



A Gift for All People of All Times

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When reading aloud today's passage from Acts of the Apostles, do you stumble over the names of the peoples gathered as I do? "Parthians, Medes, and Elamites." Where is "Cappadocia, Phrygia, and Pamphylia"? And why were all these peoples in Jerusalem in the first place?

It might help to know that Pentecost did not originate as a Christian feast. There are three pilgrimage festivals that drew Jews from across the Mediterranean region to Jerusalem. Sukkot celebrates the fall harvest and God's protection during the exodus from Egypt. Two are in the spring: Passover, the Feast of the Unleavened Bread, recalling the night the Jews were freed from enslavement in Egypt; and Shavuot, or *Pentecost* in Greek, remembering the giving of God's law on Mount Sinai.

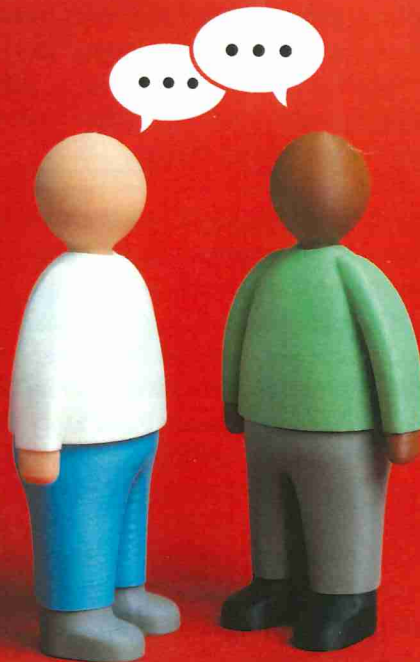
The scene described in Acts echoes the story at Mount Sinai. The peoples who gathered outside the house in Jerusalem represent the breadth and diversity of peoples known at that time, and not just at that time. Some of the civilizations mentioned had not existed for hundreds of years. The book of Acts wants us to know that the gift of the Holy Spirit was an event of such significance that somehow *all* were mysteriously present—not just those of times gone by, but even we who live in such far-away, hard-to-pronounce places as Islamabad or Albuquerque. Today, we celebrate a gift that transcends time and geography. A gift that continues to draw all of us together in wonder and awe. ●



LEARN ABOUT
THE AUTHORS
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COMMUNITY

Reflect

***Do I often remember that the Church encompasses people of every nation:
those gone before us and those to come?***



[The Jews] were astounded, and in amazement they asked, "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his own native language?"

ACTS 2:7–8

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St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
905 Broadway, P.O. Box 176, Valley Falls KS 66088

Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 18760 Rogers Road, Atchison KS 66002

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Sacraments

Reconciliation Saturday & Sunday 30 min before Mass, Wednesdays 6-7pm St. Joseph

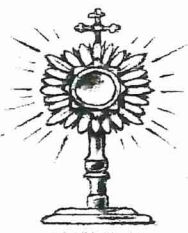
Marriage Six-month notice required
18 months if annulments needed

Anointing Please let us know of any hospital admissions

Baptism For Baptismal dates call the office;
one Baptismal Class required

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat.	May 23	5:00pm	Corpus Christi
	†		Lawrence and Dolores Wood
Sat.	May 23	7:00pm	St. Joseph
	†		Jerry Pruett
Sun.	May 24	8:00am	St. Joseph
	†		Kenneth and Clairene Falk
Sun.	May 24	10:00am	St. Mary's
			Mass for the People
Mon.	May 25	No Mass	
Tue.	May 26	8:00am	St. Mary's
	†		Robert and T.C. Schrick
Wed.	May 27	8:00am	St. Joseph
	†		Jeannette Kingman
Thu.	May 28	8:00am	St. Mary's
	†		Bernard Noll
Fri.	May 29	8:00am	St. Joseph
	†		Mildred, Geraldine, and Marcelene Weishaar
Sat.	May 30	5:00pm	Corpus Christi
	†		John and Vera Lane
Sat.	May 30	7:00pm	St. Joseph
	†		Jeannie Pollard
Sun.	May 31	8:00am	St. Joseph
	†		Lindell Nolting
Sun.	May 31	10:00 am	St. Mary's
			Mass for the People



Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions

St. Joseph
Wednesdays, 6-7pm

Corpus Christi
3rd Saturday of month, 4-4:45pm

St. Mary's
3rd Sunday of month, 11am- 12pm

Bulletin Deadline: Noon Wednesday



Next meeting: June 14@6pm. St. Joseph School. Why do Catholics do that?



2026 Parish Progress

St. Joseph: \$10,630 of \$13,000

St. Mary's: \$6,070 of \$10,000

Corpus Christi: \$6,685 of \$6,000

There's still time! Don't delay helping your parish meet the goal.



Tri-Parish Altar Server Training Camp

St. Joseph Church
June 23 and 24

Altar server training will be offered for all interested youth. The day will begin with Mass and end by Noon. All current and new servers should plan on attending. Servers should be going into grades 3-12, have been baptized and have received their First Communion. Come learn, grow in reverence for the liturgy and serve your parish in a meaningful way! Sign ups in the back of all churches or contact the parish office.

