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PENTECOST SUNDAY

FIRST SUMMER ISSUE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE CHURCH | FR. CHRISTOPHER HOUSE

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Mass Times

Sat. 4:00PM; Sun. 7 AM, 10 AM & 5 PM
Weekdays: Mon. thru Fri. 7 AM & 5:15PM and Sat. 8 AM

Reconciliation (Confession)

Mon. thru Fri. – 4:15PM to 5:00PM, Sat. – 9:00AM to 10:00AM and 2:30PM to 3:30PM, Sun. – 4:00PM to 4:45PM

Adoration

Tues. & Thurs. 4PM- 5PM

Diocesan Victim Assistance is available. For the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, please contact: Patricia Kornfield at 321-1155.

Please remember that if you or a loved one is in the hospital, a nursing home or home-bound, to contact the Parish offices or Sr. Francella at 522-3342 x 142. Hospitals may know you are Catholic, but not know you are from Cathedral. We would be happy to visit.

Welcome to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception!

On behalf of our bishop, the Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki, our parishioners, deacons, and priests, I welcome you to the mother church of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.

The seat of the diocese was moved to Springfield from Alton in 1923. In the same year, "Old St. Mary's" church of Immaculate Conception Parish was named as the pro-cathedral of the new diocese until this cathedral church was built and dedicated in 1928. Currently, our diocese comprises twenty-eight counties in central Illinois, serving over 140,000 members of the Catholic faithful.

I hope that your visit to our Cathedral is one of grace and beauty and that you feel at home in the mother church. I also hope that you will find this edition of the *Cathedral Weekly* to be both informative and spiritually enriching. May God bless you and yours!

Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week

Monday – June 10
7 AM Barb McGrath (Mark & Mary Petrilli)
5:15PM Ralph Walter, Sr. (Jean Moss & Ralph Walter)

Tuesday – June 11
7 AM Bill Crumly (Jeanne & Jack McCarthy)
5:15PM Special Intention for Lost Souls (CCCW)

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5:15PM L. Mae Nicoud (Family)

Thursday – June 13
7AM William F. Logan (Lisa Logan & Family)

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5:15 PM Special Intention for Bancia (Anonymous)

Friday – June 14
7AM Mary Priester (PJ & Ruth Staab)
5:15 PM Doris Drea (Kathi Griffin)

Saturday – June 15
8 AM Teddy Burmeister (Rob & Jan Sgambelluri)
4 PM Larry Irvin Smith (Friends from ISBE)

Sunday – June 16
7 AM For the People
10 AM John Montgomery (John Busciacco)
5 PM Michael Mulford (Scott & Marlene Mulford)



Very Reverend Christopher A. House
Rector

Stewardship Activity

Stewardship of Time & Talent

Add 1% in prayer or service this week. Think about it, there are 1,440 minutes in a day and the average person is awake almost 1,000 minutes...can you add 10 minutes on in prayer or service?

Stewardship of Treasure- June 1st & 2nd

Envelopes:	\$3,442.20
Loose:	\$6,466.36
Maintenance:	\$877.00

TOTAL: \$10,785.56

May EFT: \$17, 685.60

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Happy Birthday to the Church!

Following the Lord's Ascension into heaven, the Apostles were gathered once again in the Upper Room where the Lord had instituted both the Eucharist and the Priesthood at the Last Supper. It was also the place where he first appeared to them following the Resurrection. Tradition tells us that the Apostles were not alone on this particular day and that Mary, the Mother of the Lord, was with them. Jerusalem was filled with Jews who had come to the holy city for the feast of Pentecost, a feast celebrating the wheat harvest that was celebrated seven weeks and one day (50 days) following Passover. That day was a day that would forever change the face of the earth.

Before his Ascension, the Lord promised the Apostles that he would send a paraclete, an advocate to be with them always until he returned in glory. It was precisely this advocate for whom the Apostles waited in the Upper Room, when on that Pentecost day, the Lord Jesus fulfilled his promise and the Holy Spirit came upon the Apostles and Mary, appearing as tongues of fire. It was precisely in this moment that the Good News, the Gospel of Jesus Christ, was preparing to break forth into the greater world.

From the Upper Room, the Apostles went forth as new men, as new creations. The grace of the Holy Spirit had forever changed them, transforming their fear and trepidation into courage and zeal. With this gift of the Holy Spirit, they went out and fulfilled the Lord's command to preach the forgiveness of sins, beginning first in Jerusalem. The Acts of the Apostles recounts that some 3,000 people that very day heard the preaching of the Apostles, believed, were baptized, and thus the Church was born.

Today, we, the living stones of the Church, claimed by Christ in baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit through confirmation, are called to carry on this mission begun by the Apostles some 2,000 years ago. We who profess the name of Christ are his disciples because we have come to believe in him, but our discipleship must be transformed into apostleship. The word apostle means "one who is sent." The Apostles were the first to be sent but we are called to continue their mission. On this Pentecost Sunday and always, let us open our hearts to the gift of the Holy Spirit who continues to guide the Church. Let us cooperate with the grace of the Spirit that seeks to make us witnesses of the crucified and risen Lord so that through our lives others may come to know and believe in the Lord Jesus.



Father Christopher House is the Rector of the Cathedral and serves in various leadership roles within the diocesan curia, namely Chancellor and Vicar Judicial.

Summer Stewardship Ideas

It is summertime and we find ourselves in the midst of events and travel! Summertime is often hard on organizations because volunteers travel. Consistent support becomes a challenge! Here is how you can help the Cathedral:

Prayer

Alpha begins this week and we need your prayers. Alpha is perfectly designed to fail unless God shows up, so your prayers are needed to support the team and the guests who will encounter Christ.

Service

Consider volunteering with the Vacation Bible School this summer from July 8th-12th! It is a great opportunity for service hours, as well. Contact the parish office at 217-522-3342 or email Haley Bentel at hbentel@cathedral.dio.org.

Giving

Are you going to be traveling this summer or looking for a way to give more conveniently? Share your gifts online through setting up a recurring gift to the Cathedral by going online to <https://spicathedral.org/give-online/>. It is secure, safe, and greatly appreciated!

The Summer Issue!

Please note: we have adjusted the Cathedral Weekly for summertime. During the summer we will have a smaller bulletin, so we can save costs and provide a larger Weekly during the year. We will continue to have the Sunday Announcements stuffer each week and you will find additional faith formation there. If you have any questions, please contact Katie Price at kprice@cathedral.dio.org.