

## THE SEQUENCE

Today for the Pentecost we hear the sequence after the second reading. Usually it is song, but today it is being read. It has ten stanzas which review the teaching about the Holy Spirit as each stanza is a little prayer in itself. This sequence is one of the few remaining in The Latin rite liturgy. The sequences our ancient prayers; today's, "Come, Holy Spirit" dates back to the 12th century - in the lifetime of Saint Francis of Assisi. In fact it is based on an earlier and by a \*Rabanus Mauis\* from the eighth or ninth centuries.

Other sequences you may be familiar with are "Victimae Paschali" - "Christians to the Paschal Victim," song at Easter in praise of the risen Christ. Both this and the Pentecost sequence are required to be part of the respective Solemnities.

The sequence for the Solemnity of the most holy body and blood of Christ is "Lord, O Lamb of God, with about 25 stanzas- only four of which are usually sung! Fortunately it's conclusion in that liturgy is optional.

One other sequence, familiar to those who attend or pray the stations of the cross, is the "Stabat Mater" or "At the cross her station keeping" taking us through the Blessed mother's anguish at that time. It dates back to the 13th century, composed by Jacopone da Todi. It's 15 stanzas, sung during Lent, are used in the liturgy of our Lady of sorrows on September 15.

At one time there were many more sequences, most in poetic form, but these few remain. The church has clearly valued them, and they are worthy of our joyful reading.

### EARN MONEY FOR OUR PARISH

**Food Lion gift cards** in various amounts are available every Sunday after Mass and in the church office during the week.

The cards can be used when you do your regular shopping or given as gifts. They are as easy to use as a debit card- just swipe and go and St. Joseph gets money!

**Go to Smile.amazon.com** and designate St. Joseph as your charity and shop through Amazon as usual!

**If you shop at Kroger** - register your rewards card online at [www.kroger.com/communityrewards](http://www.kroger.com/communityrewards) and enter St. Joseph #82116 and the number on your card. The church gets money back based on how much you spend.

There is no cost to you for any of these programs! Kroger rewards need to be renewed after a year. You should receive an email with instructions. See Steve Ogilbee for more information about gift cards or call the church office about Amazon.

### HELP THE COMMUNITY

**Community Storehouse** is still in need of Chef Boyardee microwave meals for the children's backpack program.

**The Women's Guild** meets every first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Social Hall. Contact Stephanie Bailey for details: (276) 732-6441.

### EVENTS / HANDOUTS / FUNDRAISER POLICY

If you would like to post or donate, flyers, pamphlets, books, magazines, or other materials, please bring them to the church office.

**DO NOT put items on the bulletin board or tables.** Items need to be approved and posted by office staff.

Activities held on church property must be preapproved by the appropriate committee and Father Carlos. Please come to the church office during the week for an activities form.

### SACRAMENTS / SACRAMENTOS:

**Baptism:** Call parish office to register for preparation classes. Expectant parents are encouraged to attend.

**Bautismo:** Llenar el formulario, después padres y padrinos asistir a dos pláticas de preparación. Ver a Eduardo Guerrero Miércoles y Viernes de 6:30 a 9:00 pm en la oficina de la iglesia.

**Reconciliation:** Tuesday/Wednesday at 1 pm and Wednesday 6:00-7:00 PM or by appointment.

**Confesión:** Martes/Miércoles a la 1 pm y Miércoles de 6:00 a 7:00 pm o llamar a la oficina para hacer una cita.

**Marriage:** Call or email for an appointment at least 6 months prior to wedding.

**Matrimonio:** Llamar y hacer cita por lo menos 6 meses antes de las fecha de la boda, o ver a Eduardo Guerrero.

**Ministry with the Elderly:** Homebound parishioners who would like to receive communion at their home, contact the parish office.

**Ministerio con los ancianos:** Feligreses que no pueden salir y quisieran recibir la comunión en sus casa.

**Religious education and Youth Ministry:** Call Sandra Ruiz at (276) 638-4779 Tuesday -Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm

**Religion Education: Adults (RCIA)** we will resume at Monday, October 19 at 6 ppm in St. Joseph's library. More information call Jim Reaghard at (276)638-1427

