

# SACRED HEART - SAINT LUKE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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### Our Mass Schedule for This Week

Monday (5/18).....NO MASS

Tuesday (5-19).....6:30 PM Mass at Spring Valley

+Dorothy Hartung (Joe & Brenda Stangl)

Wednesday (5-20).....7:30 PM Mass at Elmwood

+Virginia Fischer (Family)

Thursday (5-21).....8:00 AM Mass at Spring Valley

+Michael Thome (Joseph & Beverly Thome)

Friday (5-22).....8:00 AM *Communion Service at Spring Valley*

1:30PM Mass at Heritage of Elmwood NH

+Anna Seipel (Jim & Joyce Schwartz)

### **The Solemnity of Pentecost**

Saturday (5-23).....8:00 PM VIGIL Mass at Elmwood

*Missa pro Populo*

Sunday (5-24).....8:30 AM Mass at Boyceville

+Francis Kerkhof (Joe & Gloria Pieters)

10:30 AM Mass at Spring Valley

+Herb & Angie Hageman (David & Rita Johnson)

### BRIEFLY NOTED

**Spring Valley Graduates:** On Sunday, May 17 at the 10:30am Mass the Sacred Heart Parish of Spring Valley is proud to recognize the high school graduates from our parish: Faith Anderson, Daniel Buchal, Jared Fogarty, Miranda Haack, Jacob Helmer, Mitchell Johnson, Hank Larson, Taylor Leach, Nick McDonald, Cassie Quinn and Remington Schneider. May the Lord bless them as they go forth in their lives! **All are invited to the CCD Center after Mass for donuts to congratulate and celebrate with the graduates!**

**Elmwood Graduates:** On Saturday May 16 at the 8:00pm mass the Sacred Heart Parish of Elmwood is very proud to recognize the high school graduates from our parish: Nickolas Bechel, Katie Brunner, Jacob Burke, Matthew Fesenmaier, Jason Larson, Kaitlyn Sabelko, Nicholas Webb, Jennifer Weix and Justine Weix. May the Lord God bless their lives from this day on with goodness, faith and love.

**St. Luke's First Communion:** Congratulations to Nathan Boesl who will be making his First Communion at St. Luke's on Sunday, May 24! May Nathan hold Jesus in his heart and his love for the Eucharistic Lord deepen daily!

**Elmwood Lectors Needed:** We are in need of Lectors for our Saturday night 8:00PM mass. This invitation is open to all parishioners. Anyone interested in becoming a lector or a substitute contact Mary Sailer (639-4902).

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday 7:00-7:45 PM

Elmwood

Sunday 7:45-8:15 AM

Boyceville

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Boyceville

Thurs. 5 PM to Friday 8 PM

Spring Valley

### **St. Luke's Work Day:** On

Thursday, May 21 and Friday, May 22 we will hold work days to paint the exterior of the church and other small fix-it projects in preparation for our 50th Anniversary celebration. Please bring rollers, brushes, ladders and any other paint equipment you prefer to use. For more information see Joe Pieters or Joe Adams.

### **Spring Valley CCD CRE**

**Needed:** Thank you to Anne Helmer for her dedicated years of service to our CCD Program! We are grateful for her hard work in the religious education of our parish children and wish her well as she steps down from the position. Anyone interested in the position of CRE may contact the Central Office.

### **Spring Valley VBS Schedule:**

**Where:** Sacred Heart CCD Center.

**When:** Sunday June 7 with activities from 3-5pm. Family Dinner Potluck from 5:15-6pm. Monday, June 8 to Thurs., June 11. \*Free Will Donation\*  
VBS Activities from 6:00-8:15pm

**Closing Program:** Thurs. June 11  
Doors open at 7:45pm -Bring your camera!

### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Items must be received at the Central Office by **Tuesday at 3:00 PM.**

### VISIT US ON THE WEB

[www.svecatholic.org](http://www.svecatholic.org)

Our three parishes serve a sprawling area of our Diocese as evidenced by where our children receive their intellectual formation. Some of our children are homeschooled while the others are enrolled in seven (!) different public school districts, Saint Francis Catholic School (Ellsworth), and Ave Maria Academy (Plum City). ***Congratulations to those who are graduating from one level to the next!*** In particular, we pray for God’s blessings on our high school graduates. May they be open to the continued guidance of the Holy Spirit as they seek to further develop their God-given talents and discover how God desires them to use these talents in service of God and neighbor. We also specially thank Anne Helmer who concludes many years of so skillfully guiding the faith formation program at Spring Valley. May God bless Anne for her generous service!

