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SUN, JUN 2, 2019 STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Adult	\$6,718.00
Loose	908.00
Maintenance	457.00
Total:	\$8,083.00
Cemetery	\$171.00
Ascension	\$921.00
Communications Media	\$12.00



ST. ALOYSIUS

Adult	\$2,982.00
Loose	153.40
Children/Young Adults	15.00
Parish Improvements	43.00
Total:	\$3,193.40
Ascension	\$344.00
Accent	\$4.00



ST. JOHN

Adult	\$2,193.00
Loose Collection	213.17
Maintenance	282.00
Total:	\$2,688.17
Cemetery	\$100.00
Easter	\$20.00
Ascension	\$802.00
Communications Media	\$11.00



ST. RITA

Adult	\$4,374.00
Loose	318.00
Maintenance	410.00
Total:	\$5,102.00
Cemetery	\$27.00
Ascension	\$641.00



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PENTECOST SUNDAY JUNE 9, 2019



1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 THE REASON FOR GIFTS

Look around your church and you will see many gifts. You will see those who sing and those who read, those who preach and those who greet. You will see some who feed the hungry and others who serve on committees. You will see some who decorate and others who converse. Some have a gift for leading prayer, for parenting children or for making people feel at home. Everybody has some gift.

Still, not all gifts are equal. Some people excel at their gifts. Others exercise them less capably. The quality of the gift is not that important. It is important to exercise the gift, whatever its extent may be.

The use of our gifts releases the power of the Spirit.

St. Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit."

God gives gifts for a reason. They are meant to be nurtured and used. The gifts manifest the Spirit. When used properly, they draw attention to God who gives, not to the person who has received.

The manifold gifts within one community show the marvels of the Holy Spirit. When people share their gifts, they create a spirit of selflessness and inspire others to service. They help everyone appreciate the goodness of God, who gives even before we ask.

When people look at you, they also see gifts. For which gifts are you most grateful? How do you share them?

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COME TO US, SPIRIT OF HOLINESS.
Holy Spirit, you banish fear from our hearts;
you bear witness in us that we are children of God;
we pray to you: Remove from our hearts the spirit of slaves;
place in us the spirit of adopted children
to make us cry out, "Abba, Father!"

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

MON:	Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34
TUE:	Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 119:129-133, 135; Mt 5:13-16
WED:	2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5-9; Mt 5:17-19
THU:	2 Cor 3:15 - 4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 5:20-26
FRI:	2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116:10-11, 15-18; Mt 5:27-32
SAT:	2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Mt 5:33-37
SUN:	Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

What's Happening at home

St. Aloysius needs Altar Servers for Sun 9am Masses, and Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors for SAT 5pm Masses.

To volunteer, please call the Brady Centre at 277-4236.

Bible study, FRIs after 8:30am Mass in St. Al's social hall.

Any Adult or Youth Group member (completed grades 6-12) who would like to volunteer for Vacation Bible School is asked to come to an informational meeting on MON, JUN 17 at 6:30 in St. Rita's Bucci Hall.

VBS is set for July 22-26 at Geibel, 6-8pm.



Congratulations to
QUEST CHARLES,
son of Lee and Sean Winterhalter,
baptized at IC on JUN 1.



Congratulations to
AVERY ELIZABETH, daughter of
Aaron and Ashley Shoemaker,
baptized at St. John on JUN 2.

ST RITA STREET FAIR

St. Rita's Street Fair will be held on THU, FRI, SAT, JUL 11-13. If you can volunteer in any way, please call Paul Mongell at 626-0946. If you can help in the kitchen or with food, call Rita Pratt at 628-2249.

Fair tickets have been mailed out. Please return your ticket stubs plus \$30 if you purchase all the tickets. Make sure your name/phone number are on the stubs. You may drop them in the collection basket or take them to the DeVivo Centre. Additional tickets are available at the office.

Donations are being accepted to help defray food costs. Cash or checks payable to St. Rita and marked "food fair donation" can be put in the collection basket or given directly to Rita Pratt.

