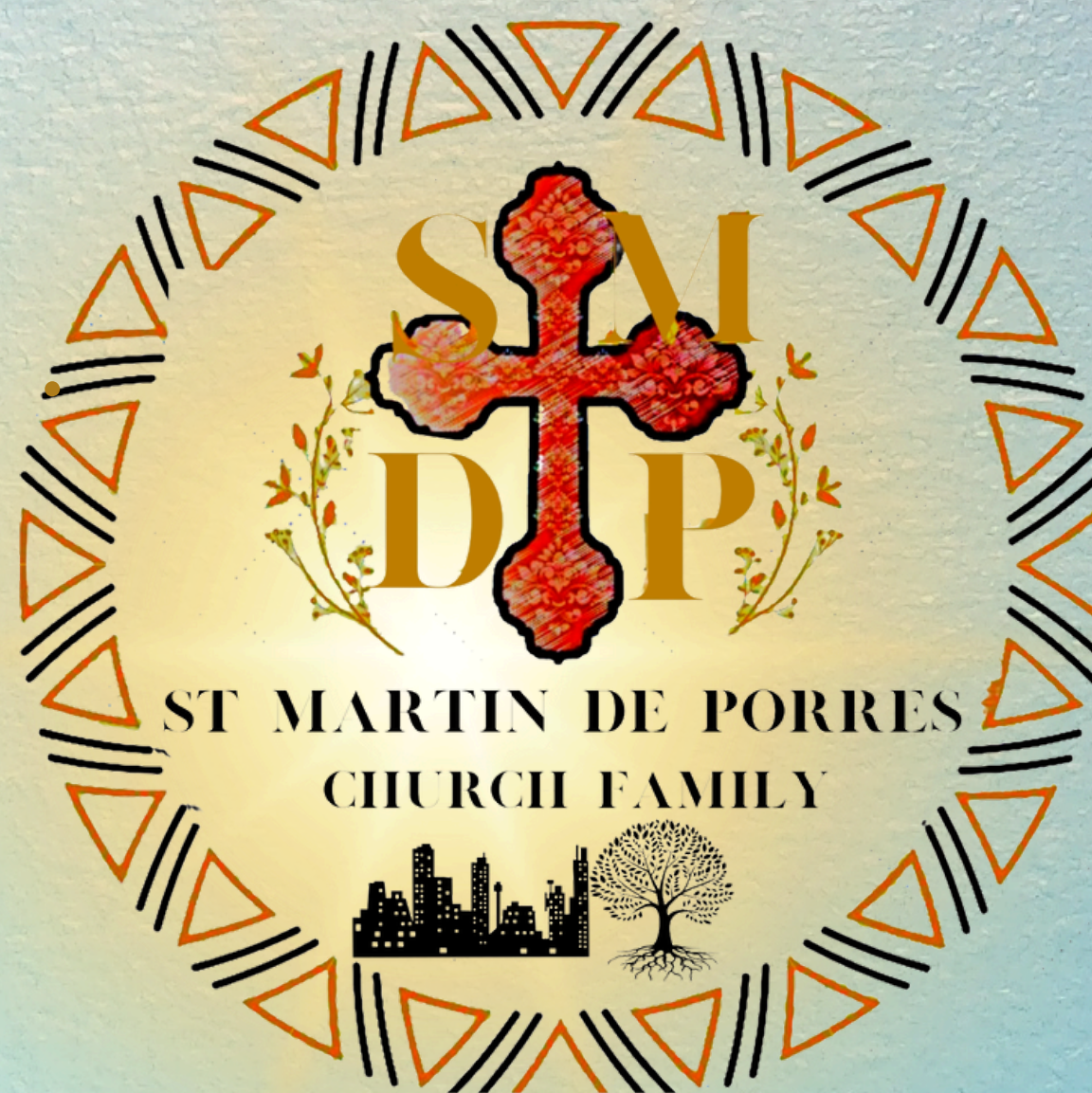


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May 19, 2024

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Sunday, May 19, 2024

in Church

“For the People of the Church”

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Sister Mary Ann Mulzet

Thursday, May 23, 2024

Barbara Levis

Friday, May 24, 2024

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Saturday 11:00 AM

May, 25, 2024

Ian Linqvist

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**Bible Study
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**The power of prayer!
Let us pray for the Sick.**

We pray for all in our Church Family who are

SICK AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM:

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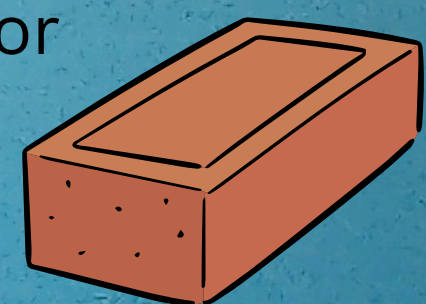
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How does God the Holy Spirit make Church be Church ?

