

*The Shrine of Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church,  
Rayne, Louisiana.*

June 8, 2025

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday – 5:30pm  
Wednesday -7:00am  
Thursday -7:00am  
Friday – 7:00am

### **Weekend Masses**

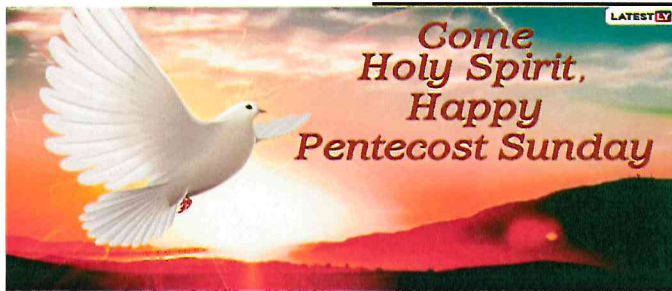
**Saturday Mass – 5:00pm**  
**Sunday Mass – 9:30am**

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick contact  
Fr. Ed at (225)571-8233

CONFESSION: Before and after each Mass/and  
By appointment



## PENTECOST SUNDAY – JUNE 8, 2025



### RECONCILED DIVERSITY

A few years ago, during Rome's quiet summer, Pope Francis took a day off to visit privately with some old friends, whose identity took Catholic Italy by surprise: Evangelical Protestants. They welcomed Francis to their Pentecostal Church of Reconciliation, where Francis asked pardon for Catholic persecutions and celebrated the Holy Spirit's "Pentecostal work." Unlike Satan, declared Francis, who creates division among God's children, the Holy Spirit creates a diversity rich and beautiful. And unity; not uniformity, Francis specified, but unity in diversity. Francis named the Spirit's gift "reconciled diversity." Pentecost's rich treasury of scriptural readings, for Saturday's vigil and Sunday's morning liturgy, traces the Holy Spirit's work from creation's beginning, through Jesus' resurrection, into the church's earliest days, now into our days. Kindled in our hearts, the Spirit's gentle fire is ours to share generously, even with those most strikingly different from us. All hearts are Spirit-warmed by reconciled diversity.

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**PRAYER FOR THE SICK:** Lord Jesus who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless your friends who are sick. Give them strength in the body, courage in spirit, and patience in pain. Let them recover their health, so that when they are restored to the Christian community, they may joyfully praise Your Name, for You live and reign forever and ever. Amen

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Lord hear our Prayers. Rose Senegal, James Guidry, Edward Sonnier, Chester Charles, Betty Jolivet, Anthony Gardiner, Kirsten Jolivet, Tim Smith, Sr. & Family, Marie Sly George, ASBS, Mattie G. Lindon, Crystal Senegal, Lynn Smith, Lovenia Rochon, Ros Cook, Reta Norman, Pricilla Pierre, Sonja Blount, Rhonda Duhon, Janet Pabum, Tommy Senegal, Ronald Senegal, Sr., Linda Mouton, Helen Caillet, Gracia Senegal, Audrey Guidry, Anthony Flynn LaPointe, Rose Broussard, Michael Jolivet, Mary Keel, Ann McDaniel, Thomas Simon, Mary Simon, Betty Paul, Maudry Bellard, Jeanette C. Williams, Bernadette Cole, Gloria Jean Wilridge, Donna Duhon, Mervin Dugas, Kabre' Broussard, William Board, IV, Ida Rubin, Bretha B. Guidry. Please pray for the sick of our parish & their caretakers.

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

**Psalm** — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

**Second Reading** — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13) or *Romans 8:8-17*.

**Gospel** — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission (John 20:19-23) or *John 14:15-16, 23b-26*.

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14;  
Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34  
Tuesday: 2 Cor. 1:18-22; Ps 119:129-133, 135;  
Mt 5:13-16  
Wednesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6;;  
Mt 10:7-13  
Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15 — 4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14;  
Mt 5:20-26  
Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116:10-11, 15-18;  
Mt 5:27-32  
Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Mt 5:33-37  
Sunday: Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5;  
Jn 16:12-15

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today we are at the fiftieth day of the Easter celebration: seven weeks of seven days, a week of weeks, now culminating in a festival fiftieth day. While the liturgical color of the Easter season is gold, on this last day we have red. For the first thousand years of the church, there were no firm rules for using colors. Only wealthy churches could afford a full array of colors, and most places used the best vestments, no matter the color, for the greatest feasts. The Church spelled out an exact plan for color, including red for Pentecost, only in 1570, but local differences held on until the 1800s.

Color experts tell us that red is a hot color, best used for fast-paced, upbeat, active experiences. It is hard to be neutral before red, as any matador will tell you. It invites commitment, draws you in. It is a stimulating color, engaging the eye, stirring hunger. It is the most fitting color for this day when we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit into our lives, a dynamic presence overturning neutrality in favor of passion and commitment.

