

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES OF **OUR LADY OF LORETTO** (LODGE GRASS), **ST. CHARLES BORROMEO** (PRYOR), **ST. DENNIS** (CROW AGENCY), **ST. FRANCIS XAVIER** (ST. XAVIER), **ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA** (WYOLA)

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

**OPENING SONG** Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid #195

SCRIPTURE READINGS begin on page 148

MASS PARTS Mass of Creation #884-888

# **CLOSING SONG**

Akbaatatdía Jesus Baleiláaxbaaxpeesh

# SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGES

Starting in June (see exceptions below), mass at St. Dennis will move to 9:00 am and Mass at Our Lady of Loretto will move to 12:30 pm. **MAY 21ST (CONFIRMATION WITH BISHOP FLEMING) 9:30 AM** St. Dennis **2:00 PM** St. Charles There will be no other masses that day. JUNE 4TH Saturday, o6/03, 6:00 PM Our Lady of Loretto 9:00 AM St. Dennis There will be no other masses that day. JUNE 11TH (CORPUS CHRISTI) 2:00 PM St. Dennis There will be no other masses that day (see page 3 for more information).

#### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

9:30 AM Saint Dennis

[9:00 AM beginning June]

10:30 AM Saint Charles Borromeo
12:00 AM Our Lady of Loretto

[12:30 PM beginning June]

4:00 PM Saint Francis Xavier

#### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY 6:00 PM Saint Dennis

#### FRIDAY

6:00 PM Our Lady of Loretto

#### CONFESSIONS

Before mass and on request.

#### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

TUESDAYS

6:00 PM Sewing Group Meeting Room in Small Hall (St. Dennis)

6:00 PM Women's Group in Classroom (Our Lady of Loretto)

#### WEDNESDAYS

6:45 PM Cash Bingo Main Hall (St. Dennis)

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### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Today's Gospel is a continuation of last week's Gospel: Jesus is speaking to his disciples at the Last Supper. In today's reading Jesus offers encouragement to his disciples, who will soon see him crucified. He reassures them that even though he will leave them, he will not abandon them. Instead he will send them the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, through whom the disciples will continue to live in union with Jesus. pending departure with the permanence of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus will leave to return to the Father, but the Holy Spirit will remain with the disciples.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the disciples will come to know and appreciate the unity of the Son and the Father. They will also understand that they too participate in the communion between the Father and the Son: "On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you" (John 14:20).



Jesus uses the term *Advocate* to describe the Holy Spirit, whom the disciples will receive. Another word used to describe the Holy Spirit is *Paraclete*, a legal term meaning "one who offers defense for another." Note that Jesus says that he will send "another Advocate." Jesus himself is the first advocate, interceding for his disciples with the Father.

In today's reading Jesus contrasts his im-

Today's reading is one example of the contrast that John's Gospel presents between the community of disciples, to whom God will reveal himself, and the unbelieving world, which will remain in darkness. The unbelieving world cannot accept the "Spirit of truth," whom the disciples will receive. Only through the Spirit will God's revelation and love be known.

## **Family Connection**

The mystery of the Trinity can be difficult for us to grasp. Today's Gospel invites us to consider how the three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit— work together so that God's salvation is made known to us. Jesus' mission is continued through the activity of the Holy Spirit in the lives of his disciples. We have received this same Spirit through our Baptisms. The Spirit, living and working within us, reveals the mystery of God's love for us. Just as the first disciples were not left orphaned, we are not orphaned; we remain in God's embrace through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Gather your family and invite each family member to say what he or she knows about the Holy Spirit. Read aloud today's Gospel, John 14:15-21. What does Jesus say the Holy Spirit will do for the disciples? Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we come to share in the love of God made known to us in Jesus. Pray together, thanking God for this gift of the Holy Spirit by praying the Prayer to the Holy Spirit (*bit.ly/ prayerhs*).

# WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE

"I will not leave you orphans. I will give you another Advocate to be with you always." How comforting it is to know that as married couples we are not alone. Marriage takes Three, and it also takes community. Our struggles are not unique as married couples. Realizing that is such a gift. When we work together we are stronger and we build a more vibrant Body of Christ.

We invite you to attend the next Experience in Malta, June 9-11 and begin a journey together with other couples who want to make their marriage even better.

To learn more, watch *bit.ly/wwme2023*, visit the website *wwme.org* or apply today by calling 307-215-9444.

## **BINGO CONCESSIONS**

We're still in need of volunteers for the last three Wednesdays of this season. Please see one of the priests or sign up at the foyer in the back of the church. Thanks!

## **CORPUS CHRISTI - SUNDAY 6/11**

This year's Corpus Christi celebration will be hosted at St. Dennis on Sunday, June 11th, at 2 PM. **This will be the only Mass that day on the reservation**. We would like to have a family from each of the parish locations sponsor an altar/tetpee. If your family is interested, please contact one of the priests.

St. Dennis Church will provide the meat. We are asking for the following from each location—St Dennis (drinks), Our Lady of Loretto (salads), St. Xavier (chips), and St. Charles (desserts).

## **INFANT/CHILD BAPTISMS (UNDER 7)**

Our next class for parents/godparents is on Saturday, **June 3rd** from **10:30-11:30am** at St. Dennis with baptisms to follow for families having theirs done afterwards inside the chapel. Other dates and locations will be scheduled accordingly.

Please visit **crowcatholicparishes.com** or contact one of the priests to register.

## **CLOSING SONG**



Traditional Crow Indian hymn attributed to Mary Stewart, c\_\_\_ As sung by Dorothy Hoops, c1970\_\_\_\_\_