

JUNE 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Sunday after the Ascension	2	3	4	5	6 First Friday	7 First Saturday
8 Pentecost Sunday	9 Pentecost Monday	10 Pentecost Tuesday	11 Ember Wednesday	12 Pentecost Thursday	13 Ember Friday Pro-Life Vigil	14 Ember Saturday
St. Alphonsus Boys' Camp						
15 Trinity Sunday	16	17	18	19 Corpus Christi	20	21
22 Second Sunday after Pentecost	23	24 St. John the Baptist	25	26	27 Sacred Heart of Jesus	28
All-Night Adoration						
29 Sts. Peter and Paul	30					

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Repose of the Souls of:

Pope Francis
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+ IMMACULATE +

CONCEPTION

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter



*"O Mary, through thine Immaculate Conception
make my body pure and my soul holy."*

**PENTECOST
SUNDAY**

JUNE 8, 2025

Sunday Schedule:
Low Mass: 7 a.m.
9 a.m.
Sung Mass: 11 a.m.

Confessions:
One-half hour before
Mass and Saturdays
at 4 p.m.

Daily Mass Schedule:
Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday: 8 a.m.
Thursday: 6 p.m.
Friday, Saturday: 8 a.m.

Holy Hour:
Thursday: 7 p.m.

Pastor:
FR. JAMES GORDON, F.S.S.P.

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In the Loss of CONSOLATION

Trustful Surrender to Divine Providence,
by Fr. Jean Baptiste Saint-Jure, S.J.

We ought to practice conformity to the will of God when we are deprived of those exterior aids to our spiritual well-being that He pleases to withdraw from us. For example, a friend or counsellor on whom you rely for help and encouragement is taken away from you and you seem unable to get along without him. There is, in fact, some truth in what you feel, in that you really need the help of someone, and the friend or counsellor had been given to you for that very reason. But does God love you less now than He did when He made the gift? Is He no longer your Father? Or does such a Father as He is desert His children? Your guide and friend has been of value to you so far, but is he the right person to help you in what you are called to do now?

Christ our divine Master said of Himself to His apostles, "It is expedient for you that I depart, for if I do not go, the Advocate will not come to you, but if I go I will send Him to you" (*John 16:7*). Who then can venture to say that it is not an advantage for him to lose a friend or spiritual advisor, however excellent, wise, or holy he may be?

But, you may answer, how do I know it is not a punishment my sins have brought on me? It may well be so, but the punishments of a father become salutary remedies for obedient children. If you wish to stay the anger of your heavenly Father, soften

His heart and even oblige Him to send you fresh graces, then accept your punishment, and in return for your trustful surrender to Him, He will either find you someone to help you even better than before, or He Himself in His goodness will deign to be your guide. He will send you His Holy Spirit as He sent Him to His apostles, He will enlighten your path and fortify you by the action of His grace.

Let us take another example. You are living a good Christian life in the practice of your religion. You fall seriously ill and cannot frequent the sacraments or assist at Mass — perhaps you feel too weak even to pray. But do not grieve. You are called to the honor of nourishing your soul by partaking, with Christ Himself, of “a food that,” perhaps, “you know not of,” and which will be the means of making your illness a powerful means of sanctification. “My food,” He said to His disciples, “is to do the will of Him who sent me” (*John 4:32, 34*).

It is the same food that is offered to you, and note well that it is only by this food that it is given to us to live to eternal life. Prayer itself is valueless unless it is vitalized by this health-giving food, as our Savior explained when He said: "Not everyone who says to me 'Lord, Lord' shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father in heaven shall enter the king-

Upcoming Parish Events

June 13 ~ Pro-Life Vigil at Noon

One-hour Rosary prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood, located at 3480 Centennial Blvd. Contact Michael Smiley, (719) 502-9149 or, Michele Smiley, (719) 447-7236.

dom of heaven" (*Matthew 7:21*). If then it is God who has placed you in the condition you are in, it is He who dispenses you from the practices of your religion, nay, forbids them. So you should not worry, but remember that in exchange He expects you to take more care in doing His will by giving up your own.

It is in order that you may make the doing of His will your chief food that the means to do it are so frequently given. How many inconveniences and sacrifices are in fact imposed upon us by illness! Plans upset. Expense incurred. Unpleasant remedies, perhaps, loneliness and lack of care — a host of large and small annoyances. There are so many opportunities to say, “God wishes it so, His will be done.” Do not let any of these opportunities pass and you will be among those souls most dear to Christ. “For whoever,” He said, “does the will of my Father who is in heaven, he is My brother, My sister, and My mother” (*Matthew 12:50*).

Let us take another example. Some great feast day or solemnity is approaching and you prepare yourself in anticipation of joyful event. But when the day arrives you no longer feel the same as you did be-

fore. Your fervor has given place to disinterest and spiritual dryness and you are incapable of a single good thought. Do not try to force yourself out of this state. It has been produced in you by God, and we know that all that comes from Him is good, so it must be to your advantage if you submit to it.

Accept the situation from His hand, endeavoring as far as possible to be recollected in His presence and submitting yourself to Him as a patient who awaits the healing action of the doctor, and you can rest assured that no spiritual consolation will ever be so profitable to you as the dryness cheerfully borne in a spirit of conformity to His will.

It is not what we feel that prepares us for God's grace, but the act of our will, and this act is not one of feeling. It may well be accompanied by pleasurable sentiments, but this adds nothing to the merit of it. In the sight of God the absence of this sentiment or even the presence of contrary ones which we do not wish to have in no way minimizes the value of the act itself.

Let us realize this fact, that prayer has no need of feeling in order to be of value. It consists solely in the movement of the will towards God,

+ MASS INTENTIONS +

FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, June 9 ~ Pentecost Monday
8 a.m. — Anastasia Gordon

Tuesday, June 10 ~ Pentecost Tuesday
8 a.m. — Private Intention

Wednesday, June 11 ~ *Ember Wednesday*
in the Octave of Pentecost
 8 a.m. — + Fr. Vladimir Kozina

Thursday, June 12 ~ Pentecost Thursday
6 p.m. — *Familia Diaz*

Friday, June 13 ~ *Ember Friday in the Octave
of Pentecost*
8 a.m. — Craig & Anna Marie Evans

**Saturday, June 14 ~ *Ember Saturday in the Octave
of Pentecost***
8 a.m. — Matthew J. Rodacy, by Rodacy Family

Sunday, June 15 ~ *Trinity Sunday*
 7 a.m. — Special Intention
 9 a.m. — Private Intention
 11 a.m. — *Pro Populo*

*Our priests may now accept Mass intentions.
Limit one Mass intention per family, per month.*

and by its nature this movement has nothing to do with feeling. God's grace operates in us in the same way. It may be compared to the effects produced in us by the food we eat.

We do not feel the food inside our bodies while it is engaged in its hidden work of restoring and fortifying; and in the same way, Christ, our heavenly food, who is given to us

for our spiritual nourishment, works hiddenly in our souls. But the trouble is we want to feel everything, and when we experience no feeling of satisfaction, we either get discouraged or try by long and forced prayers to produce something inside ourselves to reassure us. Such efforts impede rather than aid the operation of grace by occupying and agitating our minds too much. +++