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### Mass Intentions

May 8th: Gary Adams +  
 by Mark & Kay Bartel  
 May 9th: Parishioners of St Andrew  
 and St Regina  
 May 16th: Parishioners of St Andrew  
 and St Regina

### Liturgical Ministers

**May 16th:**  
**Lector:** Kathleen Kirkpatrick  
**Server:** Marshall Mize  
**Sacristans—** Mary Alyce Fiechtl  
**Altar Linens —** Kathleen Kirkpatrick  
**Ushers—**Men of the Parish

## Sixth Sunday of Easter May 9, 2021

It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you  
 and appointed you to go and bear fruit.  
 — John 15:16

### THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We have a unique episode in the Acts of the Apostles today. A whole roomful of people are baptized with the Holy Spirit before they are baptized with water! The verb used—“the Holy Spirit ‘fell’ on them” (Acts 10:44)—is characteristic of the way the Spirit works throughout the book of Acts: powerful and surprising. Though this “baptism” is not the normative way the New Testament describes baptism, it is still a good reminder today that the Holy Spirit is not controlled by whether or not we pour water, but rather that our sacramental signs reveal the presence of the Spirit at work among us. And we have a double reinforcement of how this work is accomplished from a Letter and a Gospel bearing John’s name. It is love, self-sacrificing and self-giving love, that manifests the Spirit of Jesus in our midst. It is love that is the greatest of commandments. The Spirit is manifested equally through those who live in that love.

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### FEAST OF FAITH

#### The Creed

Following the readings and the homily, we stand together and say or sing the Creed, our profession of faith. The Creed is a solemn statement of belief, a “rule of faith” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 67). It states the core of what we believe about God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The language of the Creed is knotty and difficult at times, precisely because its purpose is to express with precision what we believe about God. The Creed that we pray most often, the Nicene Creed, came out of the earliest ecumenical councils: Nicea in 325 and Constantinople in 381. It originated in a time of great controversy about the divinity of Christ, and thus the longest section of the Creed relates to Christ, truly human and truly God.

The Creed is both communal and personal: it is “we,” but it is also “I.” In the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, it is only after listening to the teaching of the Church and professing faith in the Holy Trinity that the candidate is admitted to the sacraments. So it is every Sunday. We listen to the word, we profess our faith, and then we come to the altar.

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### WEEKLY OFFERING

May 2nd	
Budget	\$2100
Actual	\$3354
Bldg.	\$563
Over	\$1817

### TODAY’S READINGS FOR YEAR B

**First Reading** — The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also (Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).

**Psalm** — The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).

**Second Reading** — God is love (1 John 4:7-10) or 1 John 4:11-16.

**Gospel** — No one has greater love than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends (John 15:9-17) or John 17:11b-19.

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### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

#### Parishioners

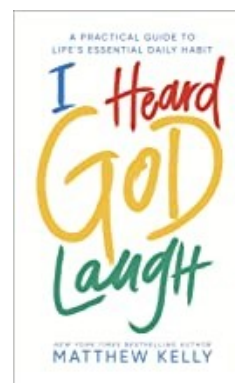
Grant Adams, Ethel Huffman, MaryAnn Maness,  
 Peggy Moss, Joey Wall,

#### Relatives

Kelli Blankenship, Thomas Blankenship, Austin Ernst, Emily Ernst, Jackie Donnett, Andrew Grower, Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin and Theodore, Nicholas Kirkpatrick, Jenny Moore, Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk

#### Friends

Emma Cupples, Sunny Maness, Fr Robert Ponticello



Deacon Jim Moss will have a class on each Tuesday, at 1:00 pm. The book is *I Heard God Laugh*.

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter; Mother’s Day  
 Monday: St. Damien de Veuster; St. John De Avila  
 Wednesday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras;  
 Eid al Fitr (Islamic observance) begins at sunset  
 Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord (unless transferred to Sunday); otherwise Our Lady of Fatima  
 Friday: St. Matthias  
 Saturday: St. Isidore; Armed Forces Day

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a  
 Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11  
 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15  
 Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20  
 Friday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17  
 Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28  
 Sunday: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19; or, for Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17- 23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20



### Mass Schedule

**Monday:** 11:30 am  
**Wednesday:** 11:30 am  
**Thursday:** 9:00 am  
**Friday:** 11:30 am  
**Vigil on Saturday:** 4:30 pm  
**Sunday:** 9:00 am

### LITTLE THINGS

Faithfulness in little things is a big thing.  
 —St. John Chrysostom

### Coming Events.

Monday, May 17th: Parish Council will meet at 6:00 pm.



*Happy  
 Mother’s  
 Day*