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MAY 24, 2026 – PENTECOST SUNDAY

*"Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them.."*

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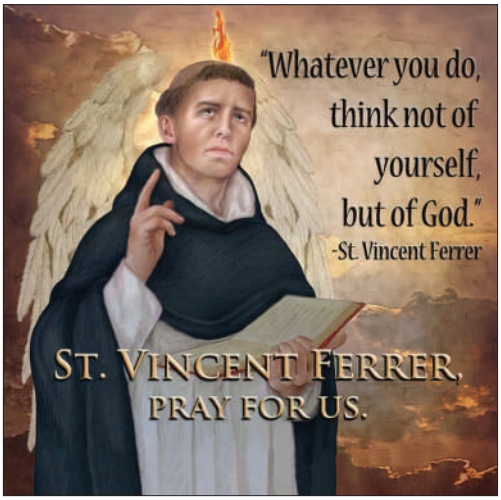


**MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday-Saturday: 9:00 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. – Vigil Mass
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
HOLY DAYS: 9:00 a.m.

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# Pentecost Sunday
## May 24, 2026

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, May 23** **5:00 p.m.**
**Pentecost Sunday**
Muzaf and Joyce Nasir —In Memoriam
— 61st Wedding Anniversary
Requested by Michelle Nasir

**Sunday, May 24** **8:00 a.m.**
**Pentecost Sunday**
The First Communion Class of 2026 — Blessings

**11:00 a.m.**
The Confirmation Class of 2026 — Blessings

**Monday, May 25** **9:00 a.m.**
**The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**
Phyllis Cox — In Memoriam
Requested by Maureen McMillian

**Tuesday, May 26** **9:00 a.m.**
**Saint Philip Neri, Priest**
Moslyn and Christine Bernard — In Memoriam
Requested by The Bernard Family

**Wednesday, May 27** **9:00 a.m.**
**Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop**
Sister Mary Stiefvater — Birthday Blessings
Requested by Dayana Eugene

**Thursday, May 28** **9:00 a.m.**
Medstanky Prince — Birthday Blessings

**Friday, May 29** **9:00 a.m.**
**Saint Pius VI, Pope**
Rev. Msgr. Joseph A. Nugent — In Memoriam
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Staff and Parishioners

**Saturday, May 30** **9:00 a.m.**
For All The Sick and Homebound of the Parish

## UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

June 7: **Retired Fund for Religious**
June 14: **Father's Day Offering**
June 28: **Peter's Pence & Vatican Contribution**
***Please be generous.***

## GIFTS AND INTENTIONS

**Sanctuary Candle**
All Priests Who Have Served at Saint Vincent Ferrer

**Bread and Wine**
All Religious Who Have Served at Saint Vincent Ferrer

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Saint Vincent Ferrer School

**Altar Candles**
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**Saint Joseph Candle**
All Current and Former Parishioners
of Saint Vincent Ferrer

**Mary's Chapel**
All the Souls in Purgatory

**Annunciation Chapel**
All Those Who Have No One to Pray for Them

## THANK YOU!

Special thanks to Mrs. Kim McKeney and the Liturgical Dance Group for all their hard work and preparations to enhance our Pentecost Celebrations at the 11AM Mass!

## MASS INTENTIONS

### THE 2026 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

We encourage you to honor and/or memorialize a loved one, living or deceased, with a Mass, a gift of bread and wine, sanctuary candle, altar candle, chapel candle or altar flowers.

**Requests must be submitted on or before the Friday, two weeks before the desired date.**

Place your request together with your **name** and **phone number**, in a sealed envelope in the offering basket.

***Please make a Donation of $20 as set by the Diocese of Brooklyn with each request.***

# Scripture Reflection

Today, the Solemnity of Pentecost, the Gospel takes us to the Upper Room, where the apostles had taken refuge after the death of Jesus (Jn 20:19-23). On the evening of Passover, the Risen One presents himself precisely into that situation of fear and anguish and, breathing on them, says: "Receive the Holy Spirit" (v. 22). In this way, with the gift of the Spirit, Jesus wishes to free the disciples from fear, from this fear that keeps them holed up at home, and he frees them so that they may be able to go out and become witnesses and proclaimers of the Gospel. Let us dwell a little on what the Spirit does: he frees from fear.

