



## Pentecost Sunday, May 24.

In the Catholic Church, Pentecost is one of the great solemnities of the liturgical year and marks the close of the Easter season.

### Why Is Pentecost Important in the Catholic Church?

Pentecost is important because it reveals the Holy Spirit's mission in the life of the Church. Jesus did not leave his disciples to carry out the gospel by their own strength. He sent the Holy Spirit to guide, sanctify, strengthen, and unite them.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* affirms that the Church was made manifest to the world on Pentecost through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and that this begins the age of the Church, in which Christ continues to act through the sacraments and the liturgy. In founding his one Catholic Church, Jesus restored and fulfilled the kingdom of God, as his Church is indeed the New Covenant Israel.

### Pentecost and the Holy Spirit

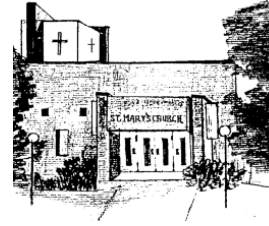
At Pentecost, the Holy Spirit transforms the apostles. Before Pentecost, they were afraid. After Pentecost, Peter stands before the crowd and preaches Christ crucified and risen. About three thousand people are baptized that day.

This same Holy Spirit is still at work in the Church today. Catholics first receive the Holy Spirit in baptism and are strengthened by him in confirmation. Through the Holy Spirit, Christians receive the grace to confess Jesus as Lord, resist sin, live in charity, and bear witness to the Faith.

### What Pentecost Means for Catholics Today

Pentecost is not only something that happened long ago. The same Holy Spirit who descended on the apostles continues to guide the Church, sanctify the faithful, and strengthen Christians to proclaim Jesus Christ. Pentecost reminds us that the Christian life cannot be lived by human effort alone. We need grace. We need courage. We need the Holy Spirit to renew our hearts and purify our desires. So the proper response is not merely to remember what happened in Acts 2, but to pray with the Church to continue to live it anew each day: Come, Holy Spirit!

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### Pentecost Sunday ~ May 24, 2026

Sun.	24 May	9:00 am	Alie Stuyt (Georgette Stuyt)
Tue.	26 May	9:00 am	June Finn (Pat Bisson)
Wed.	27 May	9:00 am	Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus
Sun.	31 May	9:00 am	Robert Miller (Mila & Mike Miller)
Tue.	02 June	9:00 am	Souls in Purgatory (Linda Fleury)
Wed.	03 June	9:00 am	The "French Tourist" (Jim and Marilyn Boissonneault)
Fri	05 June	4:00 pm	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the people)
		3:00 – 4:00 pm	Exposition & Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
Fri	05 June	6:00 pm	Confirmation – Everyone Welcome

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**Etransfers Available:** We have set up the ability to send etransfers to the Church, please use [StMary.Morrisburg@archkingston.ca](mailto:StMary.Morrisburg@archkingston.ca) in the remarks area please give your name and what you wish the money to be used for eg. Roof, Regular Collection etc.

**Collection:** Ascension of the Lord: \$1,001.00 (2025: \$2,309.00)  
Roof Repair: \$30; Repairs & Maintenance: \$10; Papal Charities: \$255 (2025: \$390)

**Roof Collected to date: \$23,180.00;** (Total cost \$120,000)

## Meetings:

**KNIGHTS - Mon 11 June, 6 pm** Knights & Ladies BBQ, 1 Old Canal Lane, Morrisburg  
**CWL - Mon 15 June, 7 pm** St. Mary's Meeting Room: All Members asked to attend

**\*Important Mtg to decide future of the CWL Council\***

**Bible/Faith Study:** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 6 pm St. Mary's Meeting Room

**Rosary Group:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday after 9 am Mass

**Sacramental Preparation:** Meetings will be held after the 9 am Mass

**Confirmation: Confirmation on Friday June 5, 6:00 pm**

## Parish Activities:

**Choirs: St. Mary's:** Jim Boissonneault (543-3435) new members are welcome!

**AA Meeting:** Wednesday, 8:00 pm,

**Coffee Social: Return in September** Marg Zambon (613-652-4741)



**Pray for those who are sick in our families and parish** especially:  
Lola Kennedy, Tony Byvelds, Bridget Van Der Zweep, John Ricci, Alice McNairn, Noella Kirkwood, and Louise Altimas.

**Pray for the repose of the soul of** Fidelis Ajawara (Father Cosmas's Father), Bill McSheffrey, Robert Miller, Father Stan Alanen, Julie Watters (nee Durivage), Margaret Lortie; Jim Kelly, Juliet Gremlie, Catherine Lortie, Tina Serviss, and Beat Schraner.



## Rosary before Mass Sundays for the month of May:

The rosary will begin 20 minutes before Mass.  
Led by the CWL and the Knights of Columbus.

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**Kingston 200 Years of Faith:** Celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Archdiocese of Kingston with this inspiring article from *The Catholic Register*.

<https://www.catholicregister.org/item/3721-historic-kingston-endures-200-years>

Discover how our faith community continues to grow and "endure" with hope.

**Free Will Offering for Missals and Word Among Us** if you are able, please consider helping with the cost of these items, the box is located at the back of the church. Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

**Regnum Christi Women's Monthly Day of Reflection:** Agora Centre, 301 McConell Avenue, Cornwall, Saturday 6 June. From 9:00 am till noon. Guest speakers are Natalie Regnier and Sean Brownrigg from Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO). Their title is "How Gen Z is responding to the Gospel". The morning includes Mass, confession, refreshments, & rosary, a free offering of \$5 is appreciated. For more information: call Marilyn 537-2021.

**Do you need help getting to Mass?** If you are in need of a ride to Mass during the weekend please contact Knights of Columbus member Peter Patenaude (613-641-2015). If you have space and can offer someone a ride please contact Peter.

**Fundraising Committee Needed!** Please consider joining this committee to help our parish reach its goals and be a part of uplifting our parish! Help make a difference in your parish! There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the Church for volunteers to sign up to be on this committee.



## Parish Picnic will be on June 13<sup>th</sup>

Mass will be at 5:00 pm followed by fellowship and bbq.  
More information closer to the date!

To Register for the BBQ please complete this form:

<https://forms.gle/dALibkLxFSGG93j4A>