

# Holy Spirit Catholic Church

300 West Pine Street, Palmyra, PA 17078

*Confirmation*

**May 19, 2024**  
**Pentecost Sunday**

Alexis **Rose of Lima** Adams  
Grady **Jude Thaddeus** Bost  
Claire **Bernadette** Busher  
Jacob **Anthony** Clark  
Lexi **Cecilia** Drabick  
Abigail **Teresa of Avila** Foerster  
Ellie **Martha** Frailey  
Dean **Nicholas** Heller  
Matthew **Peter** Johnson  
Gavin **Christopher** Klucinec  
Sydney **Cecilia** Kwiatkowski  
Johana **Agatha of Sicily** Lombardo  
Evan **Francis of Assisi** Morrissey  
Alayna **Elizabeth Ann Seton** Pascale  
Jackson **William of Perth** Smith  
Angelika **Veronica** Torres Pagan  
Samie **Cecilia** Tulli  
Emerik **Sebastian** Utterback

**PASTOR’S MESSAGE**

Our stained glass windows were designed to be meditations on our parish’s patron who we celebrate today on Pentecost. This is because it is hard to picture or understand who the Holy Spirit is.

In my relationship with God, I bounce back and forth between two contrary feelings. Sometimes I feel like I know God so well and sometimes I feel like he is so far above me and that I am ignorant of who he is and what he wants. This is especially true when thinking of the Holy Spirit. The following quote helps justify my ignorance and encourages humility: “The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes; so, it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit” (John 3:8). With that in mind, I encourage you to enter the mystery of the Holy Spirit with the words from the Creed, that the Holy Spirit is the “Giver of life and has spoken through the prophets”.

May you be ever more aware of the Holy Spirit who dwells inside you and makes you a living stone of the Church. Although the Spirit overwhelms us, it is also making our bodies part of the Body of Christ. Finally, remember that the Spirit is also outside of us, guiding us along God’s path to communion with all through charity and leading each of us towards eternal life in Christ.

In our windows the Spirit is depicted as birds, fire, clouds, wind, love, God’s plan, the Temple, and unity. Allow all the different images and stories to propel you into the Holy Spirit’s drama and gift you moments of feeling more fully connected with God and his purpose for you. The descriptions of the windows can be found at <https://holyspiritpalmyra.com/wp-content/uploads/Stained-Glass-Windows-Booklet.pdf>.

**CALENDAR & INTENTIONS**

The **Sanctuary Candle** will burn in offer of Thanksgiving and prayer for Cole’s Ministry (From the Family of Cole Mase)

The **Chapel Candle** will burn in offer of Thanksgiving and prayer for Cole’s Ministry (From the Family of Cole Mase)

The **Altar Flowers** are offered in Thanksgiving and prayer for Cole’s Ministry (From the Family of Cole Mase)

**Father Anthony is away from May 20—May 27**

**MONDAY, MAY 20**

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34  
9:00am Mass  
4:00pm Shine Fitness

† Sue Young

**TUESDAY, MAY 21**

Jas 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37  
3:30pm Cenacle  
7:00pm Folk Group; KofC Assembly

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22**

Jas 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40  
9:30am Psalm Study  
4:30pm Legion of Mary  
5:30pm Rosary  
**No 6:00pm Mass or Confessions**  
6:45pm Women at the Well

**THURSDAY, MAY 23**

Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:41-50  
**No 9:00am Mass**  
4:00pm Shine Fitness  
7:00pm Sunday Choir; Knights of Columbus

**FRIDAY, MAY 24**

Jas 5:9-12; Mk 10:1-12  
**No 7:00am Mass**

**SATURDAY, MAY 25**

Jas 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16  
4:00pm Mass **For the People of the Parish**  
5:00pm Confessions

**SUNDAY, MAY 26**

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20  
8:30am Mass Outside **† Heather Skonier-Baer**  
11:00am Mass **† Joe “Stan” Butch**  
12:30pm San Severino’s Baptism

**TITHING: GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING**

Sunday Offering 5/12/2024	\$ 14,058
Focused Giving Enhancements	\$ 415
Education Collection	\$ 131
Pentecost	\$ 585
Ascension	\$1,298



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Congratulations to our 8th graders who received the sacrament of Confirmation. We pray that they are strengthened by the Holy Spirit and will be true witnesses of Christ to others. May they spread and defend the faith by word and deed.

