

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CYCLONE-WESTPHALIA
St. Joseph, Cyclone & Church of the Visitation, Westphalia.

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The Sacraments

BAPTISM: Saturday after Mass. Please contact the pastor for scheduling a meeting with him; a preparation program may be needed. Parents must be registered parishioners of St Joseph, Cyclone or Church of the Visitation, Westphalia and there is required paperwork to be completed.

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAYS 3:00-4:00 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT.

MARRIAGE: Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor at least six months in advance before date of wedding. Completion of required paperwork and a preparation program needed.

MAY 10, 2026 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus will not leave us alone. He won't make us children of God in Baptism only to leave us "orphans," He assures us in today's Gospel (see Romans 8:14–17). He asks the Father to give us His Spirit, to dwell with us and keep us united in the life He shares with the Father. We see the promised gift of His Spirit being conferred in today's First Reading.

The scene from Acts apparently depicts a primitive Confirmation rite. Philip, one of the first deacons (see Acts 6:5), proclaims the Gospel in the non-Jewish city of Samaria. The Samaritans accept the Word of God (see Acts 17:11; 1 Thessalonians 2:13) and are baptized. It remains for the Apostles to send their representatives, Peter and John, to pray and lay hands on the newly baptized—that they might receive the Holy Spirit. This is the origin of our Sacrament of Confirmation (see Acts 19:5–6), by which the grace of Baptism is completed and believers are sealed with the Spirit promised by the Lord.

We remain in this grace so long as we love Christ and keep His commandments. And, strengthened in the Spirit whom Jesus said would be our Advocate, we are called to bear witness to our salvation—to the tremendous deeds that God has done for us in the name of His Son. In today's Psalm, we celebrate our liberation. As He changed the sea into dry land to free the captive Israelites, Christ suffered that He might lead us to God, as we hear in today's Epistle.

This is the reason for our hope—the hope that sustains us in the face of a world that cannot accept His truth, the hope that sustains us when we are maligned and defamed for His name's sake. Put to death in the flesh, He was brought to life in the Spirit, Paul tells us today. And as He himself promises: "Because I live, ... you will live."

Bulletin Information: Cyclone: Nancy Posvar (254 913-2696)

Bulletin Deadline: Please call or send by email all info for the bulletin by Wednesday before the weekend!

MINISTRIES

Saturday, May 16, 2026

Communion: Katherine Pechal
Lector: Kenneth Pechal
Altar Servers: Stumbaugh Family
Ushers: Volunteers

Sunday, May 17, 2026

Communion: Cathy Bruggman
Lector: Meagan Cox
Altar Servers: K & H Hejl—S & L Jahns
Ushers: Bryce Brashear & Steve Bruggman

UPCOMING MASSES

5/10 Sunday 8:15 am: + Nancy Hubnik by Terry & Barbara McNeill
+ Alice Stojanik by Rose Lollar & Faye Brantly
5/12 Tuesday 7:00 am: Good Health for All by Charlie & Jackie Green
+ Josephine Psencik by Roy & Debbie Buckholt
5/14 Thursday 7:00 am: + Marie Macha by Chris & Peggy Hrabel
+ Pamela Belyeu by Bill & Carol Smetana
5/16 Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm: + Monica Mikeska by Katherine & Kenneth Pechal
+ John Macha by Glenn & Kelly Lawrence
5/17 Sunday 8:15 am: + Rubin & Leona Gottschalk by Clyde Gottschalk
+ Maxie Roessler by Smetana Family

WESTPHALIA MASSES

5/10 Sunday 10:15 am
5/13 Wednesday 6:00 pm
5/15 Friday 8:00 am
5/16 Saturday Vigil 6:00 pm
5/17 Sunday 10:15 am

In your charity, please pray for: Homebound: Leora Hering. Good health: A. J. Stermer, Bill Stock, Dorothy Haisler, Evelyn Richter, Buddy Roessler, Al & Lou Buckholt, Mary Jane Underwood, Lindsey Pierce, Rebecca Marek, Margaret Campbell, Barbara Johnson, Fr. Tom Chamberlain, Theresa Klecka.

Stewardship—May 3—\$2645 Building Fund—\$762

Sanctuary Light—May 10-16—In Honor of Joseph Mallory Birthday by Beatrice & Joey Mallory.

THANK YOU TO BEATRICE MALLORY FOR TAKING CARE OF HAVING THE ALTAR CANDLESTICKS REFURBISHED. THEY ARE BEAUTIFUL.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 17—Senior Recognition Mass—Breakfast following mass—All invited.

May 24 & 31—Final dates for this year's Bible Study. Everyone welcome.

June 7—Holy Trinity Church—Corn Hill—Annual June Fundraiser—Fried Chicken & Sausage Dinner served with dressing, noodles, and green beans—11:00 am—1:00 pm in the PAC—Adults \$15/Children \$8—Drive-thru plates until 12:30 PM—\$15—Mass times 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am—Afternoon dance 1:00—5:00 pm—Music by Jodie Mikula Orchestra (free-will donation).

April 7—June 2—Sacred Heart Church in Lott is sponsoring a faith formation class which consists of a study on the mystery and meaning of the Cross. Tuesdays @ 7P in the Sacred Heart Hall. Contact Chris Lincoln at chris@chrislincoln.com or 559-473-8357.

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

May 20—Killeen—Temple Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Deanery Meeting—Holy Family —Copperas Cove—10 AM. The Copperas Cove ladies are collecting money & various items to be donated to the Sisters of Mary Morning Star. Those items include: shampoo, body wash, toothpaste, liquid laundry soap, toilet products, sheet protectors, tape for paper, box tape, bags of mulch. You may bring your items to the deanery meeting if you are attending. If you aren't attending you may leave your items in the cry room by May 17 and someone will take them to the meeting for you.