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PENTECOST SUNDAY MAY 28, 2023

SATURDAY, MAY 27

The Vigil of Pentecost					
5:00PM	Edward F. Ricci—Memorial				
SUNDAY, MAY 28					

Pentecost Sunday

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7:30 AM	Lorraine Kane—4th Anniversary			
9:00AM	Anthony J. Paolino, Sr. —Memorial			
10:30AM	For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy			

MONDAY, MAY 29-MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY

The Blessed	Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church				
8:30AM	Deceased Veterans				
TUESDAY, MAY 30					

Weekday

7:30AM Peter Pundys—Memorial

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

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7:30AM	Gerald E. Celio—Birthday Remembrance
The Visitatio	on of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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7:30AN	N	Wil	liam	Sulliva	n—I	Mem	orial	
FRIDAY, JUNE 2								
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Weekday; Saints Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs 7:30AM Richard T. Vespia—6th Anniversary 9:00AM Deceased Alumni & Faculty of OLM School

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

- St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs 8:30AM Agnes Mahoney—Memorial
- The Mass of Anticipation for the Most Holy Trinity 5:00PM Albert & Dina Catanio — Memorial

SUNDAY, JUNE 4

7	he Most Ho	bly Trinity
	7:30 AM	Evelyn & Michael Simon—Memorial
	9:00AM	Stanley Berek—18th Anniversary
	10:30AM	The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy



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Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

This weekend, the Church celebrates Pentecost, one of the most important feast days of the year that concludes the Easter season and celebrates the beginning of the Church. In a certain sense, it is the birthday of the Church.

Its name is derived from the Greek word "pentecoste," meaning 50th. Pentecost always occurs 50 days after the death and resurrection of Jesus and ten days after his Ascension into Pentecost heaven. is the celebration of the person of the Holy Spirit coming upon the Apostles, Mary, and the first followers of Jesus, who were gathered together in the Upper Room.

A "strong, driving" wind filled the room where they were gathered, and tongues of fire rested on their heads, allowing them speak different to languages and understand each other. The Holy Spirit gave the apostles the gifts and fruits necessary to fulfill the great commission - to go out and preach the Gospel to all nations. It was right after Pentecost that Saint Peter. inspired by the Holy Spirit, preached his first sermon to Jews and other non-believers, in which he opened the scriptures of the Old Testament, showing how the prophet Joel prophesied events and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

He also told the people that the Jesus they crucified was the Lord and was raised from the dead, which "cut them to the heart." When they asked what they should do, Saint Peter exhorted them to repent of their sins and to be baptized. According to the account in the Acts of the Apostles, about 3,000 people were baptized following Peter's sermon.

For this reason, Pentecost is considered the birthday of the Church - Saint Peter, the first Pope, preaches for the first time and converts thousands of new believers. For the first time, the apostles and believers were united by a common language and a common zeal and purpose to go and preach the Gospel.

Saint Pope John Paul II said: "The Church of Christ is always, so to speak, in a situation of Pentecost: she is always gathered in the Upper Room in prayer, and at the same time, driven by the powerful wind of the Spirit, she is always on the streets preaching." The mission began on that first Pentecost and continues for us today as we take up prayer and preach the Gospel to the world.

This weekend we also celebrate Memorial Day, the traditional beginning of the summer season. It is marked by parades and picnics across the country. However, it is a day to acknowledge those who nobly gave of themselves, even unto purpose death, for а they believed was greater than themselves.

Since the days just following the end of the Civil War, Americans have gathered in late May to honor those who died in military service to their country. In the spirit of the day, we can also recall, honor, and pray for all we know who have lived lives of service and sacrifice for the good of others.

President Abraham Lincoln said: "Honor to the Soldier, and Sailor everywhere, who bravely bears his country's cause. Honor also to the citizen who cares for his brother in the field, and serves, as best he can, the same cause—honor to him, less only than to him, who braves, for the common good, the storms of heaven and the storms of battle."

On Memorial Day, join us for Mass at 8:30am as we remember in prayer those who died serving our country. Also, after your cookout, come to May Devotions at 7:00pm, our final night of devotions this month. Fr. James Mary Sullivan, OP, an outstanding Dominican Friar and preacher, is leading devotions. Fr. Sullivan will also hear Confessions before Devotions beginning at 6:00pm.

Fr. Sullivan will reflect "Remember, 0 Most on Gracious Virgin Mary: The Memorare on Memorial Dav." A fitting topic as Monday is the Feast Day of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, a feast established in 2018 by Pope Francis to be celebrated every year on the Monday following Pentecost.