### Pentecost Collection

Today we will take up our Pentecost Collection. Our Diocese has been blessed with vocations to the priesthood, along with a renewed focus to actively encourage vocations. Your support, both through prayers and, if able, financially, are needed for this important ministry. Through your gifts to the Pentecost Collection, our Seminarians can completely devote themselves to the formation process with no worry about meals, lodging, or tuition.

### Parish Online Library System

We are inviting you to join our parish library which has upgraded to a new digital system (Libib). This structure not only provides our parish with a modern library network, but it also grants an easy-to-use format with tremendous flexibility for our parishioners, including digital searches and check-outs outside of parish office hours! For information on how to create a FREE account with our library, please visit our "Library" webpage on our parish website or email [library@hspalmyra.com](mailto:library@hspalmyra.com).

### Spirit Fest Raffle Basket Donations

Spirit Fest planning has started and I am busy getting the basket raffle ready. I am looking for monetary donations to purchase some items. Please contact me or the Church office if you are able to donate towards the basket raffle. Contact me, Amy Morrissey, at 717-574-3910 or [amymariemorrissey@gmail.com](mailto:amymariemorrissey@gmail.com). Thank you in advance for your generosity in helping to make the basket raffle a success this summer!

### Congratulations to Deacon Cole Mase!

We would like to congratulate our parishioner, Cole Mase, on being ordained a Deacon this weekend at Saint Patrick's Cathedral in Harrisburg. May God guide him, bring joy to him, and give hope to him as he continues in his journey of religious life. Please congratulate and pray for Deacon Cole as he works towards his vocation.

### PREP Registration 2024-25

PREP registration forms are available near the PREP bulletin board in the east end entrance, in the office, and on our website under "PREP (Religious Education)". Registration deadline is May 31, 2024.

### Mental Health Ministry Discussion

Join the Mental Health Ministry for a discussion on Grave Sin and Harm Reduction on Tuesday, May 28 from 6pm—7pm in the multipurpose room. Father Anthony and Nicole Shiner, who is a mental health case worker for the VA hospital, will be facilitating the discussion.

### Anxiety Therapy Group for Women ages 15-18

Anxiety has become increasingly prevalent since COVID. If left unchecked, it can become debilitating. Those who have struggled with anxiety often feel alone in their struggle. Some feel discouraged due to believing they will never get better. This psychoeducational support group provides an open space for members to learn, realize they are not alone, and obtain hope as no one must stay stuck in anxiety. This will run for 6 weeks and be held on Fridays: July 5, 12, 19, & 26, August 2 & 9 from 1pm-2:30pm. For more information, questions, and registration, contact Lisa Hilsher at [lhilsher@PHACentralPA.com](mailto:lhilsher@PHACentralPA.com). Deadline for registration is July 1, 2024.

### Caring Cupboard

This weekend is food collection week for Caring Cupboard. Thank you for your support!

### FROM OUR ADORATION CHAPEL

Jesus knew the value of quiet time. He would often retreat to a quiet place to get away from all of the turmoil of His hectic life and pray. Today we live in a world filled with many distractions. We are inundated with interruptions and disturbances from everyone and everything due to the technology of today. We, like Jesus, need to get away to a quiet place to pray and get away from all of those interruptions. Where better to go than our Adoration Chapel. Not only is it a quiet place, but now you are in the presence of Jesus. He is truly there fully present in Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, and anxiously waiting for you to visit. He can give you the strength to revitalize your faith and discover what's really meaningful in your life. Go there and discover why over 120 people do this every week to sit in the real Presence of Jesus and allow Him to strengthen their faith, and give them the strength to face the ongoing turmoil of this hectic life that we face each day. Visit Jesus often in our Adoration Chapel and consider becoming a regular Adorer. Contact Bart Kaminski at 717-838-3369 x 111.

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