Anyone wishing to donate a themed raffle basket, items or monetary donations for a raffle basket for the St. Rita Street Fair should call Patty Merendino at 628-4051. Items must be new. You may drop your basket off at Bucci Hall on MON/TUE, JUL 8/9 from 5-7pm.

IC'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY



FRI, JUN 14, 4-10pm

Fr. Dennis Bogusz will be playing
polkas from 5-8pm

SAT, JUN 15, noon-9pm

Mass at 4pm

Music by Abacus Jones, 5-8pm

Ethnic food, gift baskets, bingo,
kids' games, cake wheel & more

For more info call 880-5885

Requesting donations for the Chinese
Auction. List items included + \$-value.
Drop off at IC, MON-THU, JUN 10-13,
from 5-9pm.

Please call Linda @ 628-9146,
Christa @ 880-9666 or Becca @
787-7875 for more info or questions.

Also requesting baked goods. Please
bring your donations to the festival lot
on FRI, JUN 14, starting at noon,
or SAT, JUN 15, starting at 10:30am.

REMINDER

If you need pastoral care,
PLEASE have someone call
the DeVivo Centre
at 628-6840 or the
Brady Centre at 277-4236.
Due to HIPPA regulations,
we are not notified
by hospitals/care facilities,
so we may not know of
your particular situation.



THE WOMAN AT THE WELL: THIRSTING FOR TRUTH

On the day of Pentecost, seven weeks after the resurrection of Jesus, the Holy Spirit was poured out upon those followers of Jesus who had gathered together in Jerusalem. What happened on the first Pentecost continues to happen to Christians throughout the world today, though usually not in such a dramatic fashion. We rarely get a heavenly wind or experience tongues of fire anymore. Nevertheless, God pours out the Spirit upon all of the baptized.

Christians are meant to live in the presence and power of the Spirit of God. The Holy Spirit helps us to confess Jesus as Lord, empowers us to serve God with supernatural power, binds us together as the body of Christ, helps us to pray, and even intercedes for us with God the Father. The Spirit guides us, helping us to live like Jesus.

Pentecost presents us with an opportunity to consider how we are living each day. Are we relying on the power of God's Spirit? Are we an open channel for the Spirit's gifts? Are we attentive to the guidance of the Holy Spirit? Is the fruit of the Spirit (love, joy, peace, etc.) growing in our lives? Most Christians I know, including me, live in the presence and power of the

Spirit, but only to an extent. We are limited by our fear, our sin, and our low expectations...not to mention our tendency to be distracted from God's work in us. Pentecost offers a chance to confess our failure to live by the Spirit and to ask the Lord to fill us anew with his power.

In theory, the Spirit **COULD HAVE** been poured out on the followers of Jesus when they were **NOT** gathered together. There are surely times when the Holy Spirit touches an individual who is alone in prayer, worship, or ministry to others. But the fact that the Spirit was given to a gathering of believers is not incidental. It underscores the centrality of the Church in God's work in the world. The actions of the earliest Christians put all of this in boldface. The Holy Spirit is not only given to individuals, but also to the gathered people of God. Thus, in I Corinthians 3, the Apostle Paul observes that the Church is God's temple and that the Spirit dwells in the midst of the Church.

Many Christians, especially those of us who have been influenced by the individualism of American culture, live as if the Church is useful but unnecessary. We seem to believe that as long as we have a personal relationship with God, everything else is secondary. But Pentecost is a vivid illustration of the truth that is found throughout Scripture: the community of God's people is central to God's work in the world. Thus, Pentecost invites us to consider our own participation in the fellowship, worship, and mission of the Church. It is a time to renew our commitment to live as an essential member of the body of Christ, using our gifts to build the Church and share the love and justice of Christ with the world.

