



~ Our Pastor's  
Message ~

Greetings,

Beginning with the vigil mass at 4pm on Saturday, May 16,

we will resume our liturgical celebrations. We will have a limited attendance of only 70 persons. The Governor's mandate requires that occupancy be set at 10% of capacity. Only one door will be unlocked: the Northeast door on the school parking lot side of the church building. Once our 70 attendees have been reached, others will not be admitted. So, come early!

Although the Sunday obligation to attend weekly continues to be dispensed, with the reduced numbers for attendance we ask that people self-limit to one liturgy per week to allow for more folks to receive the Eucharist weekly. We remind people to stay home if they are concerned for their health, so prepare accordingly, the restrooms will not be available. Our liturgies should last between 30 and 40 minutes.

We will resume with our regular mass schedule this weekend; 4pm vigil, 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:45am, and 12:30pm (Spanish) and 5:00 pm. All attendees will be required to wear face masks for the entire liturgy, removing them only to receive communion. Holy communion will only be given in the hand.

We will post the full details of instructions for attending and celebrating the liturgy on our website and have copies available for your reading in the back of the church.

All of these precautions are for the health and safety of all our parishioners. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation. We know that this can be a challenge to our understanding of our faith. But God calls us to be respectful of our neighbor and the common good of all men and women. Thanks, and I look forward to seeing all of you in the coming days.

And pray in thanksgiving that God who is good all the time, all the time is good, will continue to bless us and give us the fullness of life.



*Warren J. Broussard, SJ*  
Fr. Warren J. Broussard, SJ, Pastor

**PRAYER FOR CALM:** My Lord and my God, I do not know what will happen to me today, but what I do know is that nothing will happen to me today that you and I together cannot handle. This thought is enough to bring me to face the day in peace. I adore You in Your wisdom and love. I commend myself into your hands with complete trust. Amen.



When you make purchases on Amazon, you can also make a donation to Immaculate Conception. Our parish

is known as Immaculate Conception 7 on Amazon.

Use the following link:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/85-0161934>

If you have questions, contact Comptroller Kimberly Jarnagin at [KJarnagin@iccabq.org](mailto:KJarnagin@iccabq.org).

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### OUR PARISH GIVING, STEWARDSHIP, AND FINANCES

If you would like to know more about our parish's finances, now you can find that information on our website, [ICCABQ.ORG](http://ICCABQ.ORG). You can also make a one-time-only or recurring donations.

Once you are on the website. From a drop down menu, GIVING, STEWARDSHIP, FINANCES, you will have four options to check out:

1. Online Giving;
2. Planned Giving;
3. Stewardship Report Weekly (collection information); and
4. Annual Report.

If you have questions, contact Comptroller Kimberly Jarnagin at [KJarnagin@iccabq.org](mailto:KJarnagin@iccabq.org).

## SUNDAY CONNECTION FROM LOYOLA PRESS

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter ~ May 17 ~First Reading: *Acts of the Apostles 8: 5-8, 14-17*

The people of Samaria accept the Gospel of Jesus proclaimed to them by Philip.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 66:1 -7, 16, 20*

Sing praise to God, all the earth.

Second Reading: *1 Peter 3:15-18*

Be ready to give explanation for your hope in Christ.

Gospel Reading: *John 14: 15-21*

Jesus promises his disciples that he will send them another advocate, the Spirit of truth.

Background on the Gospel Reading:

Today's Gospel is a continuation of last week's Gospel: Jesus is speaking to his disciples at the Last Supper. In today's reading Jesus offers encouragement to his disciples, who will soon see him crucified. He reassures them that even though he will leave them, he will not abandon them. Instead he will send them the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, through whom the disciples will continue to live in union with Jesus.

Jesus uses the term *Advocate* to describe the Holy Spirit, whom the disciples will receive. Another word used to describe the Holy Spirit is *Paraclete*, a legal term meaning "one who offers defense for another." Note that Jesus says that he will send "another Advocate." Jesus himself is the first advocate, interceding for his disciples with the Father.

In today's reading Jesus contrasts his impending departure with the permanence of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus will leave to return to the Father, but the Holy Spirit will remain with the disciples.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the disciples will come to know and appreciate the unity of the Son and the Father. They will also understand that they too participate in the communion between the Father and the Son: "On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you" (John 14:20).

Today's reading is one example of the contrast that John's Gospel presents between the community of disciples, to whom God will reveal himself, and the unbelieving world, which will remain in darkness. The unbelieving world cannot accept the "Spirit of truth," whom the disciples will receive. Only through the Spirit will God's revelation and love be known.