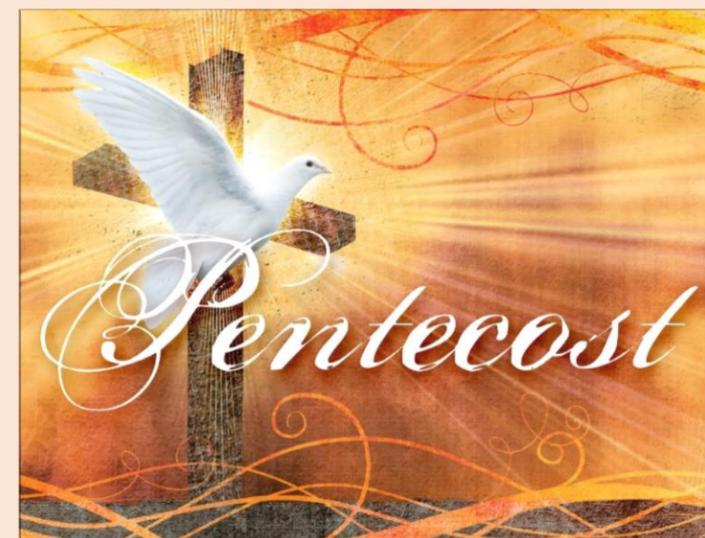


## ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Mission Statement: To foster and deepen faith in the Holy Trinity through the celebration of the Eucharist and the Word of God & to be active disciples of our Savior, Jesus Christ, in our community and throughout the world.

Declaración de la misión parroquial: Queremos fomentar y profundizar la fe en la Santísima Trinidad a través de la celebración de la Eucaristía y la Palabra de Dios y ser discípulos activos de nuestro Salvador, Jesucristo, en nuestra comunidad y en todo el mundo.

MAY 23, 2021 ~ PENTECOST SUNDAY ~



And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. ACTS OF THE APOSLES 2:2

### PARISH OFFICES: (CLUSTER)

**St. Joseph, Martinsville**

Phone/ Telefono: (276) 638-4779 Fax: (276) 638-2218.

**Office Hours / Hora de Oficina:**

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm.

**St. Francis of Assisi, Rocky Mount**

15 Glenwood Dr, Rocky Mount, VA. Phone: (540) 483-9591.

**Parish Pastoral Council Members:**

Suzanne Steele -Chair; Irma Harrison - 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair; Christy Hall -2<sup>nd</sup> vice Chair; Iris Lopez- Secretary, Jorge Lopez, Sebastian Lopez, Jesus Sanchez, Maria Ruiz, Thea Gutierrez, Eduardo Guerrero (staff).

**Finance Council Members:**

Steve Ogilbee - Chair, Ethan Dobbins - Secretary, Ben Bailey, Sandra Ruiz, Cora Harris, Pat Prillaman (staff).

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OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY- FRIDAY 9:00AM - 4:00PM

### ST. Joseph's Mass Schedule

Sunday 10:30 am English

Sunday 1:00 pm Spanish

Tuesday 12:00 Noon

Wednesday 12:00 Noon

### Confessions

Tuesday/Wednesday 12:30pm-1:30pm

Wednesday 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

### Adoration

Tuesday/Wednesday 12:30 pm- 1:30pm

Wednesday 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

*We are lifting the mask requirement to enter church for those who are fully-vaccinated starting on May 28<sup>th</sup>.*

*We ask that people who are not fully-vaccinated continue to wear masks, all those over the age of 5. Thank you.*

**Pastor: Carlos H. Lerma:**

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## SUNDAY MASS READING

Sunday Mass, May 23: Acts 2:1-11, 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34, 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13, Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

### Livestreamed Mass At:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/224435460908088>

### FATHER CARLOS 'CORE PENTECOST

Pentecost commemorates not only the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and Disciples, but also the fruits and effects of that event: the completion of the work of redemption, the fullness of grace for the Church and its children, and the gift of faith for all nations. The Church was made manifest to the world on the day of Pentecost by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The gift of the Spirit ushers in a new era in the "dispensation of the mystery" the age of the Church, during which Christ manifests, makes present, and communicates his work of salvation through the liturgy of his Church, "until he comes." The day of Pentecost were drawing to a close, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a violent wind coming, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them parted tongues as of fire, which settled upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in foreign tongues, even as the Holy Spirit prompted them to speak. Today, we celebrate the birthday of the Church the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and believers. How this feast of Pentecost would prepare and rejoice you to be witness of the Spirit of truth in your life?

As a Church and faithful, the Lord would tell you that the spirit of truth will guide your heart to testify Christ's love to one another? Let's rejoice and renew our hearts with the gifts of the Holy Spirit to go forth and proclaim Jesus' mighty love. As we pray: God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in profession the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### REFLEXION PADRE CARLOS DOMINGO DE PENTECOSTÉS