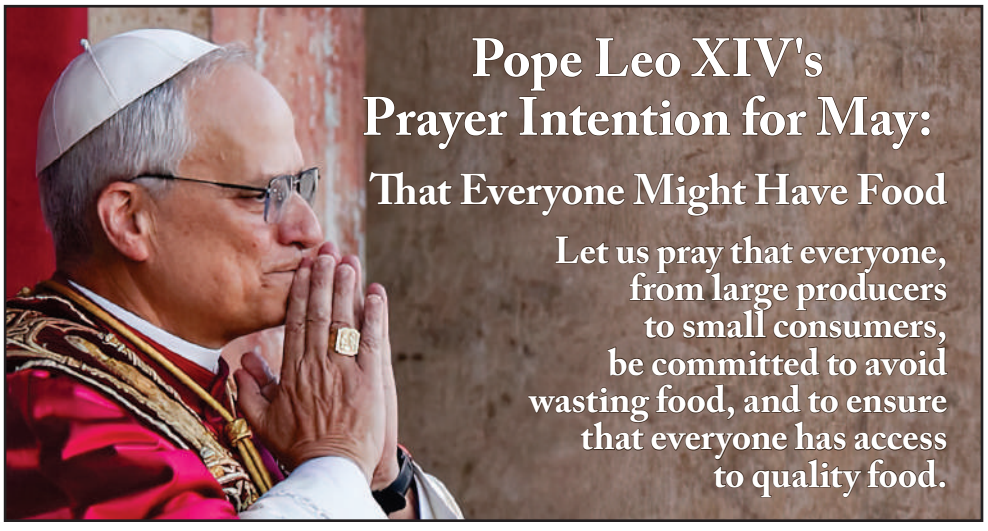
The disciples had closed the doors, the Gospel says, "for fear" (v. 19). The death of Jesus had shocked them, their dreams had been shattered, their hopes had vanished. And they had closed themselves inside. Not only in that room, but within, in the heart. I would like to underline this: closed inside. How often do we too shut ourselves in? How often, because of some difficult situation, because of some personal or family problem, because of the suffering that marks us or the evil we breathe around us, do we risk slipping slowly into loss of hope and lack the courage to go on? This happens many times.

And then, like the apostles, we shut ourselves in, barricading ourselves in the labyrinth of worries.

Brothers and sisters, this "shutting ourselves in" happens when, in the most difficult situations, we allow fear to take the upper hand and let its stern voice prevail within us. When fear enters, we close ourselves off. The cause, therefore, is fear: fear of not being able to cope, of having to face everyday battles alone, of risking and then being disappointed, of making the wrong choices. Brothers, sisters, fear blocks, fear paralyzes. And it also isolates: let us think of the fear of others, of foreigners, of those who are different, who think in another way. And there can even be the fear of God: that he will punish me, that he will be angry with me… If we give space to these false fears, the doors close: the doors of the heart, the doors of society, and even the doors of the Church! Where there is fear, there is closure. And this is no good.

However, the Gospel offers us the remedy of the Risen One: the Holy Spirit. He frees us from the prisons of fear. When they receive the Spirit, the apostles — we celebrate this today — come out of the Upper Room and go out into the world to forgive sins and to proclaim the good news. Thanks to him, fears are overcome and doors open. Because this is what the Spirit does: he makes us feel God's closeness, and thus, his love casts out fear, illuminates the way, consoles, sustains in adversity. Faced with fears and closure, then, let us invoke the Holy Spirit for us, for the Church and for the whole world: let a new Pentecost cast out the fears that assail us and revive the flame of God's love.

***— Pope Francis' Angelus Message for Pentecost Sunday, May 28, 2023***




## Daily readings for the Eighth Week of Ordinary Time

**Sunday, May 24**
Acts 2:1-11
Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
John 20:19-23

**Monday, May 25**
Genesis 3:9-15, 20 (alt. Acts 1:12-14)
Psalm 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7
John 19:25-34

**Tuesday, May 26**
1 Peter 1:10-16
Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4
Mark 10:28-31

**Wednesday, May 27**
1 Peter 1:18-25
Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20
Mark 10:32-45

**Thursday, May 28**
1 Peter 2:2-5, 9-12
Psalm 100:2, 3, 4, 5
Mark 10:46-52

**Friday, May 29**
1 Peter 2:2-5, 9-12
Psalm 100:2, 3, 4, 5
Mark 10:46-52

**Saturday, May 30**
Jude 17, 20b-25
Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6
Mark 11:27-33

Please join us as we welcome

Most Rev. Robert J. Brennan,
Bishop of the Diocese of Brooklyn

for the

Mass of Dedication of
Saint Vincent Ferrer Church

Sunday, May 31, 2026
at the 11:00 a.m. Mass

Reception to follow

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## Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of the Island

### Saturday, July 25th, 2026

**Sponsored by the Ministry of Mercy**

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## JOIN US IN HONORING THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

**The Ministry of Mercy** will host a Eucharistic Celebration in honor of The Most Precious Blood of Jesus on **Thursday, July 16, 2026.**

The celebration will begin with a **Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m.**, with recitation of the **Divine Mercy Chaplet,** followed by **Mass at 7:00 p.m.**

***All are welcome to participate!***

# Congratulations to our Confirmandi!

Our warmest congratulations to the School of Religion's 2026 Confirmation Class, who were confirmed on Saturday, May 16 by Auxiliary Bishop Raymond F. Chappetto at Saint Thomas Aquinas Church, Flatlands. Your parish family extends its best wishes to all of you as you continue your journey of faith!

Pictured, back row, from left: Father Michael Bruno, Merlynda, Bishop Chappetto and Joshua. Front row, from left, Madison, Adryna, Khristian and Miss Margaret Bambara, director of religious formation.