## FAMILY CONNECTION FROM LOYOLA PRESS

The 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter ~ May 17 ~

The mystery of the Trinity can be difficult for us to grasp. Today's Gospel invites us to consider how the three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit— work together so that God's salvation is made known to us. Jesus' mission is continued through the activity of the

Holy Spirit in the lives of his disciples. We have received this same Spirit through our Baptisms. The Spirit, living and working within us, reveals the mystery of God's love for us. Just as the first disciples were not left orphaned, we are not

orphaned; we remain in God's embrace through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Gather your family and invite each family member to say what he or she knows about the Holy Spirit. Read aloud today's Gospel, John 14:15-21. What does Jesus say the Holy Spirit will do for the disciples? Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we come to share in the love of God made known to us in Jesus. Pray together, thanking God for this gift of the Holy Spirit by praying the Prayer to the Holy Spirit:

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.  
And kindle in them the fire of your love.  
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.  
And you will renew the face of the earth.

Lord,  
by the light of the Holy Spirit  
you have taught the hearts of your faithful.  
In the same Spirit help us to relish what is right  
and always rejoice in your consolation.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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## THE TRINITY





Join NM PILGRIMAGE FOR UNITY  
for a

**PENTECOST PILGRIMAGE IN PLACE:**  
*People of God, Call Down the Spirit!*

Saturday, May 30, 2020

More information: <https://nmpilgrimage.weebly.com/2020-pilgrimage.html>

Join pilgrims from a wide variety of Christian traditions as we prepare our bodies, hearts, and spirits to celebrate Pentecost 2020 with a Pentecost Pilgrimage in Place: *People of God, Call Down the Spirit!*

Here's what to expect:

- Pentecost Pilgrims Orientation (online): Saturday May 23, at 9am**—We'll gather on Zoom for a time of orientation, sharing, prayer and preparation (both practical and spiritual) for your Pentecost PILGRIMAGE IN PLACE. Join us to meet your (virtual) companions on the journey! **Zoom Meeting ID: 869 9287 4266; Password: pilgrim**
- Opening Gathering & Prayer Service (online): Friday, May 29, at 7pm**—We'll gather on Zoom for a time to worship, share intentions, learn a new song and pray together with our fellow pilgrims. **Zoom Meeting ID: 829 9651 3217; Password: pilgrim**
- Personal Pentecost Pilgrimage: Saturday, May 30, all day**—On Saturday you will walk your self-designed pilgrimage route, recognizing that every place—including your own home and neighborhood—is a *holy place*. You are encouraged to wear red, and to carry with you a stone to represent the prayer intentions you carry as you walk. Along the way, please email Sylvia photos and reflections to share with your fellow pilgrims during our closing worship gathering.
- Closing Gathering & Prayer Service (online): Saturday May 30, 7pm**—We'll gather on Zoom for a closing prayer service that will allow us to share insights, experiences, and images from our personal pilgrimages, and to consecrate the prayer intentions we've carried. **Zoom Meeting ID: 899 2028 2808; Password: pilgrim**

Please let us know if you plan to participate!  
RSVP by Wednesday, May 20,  
so that we can send you further instructions,  
information, and links to join  
online orientation & services.

<https://nmpilgrimage.weebly.com/2020-pilgrimage.ht>

## COVID-19 Response

When our governor announced that the schools will be closed down, St. Mary's School immediately went into action.

Our principal, Mrs. Sanchez, gathered the faculty together and online learning was put into place. To make certain all students had access to this new way of teaching, the school loaned out our Chromebooks to all families in need of one. Teachers have been virtually teaching and our students have been learning. Our art teacher, Ms. Luna, has provided the students with supplies as well. Mrs. Sanchez, through video, leads us in daily prayer and announcements each morning. What looks different is that we are not in uniform.



We are teaching the standards, using Zoom to have one-on-one tutoring (for those that need that extra help), Zoom talent shows and lots more. But what is most important, we are providing stability to our students whose lives have been overturned. Their world is filled with stress and at our school we are just as

concerned with their emotional health. We have kept in touch to hear all about that little student who lost a tooth to the older student who is having her wisdom teeth out...and much more! How we have met COVID-19 was best said by one of our parents: *"Your hard work, proactive deliberation, and concern for the children are truly an inspiration. Everything you're doing to ensure that the kiddos are getting a good education while we are struggling to adapt to these trying times reminds me of why we chose St. Mary's School, thank you!"*

Join our school family. St. Mary's School is now registering students for the 2020-21 school year. Please call at 242-6271 for more information.

### Online Resources:

[America Magazine | The Jesuit Review](#)

Where you can live-stream Jesuit Masses every day of the week: <https://www.americamagazine.org/faith/2020/03/24/here-are-jesuit-parishes-and-ministries-live-streaming-mass-every-day-week>

