

**ST. MARY'S
BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

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SAT. 4:30 p.m. Liturgy of Thanksgiving for Fr. Richard & Best wishes
On His Retirement

SUN. 10:30 a.m. God's Blessings to our new Pastor, Rev. John Welch

MON.

10:30 a.m. **PENTECOST MONDAY** Page 203
Health & Blessings of Parishioners

TUE.

10:30 a.m. +Cherie Kent by Mr. Mrs. James Tomaino

WED.

10:30 a.m. No Liturgy

THU.

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FRI.

10:30 a.m. No Liturgy

SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS

SAT.

4:30 pm.

May 26, 2024

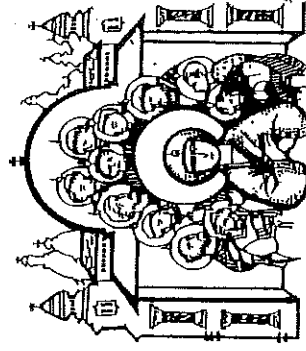
+Harold Turjanica by Daughter, MaryAnn

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SUN.

10:30 a.m.

Health & Blessings of Parishioners



*Blessed are You, O Christ our God. You have shown the fishermen to be all
wise, sending down upon them the Holy Spirit. Through them You have
caught the whole world in Your net. O Lover of us all, glory to You!*

CHURCH DONATIONS MAY 12, 202

Monthly Dues \$162.00 Holy Day \$355.00

Candles \$48.00 Cemetery \$455.00

Offertory \$1,020.00

**TODAY....PENTECOST LITURGIES.....WE ARE
CELEBRATING FATHER RICHARD & FATHER JOHN
SAT. A Liturgy of Thanksgiving for Father Richard's 49th
Anniversary and for his years of service to St. Mary's, as well as his
Retirement. SUNDAY 10:30 a.m. Liturgy is for Father John to
Welcome him as our New Pastor. CONGRATULATIONS, ON
YOUR ASSIGNMENT! God grant Fr. Richard & Fr. John Health
& Happiness for many Blessed Years!**

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES

**Please remember to bring your flag holders to the cemetery
SERVICES WILL BE HELD AT OUR CEMETERY MAY 26TH
AT NOON.**

LIFE

Life is part one, two and three.

The past, the present, and the yet to be.

The past is written and laid away... we cannot recall it.

The present we are writing day by day.

Live it right; there may not be another day or night.

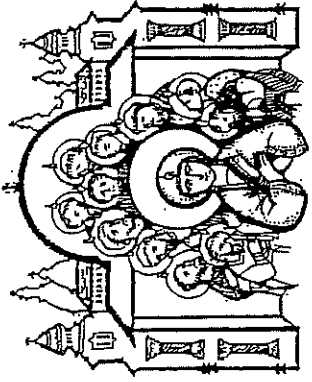
The third, the yet to be, we know not what...only God holds the key.

POWER IN KINDNESS

I often wonder why people do not make more of the marvelous power there is in kindness. It is the greatest lever to move the hearts of people that the world has ever known...greater by far than anything that mere ingenuity can devise or suggest. Kindness is the kingpin of success in life. It is the prime factor in overcoming friction and making the human machinery run smoothly.

PENTECOST

Again the day of *PENTECOST* has come...a day of special importance which takes its place alongside Easter Sunday. May we compare the Pentecost of which the Acts of the Apostles speaks and the Pentecost of today?



Yes, we have the right, the duty and the joy to say that Pentecost continues. We know that fifty days after Easter the Apostles gathered in that same Upper Room which had been the place of the first Eucharist and of the first meeting with the Risen Christ.

Here they discovered in themselves the power of the Holy Spirit, who had descended upon them.

It was the power of Him whom the Lord had repeatedly promised them at the cost of His own suffering on the cross. On the strength of this power they began to act, that is, to carry out their service. The Apostolic Church was born. But today, in every church and chapel, there is a continuation of the original Upper Room of Jerusalem.

First there is *BAPTISM*, the sacrament of the total cancellation of faults, whatever their number or their seriousness may be; then there is *PENANCE*, the Sacrament of Reconciliation with God and with the Church and also the *ANOINTING OF THE SICK*.

But the Spirit's work of making us holy always reaches its highest point in the *EUCCHARIST*, the Sacrament of the fullness of holiness and grace.

In this wonderful flow of supernatural life, what is the place of *CHRISMATION*? The value of this sacrament springs from the conferring of power by the Spirit of God to each baptized person to make him or her a perfect Christian, ready to bear witness with courage to Christ's resurrection: "You shall be my witness". Because it marks the soul indelibly, Chrismation can never be reduced to a distant memory.

Dear people, may the Spirit of God fill your hearts with His joy and renew your wills.

"Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle within them the fire of Your love."

"Let us adore God in three holy persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit...three in one. From all eternity, the Father begets the Son, equal to Him in eternity and majesty, equal also to the Holy Spirit, glorified with the Son in the Father, three persons and yet a single power and essence and Godhead"

LETTING GO

Maybe we can let go of our grudges: Let go of the idea that you are either not such a bad person and therefore not-so-much in need of confession, absolution, and God's mercy or such a bad person that you don't know where to startand you reasonGod can't possibly forgive me anyway. (Yes, sometimes a person will harbor both of these attitudes at once.) Maybe we can let go of anything that prevents us from accepting God's extraordinary mercy and inexplicable delight in us. Let's just "chill" and let go and let God.

PEACE

Do you want peace? Forgiveness offers it. Do you want happiness, a quiet mind, a certainty of purpose, and a sense of worth and beauty that transcends the world? Do you want a quietness that cannot be disturbed, a gentleness that can never be hurt, a deep abiding comfort, and a rest so perfect it can never be upset? All this forgiveness offers you.