

# ST. PIUS V CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*Ascension of Christ into Heaven*  
Sacred Heart Jesuit Retreat House Sedalia, Colorado.



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Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord into heaven, traditionally forty days after the Resurrection. As he was about to depart from them, Jesus blessed his disciples and commanded them to *remain in the city until clothed with power from on high* (Luke 24:49), that is, until they received the gift of the Holy Spirit. This is the origin of the *novena*, a nine-day period of prayer. On the next page you can find the invitation to pray with our entire Church of St Louis as we look forward to Pentecost.

At the end of St Matthew's Gospel, Jesus *sends his disciples*, to make disciples of others, to baptize them and to teach them all that he commanded. Jesus also promises to *remain with his disciples*, for apart from him they could do nothing.

This is also our command, our mission: *go, make disciples of all the nations.*

Next Saturday, May 27, is the Vigil of Pentecost. This liturgy has become one of my favorites. The Vigil Mass includes four Old Testament readings which prepare us for the descent of the Holy Spirit in the symbols of wind, fire, and many languages. Unlike the Easter Vigil, the Vigil of Pentecost has no baptismal liturgy. Its entire focus is prayer, as we join ourselves spiritually to the first disciples, praying for the Gift of the Holy Spirit.

Next Saturday, May 27, is also the 100th anniversary of the consecration of St Pius Church.

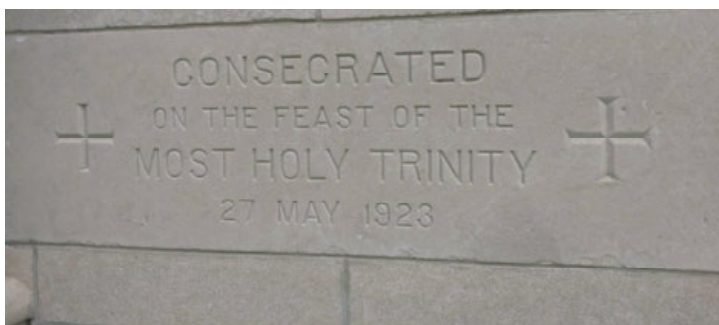
The solemn and elaborate ceremony of Consecration (now called Dedication) resembles the rite of Baptism. The walls of the church were sprinkled with holy water, and then anointed with Sacred Chrism. The altar itself was also sprinkled, anointed, and covered with white cloths. Candles were lighted throughout the church, and incense burned on the altar. In former times "the consecration could only take place when there was no doubt that the building could be permanently used for the purpose of a church. As this was guaranteed only after the building was substantially debt-free, the consecration would often take place many years after the building was complete and in regular use."

The parishioners of St Pius proudly proclaimed the consecration of their new church in 1923, less than seven years after the laying of the cornerstone on November 5, 1916. The candles on the walls and pillars of our church remind us that we are enlightened by Christ in our Baptism. We are sent in Christ's name to be the light of the world

Peace be with you,

Fr Paul

## Centennial of Consecration Saint Pius V Church May 27, 2023



### ACA REPORT DETAIL

<b>2023 Published Goal</b>	<b>\$13,983</b>
<b>Challenge Goal</b>	<b>\$23,163</b>
<b>New Donor Goal</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Total to Date</b>	<b>\$10,975</b>
<b># New Donors</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Cards Returned Percent</b>	<b>12.32%</b>

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## ALL THINGS NEW

As we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, we recognize the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon us. In this moment, as Archbishop Rozanski prepares to share the future structure of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, we are struck by the constant need for Pentecost to happen in our Church each and every day. It is the Spirit that allowed the early Church to move from fear to courage - from silence to a bold proclamation of the Gospel. As we have arrived at this moment in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, this indeed is a new Pentecost for us.

After nearly two years of gathering data and feedback, Archbishop Rozanski will announce his decision regarding All Things New on Saturday, May 27, the day before Pentecost.

Pastors will be sharing information regarding the announcement as it pertains to their parish at all Masses Pentecost weekend, as well as through their usual communication outlets. On Saturday evening, information regarding all parishes and priest assignments will be posted on [allthingsnew.archstl.org](http://allthingsnew.archstl.org)

As we prepare our hearts to be open to follow where the Holy Spirit will lead us, consider joining parishioners all over the archdiocese in praying a Novena to the Holy Spirit in the days leading up to Pentecost. The Novena prayers and audio can be found at [allthingsnew.archstl.org/Resources/Novena-to-the-Holy-Spirit](http://allthingsnew.archstl.org/Resources/Novena-to-the-Holy-Spirit).

