



Wind, fire & spirit

Acts 2 describes the amazing events of Pentecost, when the apostles received the Holy Spirit.

Directions: The last letter(s) of each word is the beginning letter of the next. Fill in the missing words to complete Acts 2:1-4, NIV.

1. HEAV
2. ABLE
3. AY OF PENTECOS
4. ONGUE
5. PIRI
6. OGETHE
7. ES
8. ONGUE
9. A
10. IND



“When the _____³ came, they were all _____⁶ in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent _____¹⁰ came from _____¹ and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They _____⁹ what seemed to be _____⁴ of fire that separated and came to _____⁷ on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy _____⁵ and began to speak in other _____⁸ as the Spirit _____² them.”

ACTS 2:1-4, NIV

Answer: 1. heaven, 2. enabled, 3. day of Pentecost, 4. tongues, 5. Spirit, 6. together, 7. rest, 8. tongues, 9. saw, 10. wind

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COMMUNITY LIFE, NEWS & EVENTS

Annual Haiti Fund Drive

The annual Haiti Fund Drive to support our twin parish in Croix Fer, Haiti runs through the end of June. Your gracious donations help Good Shepherd support our twin parish's schools by providing teacher salaries and the only meal of the day for most of the students. One hundred percent of the funds collected go directly to Haiti. The easiest way to donate is through our parish e-giving page on the parish website. Father Camy, the students and teachers appreciate our loyal support to St. Anthony of Padua. Can you spare \$100.00? \$50? Please see Mary Ellen Bebermeyer or Dave Maltby for further information.



The 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal "Sharing His Love with Others"

Today, Jesus gives the Holy Spirit to his Apostles. As he breathes on them, the breath of God fills their lungs. Their breath now carries His authority to speak forgiveness or retention of sins.

What a gift He gave our priests! In our Baptism and Confirmation, Jesus gave us the Holy Spirit. Wisdom, Knowledge, Counsel, Fortitude, Understanding, Piety, and Fear of the Lord go with those who walk in His name.

Today, we ask you to step out boldly to bless our parish by promoting our Annual Diocesan Appeal. Jesus doesn't allow his soldiers to go into battle unarmed. "Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves" (Matthew 10:16). Well, His sheep have the almighty God with them. We can be bold for Him, knowing He won't leave us orphans. Our parish has many gifts to offer souls who are hungry to know Jesus. These gifts live in you, given first by God. You have an opportunity to bless His heart by making a generous return through our Appeal.

As of 5/22/2023:

Goal	\$ 16,540.00
Pledges & Cash	\$ 19,823.00
% of Goal	120%
Donors	43

We would like to thank all those who have already donated so generously to the 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal.

Prayer

Holy Spirit of God,
 You are the love of the Father poured into our hearts.
 Touch us with your fire so that we can be made new.
 Purify us of all that is not holy, and set us on fire with love
 So that our whole world can be set ablaze
 With love for You and love for one another.
 We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
 (4lpi.com/blog/the-holy-spirits-fire-transforms-us-forever?)



Food Pantry Needs for the Week of May 28
CEREAL OR OATMEAL

FAITH FORMATION

Mark your calendar!

Vacation Bible School (VBS)
June 19-23, 2023 from 1PM-4PM

Shine a light on Jesus' love!

It is going to be out-of-this-world!

Register at: <https://vbspro.events/p/goodshepherdvbs2023>



Join Michael Matthews in the Cry Room each Sunday after Mass as we take a "Deeper Dive" into the readings.

Works of Mary Book Club announces *The Story of a Soul: The Autobiography of St. Therese of Lisieux*

will be discussed

May 31, 2023 at 7:15 PM



Join us for Cookies after Mass in the Commons next Saturday, June 3

and Doughnuts on Sunday, June 4



Mark your calendar—the office will be **CLOSED on Monday, May 29, 2023** in observance of Memorial Day.

The parish office will have **new Summer Office Hours beginning on Monday, June 5, 2023.**

The office hours will be:

Monday & Wednesday	10AM-4PM
Tuesday & Thursday	9AM-3:30PM
Friday	CLOSED

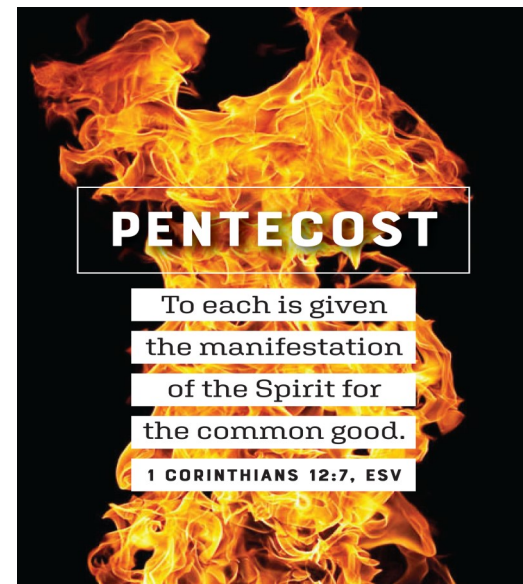
As a reminder—ALL announcements must be into the office by 10:00 AM on Mondays or they will not be posted until the following week.