Pentecostés conmemora no solo el descenso del Espíritu Santo sobre los Apóstoles y Discípulos, sino también los frutos y efectos de ese evento: la finalización de la obra de redención, la plenitud de la gracia para la Iglesia y sus hijos, y el don de la fe, para todas las naciones. La Iglesia se manifestó al mundo el día de Pentecostés por el derramamiento del Espíritu Santo. El don del Espíritu marca el comienzo de una nueva era en la "dispensación del misterio", la era de la Iglesia, durante la cual Cristo manifiesta, hace presente y comunica su obra de salvación a través de la liturgia de su Iglesia, "hasta su venida." El día de Pentecostés estaba llegando a su fin, estaban todos juntos en un solo lugar. Y de repente vino un estruendo del cielo, como de un viento impetuoso que llenó toda la casa donde estaban sentados. Y se les aparecieron lenguas partidas como de fuego, que se posaron sobre cada uno de ellos. Y todos fueron llenos del Espíritu Santo y comenzaron a hablar en lenguas extranjeras, incluso cuando el Espíritu Santo los impulsaba a hablar. Hoy, celebramos el cumpleaños de la Iglesia, el derramamiento del Espíritu Santo sobre los discípulos y creyentes. ¿Cómo esta fiesta de Pentecostés te prepara y te regocija para ser testigo del Espíritu de verdad en tu vida? Como Iglesia y fiel, ¿el Señor te diría que el espíritu de la verdad guiará su corazón para testificar el amor de Cristo los unos a los otros? Regocijémonos y renovemos nuestros corazones con los dones del Espíritu Santo para salir y proclamar el gran amor de Jesús. Mientras oramos: Dios nuestro Padre, que enviando al mundo la Palabra de verdad y el Espíritu de santificación dio a conocer al género humano tu maravilloso misterio, concédenos, oramos, que en la profesión de la verdadera fe, podamos reconocer la Trinidad de gloria eterna y adora tu Unidad, poderosa en majestad. Por Cristo, nuestro Señor. Amén.

## Daily Mass Readings

### Readings for the week of May 23:

**Monday:** Gn 3:9-15, 20, 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7, 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7, Jn 19:25-34.

**Tuesday:** Sir 35:1-12, 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23, Mk 10:28-31

**Wednesday:** Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17, 79:8, 9, 11 and 13, Mk 10:32-45

**Thursday:** Sir 42:15-25, 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, Mk 10:46-52

**Friday:** Sir 44:1, 9-13, 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b, Mk 11:11-26

**Saturday:** Sir 51:12cd-20, 19:8, 9, 10, 11, Mk 11:27-33

Or visit daily readings at [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

## MASS Intentions

**Sunday, May 23: Joseph and Ruth Stillwell+**

**Tuesday, May 25: Kelly Arquiñego+**

**Wednesday, May 26: Jeff Martin+**

+ Indicated the Mass Intention is for the repose of the soul of the person(s) listed.

## Prayer Requests

Carolyn Eanes, Mike Kelly, Ann White, Lewis Drane, Teresa Biggs, Ricky East, Mark Szulecki, Rita M. Brozowski, Theresa McGarry, Jim Reaghard, Margaret Cunningham, Tim Hallandsworth, Lena Martin, Ruth Weaver, Doo Lie Toppled, Lauren Teresa, Jim Tobin and Mike Harris.

*(To add or remove prayer requests, please call the church office. Para quitar o poner una peticion, por favor llamar a la oficina de la iglesia)*

*Unless otherwise requested, names will remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks. If you would like to add a name to the prayer network phone chain, please call Betty Gillispie or Ann Gunter.*

### Sick, homebound, hospitalized? / ¿Enfermo, Confinado en casa u hospitalizado?

If you, or someone you know, would like to receive Communion or anointing of the sick, please call the office. Outside of office hours, please call Barbara Kurtz (276) 647-1906

*Si usted o alguien que usted conoce quisiera recibir los Sacramentos, por favor llamar a la oficina de la Iglesia. Si llama fuera del horario de oficina por favor llama Jesus Sánchez al (276) 806-5065.*

### MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like a Mass offered for a loved one, please call the church office or fill out a Mass intention envelope completely and place it in the offertory basket. **Make checks payable to St. Joseph Catholic Church.** Specific dates may not be available. Please include a contact number to arrange an alternate date if necessary.

Si usted quiere ofrecer una misa a un ser querido por favor lléne el sobre correspondiente para la intención y deposítelo en la canasta de la colecta. Haga el cheque a nombre St. Joseph Catholic Church. Quizas algunas fechas no esten disponibles incluya su número de teléfono para ofrecerle opciones.

### COVID-19 INFORMATION

Disclaimer: Due to COVID-19, Mass is being live streamed for use on various Diocesan digital media accounts of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, including, but not limited to, the websites of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond and The Catholic Virginian, and social media platforms of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond. Photography and/or screenshot images from the livestream may be used for The Catholic Virginian print edition. If you do not wish to be captured by live streaming, please refrain from attending that particular Mass time. For more information visit our website page.

