

MAY 19, 2024



# PENTECOST SUNDAY ST. MICHAEL

## CATHOLIC PARISH

(covering worship sites in Ralston, Canton & Troy)

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## What is PENTECOST?



**PENTECOST** comes from the Greek word “Pentecoste” meaning 50th day.

Pentecost Sunday is one of the most prominent feast days in the Christian calendar. It is often referred to as the “**BIRTHDAY OF THE CHURCH**”.

It marks the day when the **HOLY SPIRIT** descended upon the Apostles, who had been living in fear for fifty days following the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday.

On Pentecost, the **HOLY SPIRIT** came down visibly on the Apostles. He gave them the power to speak in strange tongues to the crowds that came to Jerusalem for that Feast. He also transformed them, from selfish and timid men into giants of courage and faith.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2024 CONFIRMATION CLASS**

*Kara Brooke Joan Cummings*

*Alexander Ronald Lee Sebastian Roupp*

*Toby Charles Tobias Stanton*

## LITURGY SCHEDULE

**Saturday, May 18** Easter Weekday

VIGIL: PENTECOST SUNDAY

4:00 pm, Canton † Pro Populo

**Sunday, May 19** PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:00 am, Ralston † Kathryn & Fred Fredo (The Family)

9:30 am, Canton † Norvin & Donna Holmes

(St. Michael's A&R)

11:15 am, Troy - For the special intentions of Kara Cummings, Alex Roupp and Toby Stanton (Cathy Asbury)

**Monday, May 20** The Blessed Virgin Mary,  
Mother of the Church

7:00 am, Rectory † Tom Ambruch (Cathy Asbury)

**Tuesday, May 21** Weekday

5:30 pm, Troy † Jeff Wynne (The Family)

**Wednesday, May 22** Weekday

5:30 pm, Canton † Alan Cole (St. Michael's A&R)

6:00 pm, Holy Hour

**Thursday, May 23** Weekday

No Mass

**Friday, May 24** Weekday

7:00 am, Rectory † Rita Chamberlain

(Nancy & Dave Jaquish)

**Saturday, May 25** Weekday

VIGIL: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

4:00 pm, Canton † Jeff Wynne (The Family)

**Sunday, May 26** THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo

9:30 am, Canton † Bill & Bonnie Spencer

(Jeff & Beth Cole)

11:15 am, Troy † Bea Chamberlain (Richelle Gwin)

Fellowship is held in St. Michael's Church hall following the 9:30 am Mass each Sunday.



The sanctuary lamps in all three churches burn this week for the Holy Spirit to strengthen God's people to embrace and protect the precious gift of human life.

*Sanctuary lamp intentions may be requested by contacting the parish office.*

*The cost is \$10 for all three lamps for a weekend.*

### SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS May 6 - 12, 2024

Weekly Offerings:	2,540.00
Electronic Offerings:	475.00
Ascension of the Lord:	365.00
Other Parish Income:	360.05
Total Parish Income:	3,740.05
Average weekly expenses:	4,124.61
Difference:	(384.56)
Mother's Day envelopes:	719.00
Care & Education of Priests:	36.00
Catholic Communications Campaign	317.00

*Thank you for your continued support.*

## FROM FATHER JOE'S DESK

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC, OR REFRESHING YOUR MEMORY?



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the way for non-Catholics to enter into full communion with the Roman Catholic Church and for Catholics who have not been fully initiated to receive Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. If you or any one you know is interested in becoming Catholic, the RCIA is for you. For Catholics who would like a "refresher" on their faith, this is an excellent opportunity. For more information or to register, please call Father Joe at 570-673-5253.

### ENDLESS MOUNTAINS PREGNANCY CARE CENTER 2024 BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Baby bottles are in all three churches for this year's baby bottle campaign. Please take a bottle and fill it with coins, bills, or even checks (made out to EMPCC) and return it by Father's Day, June 16th. Your generosity in this campaign is greatly appreciated.