If you are new to our parish, you can find the registration form on our website www.cgsparish.org or contact the parish office.



The AED is located in the Commons by the fire extinguisher outside the office.





The Church of the Good Shepherd

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/cgsparish
Father Tony's Email: pastor@cgsparish.org
Office: (757) 365-0579 Fax: (757) 365-0994 Rectory: (757) 542-3879
Office Hours: Monday—Friday 10 AM to 3 PM
Mass Times: Saturday—5PM & Sunday—9AM
Weekday Mass Times: Tuesday—Friday at Noon
Adoration is on the 1st & 3rd Friday of each month.

Staff

Pastor - Fr. Tony Yllana, pastor@cgsparish.org
Admin Assistant - Vicki Dobbins, admin@cgsparish.org
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Ministries

Ministry to the Sick - Deacon Stanley Stefanowicz
Pastoral Council - Joe Campo
Finance Council - Dan Falbe
Money Counters - Margaret Hickman
Building - Hart Smith and Tom Quick
Grounds - Tom Quick
Liturgical Ministries Head - Mark Lieberman
Altar Servers - Joshua Arocho
Children's Liturgy – Kathleen Day
Eucharistic Min (Sat) - Joan Nagy
Eucharistic Min (Sun) - Mark Lieberman
Funeral Mass Coordinator—Joan Nagy
Lectors - Michelle Romanello
Sacristan - Hart Smith
Ushers - Steve Reznick
Knights of Columbus - Brendan Wesdock, bwesdock@gmail.com
Ladies' Guild - Margaret Hickman
Men's Club - Bill Knapp, billknapp1985@yahoo.com
Parish Community Life - Debbi Gatti and Pearl Stokes
Justice & Peace - Mary Ellen Bebermeyer
Haiti Committee & E-Bulletin Board - Dave Maltby
Divine Mercy Cenacle - Dara Murphy
Special Needs Ministry - Sue Ellebracht

*If you are interested in any Ministries, please contact the parish office.

Mission Statement

We, as diverse members of the Body of Christ, come together to serve God, the Catholic Church, and our community. We celebrate God in the Eucharist and the word, as we help each other in the growth of our faith, share our gifts and welcome everyone.

Vision Statement

To know and love God and grow in the Kingdom Of God together.

Inclement Weather - Fr. Tony plans to be at church to celebrate Mass. However, you are not obligated to come if travel is unsafe for you.

Parish Registration and Changes – Registration forms are available on the Church website. You may notify the office if you wish to register with, or be removed from the parish records, or if you have a change of address, telephone number, or email.

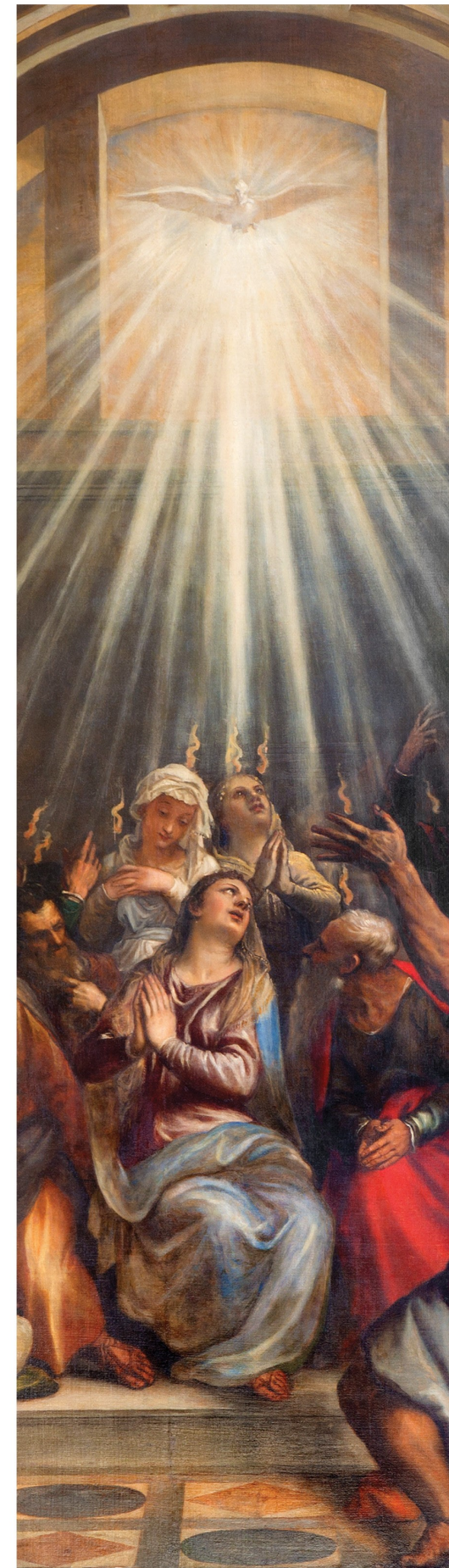
Baptisms – A preparation class for parents is required. Contact Lara Detrich at the church office to register.

