

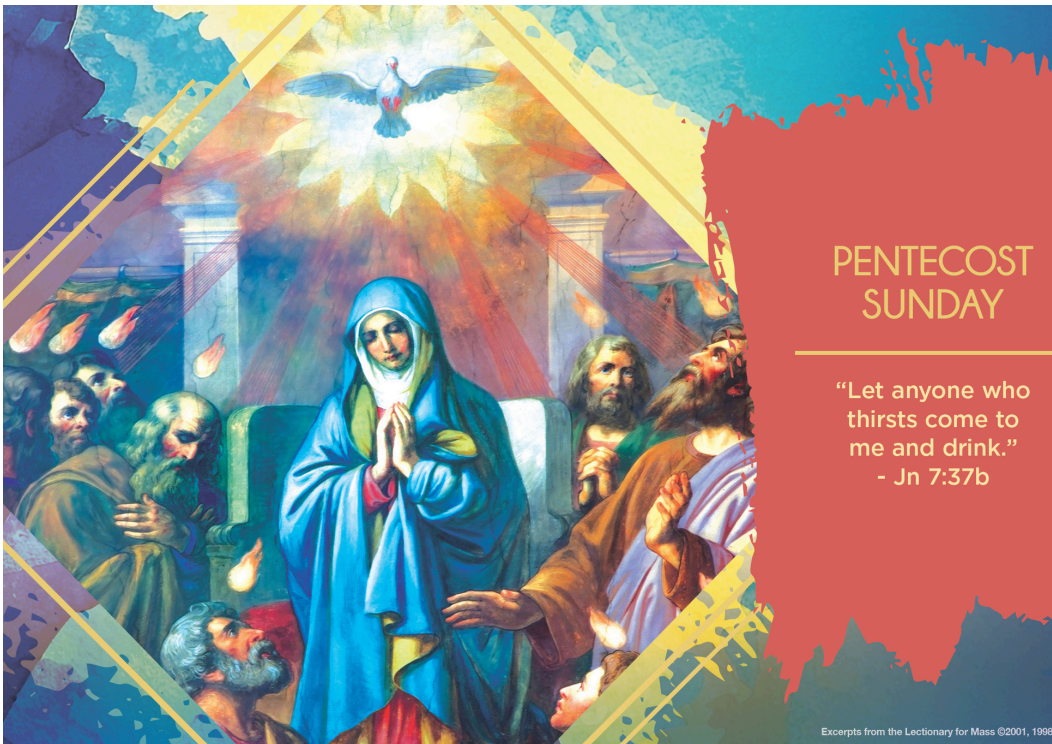


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**PENTECOST
SUNDAY**

“Let anyone who
thirsts come to
me and drink.”
- Jn 7:37b

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Rite of
Reconciliation

CONFESSIONS:

Anytime by appointment

Elmwood- Saturday's 6:30-6:50 pm
Boyceville- Sunday's 8:00 - 8:20 am
Spring Valley- Wednesday's 5:30 -
6:10 pm

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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

May 24, 2026 Pentecost Sunday



“He breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.’” (John 20:22–23)

For those of us who go to confession regularly, there is often a familiar frustration: “Why do I keep confessing the same sins?” It can feel like a loop, cleansed but unchanged.

Pentecost reveals a hopeful perspective. When the Risen Jesus breathes on his ashamed and fearful disciples and gives them the Holy Spirit, he echoes Genesis, when God breathes life into Adam. This is not just primarily the removal of guilt, but new creation.

In confession, we receive more than forgiveness. We receive a fresh outpouring, the breath of the Spirit, and a renewed mission. Jesus does not say to us, “You’re forgiven, now go back to your old life.” He says, so to speak, “**As the Father has sent me, so I send you.**” (John 20:21)

That is why penance is not just saying a few prayers. It is reorientation. It is the Spirit summoning us to live differently: with mercy and healing.

Just as Adam was sent into the world, and the Apostles were sent out after Pentecost, so too we are sent from the confessional – not just clean, but consecrated.

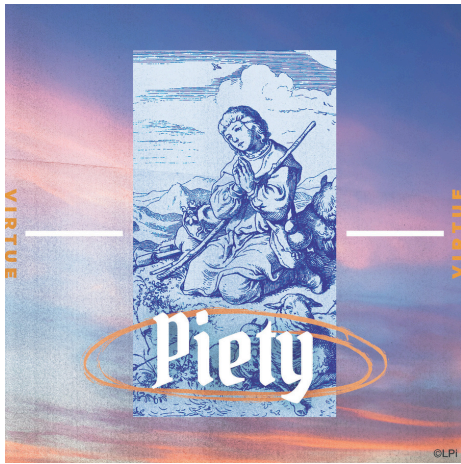
Pentecost Challenge: After your next confession, ask the Holy Spirit for one way you can participate in Christ’s healing will for you. Then take one small, concrete step, and do not look back. – *Father John Muir @LPI*

Virtues, Explained! Piety

Piety is one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit and is related to the virtue of justice.