**St Joseph will be covering the lenses of the camera when the people step up to take the communion as a respect to privacy.** Please remember when you come to the church you will be screened and must be wearing a mask all those over the age of 5

More information about guidelines for reopening visit [https://d2y1pz2y630308.cloudfront.net/20349/documents/2020/7/R-eturn-to-Mass-Guidelines-July-10-2020-FINAL\\_page1-1.pdf](https://d2y1pz2y630308.cloudfront.net/20349/documents/2020/7/R-eturn-to-Mass-Guidelines-July-10-2020-FINAL_page1-1.pdf)

#### Other resources from the CDC:

- [A Guide for Community Partners: Increasing COVID-19 Vaccine Uptake Among Members of Racial and Ethnic Minority Communities](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Equity: Best Practices for Community and Faith-Based Organizations](#)

Resources from the CDC's National Forum on COVID-19:

- [Equitable Vaccine Implementation: Reaching People Where They Are](#)
  - [Engaging Community-Based Organizations to be Vaccination Partners](#)
- [Increasing Vaccine Confidence through Communication and Community Engagement](#)

### Collections/ Colectas: 05/16/2021

Budget Amt. / Cantidad de presupuesto \$ 4,129.00  
Collection/ Colecta: 1,988.00  
- \$ 2,141.00

### Grocery Card Income 1<sup>st</sup> quarter:

Food Lion: \$225.00, Kroger: \$ 138.03, Amazon Smile \$ 11.75

Please support your parish using online. All proceeds from the donation page listed below will go directly to the parish of your choice. Please make sure to select the Saint Joseph – Martinsville 572. Thank you for your support. <http://offertory.richmonddiocese.org/>  
**You may also mail your contribution to the parish office. Thank you for your aenerositv. especiallv durina these difficult times.**

The Second collection for May 30, 2021 will be for Emergency Fund La Segunda colecta para el 30 de Mayo del 2021 sera para **El Fondo de Emergencia ne nuestra iglesia.**

The first collection is for payment of St. Joseph's daily expenses which include office supplies, salaries, sacramental materials, etc. **If absent, please make up your contribution.**

La primera colecta se utiliza para para el pago de los gastos diarios de San José. **Si estuvo ausente por favor, haga su donación.**

**Thank you for your generous support of our parish**

**Reminder!** Grocery shopping can earn money for our parish! Register your Kroger card and/or purchase a Food Lion gift card! See the back cover for details.



**The Grace Network,** Has asked for donations of Spaghetti Sauce (24 oz. or can) for the April- June quarter! Thank you for your generosity.

## UPDATED LITURGICAL GUIDELINES FROM THE DIOCESE OF RICHMOND.

In accordance with the most updated CDC and Richmond Diocese guidelines, we are lifting the mask requirement to enter church for those who are fully-vaccinated starting on May 28<sup>th</sup>. We ask that people who are not fully-vaccinated continue to wear masks. Our social distancing protocols will remain in place. We would like to thank our parishioners for cooperating and helping us through these times and thank you to the ushers and those who helped to keep our church safe and thank you Irma for live-streaming our mass throughout this past year. Stay tuned for more changes coming!



The following parishioners have been elected to the Parish Pastoral Council: **Suzanne Steele, Irma Harrison, Christy Hall, Iris Lopez, Jorge Lopez, Sebastian Lopez, Jesus Sanchez, Maria Ruiz, and Thea Gutierrez.**

Thank you for your willingness to serve the people of St. Joseph's!

### CATECHISTS AND ASSISTANTS NEEDED NECESITAMOS CATEQUISTAS Y ASISTENTES DE CATEQUISTAS

If you are looking for a way to make a difference in world and in the Church, volunteer to be a Catechist for our children- The present and future Church. You might just learn something yourself! Contact Sandra Ruiz in the church office or call at 276-638-4779 or email at [office@stjoe24112.comcastbiz.net](mailto:office@stjoe24112.comcastbiz.net). Si estas buscando en hacer la diferencia en el mundo y en tu iglesia, te invitamos a que formes parte de el grupo de voluntarios en la catequesis de esta comunidad, ya que la niñez sera el futuro de nueetra iglesia y queremos que seas parte de el. Gracias.



### Congratulations Graduates

#### From high School:

Noelia Santiago, Azeneth Frias-Alvarez, Zaid Garcia, and Alexia Chacon-Salas

#### From College:

Sandy Ruiz, Daniela Chacon-Salas, Britney M'Crickard, Kingsley Eze, Cristal Hernandez Carrillo, Alex Rodriguez-Ortega and Jaqueline Machuca Tiznado.

**There will be a special recognition and blessing of all graduates on Sunday May 30<sup>th</sup> at both Masses.**