Let's continue to pray for each other as we discern the best path toward a renewed Catholic presence in every part of our archdiocese.

### ACA PLEDGE CARDS

If you have not received your pledge card, please call the parish office 314-772-1525 ext 200 or email [stlspv@gmail.com](mailto:stlspv@gmail.com).



### COFFEE & CONVERSATION

Join parishioners of all ages every Sunday after 10am Mass in Singler Hall.  
All are welcome!

<b>MASS OFFERINGS</b>				
Offerings were given for the following intentions:				
Saturday	May	20	4:30 pm	Marie McCrudden †
Sunday	May	21	8 am	For the Parish
			10 am	Lisa Wilkinson †
Monday	May	22	8 am	Anna Dang Thi Ngo
Tuesday	May	23	8 am	Carol J King †
Wednesday	May	24	8 am	Sally Eckhard †
Thursday	May	25	8 am	
Friday	May	26	8 am	Maria Mai Thi Chinh
Saturday	May	27	4:30 pm	Aileen Portell †
Sunday	May	28	8 am	For the Parish
			10 am	Mallory Carter †

**MASS SERVER SCHEDULE**

May 21	10 am	Andrew Mudd	Colleen Mudd
May 28	10 am	Lucy Muang	Colleen Mudd



**Lector Schedule**

<b>May 20</b>	<b>4:30 pm</b>	Margaret Judge	
<b>May 21</b>	<b>8 am</b>	Jenny Heyl	
	<b>10 am</b>	Sr. Gen Cassani	Brock Mashburn
<b>May 27</b>	<b>4:30 pm</b>	Chris Lloyd	Paul Lynch
		Peggy Stein	Jenny Heyl
		Deb Torres	
<b>May 28</b>	<b>8 am</b>	Steve Ohmer	
	<b>10 am</b>	Vince Estrada	Cris Fischer



**COFFEE/DONUT SCHEDULE**

May	
3RD SUNDAY	Children's Ministry
4TH SUNDAY	Knaup

**Clergy**

Fr. Paul J. Niemann, Pastor (Ext. 207)  
 PaulNiemann@archstl.org  
 Fr. Stephen En Suan Lian  
 Deacon Patrick McCrudden

**Parish Nurse**

Sr MaryAnn (Ext. 206)  
 spvparishnurse@gmail.com

**Parish Secretary/Bulletin Editor**

Jessi Livengood (772-1525 Ext. 200)  
 stlspv@gmail.com

**Parish Office Hours:**

Mon, Tue & Thurs 8:30 - 4pm  
 Wed 12:00-4:pm

**Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon**

**Parish Council**

Stan Jackson, Chair  
 Jenn Croke, Vice-chair  
 S. Gen Cassani, Secretary  
 Jenn Gravert; Cheri Knaup  
 Eduardo Sequeira; Ben Smyth

**All Things New Team**

Jessi Livengood (point of contact)  
 Ron Auer, Paul Lynch, Sara Mashburn,  
 Deb Torres, Sr Cathy Vetter

**St. Frances Cabrini Academy**

Caroline Koetting, Principal  
**3022 Oregon Ave, St. Louis, MO 63118**  
 Phone: 776-0883 — FAX: 776-4912  
 Cabriniacademy.org

**South City Parish School of Religion**

Deacon George Watson, CRE.  
 Phone: 773-3070 - stl.scdpsr@gmail.com

**Baptism of Children**

Please call the parish office for more information.

**Anointing of the Sick**

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is available upon request, especially before surgery or hospitalization.

**Marriage**

St. Pius V Church is available for weddings of parishioners only.

Engaged couples should contact the Pastor as soon as possible after engagement and at least six months prior to the wedding.

**Mass Times**

Saturday, 4:30 PM (Church)  
 Sunday, 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM (Church)  
 Monday - Friday 8:00 AM (Chapel)

**Confessions:**

Saturday, 3:45-4:15 pm & the last Sunday of the month after Mass.



