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MAY 24, 2026
PENTECOST SUNDAY

MASS TIMES

(All times are Central Daylight Times (CDT) unless otherwise noted)

- Tuesday:** 7:30 AM St. Nicholas (SN)
- Wednesday:** 7:30 AM St. Joseph (SJ)
- Thursday:** 7:30 AM Mary, Help of Christians (MHC)
- Saturday:** 5:00 PM St. Nicholas
- Sunday:** 7:00 AM Mary, Help of Christians
 [Livestreamed on our YouTube]
 9:00 AM St. Joseph
 11:00 AM (Spanish/Español) St. Joseph

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Holy Spirit Prayer

Come Holy Spirit, come.

Come and rest in me and let me feel your presence right now.

(wait for his presence)

I surrender my whole self to you.

I ask you to fill me with the fire of God's love.

I want to love God with all my heart.

Holy Spirit, come, what do you want to reveal to me right now?

*O Holy Spirit,
 I humbly implore You,
 be with me always
 so that in all things,
 I may act under the influence
 of Your holy inspiration.
 Amen.*

SFA Parish Calendar

CDT Times

May 24 (Sunday) Pentecost Sunday

MHC Feast Day

May 25 (Monday) Memorial Day

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

May 26 (Tuesday) Weekday

St. Philip Neri, Priest
 Fr. Crispine Ordination Anniversary

May 27 (Wednesday) Weekday

St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
 SJ and MHC - Quilting
 Spanish Choir Practice at SJ, 6 PM

May 28 (Thursday) Weekday

May 29 (Friday) Weekday

St. Paul VI, Pope

May 30 (Saturday) Weekday

SN LL Event

May 31 (Sunday) The Most Holy Trinity

June 1 (Monday) Weekday

SJ PC Event 1st-12th

June 3 (Wednesday) Weekday

SN Church Event

June 4 (Thursday) Weekday

Twenty-Four Hour Adoration @ SJ, Begins 6 AM

June 6 (Saturday) Weekday

MHC PC Event

Happy Birthday People of God,

Our family always celebrates birthdays near and far. If near, we celebrate it with a party and of course a cake with candles. If far, our whole family joins with all singing Happy Birthday over the phone together. It sounds corny to hear it as echoes abound over the phone. But birthdays are milestones to be celebrated.

The celebration of Pentecost is a celebration of the birthday of the church. Like so many birthday celebrations, the day after is a return to normalcy; life continues on with the same routines. Next year, we will again celebrate another birthday if that is God's will. However, Pentecost is not just another birthday!

Actually, in Scriptures there are two Pentecosts – the giving of the Holy Spirit. On Easter Sunday, the gospel finds the apostles huddled in fear in the upper room when Jesus appears and says: “Peace be with you.” He breathes on them and says: “Receive the Holy Spirit, whose sins you forgive are forgiven...” The Holy Spirit is to be a sign of forgiveness which begins with the apostles who had just abandoned Jesus in his most dire hour. In the second Pentecost, St. Luke describes the giving of the Holy Spirit fifty days after the resurrection in the form of fire and wind, and language barriers dissolved. With much courage, the apostles go forth to preach forgiveness and understanding from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth. Jesus came to reconcile all of creation from the harm caused by Adam and Eve.

On a personal level we are called to be agents of peace beginning with our family and broadening out to our community, nation, and world. We are called to seek common ground with people of different beliefs, religions, cultures, language, sexual orientation, and anything that separates us from the dignity given to all people created by the same God. More than that, St. Paul writes that all of creation groans in anxiety until the peace of the garden is restored. Even our mother earth is to be part of that reconciliation. We are to assist the Holy Spirit every day in this work of reconciliation.