# Corpus Christi Procession — Sunday, June 7, 2026

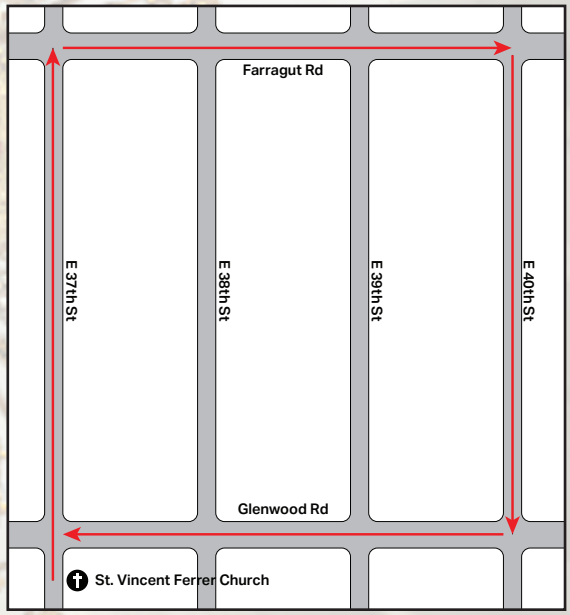
The proposed procession route for the 2026 Corpus Christi procession is:

**Immediately after the 11:00 a.m. Mass**, the procession will exit the Church and proceed northward on East 37th Street toward Farragut Road.

Turn right onto Farragut Road and proceed toward East 40th Street.

Turn right onto East 40th Street and proceed southward toward Glenwood Road.

Turn right onto Glenwood Road and return to Saint Vincent Ferrer Church at Glenwood Road and East 37th Street.




Parishioners living along the procession route who want to have their homes blessed are invited to erect altars in the front of their homes.

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# This Week on Formed

## Week of May 24, 2026

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### The Wild Goose

The Wild Goose. "Wild Goose" was a term that the ancient Celts had for the Holy Spirit. It is a 14 part series featuring Fr. Dave Pivonka and various interviews. Shot in various locations from Niagara Falls to the California desert, The Wild Goose invites viewers to an encounter, or a renewed encounter, with the Holy Spirit.

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### The Victory of Joan of Arc

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# PENTECOST SUNDAY

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Suddenly, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then He showed them His hands and side.

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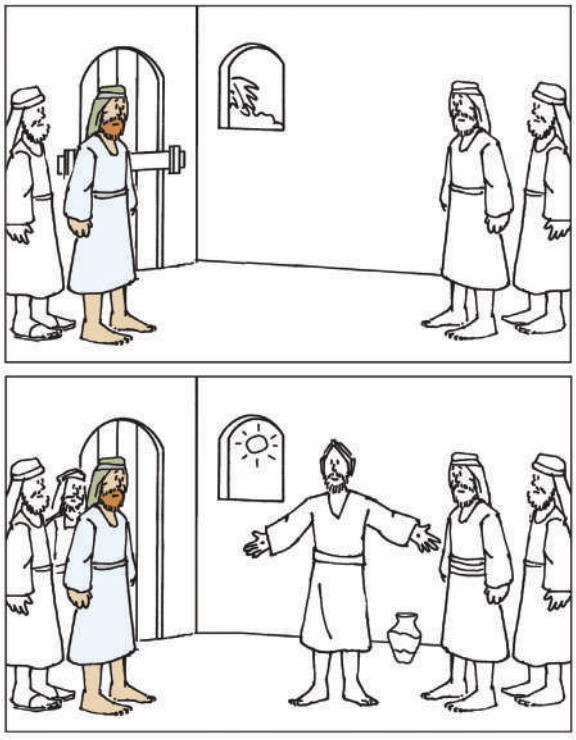

## Receive the Holy Spirit

The disciples hid for fear of the Jewish leaders. But Jesus came and stood among them. What did He say?

Shade in the boxes listed below to find the answer.

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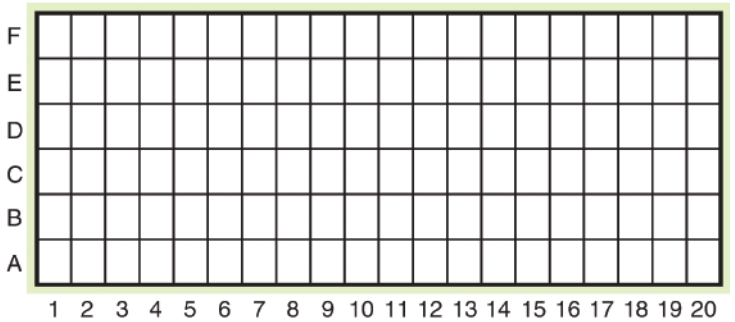


Jesus said to His disciples:

"____ ____ ____ ____ ____ be with you."

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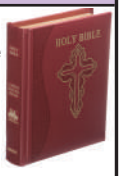

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