**MAY**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY and GOD'S BLESSINGS:**



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|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>1st</b> Mary Faszholz          | <b>27th</b> Jerry Duggan     |
| <b>1st</b> Ben Konzen             | <b>27th</b> Joe Darcy        |
| <b>2nd</b> Christian Redd         | <b>29th</b> Daniella Huelman |
| <b>3rd</b> Mary Kathleen Moriarty | <b>29th</b> Anna Tewelde     |
| <b>7th</b> Mary Mertzluuff        |                              |

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY and GOD'S BLESSINGS:**

*Thank you for your example of faithfulness!*

- May 24** Fr Paul Niemann Ordination
- May 29** Don & Colette Price (69)
- May 31** Tom & Lili Huelman (48)

If you would like to see your birthday and/or anniversary in the bulletin, please call the Rectory at 772-1525 or email [piusvrectory@sbcglobal.net](mailto:piusvrectory@sbcglobal.net).



The Children's Ministry is seeking volunteers to assist with Vacation Bible School this summer. It is to be held July 31 - August 4 at St Frances Cabrini School from 9:00AM-12PM.

Volunteers are needed to lead small group discussions, prepare snacks, and assist with activities.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Mary Loux at [mloux3@gmail.com](mailto:mloux3@gmail.com) or 314-974-6279.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE HOSPITALIZED AND FOR ALL THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING:**

- |                 |                     |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| Valerie Cissell | Christopher McKeown |
| Paul Conley     | Wally Ogradowski    |
| Kyle Dickhaus   | Colette Price       |
| Joseph Huck     | Tom Roche           |
| Lili Huelman    | Samantha Swanner    |
| Michael Lane    |                     |

If you are in need of a special prayer and would like your name on our Prayer list, you may contact the parish office. Please remember that in order to honor individual privacy, only the person or an immediate family member can make a request.

**Thank You from Cabrini Academy!**

This time of year is filled with a great sense of satisfaction as we reflect on the success of the current school year and look forward with hope to the next. God has blessed us with a vibrant school community.

*Please help us grow!*

Through great love and generosity we have accomplished much. Your support of our students and academic programs allows us to make a life-changing impact. You may contact me directly at:

[Caroline.Koetting@CabriniAcademy.org](mailto:Caroline.Koetting@CabriniAcademy.org)

THANK YOU!

**Men's White House Retreat**

All men and friends of the parish are invited to join us on our annual men's retreat at the beautiful White House in South St. Louis County. This will be a silent, guided retreat based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius.

It's a peaceful break from the chaos and confusion of everyday life.

It's like a 3-day vacation with Christ on the Jesuit's 80-acre campus overlooking the Mississippi River.

All meals and private lodging are provided.

Our retreat begins the evening with dinner, Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> and concludes Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> after lunch.

There is no set fee to attend a retreat at White House! White House operates on a free will offering basis, asking those in attendance to simply give what they can at the conclusion of the retreat.

To register call 800-643-1003 or visit <https://whitehouseretreat.org>.

For more information or contact Ron Auer at [auerhouse@sbcglobal.net](mailto:auerhouse@sbcglobal.net)

### Invitation to participate on the *All Things New* Transition Team.

After a year of considering objective data about parishes in the Archdiocese, and considering input from parishioners, pastors and diocesan level planners, the Archbishop will announce final plans for *All things New* on May 28, Pentecost. We have assurance that St. Pius V and St. Vincent de Paul parishes will become a pastorate with Fr. Rich Wehrmeyer, a Vincentian priest, as our pastor. Leadership will be shared by a Parish Life Coordinator. Celeste Mueller is the Interim Parish Life Coordinator, and a permanent Coordinator will be hired.

Many decisions will need to be made over the next 4-6 months.

A Transition Team comprised of parishioners from both parishes is being identified. The nucleus of the current Team are volunteers from the former parish council: Gen Cassani, SSND; Jenn Gravert; Stan Jackson; and Ben Smyth) and from the All things New Team: Paul Lynch and Cathy Vetter, CCVI. Ruth Ehresman was invited to join the Team considering her responsibilities in several areas of parish life and ministry.

The core members already identified extend an invitation to you, our fellow parish community members, to consider joining the Transition Team. The role of the Transition Team includes, but is not limited to:

- ✘ Carefully and thoughtfully listening to the parish community
- ✘ Being grounded and responding non-judgmentally to the variety of emotions members of the parish are experiencing
- ✘ Providing leadership in discernment processes
- ✘ Participating in hiring the permanent Parish Life Coordinator

**If you feel you are called to servant leadership and have sufficient flexibility in your schedule to make a 4-to-6-month commitment as a member of the Transition Team, please let us know by May 28.**

You may contact Father Paul or any of the current members of the Transition Team to let us know of your willingness to serve.