On this Memorial Day weekend, we might reflect upon the gift of freedom we enjoy as envisioned by our Founding Fathers. Their creation was not a perfect document. Over time in order that the nation may endure peacefully, amendments were made so that all could live as the Bill of Rights envisioned. More amendments will be forthcoming as our nation struggles to find peace. So, it begins with us every day, one person at a time, to build upon the reconciliation begun by Christ. Pentecost is not a birthday celebration, but a renewal of our call toward reconciliation and peace.

May the Force (Holy Spirit) be with you!

Deacon Jim

Ministry Schedule

Saturday May 30, 2026 SN 5:00 PM

Eucharistic: Ralph Langen, Francie Wagner
Sacristan: Stella Bennett
Lector: Lynn Peter
Ushers: Bill Cherolis, Bob Grundhoefer,
Max Meyer, Eugene Peters
Servers: Victoria Kroll, Spencer Kroll
Greeters: Susan Cherolis, Marsha Grundhoefer

Sunday May 31, 2026 MHC 7:00 AM

Eucharistic: Danny Buechler, Dan Waninger
Sacristan: Rose Pund
Lector: Tammy Keller
Ushers: Danny Gogel, Lori Gogel,
Brian Hanselman, Stan Jochim
Servers: CY Keller, Quinn Keller
Greeters: Zerick Breivogel, Chris Schlachter
Rosary: Marilyn Satkamp

Sunday May 31, 2026 SJ 9:00 AM

Eucharistic: Mary Lou Gonzales, Lisa Pund,
Terry Tischendorf, Cody Weyer
Sacristan: Beverly Turnock
Lectors: Lori Tischendorf
Ushers: Joe Gonzales, Daryl Kast,
Roger Kern, John Mattingly
Servers: Izzy Kern, Jacob Tischendorf
Greeters: Bart Kuegel, Emily Kuegel
CLOW: Leslie Begle, Brooke Garrett

Sunday May 31, 2026 SJ 11:00 AM

Eucharistic: Cristina Martinez, Gela Ibarra
Lectors: Ana Perez, Elias Perez
Ushers: Jose Castillo, Carmen Castillo
Servers: Alex Rodriguez, Jesus Perez
Diego Lara
Sacristan: Gela Lara

Healing Prayer

Dear Jesus, you are our great physician.
You resurrected the dead and restored health to the sick.
We humbly ask for Your abounding healing love.

In Need of Your Prayers

*(Names will remain in bulletin for 3 weeks,
please call the office after that if more time is needed.)*

Jessie (Kern) Neireiter
Mike Guth
Gene Oliver

Stewardship of Treasure from 5/10/26

Parish Envelopes: 105

Collection at all Sunday Masses: \$5,889.01

Mail Drop: \$0 *no internet* Online: \$0

IRA: \$0

Week Total: \$5,889.01

Budget amount needed \$10,000.00

Thank you for your continued support!

Mass Attendance

SN 5:00 PM: 131

MHC 7:00 AM: 173

SJ 9:00 AM: 215

SJ 11:00 AM: no count

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all who have pledged to the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Our parish goal is \$133,625.00.
As of this weekend, our parish has \$86,959.00 pledged,
with \$81,915.72 collected.

Out of 633 families there have been only
182 families that have pledged.

If you haven't yet made your gift,
contact the Parish office for a pledge card.
Or you can make a check payable to CMA and
bring it to the office and we will fill out a card for you.

Your pledge is very much appreciated

Mass Intentions

Sat., May 23 (5 PM) Charles Cottone

Sun., May 24 (7 AM) Othmar & Alberta Begle

Sun., May 24 (9 AM) James & Dorothy Strobel

Sun., May 24 (11 AM) Juliana Pozos, Acción de Gracias

Tue., May 26 (7:30 AM) Fr. Crispine's Anniversary of
Priesthood Ordination

Wed., May 27 (7:30 AM) Charles Buechler

Thurs., May 28 (7:30 AM) Andrew & Pauline Kern, Kathleen Kern

Sat., May 30 (5 PM) Judy Dilger Lorey, Jason Meunier

Sun., May 31 (7 AM) The Most Holy Trinity

Sun., May 31 (9 AM) The Most Holy Trinity

Sun., May 31 (11 AM) The Most Holy Trinity

***If there is a funeral,
the weekday Mass will be canceled for that day.
Please call the office to reschedule your Mass intention.
** Masses will only be scheduled 3 months in advance.
Also, please limit Masses to 3. Thank you.***

Deadline to register is Sunday, May 24.