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### Pentecost Sunday June 8, 2025

[I]n one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

— 1 Corinthians 12:13a



## PENTECOST SUNDAY – JUNE 8, 2025

**MASS INTENTIONS- June 7th – June 13th, 2025**

**Sat. 5:00 P.M.** People of the Parish  
Johnny "Peanut" Young req. by Loretta  
Dallas Cormier, Sr. (Bday) req. by Laura

**Sun. 9:30 A.M.** People of the Parish  
Brittany Harmon req. by Sylvester Julian  
Terrance Wilton req. by Grandmother, Joyce  
Claby & Angelena Carmouche,  
Marilyn Carmouche req. by Greta

**Monday** NO MASS

**Tues. 5:30PM** NO MASS-CONFIRMATION

**Wed. 7:00AM** Fr. Patrick J. Veale, SSJ

**Thurs. 7:00AM** Fr. Ralph R. Ransom, SSJ

**Fri. 7:00AM** Fr. Michael J. Flaherty, SSJ  
Joseph & Betty Broussard req. by the Children

**BIBLE STUDY:** On Wednesdays at 5:00pm, in the Convent.

**June 1, 2025** – Our Stewardship contribution amounted to \$1,633.00; Ascension: \$188.00; Loyalty: \$200.00.

**Thank you for your continuous generosity.**

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS:** June 9<sup>th</sup>, Milton J. Francis, Jr., June 13<sup>th</sup>, Chandreka Bias, **let us put our hands together for them.**

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:** Brandon & Nikki Jordan, 17 years of marriage. May God continue to bless your union with many more years.

**WORDS OF ST. KATHERINE DREXEL:** Each one must feel the flame of love. (**PENTECOST SUDAY**)

**CONFIRMATION:** the Sacrament of Confirmation will be taking on Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 6:00pm at Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church in Church Point, Louisiana. **NO NOVENA MASS at the Shrine of Our of Mercy Church on that evening.**

Please come out and support our Youth who will receive this Sacrament.

**PENTECOST RETREAT:** Come Holy Spirit – A journey to Renewal and Power, Saturday June 14, 2025; 1:00PM (Leads into Vigil Mass 5PM) Open to ALL adults and teens. **FREE ADMISSION.** Donations welcome. PLEASE fill out a form they are on the tables at each exit to the church.

**BANQUET:** Blood Covenant Women, Holy Ghost Catholic Church, Opelousas, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 9:00am to 2:00pm. DONATION: \$10.00

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION: **INFANT**

**BAPTISM:** Classes for infant baptism—1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of Every Month @ 10am. Infant baptism are scheduled for Third Sunday of the Month and other exceptions allowed by the pastor. Registration is required.

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT COMPLIANCE:** Continuing Education ONLY, PLEASE go online and complete your certification, emails have been already sent out by the Diocese of Lafayette.

### COME TO US, SPIRIT OF HOLINESS

Holy Spirit,  
you banish fear from our hearts;  
you bear witness in us that we are children of God;  
we pray to you:

Remove from our hearts the spirit of slaves;  
place in us the spirit of adopted children  
to make us cry out, "Abba, Father!"

—From *Come, Lord Jesus* by Lucien Deiss, CSSp, copyright © 1976, 1981, Lucien Deiss. Published by World Library Publications. p. 184

### WORK OF THE SPIRIT

Where the human spirit fails, the Holy Spirit fills.

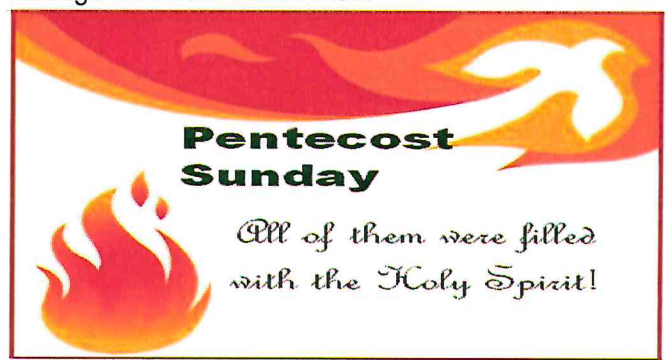
—Anonymous

### 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 shall renew the face of the earth.

### Let us pray.

O God, who have taught the hearts of the faithful  
by the light of the Holy Spirit,  
grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly wise  
and ever rejoice in his consolation.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.





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**Shrine of Our Mother of Mercy, Rayne 100 years of Faith, Family and Friends.**

**We have come this far by faith, leaning on the Lord. – (1924-2024).**

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