Funerals – Contact the office if you would like to schedule a Funeral Service. The date and time must be approved by the priest.

Marriage – Registered parishioners must contact the parish at least 6 months prior to the intended date.

Reconciliation – Before Saturday Vigil Mass or by appointment.

Visitation of the Sick – Please call the office to arrange for communion, anointing of the sick, or when someone is ill or hospitalized.



May 28, 2023

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2: 1-11 | 1 Cor 12: 3b-7, 12-13 | Jn 20: 19-23

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

As a college student, I found myself sitting near the information desk during a layover at a German airport. This was in the days before mobile phones and Google Translate. I remember being so impressed that the two young women behind the desk were able to answer questions in so many languages without missing a beat. Whether it was Spanish, French, German or English, each traveler heard an answer in their own language. I often think that must have been what it was like for the travelers to Jerusalem during Pentecost. They were in an unfamiliar place and yet God spoke to them in a way they could understand. And the beautiful thing about the Pentecost story is that it is not just relating one single moment in time. Instead, it is the start of the Holy Spirit's ministry here on earth, and in our baptism, we, too, receive the same gift of the Holy Spirit. Confirmation completes the grace we receive at baptism, since we receive a "special strength of the Holy Spirit." (CCC 1285) We, too, are given the tools to go forth and speak to others even when we are afraid they may not understand. Let us remember St. Paul's words from the second reading: "To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." And then let us go out and use those gifts for the greater glory of God.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The idea of evangelizing is uncomfortable for many people. Sure, it was fine for the disciples to go out and start talking to strangers, but us? No way. However, evangelization doesn't have to mean starting conversations on the street (although it can!). Instead, it might be making the sign of the cross before a meal in a restaurant, mentioning Mass when a co-worker asks what you did over the weekend, or displaying a crucifix in your home where visitors will see it. In these small ways, we can encourage others to open the door for God to "shine within these hearts of yours," as today's Gospel Sequence says.

PRAY St. Paul reminds us today that we are all "baptized into one body" and "we were all given to drink of one Spirit." In today's divisive world, it can be difficult to remember that. Let us pray for one another knowing that all Christians – even those who may annoy us – are joined together in the same body of Christ. Specifically, have as your at-the-ready prayer this week for all circumstances, the following: *Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.*

LITURGY AND MINISTRY

Today's Readings:

The first Easter – that day in human history where Jesus Christ was raised from the dead – is not simply a historical fact, but a theological and spiritual reality in which we continue to live. We are immersed in the life that was created for us in his rising, and we celebrate that “little Easter” in every Sunday Eucharist. Through the grace received there and the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we are sent as workers in the kingdom, helping to renew the face of the earth.

Gospel Focus:

Easter isn't just about Jesus' resurrection from the dead, but our rising to new life.



“Encounter the Joy of the Gospel and Set the World Ablaze”

EVANGELIZED PEOPLE...

Are engaged in works of charity and justice.

FATHER'S CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK

Adults: What important work does Jesus ask of you at this time in your life?

Children: How would Jesus want you to treat your family and friends this week?

PRAYER AND VOCATIONS

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for the Month of May



Evangelization: For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Pope Tweets:

“In our daily mission as baptized Christians, may the love of Christ push up toward the peripheries of our societies to meet our brothers and sisters who have been cast aside and abandoned, to show them the Lord's tenderness.”