### JOINT ALTAR & ROSARY DINNER

6:00 pm, Monday, June 17, 2024

Saint Michael's Hall

Choice of meatloaf or baked chicken  
scalloped potatoes, green beans, corn  
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\$15/person

Deadline to sign up is June 9

There are 3 ways to make your reservation (choose one)

1. Sign up sheets are in all three churches
2. Call (570) 419-1980
3. Visit <https://stmichaelscanton.com/news/joint-altar-rosary-dinner/> and complete the online form.



### SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

Barby, John Adams, Peggy Adams, Karl Barton,  
April Bilbrey, Cassi Blaney, Joseph Blaszc, Gus Branish,  
Joy Brann, Betty Brown, John Chapman Jr.,  
Dennis & Barbara Clarke, Darlene Cole, Todd Congdon,  
Carlene Eck, Dorland Eck, Leon English, Ben Flood,  
Melissa Gowan, Cassie Hamburger, Cody Heim, Robert  
Dale Hostetter, Victoria Johnson, Beatrice Jones,  
Antoinette King, Theresa Kingsley, David Kule,  
Jo Kule, Joyce Maloney, Tom McBlane, Bunny Meuse,  
Bernadette Moore, Orlando Morales, Delina Morgan,  
Brett Neely, Mary Nybeck, Leo Parchesky,  
Ramona Parker, Gary Paquette, Lori Pellegrini,  
Gary Polly, Patricia Rogers, Katy Snyder,  
Rich Stankiewicz, Joe Turk, Elias Vroman,  
Matthew Warren, Calvin Watson, Glenda Watson,  
Steven Wilber, John Wilcox, Anthony Wolf,  
Donna Wolf, Nicholas Wolf

*Contact the parish office to add a name to the prayer list.*





### POPE FRANCIS'S MAY PRAYER INTENTION

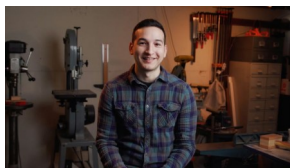
FOR THE FORMATION OF RELIGIOUS AND SEMINARIANS: We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.



### WEEK OF MAY 19, 2024

#### NEVER ALONE SESSION 1: BELONGING

The third Person of the Trinity is the one who illuminates our identity and belonging as God's sons and daughters. Presented by Nic Gutierrez Mary:



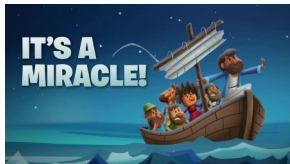
#### THE CHURCH'S FIRST & MOST PERFECT MEMBER

In the Gospel of John, we see the powerful scene in which Jesus gives to the Church his final gift: "Behold, your mother!" (John 19:27). Here we see Jesus inaugurating Mary's role as mother of the Church. Therefore, it should be no surprise that from the very earliest time of the Church, Christians have turned to Mary as their spiritual mother for her prayers and her motherly help.



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### MAY 20 - 26, 2024 READINGS

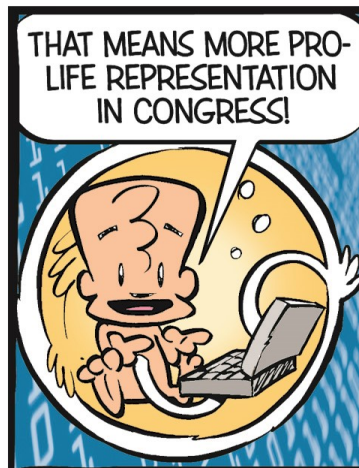
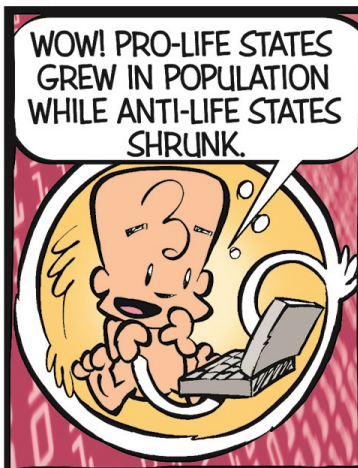
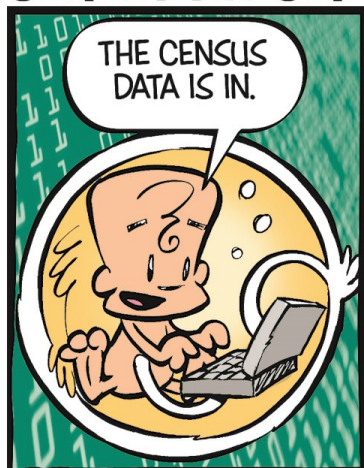
- Mon:** Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14 Ps 87:1b-3, 5-7 Jn 19:25-34
- Tues:** Jas 4:1-10 Ps 55:7-11, 23 Mk 9:30-37
- Wed:** Jas 4:13-17 Ps 49:2-3, 6-11 Mk 9:38-40
- Thurs:** Jas 5:1-6 Ps 49:14-20 Mt 9:41-50
- Fri:** Jas 5:9-12 Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12 Mk 10:1-2
- Sat:** Jas 5:13-20 Ps 141:1-3, 8 Mk 10:13-16
- Sun:** Dt 4:32-34, 39-40 Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22 Rom 8:14-17 Mt 28:16-20