St. Thomas Aquinas writes, “Piety denotes the reverence which we give to our faith and to our country. And since God is the Father of all, the worship of God is also called piety...therefore the gift whereby a man, through reverence for God, works good to all, is fittingly called piety.” (Sum., II:II, 68, Art. 4)

The virtue of piety, which can be understood most easily as giving due reverence to God, should not be confused with “popular piety,” which refers to external expressions of devotion that are unique to specific places and environments. The virtue of piety describes a person’s fulfillment of their duty to God and the precepts of the Church; popular piety describes other practices that enliven their desire to fulfill that duty.



Stewardship Weekly Offering May 16-17, 2026

	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Offertory</u>	<u>On-Line</u>
Boyceville	\$ 590.00	\$ 73.00	
Elmwood	\$ 325.00	\$ 43.00	\$ 103.00
Spring Valley	\$ 2074.00	\$ 153.00	



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

We Are Never Alone My children want my help sometimes, and other times, not so much. I remember being a teenager and young adult myself. At times, I thought I knew everything. I didn’t need help because I was just so darn smart. Truth is, I needed to find my own way. I needed to stretch my wings and prove to myself and my family I could fly. I assume that is what is happening with my own children as well. It just seems so different now that I’m the parent.

Human beings need help. We need community, and we need to rely on one another. At Pentecost, we reflect on Jesus sending to the Church a helper, the Holy Spirit. God interacting with us in this manner means we are never truly alone. We focus most of the time on the Spirit of God as the assistance we need, and we do need Him for sure. However, since it is that very same Spirit that turned us into “Church” from a band of people looking to carry on after Jesus’ ascension, at Pentecost we gained more than divine help: we gained each other.

Today, the Church needs help in a profound way. We need to lean on the Holy Spirit to blow through the Church with a profound renewal. But we cannot forget that we have been given each other to lean on as well. We are a gift to each other, and together with the Spirit’s help, we are the Body of Christ here on earth. We must be strong and stand for one another. If we do that, this Pentecost will bear fruit that will be with us for many Pentecosts to come. –Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI

BOYCEVILLE NEWS



Our Condolences: Our deepest sympathy and assurance of prayers to the family of Margaret Erickson who passed away this past week. "O God, who alone are able to give life after death, free your servant, Margaret, from all her sins, that they who believed in the Resurrection of Christ, may, when the day of resurrection comes, be united with you in glory." (Funeral Mass, Collect)



We would like to congratulate graduating senior George Kyser. May your life continue to be a reflection of God's way.... His love, joy and peace shining brightly through you. Remember that God is in control. And that's a good thing!

ELMWOOD NEWS



Rosary leaders are needed for the Saturday evening Masses at Sacred Heart Elmwood. If you are interested please contact Barb Schneider at 715-448-9144.

SPRING VALLEY NEWS

Mass servers needed: Is your child in grade 3 or older? If so, please talk to them about using their gifts by becoming a Mass server. Their help would be greatly appreciated. Training will be held this summer. Please contact the central office to have your child's name added to the list. Thank you.



Corpus Christi this year falls on Sunday, June 7th, and Spring Valley Sacred Heart of Jesus parish will hold a procession with the Blessed Sacrament after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. "The annual procession on the feast of Corpus Christi...has a special importance and meaning for the pastoral life of the parish or city.... When the Eucharist is carried through the street in a solemn procession with singing, the Christian people give public witness of faith and devotion toward the sacrament" (Roman Ritual). There will be a lunch in the Brother Michael Center following the procession.

We are looking for someone to hold the 3-4 pm hour of Eucharistic adoration on Thursday afternoons. Please contact Laura Buchal for more information or to sign up for this hour. "There is no doubt that a flood of graces will descend upon your family and the world if more souls would become docile pupils of adoration." (St. Pope John XXIII)

Our parish is participating in a Joint Parish Raffle through Catholic Parish Initiatives, and hope you can support our Sacred Heart of Jesus youth in this important fundraising effort! For all tickets sold, the parish youth will receive 50% of funds raised, with an anonymous donor matching up to \$3000!! Tickets are \$25.00 each and can be purchased by contacting one of our youth, Jasmine Durrence or Beth Ingli. The raffle will be drawn on Saturday, July 19, 2025 and can be viewed online live at www.parishraffle.com. Thank you and Good Luck!

NEWS FOR ALL

Seven Sisters Apostolate The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop - a "holy wasting" (cf. Mt. 26:10) or lavishing of prayer for his deeper conformity to Christ. We are looking for a woman to partner with the Seven Sisters on Fridays. The hour can be held at any time of the assigned day, at any Catholic Church, and does not have to be in the presence of the exposed Blessed Sacrament. Please contact Laura Buchal at 612-562-5872 for more information.



