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—A TIME FOR HOPE—

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Special points of interest:

- A Time to Remember**
- A Time to Mourn**
- A Time to Unite**
- A Time to Leave Behind**
- A Time to Move Forward**
- A Time to Invite**
- A Time to Build**
- A time to Bury**
- A Time for Hope**
- A Time to Celebrate**

Everyone seems to agree on one thing; it is time to leave Covid behind and move on! With gratitude for successful vaccines and the body's ability to fight off viral attacks and to develop immunity we move forward with renewed hope. It has been a long and difficult year that we need to put behind us.

For me the simple things have become more joy filled. It is great to see more and more smiling faces each and every week as people return to Mass. It is good to see faces without masks. I appreciate more than ever our gatherings after Mass for a simple cup of coffee and light conversation. I realize now just how much I missed that during Covid shutdown and social distancing.

Created in God's image and likeness we were made for community. God is a community of love between the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We were created for communion. We are not truly human without relationships. Our parish family has become an amazing faith community. I pray that you all cherish this parish family as much as I do.

This is a moment in time when the Holy Spirit is calling us to build up this family of ours. It is time to regather, to invite back, to reach out to those who have been shut in. It is a time to reach out to those who do not yet belong to our parish family. We need to reach out to all of God's children.

Together as a family we mourn the losses of this past year. We unite with all those who have lost a loved one. We stand with those who have born the disease and are still struggling with lingering side-effects. Together we feel the pain of shutdowns and social distancing. We grieve the loss of traditional family gatherings and celebrations. We feel for our seniors shut in or locked in nursing homes. We feel for teens who lost proms and graduations. We grieve for children not allowed to play their favorite sports or to gather with their friends. May the experiences of this past year unite us as never before!

It is time to come together and to celebrate our faith with renewed joy and vigor. As we leave this present darkness behind may we be the shining light that leads the way forward. Jesus is the Light of the World, and so we, as the Body of Christ, must be that Light. It is when we joyfully gather as a family that we shine the brightest. It is then that Christ is most visible in us.

Our parish is blessed with a building and grounds complex that brings us together. The Garden Club has continued its efforts throughout the pandemic to further enhance and beautify our grounds. In honor of our Patron Saint, St.



St. Louis the King

Louis the King, we have commissioned a life-size bronze statue to be made. The stature is scheduled to be blessed and dedicated on August 25th, the Feast Day of St. Louis the King. The Statue will be placed near the main entrance of our Church.

As we celebrate our annual parish picnic on Sunday, September 12th, we will bury a time capsule under the statue, leaving the pandemic behind and moving forward with Hope.

Confirmation at St. Louis the King—By Fr. Glenn



First Row: Nathanael Goodwin, Ethan Swanson, Carl Wendt
 Second Row: Brian Belkowski, Lexi Danielkiewicz, Rachel Jenkins, Samuel McKnight, Isabelle Lagrou
 Third Row: Alex Applekamp, Lars Gustafson, Tom Blemberg, Eridinn Nayback, Ella Jezewski, Josie Downs, Jordan Bouchard
 Back Row: Fr. Glenn Theoret, Bishop John Doerfler, Fr. Benny Mathew, Deacon Paul Lochner

On Friday evening April 16th fifteen of our high school juniors gathered with Bishop Doerfler to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Holy Spirit was powerfully present throughout the wonderful liturgy.

For me it was a joy to meet with our students via Zoom for several months in preparation for the Sacrament. The Holy Spirit was a powerful force that led our weekly sessions. I was inspired by the faith, integrity, and sincerity of our students. The tough questions that they raised showed me a deep

faith at a young age. This group of young people should give us great hope for the future of our Church.

Along with their great faith I saw in them hope and love. Faith, Hope and Love are referred to as the Theological Virtues. They are called that because God is their source. The Holy Spirit of God is the bond of love between the Father and the Son that bursts out into all of creation. Out of love God chooses to share His Life with us. It is in this life that we experience Faith, Hope and Love.

