SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

June 1	\$1,577
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MASS SCHEDULE (L=Living, †=Deceased)		
PENTECOST SUNDAY		
Sat. June 7	5:00 PM	For August NeCamp (L) [from Sarah Gripshover]
Sun. June 8	9:00 AM	For †Clayton Brown [from Patty Neuspickel]
Mon. June 9	XXXXX	NO PUBLIC MASS
Tue. June 10	XXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK
Wed. June 11	XXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK
Thur. June 12	XXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK
Fri. June 13	XXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK
SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY		
Sat. June 14	5:00 PM	For Pauline Hughes & Jerry Nieheisel [from Kathy Bach]
Sun. June 15	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of the Parish

PRAYER LIST—Jerry & Eileen Ehlman, Kate & Colton Sherold, Emmitt Thomas, Jeff suffering from Meniere's disease, Tony Bach, Bill Lemming, Dave Neuspickel, Andy Sper, Billie Huffman, Roger High, Cheryl Miller, Sherry Jackson, Sarah Gripshover, Bill Schneider (Dominion Assisted Living 4009 Seligman Dr. Florence, Room 215), Ree Wagner, Wanda Bach, Maverick Orth (3yrs old), Daniel Cahill, Pax Minch, Todd Kloentrup, Gina Cooper, Tom Breeze, Valetta Proctor, Ruth Elbert, Melba Hauser, Larry Cappel, Mary Beth Feldmann, Griffin Cornell, Nathan Thorwarth, Rosanne Rawe, and Lena Bach.

BIRTHDAYS–June 1-Luca Cooper, June 5-Linda Beck, June 9-Heidi Mayleben, June 9-Wanda Bach, June 19-Genita Kiser, June 22-Lisa Cooper, June 27-Austin Schroder, June 29-Amanda Eten, June 22-Gordon Redmond.

ANNIVERSARY–June 4-Adam and Kristen Bach, June 6-Andy and Andrea Hummel, June 29-Tim and JoAnn Schlacter

Please send any requests for prayers or memorials to the parish email or call to make a request. If anyone's birthday or anniversary is not listed, let Linda Fryman know.



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Mass Schedule:

Saturdays – 5:00 PM Weekdays [Tue through Fri] – 8 AM

Sundays – 9:00 AM M Holy Days– 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM

<u>Confession Times:</u> Saturdays – 4:00-4:50 PM

Sundays - 8:00-8:50 AM

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

JUNE 8, 2025

DPAA—The new DPAA campaign has begun! Our parish's goal for this year is \$13,400. <u>As of</u> <u>Mar. 31, we have collected \$3,650</u>. You should be receiving envelopes in the mail to make your pledge. There are also purple envelopes available near the collection box. Thank you for your contributions!

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN-Our annual Baby Bottle Campaign for Care Net has begun. The bottles will be in the back of church for you to take. Please return by Father's Day, June 15, containing change, paper money, or a check inside. Thank you for your caring donations.

LADIES TEA PARTY-The ladies of St. Matthew will host their first tea party of 2025 on Sunday, June 8, after the 9AM Mass. This event is for all ages so young ladies are invited too. Even if you are not a parishioner, come visit with us and enjoy snacks and fellowship.

FESTIVAL NOTES-There will be a sign up sheet in the back of church next week. Please sign up to let us know when you can work. We have had a shortage of workers in the last few years so it is extremely important that you pledge to work somewhere during our September 21 festival. If you have any questions about some of the jobs, just ask Linda Fryman or Lindsey Rawe The next meeting is Wed. June 25 at 6:30 PM.

Thank you.

LECTOR—

June 8 - Linda Fryman, June 15-Jesse Rawe

CLEANING – June-Genita and daughters



FROM THE PASTOR—MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

We end the Easter season with today's feast of Pentecost. Fifty days after Jesus' Resurrection and on the 10th day after His ascension to Heaven, the Apostles receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and the one Church of Christ is strengthened to go forth and bear witness to the Gospel in word and in action. And who does St. Luke tell us is at the center of this great spiritual event? The Blessed Virgin Mary of course!

Just as Mary is the woman through whom God the Son becomes incarnate and begins His great work of salvation, so is she the woman through whom the Church – the sign of salvation – takes form and propagates the salvation of that incarnate Word. Without Mary, we do not have Jesus, and without Mary and Jesus, we do not have the Church. Just as she birthed the Savior into this life, she has also birthed the Church into the world, both events happening through the work of God the Holy Spirit.

The title of Mary as "Mother of the Church" – while having ancient origins – is a rather recently bestowed title. Pope Paul VI formally promulgated this title during the Second Vatican Council in 1964. The conciliar document concerning the Church (*Lumen Gentium*) concludes with a chapter on Mary as the Mother of the Church, remarking that Mary works with Jesus her Son, "giving back supernatural life to souls. Wherefore she is our mother in the order of grace." During his pontificate, the late Pope Francis had decreed that the Monday after Pentecost Sunday be observed as the feast of Mary under this title, in celebration of this particular role of Our Lady.

We may feel like the Apostles before Pentecost: unsure of what's next, perhaps even afraid of what will come. Yet if we are near to Mary, we ought not to fear. Just as we turn to our mothers in times of difficulty for strength and encouragement, we too turn to Mary to help us be better and holier disciples of her Son. We need to pray for a renewed outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all of us today, that we may be encouraged to live our faith and to do what God has called us to do, even if it requires changes or sacrifices to our lives.

Let us not fear what the future holds, but live in hope of the mercy and love of God. Whatever happens, we will be able to navigate this together, aided by the promptings of the Holy Spirit. Let us be inflamed by the Holy Spirit with love of God and strive to serve Him in all that we do. May you be blessed today through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church. Ave Maria!

Rev. Jacob Straub

P.S. I am assisting a pilgrimage in France through this week. Know that I am praying for you while on pilgrimage, and please keep me in your prayers.