This week the OLM 8th Grade makes their Graduation Retreat, They also celebrate their final OLM School First Friday Mass, Graduation Mass next Sunday, and are to graduate next Monday! Pray for the Class of 2023! Father Mahoney is away this week on a well-deserved vacation!

Be well. Do good. God Bless. Happy Pentecost! Happy Memorial Day! Go Sox! Go Celtics!

Father Healey









First Friday Adoration "When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now." -St Mother Teresa of Calcutta

> Friday, June 2, 2023 Exposition at 12:00 PM Adoration All-Afternoon Benediction at 6:00 PM Adorers are needed. Sign up online



<u>May 14, 2023</u>

<u>May 15, 2022</u>				
Outreach	\$2,343.00			
	Total=\$15,080.00			
EFT	<u>\$6,842.00</u>			
Weekly	\$8,238.00			

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This Week: St. Patrick's Cemetery Next Week: Building & Grounds



2023 Parish Goal=\$190,000 Total Pledged=\$269,639 Total Donors=466 Average Gift=\$578

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We thank you for a great year of RE and wish all RE students and teachers a happy & healthy summer.

2023 Confirmation Class Schedule

Confirmation Retreat Saturday, September 9th from 12:00pm-6:00pm Confirmation Interviews September 16, 18 & 23 Final Confirmation Class Sunday, October 1st at 5:00PM Mass & 6:00pm Class Confirmation Devotions & Confessions Monday, October 23 at 7:00pm Confirmation Mass Rehearsal Thursday, October 26 at 7:00pm Confirmation Mass Sunday, October 29, 2023 at 5:00pm The Most Reverend Robert C. Evans Confirming Prelate



•<u>OLM Food Pantry</u> is always in need of food items and paper goods for the members of our local community. Please place all donated items in the box in the vestibule of Church or the box on the porch of Mercy House. <u>All food items should be</u> <u>unexpired and non-perishable</u>. We also are in need of paper goods (paper towels, napkins). Thank you for your support.

• <u>OLM Bereavement Group</u>: Next meeting is on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>June 1, 2023 at 4:00pm</u> in Mercy House. All those adults experiencing sorrow, grief or loneliness are most welcome to attend for prayer and discussion.

• For more information, please contact the OLM Outreach Director, Doug Green at 401-884-4410 or via email at outreach@olmparish.org



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Upcoming Events

 Monday, May 29: No School for Memorial Day Holiday

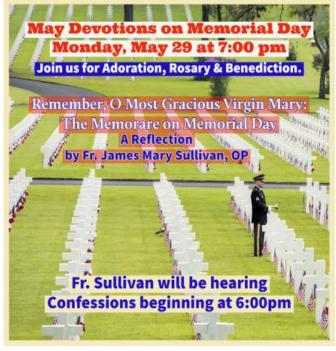
•**Thursday, June 1**: 8th Grade Graduation Retreat at OLP Seminary

• **Friday, June 2**: First Friday Mass at 9:00am; 8th Grade Graduation Dance at 6:30pm

•<u>Sunday</u>, June 4: Class of 2023 Graduation Mass at 10:30am & Academic Awards Luncheon at Quidnessett Country Club

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🔆 Pentecost

ON PENTECOST, we celebrate the day on which the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples in a form resembling tongues of fire, empowering them to proclaim the message that Jesus is risen from the dead. According to Acts of the Apostles (1:13–14), Mary, the apostles, and other disciples had been huddled together in an upper room after the ascension of Jesus. But on this day they went forth from that room as new people, alive in the Spirit, speaking in tongues and winning over believers by the thousands.

A few special features mark the Mass of Pentecost Sunday. The options for the First Reading for Saturday's Vigil Mass, for example, are taken from the Old Testament. Throughout the Easter season, all the readings come from the New Testament—except, of course, the Responsorial Psalm. Saturday's First Reading foreshadows the coming of the Spirit. On Sunday, the First Reading comes from Acts of the Apostles, and it tells the story of Pentecost. After the Second Reading, everyone sings or says the Pentecost Sequence, a special hymn that tells the meaning of this day.

If the priest uses Eucharistic Prayer I, he inserts a special phrase saying that this is the day "on which the Holy Spirit appeared to the Apostles in tongues of fire." The Mass concludes with a double "alleluia." The deacon or priest adds the words to his dismissal, and you answer, "Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia." This joyful acclamation concludes the Church's celebration of Easter.

The Paschal candle burns throughout the Pentecost Mass, as it does for the fifty days of Easter Time. After Mass, however, it is moved from its place near the ambo to a position in the baptistry.

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