The Holy Spirit was alive in our discussions because the Holy Spirit was alive and well in them. This is God's plan for our world. God continues to mediate His divine life in the world through His Mystical Body here on earth. We are His Mystical Body. We are His Church. Our young people are not just the future of our Church they are an integral part of Christ's Church here and now. Please pray that the Holy Spirit will inspire and lead our young people now and throughout their lives.

Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts of us Your faithful and enkindle in us the fire of Your love. Amen

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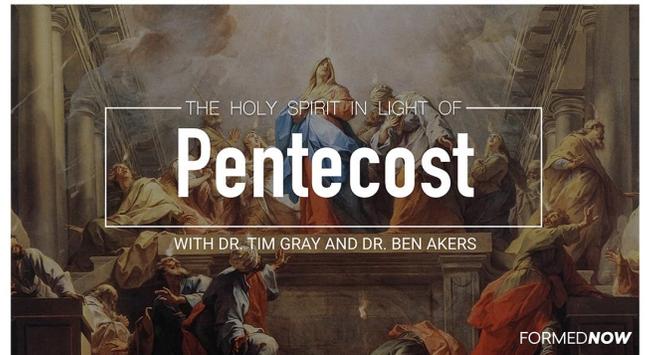
TRUE REFORMERS: EPISODE 3 ST. PHILIP NERI

This week we celebrate St. Philip Neri, the Apostle of Rome. To a Rome ravaged by war and wearied by the decadence of the Renaissance popes, St. Philip Neri came as an unlikely reformer. Mystic, hermit, prankster, and effortless leader of men, Neri had a great sense of humor and an even greater heart.

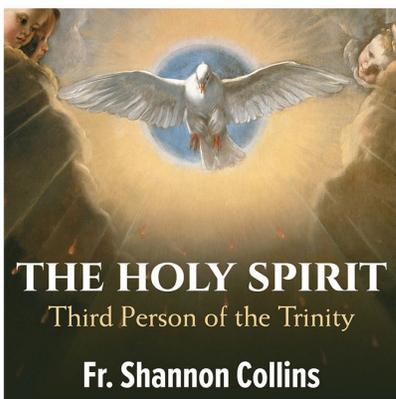
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FORMED NOW: THE HOLY SPIRIT IN LIGHT OF PENTECOST

This week we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost, often referred to as the birthday of the Church. Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Ben Akers as they discuss Christ's sending of the Holy Spirit in this monumental event. After watching, you'll recognize the meaning of Pentecost for our lives today.



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THE HOLY SPIRIT: THIRD PERSON OF THE TRINITY BY FR. SHANNON

In this captivating presentation, Fr. Shannon Collins discusses the essential character of the Holy Spirit and his role in salvation history. Drawing upon Scripture and Tradition, Fr. Collins explains the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit and how he works in the lives of believers and how this "sweet guest of our soul" seeks to bring us closer to divine life.

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Celebrate Summer Fun with Your St. Louis the King Family!

Blessing of the Bikes

June 13th, 12:45pm

- *lunch
- *bike maintenance
- *ride to Lower Harbor Park
- *Ice Cream
- *toddler course in parking lot



Father's Day &

Fr. Benny

Appreciation Cook Out

June 20th 12:30pm

Join in celebrating our fathers along with a special thank you lunch as we send off Fr. Benny to his new parish.

FAITH FEST 2021

This summer make it a plan to join us as we venture down state, June 25 through 27,

for a Christ centered, family, fun-filled day of live music, recreational activities, food, fireworks, and Mass "under the stars"!

We will caravan down and camp at Sleepy Hollow State Park.

Stop by Information Desk for details or to sign up!



St. Louis the King Parish Family Retreat

(all are welcome-young and old-friends and family)

September 3-5, 2021

Camp Hiawatha

Cabins or Campsites * Meals Provided * Campfires * Spiritual Talks * Mass * Adoration * Confession * Games * Canoeing * Hiking * Swimming * Fishing * Crafts * Music

(extra nights available upon request)

Registration Forms in the Parish Office, Information Desk, or www.sltkchurch.org/forms