### NOTICE REGARDING REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at [www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis) To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mary Beth Pacuska at (570-862-7551).

## Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi





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*Rose Bran and Marion Madigan by Atty & Mrs. Gerald Brann.*

*Florence DePalma, Anna Capaldi, Maria DePalma, Melanie Fish, Michele Walkins and Jen Cleveland by Jayne Cleveland.*

*Bonnie Spencer, Margaret Acresti, Kathryn Kilborn, Gerry Spencer, Ruth Bailey, Rosa Acresti, Christine Vroman, Cassi Blaney, Chrissi Stanton, Carri Bilbrey, Kelsey Cole, Nancy Wright, Lois Rook, Hilda Cressy and Thelma Cole by Elizabeth & Jeffrey Cole.*

*Catherine English, Katherine Andrus and Agnes Brass by Mr. Leon English, Jr.*

*Carol Ann Gergel and Anna Irene Gergel by James R. Gergel.*

*Carol Ann Gergel and Maureen Peterson by Thomas & Nanette Gergel.*

*Danette Hamburger, Anna Bradford, Samantha Hamburger, Cassie Hamubrger, Josephine Hamburger and Violet Davis by Dr. Paul Hamburger.*

*Shawn Hamburger, Sarah Hamburger, Anna Bradford, Cassie Hamburger, Samantha Hamburger, Violet Davis and Josie Hamburger by Paul & Danette Hamburger.*

*Private intention by Mr. Will Hawrylo.*

*Helen Taverniti by Diane Hedrick.*

*Mary McMahan and Joey Herman by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Herman.*

*Mary Meyer and Mary Jones by Mrs. Beatrice Jones.*

*Betty Morse, Rosa Lee and Beatrice Jones by Robert & Diane Jones.*

*Marjorie Doud by Mrs. Alicia Jennings.*

*Rita Shone, Margarita Shon and Alice Kelley by Mrs. Terri Kelley.*

*Dora I. Kingsley and Adeline Rittell by Mr. & Mrs. George Kingsley.*

*Private intention by Patrick & Marica McConnell.*

*Lucille Chagnon and Marion Mulno by Mr. & Mrs. John Mulno.*

*Celeste M. O'Gara and Eleanor M. O'Gara by Thomas & Celeste O'Gara.*

*Private intentions by Carole Parker.*

*Joy Snell, Anastasia Snell, June Pepper and Mary Erickson by Mrs. Rancy Pepper.*

*Helen Pierchorowicz and Rita Martinez by Mr. & Mrs. David E. Pierchorowicz.*

*Joan Ross by Jim Ross.*

*Marie O'Neal and Albertha Rushin by Mr. & Mrs. John A. Rushin.*

*Kathryn Staszewski by Mrs. Kathryn Skipper.*

*Dolores Seiberlich and Nancy Stankiewicz by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Stankiewicz.*

*Lindsay Havens, Arlene Deemer and Agnes Ulkins by Douglas & Marjorie Ulkins.*

*Theresa Kingsley, Bonnie Burnett and Kena Kingsley by Sherry Vargson.*

*Sophie Walker, Nannie Piaggio and Bonnie Murphy by Mrs. Loretta Walker.*

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