

## Daily Readings for the Week of June 8, 2025

June 8: Acts 2:1-11/ Psalms 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34/ 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13/ John 20:19-23

June 9: Genesis 3:9-15, 20/ Psalms 87:1-3, 5-7/ John 19:25-34

June 10: 2 Corinthians 1:18-22/ Psalms 119:129-133, 135/ Matthew 5:13-16

June 11: Acts 11:21-26; 13:1-3/ Psalms 98:1-6/ Matthew 10:7-13

June 12: 2 Corinthians 3:15--4:1, 3-6/ Psalms 85:9-14/ Matthew 5:20-26

June 13: Wisdom 7:7-14/ Psalms 40:3-4, 10-11, 17/ Mark 16:15-20

June 14: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21/ Psalms 103:1-4, 9-12/ Matthew 5:33-37

## Liturgical Ministries

### Schedule for June 8, 2025

Lector: Margo  
Greeters/Gifts: Leeper Family  
Servers: Declan/Grady  
Money Counters: Margo/Sharon  
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Margo/Ron

### Schedule for June 15, 2025

Lector: Oliver  
Greeters/Gifts: J. Ahrendsen Family  
Servers: Kevin  
Money Counters: Mary A K/Mary A M  
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Mary A M/Ron

### Today's Mass Intention Deceased Members of the Ray Koppes Family

Mass Intention June 15, 2025  
Arnold Curley, Bill Horstmann,  
Arnold Curley Jr. and Steven  
Welsh

**Priest Visit to the Homebound**  
If you are sick or homebound or know someone who is, and would like Fr. Andrew to visit and pray, contact the main office at 319-320-5003 or email Fr. Andrew at DBQ137@dbqarch.org.

## PRAYER CORNER



Betty Anderson, Karen Kleineck, Bill Ihns, John Swan,  
Marilyn Stevenson, Julie Ahrendsen, Margaret Fowler,  
Carrie Leeper, Larry Marek, Carl Koppes, Marsha Lasack,  
Paul Rowan, Chris Gibbs, Wendy Larive, Fr. Andrew

# SACRED HEART



June 8, 2025

### Sacred Heart Office Hours

Mon., Wed., Fri.

10:00am-11:00am

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PRAYER & SERVICE"**

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## Pentecost Sunday

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Brett Moorman

Ron Nowachek

Kris Leeper

Mark Denniston

## PASTOR SPEAKS

### Pentecost: The Fulfillment of God's Promise

Friends,

This weekend, we celebrate one of the greatest moments and feasts we have in the Church, and that is the feast of Pentecost. On this day, we not only recall but celebrate to receive again that transcendent and unique *Gift* of love specially sent to us from God the Father and the Son.

From the first moment the Holy Spirit was sent to the apostles and other members of the community of Jesus, there formed and came into being this powerful reality of "*ecclesia magna*," (great Church) where God gathers all His collectively as the members of His household.

Friends, this magnificent Gift of God, the Holy Spirit, is so powerfully present to us as believers and remains everything we can conceive Him to be in the superlative form. I mean consider the day He came upon the apostles; we read that the sheer magnitude of His power was heard loudly all over the upper room where the apostles were gathered.

The Holy Spirit is the dynamic love that connects the Father and the Son, and He is issued from the two of them as they are of equal substance. He is the breath that the Father and the Son exchange and breathe into us.

Before His ascension, Jesus, as recorded in Acts of the Apostles Chapter 1: 1 – 11, instructed His apostles to remain in Jerusalem and wait for the promise of the Father (Cf Lk 24: 49). Then from the First Reading of Pentecost Sunday, also taken from Acts Chapter 2: 1 – 11, we learn how the apostles obediently stayed in Jerusalem and received the Holy Spirit. These readings point us to an important part of the Pentecost experience—obedience to God's commandment leads to fulfillment of God's promises.

Indeed, Abraham's obedience led to the fulfillment of God's promise of a great posterity and land for his descendants. Moses' obedience led to the experience of the promised land for the Israelites. Obedience is the only powerful expression of our love for God and the trust in His wisdom and goodness. In obedience, we show our desire to walk in His ways, and this is the key to unlocking His blessings in our lives.

Well, during this great feast of Pentecost, let us learn from the apostles' obedience and God's fidelity to make happen what He has promised. When we choose to obey God, we become aligned with His will and open ourselves to the fulfillment of His promises.

Happy Pentecost. Have a thriving faith!

## News

Thank you to all of you who participated in binging/purchasing "Table of Plenty" items. We made \$281.00 to add to our thermometer.

Heads up! Our next Kolache bake will be September 5th and 6th. More detail will be provided as the date gets closer,

We will be celebrating the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on June 22 with a 10:30 am outdoor Mass and a picnic to follow. The Sacred Heart of Jesus is our namesake and the actual date of the Feast this year is June 27th. We are hoping that all our parishioners and their families, past and present, will be able to attend. The Ladies of the Sacred Heart will provide loose-meat sandwiches, hot dogs, drinks and table service. We kindly ask that everyone to bring a dish to share and a blanket or lawn chair.

There is a sign up sheet in the church hallway if you would like to donate certain items for the picnic. We pray for good weather and a good turn out.

### WEEKLY OFFERING

#### June 1, 2025 Collection

Envelopes	\$ 780.00
Offertory	55.00
Other Envelopes	10.00
Candles	28.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 873.00</b>

### Baptism Information

If you wish to have your child baptized, please contact Wendy Swan at (319) 320-5003 or e-mail [dbq155sec@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbq155sec@dbqarch.org) to get the process started.

Please have all bulletin submissions to Wendy Swan by Wednesday PM