In Chapter 11 of the Book of Isaiah, the Gifts of the Holy Spirit are described. In the passage, the gifts are considered ones that the Messiah would possess. (Isaiah 11:1-3)

1 “A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. 2 The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord—3 and he will delight in the fear of the Lord. He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes, or decide by what he hears with his ears;”

The Church is not a building, but instead she is the Head and members formed as ONE. Jesus Christ is the Head and He is represented by the clergy who are ordained ministers. The laity are the beloved people of God and they represent His Body as His members. The outpouring of the Holy Spirit unite us as one. The Holy Spirit is like the Soul of the Church which is fully alive in purgatory, earth and Heaven. Therefore, the Church is present whenever you have both Head and members present worshiping God through the Holy Trinity together as One. Unfortunately, many do not accept this truth and so define the church as a building that was built either in the past or recently. It is as if the structural building was constructed by a bishop or committee of bishops and the people of God basically did next to nothing, because they don't believe they were ever called to do anything for the glory of God together as beloved believers. Pentecost is a mystery in which the Church was not and cannot be defined as a beautiful building, but instead a family reunion of believers with the Holy Spirit making it crystal clear that all the members are necessary as is all the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are given to us at our confirmation to build up the body of Christ here on earth. Through Jesus and through the anointing of the bishop, we receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation. We are each bestowed with very special gifts of body, mind and spirit throughout our lives. Through prayer and God's grace, we can use these gifts to bring love, growth and hope to those we meet. I believe we need to have a deep devotion to the Holy Spirit in order to make Jesus present in our lives through prayer. I highly recommend the following prayers.

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

To be recited daily during the Novena: On my knees before the great multitude of heavenly witnesses, I offer myself, soul and body to You, Eternal Spirit of God. I adore the brightness of Your purity, the unerring keenness of Your justice, and the might of Your love. You are the Strength and Light of my soul. In You I live and move and am. I desire never to grieve You by unfaithfulness to grace, and I pray with all my heart to be kept from the smallest sin against You. Mercifully guard my every thought and grant that I may always watch for Your light, and listen to Your voice, and follow Your gracious inspirations. I cling to You and give myself to You and ask You, by Your compassion to watch over me in my weakness. Holding the pierced Feet of Jesus and looking at His Five Wounds, and trusting in His Precious Blood and adoring His opened Side and stricken Heart, I implore You, Adorable Spirit, Helper of my infirmity, to keep me in Your grace, that I may never sin against You. Give me grace O Holy Spirit, Spirit of the Father and the Son to say to You always and everywhere, "Speak Lord for Your servant heareth." Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT: To be recited daily during the Novena

O Lord Jesus Christ Who, before ascending into heaven did promise to send the Holy Spirit to finish Your work in the souls of Your Apostles and Disciples, deign to grant the same Holy Spirit to me that He may perfect in my soul, the work of Your grace and Your love. Grant me the Spirit of Wisdom that I may despise the perishable things of this world and aspire only after the things that are eternal, the Spirit of Understanding to enlighten my mind with the light of Your divine truth, the Spirit of Counsel that I may ever choose the surest way of pleasing God and gaining heaven, the Spirit of Fortitude that I may bear my cross with You and that I may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation, the Spirit of Knowledge that I may know God and know myself and grow perfect in the science of the Saints, the Spirit of Piety that I may find the service of God sweet and amiable, and the Spirit of Fear that I may be filled with a loving reverence towards God and may dread in any way to displease Him. Mark me, dear Lord with the sign of Your true disciples, and animate me in all things with Your Spirit. Amen.

SATURDAY MASS is 11:00 AM

Sundays - 9:15 a.m. Sacrament of
Reconciliation
or by appointment

Sunday Mass 10:00 a.m.

All are Welcome!



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LEGION OF MARY



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Saturdays 12:00 p.m. LEGION OF MARY



Rectory Office Hours:

Thursdays and Fridays 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturdays 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

New Parishioners are most welcome and are encouraged to register as soon as possible after moving into the Parish. Please see an usher after church and request a form.

Home Blessings & Holy Communion are available. Anyone who wishess their home blessed, please call the rectory. If any of our homebound or shut in parishioners wish to receive Holy Communion, please call the rectory 215.228.8330.

Blessings and prayers for all celebrating Birthdays in the Month of May



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