While this does not mean that every Christian is gifted for every kind of ministry, it does imply that every baptized believer **IS** empowered by the Spirit in some unique way. Each Christian needs to ask: Am I serving God through the power of the Spirit? Am I exercising the gifts of the Spirit in my life, both in the gathered Church and as I live for God in the world?

Pentecost is a time to ask God to fill us anew with the Spirit so that we might join in the ministry of Christ with HIS energy and fire.

And it is a time to renew our commitment to fulfilling our crucial role in the ministry of God's people in the world.

Moreover, those of us who hold positions of power in the Church should examine our attitudes and actions. Are we encouraging all of God's people to minister through the power of the Spirit? Are we open to what the Spirit of God wants to do in our Church community through his empowered people? Or are we gatekeepers of the church who would even keep the Holy Spirit out of our carefully tended and controlled community? When we actively and reflectively allow the Holy Spirit to lead us, the Holy Spirit will be free to use the Church of Jesus Christ for God's purposes in the world.



**All of them were
filled with
the Holy Spirit!**

Acts 2.4

Christ's peace
and our Mother Mary's love,
Mary Sampey



Nar-Anon will meet on **WED, JUN 12** in St. John's Moravek Hall, 7-8pm.

All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are invited to join Msgr. Michael Begolly for a workshop on this special ministry, sponsored by the Diocesan Office for Worship.

No reservations are needed for this free workshop. Each of the 3 sessions starts at 7pm.

♦ **MON, JUN 10**

Good Shepherd, Kent

♦ **WED, JUN 12**

St. John the Evangelist, Latrobe

♦ **THU, JUN 13**

St. Mary, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Kittanning.

Geibel Catholic is hosting a golf outing to benefit the school, on **SAT, JUN 22** at Pleasant Valley Golf Club, Connellsville.

Registration begins at 7am with a shotgun start at 8am. Lunch buffet and awards follow. For info about registration or sponsorships, visit www.geibelcatholic.org or call the school at 628-5600.



Connellsville Community Center needs volunteers to serve lunches as part of their Summer School Lunch Program. beginning MON, JUN 24.

Lunches will be served MON-FRI, 11am-1pm. Volunteers must be over 18 years old and **MUST** have clearances. Please call Community Ministries at 626-1120, x102.

The Connellsville Area Garden Club is hosting an Art, History and Garden Tour on **SAT, JUN 29, 9am-2pm.**

Local guides will share information and stories at the various sites along the tour. St. Rita's Grotto will be one of the garden sites. The \$25 cost includes a lunch buffet at Keedy's. For tickets call the Chamber of Commerce at 628-5500, Connellsville Canteen at 603-2093 or Spotto's Hardware at 628-8010. Call Cathy Kumor at 626-1114 or 412-582-4265 with any questions.

Have you ever been to an ordination? It's an experience for every Catholic's bucket list!



With joy and thanksgiving to God, Bishop Malesic has announced that he will ordain **MR. MARK DUNMIRE** as a **TRANSITIONAL DEACON**. (God-willing, he will be ordained a priest next year).

Bringing your children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews is also a great way for them to experience the call to service in the church and the power of the Holy Spirit, as well as nurture vocations from our families and parishes.

Please consider attending to show your support. The ordination will take place on **SAT, JUN 29** at 10am at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral in Greensburg.

Please also keep Mark in your prayers as this momentous occasion for him and the diocese approaches, and pray every day that more may respond generously to God's call of service in the Church.



JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER THAT OUR PICTORIAL DIRECTORY PHOTO DATES ARE FAST APPROACHING!

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PHOTOGRAPHY DATES ARE:

at St. Rita's Bucci Hall

TUE-FRI, JUN 18-21, 2-8:30pm

SAT, JUN 22, 4-10pm

at St. John's Moravek Hall

TUE-FRI, JUN 25-28, 2-8:30pm

SAT, JUN 29, 4-10pm

Just for participating you will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a church directory. You will view your images right away and have the opportunity to purchase family portraits.

Our directory won't be complete without YOU!