Corpus Christi Procession-All are welcome to join the Atchison Deanery Eucharistic Procession on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi on June 7th, beginning at 4pm. The procession will begin inside St. Benedict Church, proceed through the streets of Atchison, and conclude in the church with Solemn Benediction. Those who received their First Holy Communion this year are invited to wear their First Communion attire and will have the opportunity to lay flowers before the Blessed Sacrament at the front of the procession. Following Benediction, all are invited to gather at St. Benedict Catholic School for food and fellowship. Please bring a dish to share that serves approximately 20 people. Families with last names A-N are asked to bring a dessert, and families with last names O-Z are asked to bring a side dish.

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Kyle Perkis	Jeremy Heinen
Bob Heinen	Virginia Grollmes
Emma Dockweiler	Rosella Hollis
Janet Schmidt	Chris Heinen
Tim Hosler	Heidi Rutar
Phil Heuertz	Dolores Miller
Dorothy Herring	Tynen Darveaux Jr.

Also pray for those serving in the Military, those with health issues and those who have no one to pray for them.

May Appointments

Ushers: Nate Heinen, Eric Belveal, Thomas Welsh
Lay Ministers: Brandi Varner, Lesa Brose, Joyce Heinen
Rosary: Chad Mooradian
05/31/2026
Lector: Dan Heinen
Music: Dianna Welsh
Servers: Jack Warth, Emma Welsh
Gifts: Tom Warth Family
Finance: Kristy Burns, Chad Mooradian
Sacristan: Beth Brown

Contributions

05/17/2026
Vestis.....126.42
Catholic Communication Campaign.....228.00
Plate.....196.00
Support.....693.00
Total \$1243.42

St Mary's Immaculate Conception Parish Mission Statement

- Study our **FAITH**
- Practice our **FAITH**
- Support our parish and community in **FAITH**
- Evangelize our **FAITH**

Bulletin additions or corrections: Contact Crystal Clark 785-806-0262 (text or call) email calebcystal@hotmail.com

26th Annual Midwest Catholic Family Conference

Father Chris Alar from the Marians of the Immaculate Conception will be with us! His podcast Explaining the Faith is very popular. He will be sharing his wisdom and the Church's teachings at our conference July 31- August 2. Save up to \$30 with early bird registration by June 30. Registration is available on-site, but online registration after June 30 will still save you money! Register online at www.catholicfamilyconference.org or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to info@catholicfamilyconference.org

High School
Samuel Sittingup
8th Grade
Tommy Welsh
Jack Warth

Blessings for our Parish Graduates

**AND NOT TO BE FORGOTTEN...
Bachelors in Elementary Education WSU
Mrs. Dianna Welsh!!!!!!**

SCHOLARSHIP COOKOUT: Thanks to everyone who supported this fundraiser. Thanks also to the Knights who furnished and cooked the food. The Knights awarded \$2500 to our High School Seniors.

**Knights of Columbus Family of the Month
May 2026
Larry and Geri Martin**

A BIG THANK YOU to out CCD teachers. We had a great year! We appreciate you sharing your time, talent and Faith with our youth.

Courtney Stevens
RaeAnn Allen
Patty Bendure
Brandi Heinen
Megan Belveal
Chad Mooradian

Traveling? Going to out of town sporting events? Don't forget to go to Mass! Visit www.masstimes.org to find Masses wherever you may go.

Dear Padre,

I am a senior Catholic woman. All my life, I have waited for the Church to welcome women as priests. I have volunteered with numerous faiths over the years and have worked with pastors and rabbis who are women. Why does the Catholic Church not recognize that women have callings to the priesthood?

My answer will probably not be acceptable to you, and it might even make you a little more frustrated and perhaps even discouraged. The understanding of the Church is that the call to priesthood is not based on merit. If it were based on merit, and that was the single important criterion, your question might be phrased in a different way. I will let you imagine what that might be!

The tradition, practice, and discipline of the Church continues to insist that the call to ordained priesthood requires the respondent to be male. Any explanation beyond this simple statement would be strained and of little use. We are aware of the traditions that are practiced in other Christian denominations. We are probably aware of the Roman Catholic theology of priesthood that is offered in support of the practice. We can probably offer example after example in support or in disagreement of the practice. None of it matters when it comes up against the hard truth of the tradition, practice, and discipline: the priesthood requires a baptized male for validity. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org



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A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

At Pentecost, the apostles spoke the languages of those they met, and the confusion of Babel was finally resolved by the harmony brought about by the Spirit. Whenever God's "breath" unites our hearts and makes us view others as our brothers and sisters, differences no longer become an occasion for division and conflict.

HOMILY, ROME, JUNE 8, 2025

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday

May 25

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

Gn 3:9–15, 20 or
Acts 1:12–14
Jn 19:25–34

Tuesday

May 26

St. Philip Neri, Priest
1 Pt 1:10–16
Mk 10:28–31

Wednesday

May 27

Weekday
1 Pt 1:18–25
Mk 10:32–45

Thursday

May 28

Weekday
1 Pt 2:2–5, 9–12
Mk 10:46–52

Friday

May 29

Weekday
1 Pt 4:7–13
Mk 11:11–26

Saturday

May 30

Weekday
Jude 17, 20b–25
Mk 11:27–33

Sunday

May 31

The Most Holy Trinity
Ex 34:4b–6, 8–9
2 Cor 13:11–13
Jn 3:16–18