## **Ambo Announcements**

## Pentecost May 19, 2024

- Our charitable tithe this weekend will go to the Catholic Communications Campaign. This is a national collection of the US Bishops.
- The flowers in the sanctuary this weekend are in memory of David Letourneau. May he rest in peace!
- Thank you for everyone who was able to wear red this Sunday! The color symbolizes the presence of the Holy Spirit within us as baptized Christians.
- As you can see, work continues on our parish columbarium. The frequent rains have tremendously slowed things down and so we're devoting all our efforts to the columbarium. It's our hope to complete the columbarium by early June. As we complete the columbarium, our attention will shift back to the font hill and Marian Grotto. I'll give more updates as we move along.
- This coming week, I was scheduled to be away at a counseling workshop for trauma victims at Columbia International University. In a shocking move, the administration disinvited me after they realized I was a Catholic priest. I took an on-line course on psychopathology at the university this past semester, but apparently they were not aware of my religious affiliation, although I indicated it on the application form. I'm still very surprised by this development. Needless to say, I will not be at the course this coming week, and so I'll be here for Confessions, Masses, and my regular parish duties, Monday Thursday, May 20-23.
- Our next prayer outreach is this Saturday, May 25, at 8:30 AM All parishioners are invited to come and join us in this peaceful, prayerful protest against abortion. The abortion facility is located at 3220 Latrobe Drive, Charlotte, NC.
- Memorial Day this year is Monday, May 27. The parish will have a Memorial Day Mass at 11:00 AM. The Mass will be followed by a bagpipe procession to the columbarium and the blessing of a Memorial Wreath. All are encouraged to come and pray for our fallen heroes.