For all the faithful
who have died and
for the sick, we pray
in 2026

May 30 Saturday Vigil Mass in Elmwood

7:00 p.m. +Steve Weber & Bill Wittig
(Tom & Sharon Weber)

May 31 Sunday Mass

8:30 a.m. in Boyceville ~Strengthening of the
Catholic Faith (St. Luke's Altar Society)
10:30 a.m. in Spring Valley +Darlene Raleigh
(Beth & Craig Ingli)

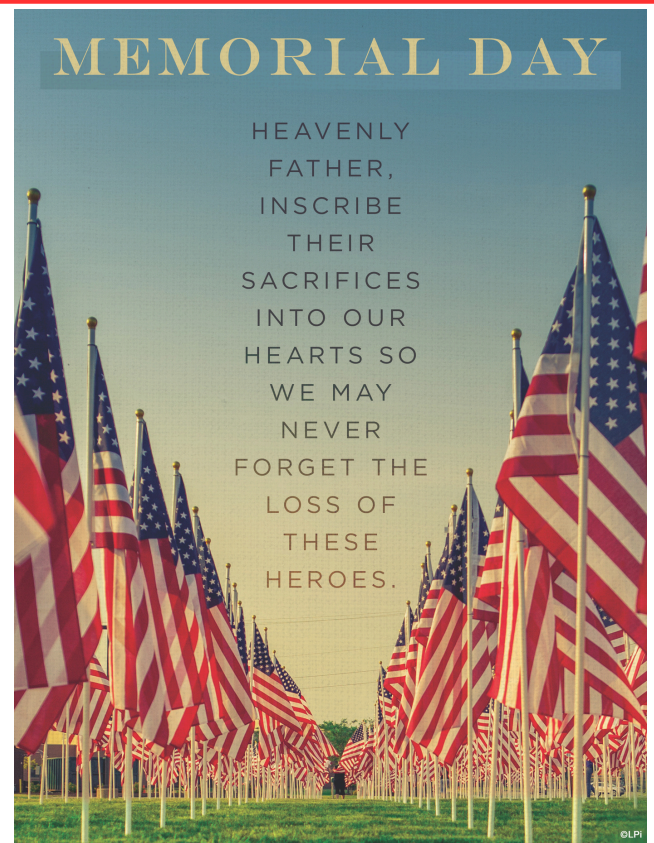
NEWS FROM LACROSSE

Training for Accompanying Aging Populations | June 8 - 11, 2026 | 12 pm - 3 pm Whether you serve aging parishioners navigating memory loss, support families caring for elderly loved ones or simply want your parish to be a place of belonging across every season of life, the National Catholic Partnership on Disability (NCPD) is offering on line training. Any adult who is interested in receiving this online training will be asked to pay \$10. This intensive is a chance to change that—equipping parishioners with practical tools and a deeper theological foundation to meet aging populations where they are. Don't miss this helpful training. For more information, go to: [//www.ncpd.org/events/ncpd-summer-intensive-accompanying-aging-populations](http://www.ncpd.org/events/ncpd-summer-intensive-accompanying-aging-populations)
Contact Ann Lankford at alankford@diolc.org to register.

**WEEKEND
MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

Elmwood May 30 th at 7:00 p.m.		Spring Valley May 31 st at 10:30 a.m.
Barb	Lectors	Kelly / Ruth
Pat	Extraordinary Ministers	(S) Anne / Denise Eric / Diane
Logan / Cody	Mass Servers	Cameron/ Oliver/ Eli
Volunteers	Ushers/ Hospitality	Rich / Bill
Need someone	Rosary/Music	Sacred Heart Choir

Please send Bulletin Announcements to:
admin@shsv.diolcparish.org
**News for the May 31st bulletin due by
11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 27th**



SCHOOL'S OUT BASH!
FREE-WILL DONATION
COME JOIN US FOR A
@ THE BROTHER MICHAEL CENTER ON SABIN AVE
SUNDAY MAY 31ST | 11:30 AM-1:00PM
CHEESEBURGERS | BRATS | HOT DOGS | SUMMER SIDES | DESSERTS
ALL ARE WELCOME TO CELEBRATE THE END OF SCHOOL & KICKOFF TO SUMMER WITH GREAT FOOD & COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP!
PROCEEDS HELP SUPPORT SACRED HEART YOUTH MINISTRY
SUPPORTED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Contact Jasmine Durrence with questions: durrencej5@gmail.com



Contacts to Remember for the Prayer Line

To include a name to our prayer list please contact: Spring Valley: Laura Buchal at ssf@wwt.net or call 715-772-4452 or 612-562-5872
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