**Vacation Bible School Registration
Theme This Year: St. Francis of Assisi**

Come join the fun on June 7-11 from 4:30-7:00 PM CT at the St. Joseph Parish Center in Dale. Stories, Games, Crafts, Music, Snacks, and a free t-shirt! Registration forms are located in back of church. Pre-4th grade are welcome. Volunteers are needed.

Please call St. Francis of Assisi parish office at 812-937-2200 to register or to volunteer.

A Special Thank You

Thank you Knights of Columbus, Hospitality, and all who helped make the Graduation Mass and breakfast a great success!

American Red Cross Thank You

You made a difference giving blood on May 3, 2026. Thirteen units of blood was collected and the potential number of lives saved was thirty-nine!

Memorial Day Prayer

Gracious God, we thank You for the blessings of peace and security that we enjoy, largely due to the sacrifices of our service members. Instill in our hearts a deep and abiding sense of gratitude, Lord. Help us never to forget the cost of our freedoms, and may our remembrance inspire us to live lives of purpose and dedication.

What is Your UNIQUE PURPOSE?

Deacon Mike Seibert will offer IGNITE, a process to discern the Unique Purpose for which God made you.

Starting Thursday, May 28
7 EDT / 6 CDT for 12 weeks.

In-Person (near Jasper) or Zoom available.
Email mseibert@evdio.org asap for more info.

St. Philp Neri

St. Philp Neri loved to share the Gospel and help people to find or rediscover their faith in Jesus Christ. He spent much time in prayer in the catacombs. He is the patron saint of Rome, US Special Forces, humor and joy and his feast day is celebrated on May 26.

Monte Cassino Shrine Pilgrimages

Service begin at 2:00 PM Central Time.

May 24: Br. Jude Angel Romero-Olivas, OSB: "Have You Discovered Your Gift from the Holy Spirit Yet?"

May 31: Br. Gregory Morris, OSB: "Mary, Spouse of the Holy Spirit"

Improving our Devotions to Our Blessed Mother

During the Month of May, it's fitting to increase our devotion to Our Lady. Tune in on **WTJW 93.1 FM** on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 2:00 PM ET that will continue through Friday, May 29. You will hear Fr. Bill Nicholas from St. Mary's, Ireland, share his thoughts on devotion to Our Blessed Mother. You might learn a bit different perspective on these devotions. The discussion lasts about 11 minutes. Please tune in.

Quilt Show

The Quilt Show will be held on Sunday, June 7, from 7:30 -11:00 CDT at the Mary, Help of Christians Parish Center. Please come and pick your favorite quilt to be featured in the Special Quilt stand at the St. Francis of Assisi Parish / Mariah Hill Picnic on August 9th.

Mariah Hill Young Men's Institute (YMI)

BBQ Chicken Dinners

Sunday, June 7, 2026, at
10:30 AM CST
at the Mariah Hill Ball Park

Carryout Dinners
includes Baked Beans & Potato Salad

½ BBQ Chicken Dinners \$13.00
½ BBQ Chicken Only \$8.00

Catholic Charities Offers Counseling Services

If you or someone you know is seeking mental health counseling, please contact Catholic Charities. Our state-licensed staff provides individual, marriage, and family counseling for both children and adults. We address a wide range of concerns and serve diverse populations, with services available in both English and Spanish. Appointments are available in Evansville, Jasper, and Washington, as well as via tele-therapy. Fees are based on a sliding scale. To schedule an appointment or for more information, please call 812-423-5456 or visit www.ccevansville.org.