



## ST. MARY'S

ENGLISH-SPEAKING ROMAN CATHOLIC  
PARISH RHEIN-MAIN-AREA

Church location:

Wachenheimer Str. 58  
65835 Liederbach / Taunus

**Sunday Mass: 5:00 pm**



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June 9<sup>th</sup> 2019

Pentecost

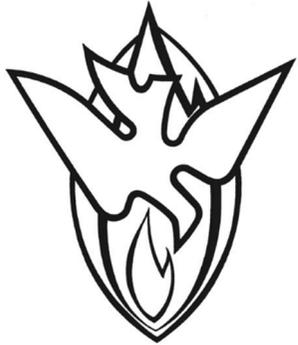
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### **POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE**

**EVANGELIZATION: Priests** - That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are the most poor.



**THE ROLE OF THE SPIRIT:** It's impossible to live the life of a Christian without the help of the Holy Spirit. But to appreciate the role of the Spirit in the life of a Christian we have to start with Jesus himself. The Spirit played a big role in his life. It descended on him at his baptism. It was the Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead. It was the Spirit who opened the minds of his disciples and helped them to understand the meaning of his death.

And the same Spirit descends on us at our Baptism and Confirmation. The Spirit is not given for a moment but accompanies us on our journey in the footsteps of Jesus. The Spirit gives us power to participate in the work of Jesus. It is our strength in times of weakness, our guide in times of doubt, our consoler in times of sadness, our advocate who always pleads our cause

The Spirit that we have been given is not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power. Wind and fire are symbols of power. Wind has the power to move, to uproot. Fire has the power to refine and transform. The power they symbolize here is the power of God. The coming of the Spirit provided the apostles with the energy, the courage, and the love to get on with the task Christ had given them. And the Spirit provides each and everyone of us today with the same power.

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Spirit of Christ, stir me; Spirit of Christ, move me;

Spirit of Christ, fill me; Spirit of Christ, seal me.

Consecrate in me Your Heart and Will, O Heavenly Father.

Create in me a fountain of virtues.

Seal my soul as Your own,

that Your reflection in me may be a light for all to see. Amen

**PERSONNEL, OFFICE HOURS & CONTACT DETAILS**

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**Public office hours for inquiries and appointments:**

Tuesday: 09:00 – 14:00  
Wednesday: 09:00 – 14:00  
Friday: 09:00 – 13:00

Baptisms arranged with one month notice  
Weddings arranged with at least six months' notice  
Confession available on request  
Spiritual Direction as arranged with the Parish Priest

**PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT:**  
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**St. Leonhard's / Holy Cross in Frankfurt**

Holy Cross Center for Christian Meditation and Spirituality  
Kettelerallee 45, 60385 Frankfurt am Main  
Mass times: Saturdays 7:30 pm // Sundays 9:30 am

**“GIVING SUNDAY”** – Last Sunday’s special 2<sup>nd</sup> collection for our parish charity, Mary’s Meals, totaled **223 Euros**. Thank you again to everyone for your generosity!

**CORPUS CHRISTI MASS IN FRANKFURT** — As in previous years, there will be an open-air (German) Mass held on **June 20<sup>th</sup> at 10.00 am** on the Römer in Frankfurt, followed by a food festival in front of the Dom. St. Leonhard’s will also have a stand there, offering a variety of international food. If you are in Frankfurt that day, please stop by and show your support. All proceeds go to their parish charities.

**JOINT PARISH PICNIC -- RAIN OR SHINE** (in case of rain, indoor venue is available): Mass at St Georgen Graduate School of Theology, Offenbacher Landstraße 224, 60599 Frankfurt at 1:00 pm is followed by the joint St Leonhard’s and St Mary’s parishes picnic on **Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Help is needed for set up and clean up afterwards. Attendees are requested to bring a salad and/or dessert. Meat and drinks will be provided by the churches. The meat and drinks orders are based on how many people have registered, so please sign up to attend. Also needed are prizes for the tombola. It is not necessary to wrap the tombola prizes. Any questions can be directed to organizer Roque D’Costa (0157 8862 3841/[roque\\_aaa\\_dcosta@hotmail.com](mailto:roque_aaa_dcosta@hotmail.com)) or Nancy Clements (069 5068 4493/[nancy.clements@t-online.de](mailto:nancy.clements@t-online.de))

**WELCOME NEWCOMERS** – We warmly welcome any new parishioners to St. Mary’s and ask that you kindly register with our church. You can fill out a GREEN registration form which you will find at the back of the church (or ask the Sacristan for one). Or you can send your contact info directly to the parish office (email on back page).

**“SUMMER BREAK“ at St. Mary’s** – The summer holidays are almost upon us and we know that this is the time of year when most of our parishioners will be traveling. Therefore the Parish Council has decided, as in previous years, to close St. Mary’s for part of the summer break. Please note that there will be NO MASS at St. Mary’s from **June 30<sup>th</sup> through August 4<sup>th</sup>**. We resume with our normal 5:00 pm Mass on **August 11<sup>th</sup>** During this time we encourage our parishioners to visit either of the 2 English Masses at St. Leonhard’s at Holy Cross Church in Frankfurt.

**FAREWLLS - Will you be moving back home or relocating this summer?** Do you know of someone who is? Then we would ask you to please contact **Lori Bemb**.

Because on **JUNE 16<sup>th</sup>** we will bid a fond farewell at Mass to all our families who will be relocating or moving back home. Afterwards everyone is invited to enjoy some drinks and snacks in the courtyard before we all go off for the long summer holidays.



**PARISH CALLENDAR**

**JUNE 2019**

Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 pm	Sunday Mass
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 pm	Sunday Mass
	after Mass	Farewell Party for those leaving the Parish
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am	Corpus Christi Mass on the Römer followed by festivities in front of Dom
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	1.00 pm	Joint Mass/Parish Picnic with St. Leonhards – held at St. Georgen in Frankfurt

**JUNE 30 – AUGUST 4**

**Summer Break at St. Mary’s**

**AUGUST 2019**

Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 pm	Mass at St. Mary’s
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm	Mass for the Assumption of the Bl. Virgin Mary at St. Leonhard’s/Holy Cross
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	3.00 pm	800 year Anniversary Mass at the newly re-opened St. Leonhard’s Church (Alte Mainzer Gasse, Frankfurt)
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 pm	Mass at St. Mary’s

## ***SUNDAY MASS READINGS***

### **FIRST READING – Acts 2: 1-11**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.”

**R: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**

### **SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-7, 12-13**

A reading from the first Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters: no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are

varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

### **GOSPEL – John 20: 19-23**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

It was evening on the day Jesus rose from the dead, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.”

After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”

When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”