At this time of year, we are focused on First Holy Communions, working in the fields or gardens, graduations, and the end of the school year. Thoughts of the saving Death and Resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, which we celebrate at Easter, tend to get crowded out with all the busyness of the month of May. So it may seem odd that in our year of faith we are still in the Easter Season. ***Today we celebrate the Ascension of our Risen Lord.*** The *Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church* summarizes the meaning of His Ascension: “After forty days during which Jesus showed Himself to the Apostles with ordinary human features which veiled His glory as the Risen One, Christ ***ascended*** into heaven and was ***seated*** at the right hand of the Father. He is the Lord who now in His humanity ***reigns in the everlasting glory*** of the Son of God and ***constantly intercedes for us*** before the Father. He ***sends us His Spirit*** and He ***gives us the hope*** of one day reaching the place He has prepared for us” (132). As He returned to the Father, Jesus gave to the Apostles and the entire Church our task: “All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ***Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them*** in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, ***teaching them to observe*** all that I have commanded you. And behold, ***I am with you always***, until the end of the age” (Matthew 28:16-20).

Next Sunday our celebration of the Paschal Mystery – the Lord’s saving Death and Resurrection by which He overcame sin, death, and hopelessness – comes to its liturgical conclusion with the ***Solemnity of Pentecost***. May our hearts be open to the outpouring of the Holy Spirit whom the Risen and Glorified Christ promised He would send. Come, Holy Spirit, come! Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us! Saint Luke, pray for us!

*Father Kevin C. Louis, STL*

<b>Stewardship for May 9-10</b>				
<i>“How shall I make a return to the Lord for all He has -done for me?” (Psalm 116:12)</i>				
	Adult Envelopes	Offertory	CCD Fundraiser	Mother’s Day Rose Sale
Spring Valley	\$1454	\$51		\$166
Elmwood	\$830	\$149.75	\$147	
Boyceville	\$915	\$119.54		

**BRIEFLY NOTED**

**Spring Valley Seniors Staying Put:** There's a group called Spring Valley Seniors Staying Put. It will operate as a nonprofit organization of volunteers from a network of intergenerational community members, church and community organizations to provide services for seniors and adults living with disabilities, such as rides and deliveries, caring phone calls, finding help, lending a helping hand, etc. The objective is to enable those served to maintain their independence, dignity and quality of life. At this time, names are being collected of those interested in volunteer activity, and also names of future service recipients. Please call (715) 760-1057 or email: [kathynyeggen@baldwin-telecom.net](mailto:kathynyeggen@baldwin-telecom.net) to be added to the lists. Thank you!

**St. John’s Plum City Parish Karnival:** will be held May 31 after the 10:15am Mass from 11:00am-4:00pm. There will be a Special Feature this year: Performance of the Edelweiss Dance Troupe at 1:00pm & 2:30pm. A BBQ Chicken Dinner will be served with pie, raffles and Religious Items for Sale. A Silent Auction, ball drop, kids’ games and much more! All invited!

**Spring Valley VBS:** is in need of a few more volunteers. VBS 2015 will be held Sunday, June 7- Thursday, June 11. Please contact Missy Hague if you'd like to help: 715-778-4318 .

**Eucharistic Adoration:** St. Pope John Paul II, told us about the best and most effective way to grow in holiness. He states that: "**our essential commitment in life is to grow spiritually in the climate of the Holy Eucharist.**" Holy Hours are still available at the Spring Valley Eucharistic Chapel. Anyone interested in holding an hour as a regular or as a substitute, please contact Laura Buchal at 772-4452 for more information.

**Catholic Charities:** Community Consignment is a strong supporter of Catholic Charities and the Sojourner House. They are accepting donations of household items to sell with proceeds going in support of helping the homeless in our community. If interested please contact Community Consignment at 715.829.2384 or Catholic Charities at 715.832.6644. Please express that your donation is being given to support the Sojourner House! Thank you.



