

From the Pastor's Desk:

Dear Friends:

We all look forward to that day when there will be no more tragedy of wars between the nations. We all look forward to that day when there will be no enemies in our midst, enemies who treat one another with hatred, a hatred which, like a poisonous mineral, can eat into the very heart of a religion. We all look forward to that day when the value of any culture will not be judged by its location on the globe but by its effect on character; that one day all the diversity of cultures will be joined together as one in the heart of the human race. We all look forward to that day when it will not be the race but individual people who will be seen as noble or ignoble, rejecting no one from the human race because of class or color. We all look forward to that day when all people will speak in harmony and their minds apprehend alike. We all look forward to that day when peace will rule the day because Christ will rule the hearts. We all look forward to that day when all people will form one community of nations, with malice towards none, with charity for all. That is our dream.

Can this dream of ours, for a community of nations, become a reality? Yes, it can; provided we have the Holy Spirit assisting us. The Spirit of God achieved such a community on the day of Pentecost. When he came "like a strong driving wind, and tongues of fire rested on each of the apostles", all barriers of nation and language were broken down by the fusing power of the Spirit; so that people who had gathered there from different lands "heart the apostles speaking each in his own language". The Spirit brought together not only the dispersed nations but also the confused disciples, so that they were immediately transformed into the Body of Christ. The same Spirit can do the same today for the Church and the world. But the Spirit of God needs us, his Church, to cooperate with him in the transformation of the world. It is not enough to have faith in the power of the Spirit; wherever there is genuine faith, it must blossom into works. So let us work to transform our own Churches into united, loving, forgiving and sharing communities.

God Bless You!

Fr. Madanu Lourdu Raju

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS
CCD: Catholic Christian Discipleship**

Pentecost is sometimes called the birthday of the Church. Over 3,000 were baptized after hearing Peter's speech. Peter spoke to the crowd without fear after the appearance of the Spirit to the Apostles in the form of wind and fire. Jesus, in the Gospel, imparts the power to forgive sin to his Apostles. Jesus gives us the Holy Spirit to help us in the work of forgiveness and to bring us peace.

+ At the stewardship day that I attended on May 9th, the speaker, Rich Curran stated that "it should be a requirement that all teens attend a Faith Camp". **Extreme Faith Camp** is a week long Catholic Summer Camp for Middle School students. The camps are located in Mason, WI and Rhinelander, WI. They are full this summer, however think about adding this to your summer plans for next year, and register early this Fall. Go to catholicdos.com for more information.

Blessings,

~ Sr. Marianna

OUR WEEKLY GIVING

Ss. Peter & Paul	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 1,200.00
Loose	370.85
Total	1,570.85
Total from May 14, 2017	1,142.00
Building Fund	240.00
Home Missions	20.00
St. Stanislaus	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 355.00
Loose	134.00
Total	489.00
Total from May 14, 2017	597.00
Building Fund	100.00
Home Missions	20.00
St. John	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 777.00
Loose	411.00
Total	1,188.00
Total from May 14, 2017	943.25
Building Fund	135.00
St. Michael	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 475.00
Loose	81.00
Total	556.00
Total from May 14, 2017	283.00
Building Fund	60.00
Home Missions	100.00

(Totals include only the basic collection)
2017/2018 Catholic Services Appeal

Contributor Status Report as of 5/6/18

	Assessment	Received	Amount Due
Ss. Peter & Paul	\$ 11,179.00	\$ 8,845.00	\$ 2,334.00
St. John	\$ 8,721.00	\$ 5,190.00	\$ 3,531.00
St. Stanislaus	\$ 5,249.00	\$ 2,840.00	\$ 2,409.00
St. Michael	\$ 2,509.00	\$ 2,509.00	PAID in FULL

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The **Diocesan Wedding Jubilee Celebration** will be held at the **Cathedral of Christ the King in Superior, WI** on **Saturday, July 21st**. The 11:00 a.m. Mass with Bishop Powers will be followed by a catered lunch. Call the parish office by Monday, June 11 to sign up.