

# PENTECOST

JUNE 8, 2025



*Holy Spirit, guide us and fill our hearts  
with your presence.*

*Help us to see beyond our differences  
and unite us in Christ.*

*May we use our gifts to serve others  
and spread God's love.*

*Amen.*

Pentecost, Year C, shows us a beautiful moment when people from different nations heard the apostles speaking in their own languages. This miracle demonstrated that the Holy Spirit unites people despite their differences. It was a sign that God's message is for everyone, no matter where they come from or what language they speak.

Pentecost also highlights a powerful moment in Christian history when the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles as tongues of fire, resting on each apostle and symbolizing that the Holy Spirit was for everyone, not just a select few. This marked the birth of the Church, giving the apostles the strength and courage to preach the Good News. The Holy Spirit's presence was a visible sign that God was with them, guiding and empowering their mission.

Through Baptism and the Eucharist, we are drawn into the unity of the Spirit. We receive the life of Christ within us, but we remain unique individuals. Each of us is given different gifts to use in service to others. This diversity of gifts enriches the Church and helps us to carry out Christ's mission in the world.

## MASS INTENTIONS

5 p.m.: The Visco Family, Michael Emond  
and Nancy Wood

10 a.m.: Luella Faso, Zenaida Somonte,  
Joseph & Lucy Gordon and Nancy Wood

## TIME TO THINK ABOUT NEXT FALL!

Religious Education  
registration FOR NEW  
AND CURRENT  
STUDENTS will be held  
in the hall after Mass  
this Sunday, June 8.

Yes, we know the last  
thing anyone wants to  
think about now is next  
September. However,  
for us to plan efficiently  
– including ordering the  
books at the best price – we need to have a sense of  
how many students will be enrolled in each grade.

Questions? Call Peg Hoblin, the program's director,  
at (845) 361-5816.



## RAFFLE TICKET UPDATE

We are in the throes of this year's raffle-fundraiser. As of June 3, 409 tickets have been sold, generating a total of \$10,225 – **or \$5,112.50 for St. Paul's**. Thank you to all who have participated. Tickets and payment are due to the office by **Tuesday, July 9**.

You can use, or share with others, the QR code at right to purchase tickets. It is specific to St. Paul's. Please note that this is NOT the same QR code found on the printed tickets; that QR code is there to thwart fraud.



Printed tickets are also available in the office or in the sacristy after Mass.

For information: [www.catholicinitiatives.org](http://www.catholicinitiatives.org)

The livestreamed drawing takes place on **July 19**  
and can be viewed at [parishraffle.com](http://parishraffle.com)

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Regular Sunday Collection

**May 26–June 1 – \$ 4,612.17**

Envelopes: \$ 3,284.00 – Online: \$ 1,328.17

THANK YOU!

## CARDINAL'S 2025 APPEAL

*Still about 26% to go*

Our parish goal is **\$50,600** of which **\$37,495** has been received/pledged from 97 families as of June 3. Please prayerfully consider your gift, which you can make online at [www.cardinalsappeal.org](http://www.cardinalsappeal.org). Thank you.  
(Next update June 17; Archdiocese office moving.)

## LAST WEEK'S MASS ATTENDANCE

5 p.m. – 73

10 a.m. – 182



## TOUCHING BASE WITH SPYM

*Take me out to the ball game  
Despite the wet and the cold  
First, the concert by the concession stand  
Let's enjoy the Christian band  
Then it's root, root, root for the home team ...  
The Renegades lost, what a shame  
For Wilmington played better that night  
But it still was a good game!*

About 25 people from St. Paul's braved the nasty weather to attend the Hudson Valley Renegades Faith and Family Night last Saturday. (The names of participating churches were displayed on the lightboards!) And about a dozen folks remained after the game to get autographs. An added perk – \$95 from ticket sales went to SPYM! Thank you, parishioners!

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After Mass on May 18, SPYM hosted a Teen Chat. Topics zig-zagged as though part of a pinball machine: Test anxiety. Family shenanigans. Odd teachers. Gifts for a girlfriend – all laced with laughs.

They plan to gather monthly. The next **Teen Chat is 11 a.m. Sunday, June 22**, and teens are encouraged to bring friends – even if their friends are uncertain about their religious beliefs.

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To build a more vibrant youth ministry, Chris Worthington and Deb Harrison, our youth ministers, are reaching out to collaborate with Infant Savior, OLMC and OLA. Families are pulled in many directions, and pooled people and resources are needed to compete!



SPYM's Chris: 845-248-3120



## BUILDING



## COMMUNITY

Whether wine and cheese after Mass on Saturday or coffee and baked treats on Sunday, the reaction was the same: WE MISSED THIS!

Organized by Parish Council members Chris Murphy and Gale Britto, at least 120 people stopped by between both events. Monthly socials are the goal.



