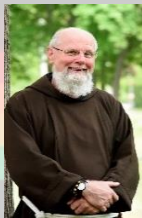


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**PENTECOST, more than just the coming of the Spirit ...**

The feast of Pentecost is one of the most important Sundays of the year, after Easter. In the Old Testament it was the feast of the harvest, and subsequently the Israelites joined it to the Covenant at Mount Sinai, fifty days after the departure from Egypt.

Although for a long time, due to its importance, this feast was called by the people second Easter, the current liturgy of the Church, although it maintains it as the maximum solemnity after the feast of Easter, does not intend to make a parallel between the two, on the contrary, **it seeks to form a unity where Pentecost stands out as the conclusion of the fiftieth Passover.** It is worth saying as a party of fullness and not of beginning. Therefore, we cannot disassociate it from the Mother of all feasts which is Easter.

In this sense, **Pentecost is not an autonomous feast and cannot remain only as the feast in honor of the Holy Spirit.** Although unfortunately, today, there are many faithful who still have this partial vision, which leads to impoverish its content.

It must be emphasized that, **the feast of Pentecost, is the second most important Sunday of the liturgical year where Christians have the opportunity to live intensely the relationship between Christ's Resurrection, his Ascension and the coming of the Holy Spirit.**

**It is good to bear in mind, then, that all the time of Easter is also the time of the Holy Spirit,** Spirit who is the fruit of Easter, who was at the birth of the Church and who will always be present among us, inspiring our lives, renewing our inside and pushing us to be witnesses in the midst of the reality that we are entitled to live.

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June 2023



June: month of the

**SACRED HEART OF JESUS**



Sacred Heart/St. Dominic Chapel , **Portland**.

### Eucharistic Adoration

First Saturday of the month. from 12:00m to 6:00pm

### Spanish Masses

#### Augusta

Every Saturday, 5:30 pm.

St. Monica Chapel - 5 Kendall St.

#### Brewer

Every Sunday, 1:00 pm.

St. Teresa Church - 425 South Main St.

#### Cherryfield

1st Sunday of the month, 1:00 pm.

St. Michael Church - 51 Elm St

#### Lewiston

Every Saturday, 6:00 pm. – ( Live- Stream)

Chapel Riviere – Holy Cross Church

1080 Lisbon St.

#### Pittsfield

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month, 12:00 m.

St. Agnes Church - 238 Detroit Street

#### Portland

Every Sunday, 1:00 pm.

Sacred Heart Church - 65 Mellen Street

#### Sanford

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month,

5:00 pm, Holy Family Church - 66 North Ave.

#### Skowhegan

Sundays to be noted, 9:30 am

Conference Room

Kyes Motel - 137 W Front St.



### St. John The Baptist - June 24<sup>th</sup>

He is considered the precursor of the Messiah and the last prophet of the Old Testament, since he announced the imminent arrival of the Savior. He spent 20 years living in the desert to get used to solitude, fasting and silence until, having fulfilled his penance, he baptized Jesus on the banks of the Jordan River.



### Sts. Peter and Paul, apostles June 29<sup>th</sup>

Simon, son of Jonah and brother of Andrew, was the first among the disciples to confess Christ as the Son of the living God, and therefore was called Peter. Paul, an apostle to the Gentiles, preached Christ crucified to Jews and Greeks. The two, with the strength of faith and love for Jesus Christ, proclaimed the Gospel in the city of Rome, where both suffered martyrdom.

*With great joy and great participation, the Easter Retreat "To the Encounter with the Risen Christ" was held in Portland, with the presence of our communities throughout the state. (May 13, 2023)*



### Corpus Christi June 11<sup>th</sup>

It is the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, of the presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, which the Church celebrates on the Thursday (or Sunday) following Holy Trinity Sunday.



This day we remember the institution of the Eucharist that took place on Holy Thursday during the Last Supper, when Jesus turned the bread and wine into his Body and Blood.

It is a very important feast because the Eucharist is the greatest gift that God has given us, moved by his desire to stay with us after the Ascension.

The Council of Trent declares that very piously and religiously the custom was introduced into the Church of God, that every year, a certain holiday, this exalted and venerable sacrament be celebrated with singular veneration and solemnity, and reverently and honorably be carried in procession through the streets and public places. In this Christians testify to their gratitude and remembrance for such an ineffable and truly divine benefit, for which the victory and triumph of the death and resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ is again made present.



### Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity June 12<sup>th</sup>

The mystery of the Holy Trinity is the central mystery of faith and of the Christian life. It is the mystery of God in

Himself. It is, therefore, the source of all the other mysteries of faith; it is the light that illuminates them. It is the most fundamental and essential teaching in the "hierarchy of truths of faith" (DCG 43). "The whole history of salvation is nothing but the history of the way and the means by which the true and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, reveals himself, reconciles to himself men, set apart by sin, and unites with them" (DCG 47). It is celebrated one week after Pentecost.

### Sacred Heart of Jesus June 16<sup>th</sup>



The Church dedicates the whole month of June to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, so that Catholics may venerate, honor and imitate him especially in these 30 days.

St. Margaret Mary of Alacoque was a religious of the Order of the Visitation.

She had a great love for Jesus. And Jesus had a special love for her. He appeared to her on several occasions to tell her how much he loved her and all men and how much it hurt his Heart that men turned away from Him for sin.

During these visits to her soul, Jesus asked her to teach us to love him more, to have devotion to him, to pray and, above all, to have a good behavior so that his Heart does not suffer more with our sins.

Jesus promised St. Margaret that if a person receives Communion on the first Friday of the month, for nine months in a row, he will grant him the following:

1. I will give you all the necessary graces to your state (married, single, widowed, or consecrated to God).
2. I will put peace in their families.
3. I will comfort you in all afflictions.
4. I will be your refuge during life and, above all, at the hour of death.
5. I will abundantly bless your enterprises.
6. Sinners will find mercy.
7. The lukewarm will become fervent.
8. The fervent will quickly rise to great perfection.
9. I will bless the places where the image of my Heart is exposed and venerated.
10. I will give you the grace to move the most hardened hearts.
11. The people who propagate this devotion will have their name written in my Heart and it will never be erased from Him.
12. The grace of final penance: that is, they will not die in disgrace and without having received the Sacraments.