Thank you very much for considering this invitation.

### Open Up the Heavens

We've waited for this day, We're gathered  
in your name, Calling out to you.

Your glory like a fire, Awakening desire,  
Will burn our hearts with truth.

You're the reason we're here. You're the  
reason we're singing.

Chorus:

Open up the heavens, we want to see you.

Open up the flood gates, a mighty river,  
Flowing from your heart, filling every part  
of our praise.



### From Deacon Allen Boedeker:

I am so very thankful that you have been an integral part of my life and I sincerely hope that you will continue to be so. As I add on to my 26 years of diaconal service, God willing, I will be ordained to the priesthood this coming spring. You are welcome to join in any and all of the following:

#### Priesthood Ordination

Saturday, May 27, 2023, 10:00 a.m.  
Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis  
Lindell Boulevard at Newstead  
St. Louis, Missouri, 63108

#### First Masses

Saturday, May 27, 4:00 pm  
&

Sunday, May 28, 9:00 am

St. Andrew Catholic Church  
309 Hoffmeister Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri, 63125

#### Reception

following each Mass in the school cafeteria

#### Masses at St Pius V Church

Saturday, June 3, 4:30 pm  
&

Sunday, June 4, 8:00 am & 10:00 am

If you are unable to attend in person, please offer your prayers for my ongoing faithfulness in service to God's holy people.

### Early Bulletin Deadline

**Bulletin Date:**

June 4

**Due By:**

Wed. May 24

Any information received after the *due by* date will be published in the following week's bulletin.

Your presence in this place, your glory on  
our face. We're looking to the sky.

Descending like a cloud, you're standing  
with us now. Lord, unveil our eyes.

You're the reason we're here. You're the  
reason we're singing.

Bridge: Show us, Show your glory.

Show us, show your power.

Show us, show us your glory, Lord.



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**Gathering Song:****4:30 PM & 10:00 AM:**Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise - *Music Issue # 188***Liturgy of the Word:**

Today's Missal - pp. 95 - 97

**Responsorial Psalm:****4:30 PM & 8:00 AM:**God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:  
a blare of trumpets for the Lord. Ps. 47**10 AM:**God mounts his throne to shouts of joy,  
oh sing your praises to the Lord! Ps. 47**10 AM Rite of Baptism:**New Creation - *Music Issue # 575***Presentation of Gifts:****10 AM:**

West African Choir

**Communion Song:****4:30 PM:**One Bread, One Body - *Music Issue # 341***10 AM:**Worthy Is the Lamb - *Music Issue # 583***Communion Meditation:****10 AM:**Open Up the Heavens - *See page 6***Closing Hymn:****4:30 PM:**Holy, Holy, Holy - *Music Issue # 213***10 AM:**Go, Make a Difference - *Music Issue # 499***Parish Prayer & Adoration Time**Please join us in prayer every **Wednesday**  
from 5 – 6 pm, wherever you are.The Rectory Chapel will be open during  
this time. The rosary in simple format will  
be prayed at the beginning of the hour. The  
remaining time will be for individual prayer.The Blessed Sacrament is reserved  
in the Chapel, so this is also a time  
for Eucharistic Adoration.Join us in prayer for our parish, archdiocese,  
Pope Francis, and the world.**Prayer for the Synod***We stand before You, Holy Spirit,  
as we gather together  
in Your name.**With You alone to guide us, make  
Yourself at home in our hearts;  
Teach us the way we must go  
and how we are to pursue it.**We are weak and sinful; do not  
let us promote disorder. Do not  
let ignorance lead us down the  
wrong path nor partiality  
influence our actions.**Let us find in You our unity  
so that we may journey together  
to eternal life and not stray  
from the way of truth  
and what is right.**All this we ask of You, who are  
at work in every place and time,  
in the communion of the Father  
and the Son, forever and ever.**Amen.*To read the next working document in the  
synod process entitled, *Enlarge the Space  
of Your Tent*, visit [www.synod.va](http://www.synod.va)The Annual Catholic Appeal generously supports our  
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