Labby and family** after the death of her dear mother and faithful parishioner; **Rose Auburn**. May she rest in peace. Rose's funeral will be on Tuesday, May 22 @ 11 am.

WALK FOR LIFE JUNE 2, 2018 @ A.C.T. CENTRE RUNDLE PARK

In Support for the pregnancy Care Centre. This is an Edmonton, Christian non-profit charitable organization. You may choose a 5, 10 or 15 km route. For more information please see poster and pledge sheets on the back table and in the foyer.



Grace with lines inspired by this weeks readings.

Leader: Lord Jesus, we thank you for your Word. You offer us a great gift, the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth who guides us on our journey. (*John 15:26*)

All: Come Holy Spirit, enlighten our hearts that we may answer the specific call you have for each of us.

Together: "Bless us, O Lord, and these Thy gifts, which we are about to receive from Thy bounty. Through Christ our Lord. Amen"

After the meal: "We give you thanks, Almighty God, for all your gifts, who live and reign now and forever. Amen"

New feast day: Mary, Mother of the Church

The Catholic Church doesn't often add new celebrations to its pretty full liturgical calendar, but this year's new feast day, **Mary, Mother of the Church on May 21**, has Catholics gearing up to mark the day or at least think a little more about Mary.

The new feast day, which will be celebrated annually the day after Pentecost, was announced in a March 3rd decree by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments.

"I think Pope Francis recognizes the importance of the Blessed Virgin Mary, her association with the Apostles and Christ, and the feast of Pentecost," says Father Paul Kavanagh, director of the Office of Divine Worship for the Archdiocese

Summer employment opportunities:

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Summer Groundskeeper - The Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton

Assistant Cook/Administrative Assistant- Camp Encounter

Lifeguard/Office Assistant - Our Lady of Victory Camp



Pentecost Sunday May 19/20, 2018

ST. JOHN BOSCO PARISH

13503-40 Street, Edmonton

Phone: 780-478-0198

Website: boscoparish.com

Last Sunday's Collection

\$ 4,492.00

Together We Serve: \$ 60.00

Children's: \$ 82.00 Thank You!

Parish Administrator: Rev. Raja SDB

Deacon Jose Huevo

Mia Turlock

Pastoral Assistant

Theresa Wile

Pastoral Assistant

PRAYER CORNER

Robert Barabash, Mildred Ray,

Priscilla Lajeunesse,

Josie Mitchell,

Theresa Grondin

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost.

On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, John 20:19-23, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Yet the event in John's Gospel takes place on Easter Sunday. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts. We know that after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an Advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world.

In the context of the feast of Pentecost, John 20:19-23 reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun: *"As the Father has sent me, so I send you."* He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and sends them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. Jesus' act of breathing the Holy Spirit upon the apostles mirrors God's act of breathing life into Adam. In fact, both the Greek and Hebrew words for "spirit" can also be translated as "breath."

This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. The reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are cleansed of sin and become a new creation in Christ.

In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God through the forgiveness of sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians.

In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.

HEARING, REFLECTING ON, AND LIVING THE WORD

HEARING THE WORD: Jesus said to his disciples: "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me, because he will take from it what is mine and declare it to you.

REFLECTING ON THE WORD: Truth has a power of its own, and when spoken, truth can act as guide and weapon. There is something about the truth, no matter how much people try to deny it, that can shatter any lie or illusion. The truth sets us free and at the same time binds us to right action. But, we must give the truth something to work with. If no one every has the courage to proclaim it, its power will remain dormant and unused., Through the Spirit we can find the courage to be truth's voice in the world.

What is something you know to be true?

What is the difference between a long-held belief and a stand alone truth?

LIVING THE WORD: Most of us have swallowed a lie, and seen and felt the damage that it caused. This week have a truth liberation ceremony. Build a fire outside in a grill and have each person write down a lie that they no longer believe. As each person burns the old lie, have them proclaim aloud or to themselves the truth that has now replaced it. Take some time to discuss why we might believe a lie and how the context of community, especially one rooted in the love of God, can lead us back to the truth.