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that, always pondering spiritual things, we may carry out in both word and deed that which is pleasing to you.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of EVELYN GEARY, ED HARDY and ROBERT NICHOLSON, who died recently. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in eternal peace.

**Due to IC's festival,
on SAT, JUN 15
these Masses will be changed:
IC @ 4pm
St. Rita @ 6pm**

If family members wish to take up the gifts, please be sure to check with the ushers before Mass.



SHAUN VALENTE,
a new addition
to our prayer
list.

ATTENTION ALL MINISTERS:
Please contact Chris Sparks
by **SUN, JUN 16** at 628-7510 or
crsparks1@zoominernet.net
with dates you are UNable to
serve in JUL/AUG.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

MON, JUN 10		BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH
8:00am	St. Rita	Virginia & Joe Walsh (Kathy Walsh)
8:30am	St. Al	Msgr. J. Edward McCullough (Ron & Janet Cole)
TUE, JUN 11		ST. BARNABAS, APOSTLE
8:00am	St. John	Cunningham, Pirl & Kozak Families (Carol Cunningham)
8:30am	St. Al	Rose Novak (Nick & Barb Bucci)
WED, JUN 12		WEEKDAY
8:00am	St. Rita	Anna & Tom Gillott (Daughter, Lorraine Furnier)
	St. Rita	Adoration until 4:30pm
THU, JUN 13		ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA, PRIEST/DR. OF THE CHURCH
8:00am	IC	Mark & Sadie Hanlon (Daughters, Rose Marie Galik & Cathy Kumor)
8:00am	St. Al	Prayers for Priests & Padre Pio Devotions
8:30am	St. Al	Cecilia & Anthony Maddas (The Randy Johnston Family)
6:30pm	St. Rita	In honor of St. Anthony (St. Anthony Prayer Group)
FRI, JUN 14		WEEKDAY
8:00am	St. Rita	Roberta Mongelluzzo (Simone John)
8:15am	St. Al	Divine Mercy Chaplet
8:30am	St. Al	Brent Blake (John & Margie Gebe)
SAT, JUN 15		
1:30PM	St. Rita	Wedding of Ashley Stamates & Jeremy Molinaro VIGIL
4:00pm	IC	(change of church) For All Fathers, Living & Deceased
5:00pm	St. Al	For All Fathers, Living & Deceased
6:00pm	St. Rita	(change of church) For All Fathers, Living & Deceased
SUN, JUN 16		MOST HOLY TRINITY
8:00am	St. Rita	For All Fathers, Living & Deceased
9:00am	St. Al	For All Fathers, Living & Deceased
9:30am	IC	For All Fathers, Living & Deceased
11:30am	St. John	For All Fathers, Living & Deceased

Altar flowers at IC are in honor and in memory of the living and deceased members of IC Christian Mothers, from IC Christian Mothers.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - JUN 15				MINISTRY SCHEDULE - JUN 16			
	IC-4PM	ST. AL-5PM	ST. RITA-6PM	ST. RITA-8AM	ST. AL-9AM	IC-9:30AM	ST. JOHN-11:30AM
ACOLYTES/ SERVERS	S Pleva K Lizza	C Tabaj O Tabaj	K Callahan K Callahan	G Joseph E Bohinski	J Hustosky J Hustowky	A Keller R Keller	L Colland G Schradel
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SHOUTS THE

GOOD NEWS

OF THE SPIRIT'S STIRRINGS IN THE
CONNELLSVILLE-DUNBAR METROPLEX!

LOST IN THE MISTS OF TIME, PART 2:

Continuing from last week Msgr. Lambing's telling of the origins of Saint Aloysius parish ...

