



## Pentecost Sunday May 19, 2024

**Acts 2.1-11; 1 Corinthians 12.3b-7, 12-13; John 20.19-23**

Today, on Pentecost, the promise that Christ made to the Apostles is fulfilled. On the evening of Easter Sunday, He breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit" (Jn 20:22). The coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost solemnly renews and brings to completion this gift with outward manifestations.

The Spirit that Jesus conveys creates a new human condition in the disciple and fosters unity. When arrogance led people to challenge God by building the Tower of Babel, God confused their languages, and they could not understand each other. At Pentecost, the opposite occurs: by the grace of the Holy Spirit, the Apostles were understood by people of the most diverse origins and languages.

The Holy Spirit is the inner Teacher who guides the disciples towards truth, who motivates them to do good, who comforts them in pain and transforms them internally, giving them new strength and capacity.

On the first Pentecost of the Christian era, the Apostles were gathered together with the Virgin Mary, and they were in prayer. Solitude and a prayerful attitude are essential to receive the Spirit. "And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them" (Acts 2:2-3).

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to preach boldly. Those men, once fearful, had been transformed into courageous preachers who did not fear imprisonment, torture, or martyrdom. It's not surprising; the power of the Spirit was in them.

The Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Holy Trinity, is the soul of my soul, the life of my life, the being of my being; He is my sanctifier, the guest of my innermost self. To mature in the life of faith, it is essential that our relationship with Him becomes increasingly conscious and personal. On this Pentecost celebration, let us throw open the doors of our inner being.

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#### ADORATION CHAPEL

Monday to Friday  
9:00 am to 4:00 pm  
beside St. Mary Church

### SUNDAY MASSES SATURDAY

5:00 pm - OLC (Pl)  
5:00 pm - St. Mary (En)  
5:00 pm - St. Patrick (En)

### SUNDAY

8:00 am - OLC (En)  
10:00 am - OLC (Pl)  
10:00 am - St. Mary (It)  
10:00 am - St. Patrick (En)  
12:00 pm - St. Mary (En)  
12:00 pm - OLC (Pl)

### WEEKDAY MASSES

#### MONDAY

7:00 pm - St. Mary (En)

#### TUESDAY

7:00 pm - OLC (Pl)  
7:00 pm - St. Patrick (En)

#### WEDNESDAY

9:00 am - St. Patrick (En)  
7:00 pm - St. Mary (It)

#### THURSDAY

9:00 am - St. Patrick (En)  
7:00 pm - OLC (Pl)

#### FRIDAY

7:00 pm - OLC (Pl)  
7:00 pm - St. Mary (It)

#### SATURDAY

9:00AM - OLC (PL)  
*1st Saturday of the month*

### CONFESSIONS

#### OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA

1 hr before weekly Masses  
Saturday at 4:00 pm

#### ST. MARY

30 min. before Masses  
Saturdays at 4:00 pm

#### ST PATRICK

Tuesday at 6:00 pm  
Saturday at 4:00 pm

## MASS INTENTIONS, May 20 to 26, 2024

**TUESDAY, MAY 21** Mary of Perpetual Help - Novena

**7:00pm** Intention of Manuel Furtado & Family  
† Michael Majkowski  
† Special Intention

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22**

**9:00am** Int.of Teresa & Tadeusz Zelek (Wedding Ann)  
† Katarzyna Sawicki

**THURSDAY, MAY 23**

**9:00am** † Maria & Zulmiro Medeiros  
† Joan North; † Joyce Hephherd

**SATURDAY, MAY 25** *(The Holy Trinity)*

**5:00pm** *Intention of Parishioners of St. Patrick*

**SUNDAY, MAY 26** *(The Holy Trinity)*

**10:00am** *Intention of Parishioners of St. Patrick*  
† *Martin Allen (3 anniversary)*

## ST. PATRICK PARISH - NEWS

### MAY - MONTH OF MARY

There are two months dedicated to Our Lady, Mother of Jesus - **May and October**. Marian devotions and prayers are very popular during these months, especially Rosary, Crowning of Mary, Loretto Litany, Prayer Hail Mary, Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Novena. In them, Mary teaches us about the Risen Lord and what the Resurrection means to us; about how to cooperate with the Holy Spirit to respond to God's call; about the true devotion to the Eucharist and how to receive Jesus into our heart, and about her powerful influence and intercession for our needs, prayers and supplications.

We invite you to participate in reciting the Rosary before Mass, also attend the Novena Mass every Tuesday at St. Patrick Church and sing with us the beautiful Marian hymns during the month of May.

### VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS (Come Holy Spirit)

Today, we celebrate - what is perhaps the most valuable gift, God has ever given us: "The Holy Spirit"! When God poured out the Spirit on Jesus - He said: "You are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased"! God wants to tell us also - that we are too - His own beloved children. But Pentecost is about more than what God has given us. It is also about how God is sending us. "As the Father has sent me, I am sending you". His Spirit is always with us offering us strength, guidance, and confidence. Are we ready to receive the Holy Spirit as the guiding force in our lives? Come Holy Spirit and renew the hearts of your faithful. Veni Creator Spiritus!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ORDINARY TIME IN LITURGICAL YEAR

The Popes restated the traditional teaching of the Church: the celebration of the Liturgical Year as a special sacramental power and force which nourishes and strengthens the lives of Christians. The Church year is not merely a recalling of the historical events by which Christ won our salvation. The reason for the restoration of the Liturgical Year is to help believers through their faith, hope and love to share more fully in the entire mystery of Christ as it is unfolding throughout the year.

### VICTORIA DAY WEEKEND

This weekend is the long weekend - we are celebrating **Victoria Day** - the birthday of Queen Victoria and it is a National Holiday here in Canada. We hope that all of you will be able to enjoy well deserved long weekend.

### ST. PETER'S SEMINARY - Parish Appeal

I ask you, as stewards of St. Peter's Seminary, to be as generous to this Appeal as your circumstances allow, as you have in past years. Our Diocese is very instrumental by forming Priests who are ministering here in our Diocese and in the Dioceses across Canada. Brochures for the appeal are at the back of the church.

### HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

On Pentecost Sunday, May 19, to conclude the **Year of Prayer for Vocation to the Priesthood** there will be a **Holy Hour at St. Peter's Cathedral** in London from 12:30 to 1:30pm. All are welcome!

### ST. PATRICK - FINANCIAL REPORT - 2023

We would like to thank everyone for all the financial contributions to St. Patrick's Church. The financial report for the year 2023 can be found on our website.

### ST. PETER'S CEMETERY

As you all know, we have Catholic Cemetery here in London - St. Peter's Cemetery and Holy Family Mausoleum. Many of our loved ones and parishioners are being buried there. Don't hesitate to visit our Catholic Cemetery and pray for our deceased. Masses and services are coming back at the cemetery. Last Saturday we had a beautiful service at the Mausoleum for Mother's Day. We are planning a special service for Father's Day on June 16. More information later.

### FAMILY OF PARISHES - REGISTRATION

"The Lord wants us to belong to the Church that knows how to open her arms and welcome everyone that is not a house for the few but a house for everyone, where all can be renewed, transformed, sanctified by His love - the strongest and the weakest, sinners, the indifferent, those who feel discouraged or lost" (Francis) We encourage you to fill out the registration form and indicate which parish you will attend. You can find the form on our website or at the back of the church.