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MAY 19, 2024 – PENTECOST SUNDAY

MASS SCHEDULE AT ST. STEPHEN & HOLY ROSARY			
DAY	LOCATION	TIME	INTENTION
Saturday May 18	St. Stephen*	5:30 PM	Davis & Epperson Family Living and deceased
Sunday May 19	St. Stephen	8:00 AM	Families of St. Stephen & Holy Rosary
	St. Stephen	10:00 AM	Moises & Longina Pimentel Family Living and deceased
Tuesday May 21	KC Hall	7:30 AM	Phil & Cindy Hays Family
Wednesday May 22	KC Hall	7:30 AM	Rebecca Labuary Underwood
Thursday May 23	KC Hall	7:30 AM	Pat Hays
Friday May 24	KC Hall	7:30 AM	Joe & Emma Jo Mudd
Saturday May 25	St. Stephen	5:30 PM	Ethan Fuemmeler
Sunday May 26	St. Stephen*	8:00 AM	Families of St. Stephen & Holy Rosary
	St. Stephen	10:00 AM	Gene & Mary Watson
*Mass will be live-streamed at https://facebook.com/frgregolig RECONCILIATION: 4:00-5:00 PM Saturdays at St. Stephen and 7:15-7:45 AM Sundays at St. Stephen or by appointment 735-4718			

Please welcome Fr. Simon Jude Kanyike who serves us today at our weekend Masses. He is a missionary priest serving in our diocese from the Archdiocese of Kampala in Uganda and is the associate pastor at Our Lady of Lourdes in Columbia, MO. Thank you, Fr. Simon, for being with us this weekend!

Dear Parishioners,

The Solemnities of Ascension and Pentecost are celebrated just a week apart and close the Easter Season. The Solemnity of Pentecost celebrates the fulfillment of Jesus' promise to send the Holy Spirit to the Church to act as teacher, counselor, advocate, and helper - the one who will show us how to speak the words of faith. These solemnities at the end of the Easter season give us the grace to live our Catholic faith in the modern world. The physical body of Jesus left the earth but His spiritual presence is always with us.

This weekend **we honor our graduates**, from eighth grade, high school, and college. We give thanks to God for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Formed by the Word of God each graduate forms his or her view of the world based on one's faith. Through baptism, each graduate became a child of God. The Holy Spirit helps form this child of God into a disciple of Jesus through Catholic instruction, the Truth of the Gospel, and by the example of parents and teachers. The Holy Spirit will guide each graduate at every 'crossroad' as she or he encounters one's journey and spiritual life. We pray that through the Grace of God, these graduates will accept the gifts of faith, wisdom, knowledge, and right judgment and fulfill the plan God has for them.

Let your prayer this week reflect on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and how God is calling you to use these gifts you have been given. Today on Pentecost Sunday, we are reminded of the Gifts we were given in the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Gifts of the Holy Spirit are **WISDOM, KNOWLEDGE, UNDERSTANDING, FORTITUDE** (or Courage), **RIGHT JUDGEMENT, PIETY** (or Reverence), and **FEAR OF THE LORD** (or Wonder and Awe).

Deacon John Watkins reminded us in the homily last weekend that at the end of Mass, the deacon or priest sends us forth from Mass by saying: "Go in the peace of Christ to love and serve the Lord." We are commissioned at that moment to go out into the world and cooperate and extend the mission of Christ. We have just received our God in Holy Communion. Now we are to bring Christ to the world. Jesus left that work for us to do when He ascended into heaven with the help of the Advocate, the Holy Spirit. What an honor it is to be ambassadors of Christ. And so we respond, "Thanks be to God."

Graduates, we wish you all the best. Congratulations and God Bless you in your new endeavors! Prayers and Blessings,

F. Greg Oligschlaeger

Date	Collection	Amount	Attendance
04/21/24	Offertory	\$2,240.00	171
04/28/24	Offertory	\$2,660.00	153
05/05/24	Offertory	\$3,305.00	316
05/12/24	Offertory	\$3,637.50	239

~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **Swinkey Ladies' Coffee** will be on Tuesday, May 21st, at 8:30 a.m. in the St. Stephen gym. Ladies with last names beginning with B-F are asked to bring food.
- **Work lists for the Swinkey Picnic** on July 21st are in progress! If you or a member of your family is unable to help this year, please get in touch with Tina Long (men's list), Mary Sims (women's list), or Sally Lemongelli (children, 5th grade and up).