After the retirement of Rev. Thomas Fitzgerald from Meyersdale on account of failing health, Rev. Philip Brady was appointed pastor of that place in the beginning of 1874, with the additional obligation of visiting Dunbar on every alternate Sunday. As yet there was no church. But early in the summer of the same, the size of the congregation, which now numbered about forty-five families with every prospect of an increase in the future, made the building of a church both necessary and feasible. A site was purchased, although not the most eligible that could have been found, is still good, and works was commenced. The cornerstone was laid by the Bishop June 21st. The church was finished the following summer and was dedicated by the same prelate July 25th, under the invocation of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga. [...] the growing importance of the place induced Father Brady to transfer his residence hither in October, where he has since lived. He continued to visit Meyersdale until September, 1876, and also has had care of Le Mont [sic] Furnace from the time it became a missionary station, as we shall presently see.

The period during which Saint Aloysius (and Immaculate Conception, amongst many others) was begun is an era lacking in much of the official documentation we take for granted today. The Diocesan archives contains the official decrees of the Bishop of Pittsburgh establishing Saint John the Evangelist parish in 1895 and Saint Rita of Cascia parish in 1915. (As well as

the decrees for the erection of every other parish from the last years of the 19th century on.) Earlier, even in cases where such documents *may* have been written they are no longer extant. In a conversation with the editor of the Catholic Accent (about the uncertainty surround the actual year of *Immaculate Conception's* founding) he stated that when dealing with parishes from the 1870s - and earlier - it is not at all unusual for two, three, or even more years to be vying for the title of "Founding Date." And thus we are left to peer through the mists of time attempting to establish the most PROBABLE year of a parish's actual foundation.

In the present case Msgr. Lambing, writing in 1880 but a few years after the events narrated, provides the most authoritative history of the parish. But even with his account things are not as crystal clear as we today would like them to be. It is obvious, however, that in celebrating the quasiquicentennial in 1994 the choice had been made to use the date of 1869 when Father Robert Waters started visiting once a month on a WEEKDAY to celebrate Mass. Those visits, though, don't really constitute the founding of a parish. For comparison, priests from Brownsville started visiting Conneltsville monthly at least as early as 1858.

A discussion (this time about Saint Aloysius' founding) with the Catholic Accent editor led to this emailed information:

The informal diocesan reference book that we use in the office lists 1874 as the founding year for St. Aloysius Parish, Father Philip Brady as the first pastor with his first baptism on June 6, 1874

As this accords well with what Msgr. Lambing wrote it seems logically to designate 2024 as the parish's sesquicentennial. The church was dedicated under the patronage of Saint

Aloysius Gonzaga in July 1875, but since the cornerstone was laid on 21 June 1874 - the Feast of Saint Aloysius - it seems that from that point on the congregation was known as Saint Aloysius Gonzaga Parish.

The only unresolved question is what to do with the time capsule? Do we open it when those who buried it intended? Or do we wait until our ACTUAL (as-best-as-we-can-asertain) 150th in five years? I think an anniversary committee should form *pronto* to solve this thorny conundrum!

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SESQUICENTENNIAL RESTORATION MEMORIAL PLAQUE: I am -

this time FOR REAL! - in the midst of finalising the memorial plaque that will hang in the church's narthex. If you made a memorial gift and I have not yet contacted you about precise wording I will SOON AND VERY SOON be in touch.

The following memorials are still available: If interested please contact me for details.

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| • SAINT MATTHEW ROUNDEL | • AMBRY |
| • BAPTISMAL FONT BOWL | • AMBO |
| • CHOIR LOFT EXTENSION | • TABERNACLE |
| • SANCTUARY PEDESTALS | • ALTAR CANDLESTICKS |
| • PASCHAL CANDLESTICK | |

COVER PHOTO: Since for the past two weeks I have relied heavily on the Very Reverend Andrew Arnold Lambing's magisterial "A History of the Catholic Church in the Dioceses of Pittsburgh [sic] and Allegheny from Its Establishment to the Present Time" I thought it fitting to share an image of the book.

If you have ANY interest in the history of Catholicism and the Catholic Church in western and central Pennsylvania this book is a **MUST READ**. It can be found online at multiple sites either as an ebook or to be read on your computer.