Please Remember in Prayer:

Barbara & Jim Bonney, Gene Chappell, Leila Chevalier, Justin Evans, Ann Fjell, Ellen Gauthier, Leslie Lunger, Christopher Morris, Shirley Mutter, Elizabeth Perry, Alice Reece, Jean Wechsler, Marilyn Wise, Thomas Wunder and Brandon Zakaras

Memorial Day is a day of remembrance, mourning those who died while serving in the military. Let us offer a prayer to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

Heavenly Father, we lift up in prayer today our brothers and sisters who have gone before us, sacrificing their own lives for the protection and safety of others.

We are grateful for their service. May they inspire us to live selflessly in our own lives, as Christ calls us to do. In Jesus's name we pray. Amen.

(hallow.com/blog/memorial-day-prayers/)



*We will have no weekday Mass June 5-9, 2023



There will be Prayer Service with Communion Tues., June 6—Fri., June 9, 2023 at 12:00 PM (Noon)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament June 2, 2023 at 11:30 AM

Followed by 12:00 PM (Noon) Mass. Come and spend some time with Jesus!



Good Grief!!! Support Group Meeting

The next meeting of the *Good Grief!!! Support Group* at Good Shepherd will be on **Monday, June 5, 2023 at 5:00pm**. If you would like more information, please contact Deacon Stan at:

DEACONSTAN4@gmail.com

“The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness.”

~Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

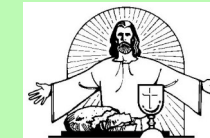
Considering a call to the priesthood?

“To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.” Is your gift of the Holy Spirit the discernment of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Call the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Father Brian W. Capuano or write: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



Arrangements for visits to the sick and homebound are to be made only by family members of the person needing the visit or by that person themselves. Please make your request to Deacon Stan (276) 220-5545 or through the office.

May 28, 2023 Solemnity of Pentecost



Readings for the Week

Monday, May 29—The Blessed Virgin Mary

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday, May 30

Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday, May 31—The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-56

Thursday, June 1—St. Justin

Sir 42:15-25; Mk 10:46-52

Friday, June 2

Sir 44:1, 9-13; Mk 11:11-26

Saturday, June 3—St. Charles Lwanga & Companions

Sir 51:12cd-20; MK 11:27-33

Sunday, June 4—Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18



Daily Mass & Intention Schedule

Mon.	May 29	No Mass	
Tues.	May 30	Noon	Available
Wed.	May 31	Noon	Available
Thurs.	June 1	Noon	Available
Fri.	June 2	Noon	Available
Sat	June 3	5:00 pm	Available
Sun.	June 4	9:00 am	Good Shepherd Comm.

Parishioners are invited to remember their loved ones in a special way through prayers. If you would like to have a Mass celebrated in memory of a loved one or a special intention, please contact the parish office. **Stipends may be turned in with the collection or mailed to the office. Checks should be made out to Church of the Good Shepherd. Please write “mass intention” on the memo line of your check. Thank you.**



Church open for personal prayer:

Tuesday – Friday 10AM to 2PM



We invite you to check out our

On-Line Giving Program.

Visit our parish website: www.cgsparish.org

click on ‘Give’ then ‘On-Line Giving’

Upcoming Special Collections

June 4—Mortgage

June 11—Peter's Pence

June 18—Catholic Virginian

*Your donations are needed and appreciated.



Parish Life This Week

Monday, May 29

Memorial Day

Office Closed

Wednesday, May 31

6:00 PM OCIA

7:15 PM Works of Mary Book Club

Thursday, June 1

6:00 PM Pastoral Council

6:30 PM Boy Scout Committees Mtg.

7:00 PM Choir Practice

Friday, June 2

11:30 AM Adoration

Saturday, June 3

4:30 PM Rosary

6:00 PM Cookies

Sunday, June 4

8:30 AM Rosary

10:00 AM Doughnuts

Weekly Offering for:

May 20 & 21, 2023

Regular Offering needed weekly: \$ 5,865.38

(The following totals include E-Giving)

OFFERTORY:

Regular/Holy Day Offertory \$ 5,578.16

ADDITIONAL FUNDS COLLECTED:

Mortgage	\$ 65.00
Haiti	\$ 285.00
Catholic Virginian	\$ 10.00
Barron Dempsey	\$ 105.00
Other	\$ 177.55

DIOCESAN COLLECTION:

Diocesan Home Missions	\$ 629.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 75.91

Mortgage Balance \$ 27,750.83

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday 97

Sunday 187



Thank you for your continued support of the Church of the Good Shepherd!

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



Check out our **new** website at cgsparish.org for updates and more information!