~ SCHOOL NEWS ~

- **We finished another school year!** Congratulations to our 8th-grade graduates. Please continue to keep them in your prayers! Thank you to our teachers, volunteers, parents, and students for all that you do for our school! We are so blessed! May God bless each of you with a safe and relaxing summer!
- **Aug 19:** School Registration
- **Aug 21:** First day of school - dismissal at 12:30
- **Aug 22:** Dismissal at 12:30

Once again, the **Monroe City Knights of Columbus** are gearing up for the Mosswood Run, a 5K walk/run held at the beautiful Mosswood Meadows golf course in Monroe City, Missouri on July 13, 2024 at 7:00 AM. Flyers are available in the back of church. We hope to see you there and thank you for your support!

Prayer Intention of Bishop McKnight: For those who are preparing for marriage and those who are living the sacrament of holy Matrimony: May the mutual self-giving of spouses and engaged couples bring new life into our community of faith.

Congratulations to our High School Graduates

Isabelle Bried	Kylie Harris	Conner Mudd	Abigail Smith
Waylon DeGrave	Denten Hays	Aidan Oswald	Jaymee Thomas
Owen Fuemmeler	Ella Hays	Taylor Pfaff	Megan Yoder
Maridith Gares	Ryan Hays	Parris Shively	Ava Yutzy

Class of 2024

Please join us for the ordination of
Rev. Mr. Christopher Hoffmann
 to the Priesthood
 and
Mr. Gregory Clever
 to the Order of Deacons

June 1, 2024, 10:00 a.m.
 Cathedral of St. Joseph
 Please RSVP at:
diojeffcity.org/Ordination-Mass-2024

~ PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER ~

God of gentleness and love, we entrust to your care all those in need of any form of healing, and ask you to guide and sustain all who offer them healing and hope. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dan Buckman	Lola Werr	Jim Couch
Becky Murphy	Jamie Blair	Sonja Greeves
Dorothy (Fran) Long	Regina Miskell	Bill Elliott
P.A. Turnbull	Riley Simms	Sue Mudd
Kevin Elliott	Kenny Wilson	Donna Hadfield
Phyllis & Charlie Taylor	Mark Leake	Kyle Neisen
Teddy O'Connor	Richard Elliott	Kay Elliott
Michael Kellerman	Frankie Maddox	Bill Couch
Geoffrey Preckshot	Natalee Amos	Geoff Lanham
Regina Hays	Jackie Ryan	Trent Zeiger
John & Connie Kendrick	Logan Maher	Janice Kendrick
Teresa Ritter Toland	Nick Mudd	Bonnie Ess
Deanna Buckman	Rosemary Evans	Hazel Smith

FOLLOWING GOD'S LEAD along with Donna

Religious Ed Core Team Meeting on Wednesday, May 22 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Office.

FORMED "If God is good and loving, why is there suffering?" How many times have you heard this question or even asked it yourself? Are you at a loss for what to do or say to someone during grief and suffering? Check out **Episode 4 - Suffering** in the FORMED series **What Catholics Believe**. <https://watch.formed.org/what-catholics-believe/season:1/videos/suffering-what-catholics-believe>

Summer Youth Camps

- **P23 Discernment Camp** – for Junior High Guys based on Psalm 23 – June 6-8, 2024, in Shelbina.
- **Totus Tuus** – June 10 – 14, 2024, in Shelbina
 - Grades PreK-6, 9:00 am – 2:30 pm
 - Grades 7-12, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
- **Swinkey Days** – July 15-17, 2024 – 8:30 – 11:30 am
 - Information & Registration can be found at <https://ststephenic.diojeffcity.org/swinkey-days-3/>
- **Camp Tolton** – July 19 – July 28, 2024
 - July 19 – 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Pre-K Mini Camp
 - July 19-20 – 1st - 2nd Grade Coed Camp
 - July 20-22 – 3rd - 6th Grade Boys Camp
 - July 22-24 – 3rd - 6th Grade Girls Camp
 - July 24-26 – 7th - 12th Grade Girls Camp
 - July 26-28 – 7th – 12th Grade Boys Camp
- **Diocesan Camps**
 - **Camp Lolek** for Junior High
 - June 9-14 - Co-ed Camp
 - June 16-21 – Boys Camp
 - June 7-11 – Girls Camp
 - **Camp Maccabee** for Young Men – July 14 - 19
 - **Camp Siena** for Young Women - July 21-26

For more information or to register for camps, see the home page of the Parish website: <https://ststephenic.diojeffcity.org/>. If you have questions about Totus Tuus or Camp Tolton, contact Courtney Benson.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 20	Rosary at St. Stephen at Noon
May 21	Swinkey Ladies' Coffee, 8:30 a.m.
May 28	Bishop McKnight's 30 th Ordination Anniv
June 2	Corpus Christi Procession
June 11	Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
June 19	Family Faith Night
July 1-5	National Eucharistic Pilgrimage
July 15-17	Swinkey Days for Kids
July 13	Mosswood 5K/HRS Golf Tournament
July 21	Swinkey Picnic

~ SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MAY 26, 2024 ~

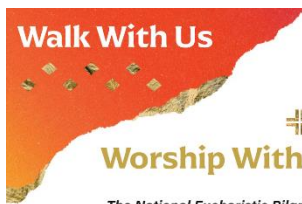
1st Reading: *Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40:* Know this: The Lord is God of heaven and earth. There is no other. Because God worked wonders for you, keep the commands that you and your children may prosper.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 33:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22:* Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

2nd Reading: *Romans 8:14-17:* You did not receive a spirit of slavery but a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry out "Abba, Father!" The Spirit bears witness that we are children of God.

Gospel: *Matthew 28:16-20:* Jesus commissioned the eleven to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Walk With Us



Worship With Us

The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will be traveling through the diocese from July 1-5

Get Involved...



summer and will stop in Sedalia, Boonville, Columbia, and Jefferson City. For a complete schedule, to register and follow updates, visit <https://diojeffcity.org/eucharisticrevival/>.

National Eucharistic Pilgrimage

July 1-5, 2024

The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will travel through the diocese the first week of July! The Junipero Serra route is the longest of the 4 paths pilgrims will travel with the Blessed Sacrament this

Worship with Us

Encounter the abundant love of God in the Eucharist at one of our community events.

July 3 – St. Thomas More Newman Center, Columbia, 12-2 pm

July 3 - Cathedral of St. Joseph, Jefferson City, 6-9 pm

July 4 - Proto-Cathedral of St. Peter, Jefferson City, 9 am

Walk with Us

Between the community events, 12 perpetual pilgrims that have committed to walk from San Francisco to Indianapolis will process the Eucharist along the Katy Trail from parish to parish. Individuals are welcome to join them, assuming responsibility for themselves. All distances are approximate.

July 2 - From St. Joseph, Pilot Grove to Ss. Peter & Paul, Boonville (12.5 miles)

July 3 - From Ss. Peter & Paul, Boonville to New Franklin (3.6 miles); From the outskirts of Columbia to St. Thomas More Newman Center, along the MKT trail (4.7 miles); From the outskirts of Jefferson City to the Cathedral of St. Joseph (4 miles)

July 5 - From the Cathedral of St. Joseph to the Proto-Cathedral of St. Peter (2 miles)

Liturgical Ministries

May 19 - Pentecost Sunday

Sacristan	Kathy Anderson
Greeter	Adam & Tracy Grove
Rosary	Elaine Whelan
Music	Beth Whelan
Song Leader	Lee Anderson
Servers	Meghan Hays & Ellie Hays
Cross Bearer	Natalie Shively
Lector	Tyson Mulvaney
Offertory	Mark & Carol Hagan
Extraordinary	Rose McNally, Laura Mulvaney, Marie Puroil,
Ministers	Nancy Shively, Mary Sims
Counters	Group 3 - Shane/Amanda, Jim, Frank

May 26 - The Most Holy Trinity

Sacristan	Doug & Julie Orf
Greeter	Mark & Carol Hagan
Rosary	Susan Winking
Music	Julienne Burns & Beth Whelan
Song Leader	Kiersten Pfaff
Servers	Holden Orf & Jacob Anderson
Cross Bearer	Owen Mudd
Lector	Laura Mulvaney
Offertory	David & Julie Hays
Extraordinary	Doug Orf, Julie Orf, Amanda Spalding,
Ministers	Kaye Spalding, Peggy Spalding
Counters	Group 4 - Greg/Gena, David/Julie, Jared/Whitney

June 2 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Sacristan	Danny Adam
Greeter	Bill & Nancy Gill
Rosary	Glenn Bichsel
Music	Beth Whelan & Julienne Burns
Song Leader	Karlee Mudd
Servers	Calvin Grove & Natalie Shively
Cross Bearer	Phil Whelan
Lector	Nancy Shively
Offertory	Donnie & Marie Hays
Extraordinary	Kay Turnbull, Rose McNally, Kathy Anderson,
Ministers	Deanna Buckman, Sally Lemongelli
Counters	Group 1 - Joe/Marie, Jeff/Emily

May Ushers: Dwayne Williams, Tom Winking, Chuch Wunsch, Dan Adam

June Ushers: Lee Anderson, Jared Bichsel, Jordan Davis, Bill Gill