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FROM FR. CHUCK

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CHURCH! We celebrate **Pentecost** as the birth of the Church because it is on this day that the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles and those gathered in began to speak and share the Good News of Jesus Christ and the Kingdom of God. Once again we hear the Gospel of John telling of Jesus breathing on the apostles giving them the very Spirit of God. This could be considered the beginning of the Church as well but it's in the Acts of the Apostles, at Pentecost that we have the first stories of the people, especially the apostles, acting as Church. Let's celebrate and rejoice in this wonderful day that also concludes the Easter Season.

Since the bulletins didn't make it here last week, I'm repeating below part of my letter from last week that relates to upcoming matters.

The absence of the priests while on retreat was a good time to reflect on the gift of the availability of daily Mass and to pray for vocations, especially to the priesthood. Starting this weekend, we hope to have families and individuals ready to commit to praying for vocations each day for a week at a time in the months ahead. They will be sent home with a chalice as a reminder and symbol of service for the prayer. If you have not had the opportunity to sign up for this ministry, please do so today or call the parish office. The chalice and prayers will be exchanged at the 9:30 AM & 6:00 PM Masses each Sunday. Thank you for considering this new ministry. Of course, we don't need a chalice to pray for vocations. All are invited to be a part of this through your individual prayer as well. The kernel of prayer for vocations is that all the faithful be open to hearing what calling God has placed on their hearts and be willing to seek the strength to carry that out in the world.

Soon it will be a year since we began the "**Eucharistic Revival**" in our diocese and throughout the country. It began on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ in 2022 when we began our special time of silent thanksgiving after Communion, leaving the Blessed Sacrament on the altar and praying the Anima Christi (Soul of Christ). I think most have found this a helpful time to refocus on our belief in the real presence of Christ in the bread and wine we receive, and to remember the call of thanksgiving. The very word, *Eucharist*, means thanksgiving. A time of quiet, known as sacred silence, always has been prescribed in the liturgy, though we often have taken little notice. I appreciated us getting used to this important time. It is also a good reminder that we are supposed to have sacred silence after the Word of God is proclaimed.

The Eucharistic Revival begins its second year on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ on June 11. Now that we have refocused on the presence of Christ in the Eucharist, we will no longer leave the Blessed Sacrament on the altar after Communion, for, as we have been saying this past year, the same presence of Christ is in each of us who receive.

We'll continue observing sacred silence after Communion to give thanks and then we'll recite together a prayer adapted from St. Teresa of Avila's famous remembrance that "**Christ has no body on earth but yours.**" The primary goal that Bishop Mueggenborg has for us in the Eucharistic Revival in the Diocese of Reno is that all will realize we receive the true Body and Blood of Christ so that we may be that active presence of the Body of Christ in the world. Saint Teresa's

prayer is perfect to challenge us to do just that. The United States Bishops have asked that we collectively around the country have Eucharistic processions on the solemnity this year. Our bishop has asked that we do this after one of the weekend Masses. In order to help us connect that presence of Christ in the Eucharist to the active presence of Christ in us, I would like us to prepare sandwiches to distribute to the poor on our streets as we walk in procession. In this warm weather, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches would be best so that there is no concern over spoilage. We will also distribute water and some warm - weather hygiene kits as well. More details on this will be forthcoming but I think it would be an excellent way for us to connect service to the Blessed Sacrament.

This weekend we also pray for and remember all those who have lost their lives in battle. Stemming back to the horrific times of the Civil War in our country, on **Memorial Day** we are reminded how delicate are our lives and how precious is the gift of peace in our land. Let us do all we can to encourage dialogue among the peoples of our land to ensure peace, justice and security for all who live here and to strive for the same throughout our broken world.

After the last liturgy on Sunday, the Paschal Candle will be processed to the Baptism Font in the church to remain there until next Easter. It stands tall as a reminder that Christ is the Light of the World and has conquered sin and death. We'll light that candle at every baptism and at every funeral during the year to highlight these truths.

BLESSINGS TO ALL ON THESE FINAL EASTER DAYS AND THROUGH THE 8TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME!



DEL PADRE CHUCK

¡FELIZ CUMPLEAÑOS, IGLESIA! Celebramos Pentecostés como el nacimiento de la Iglesia porque es en este día que el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre los apóstoles y los reunidos comenzaron a hablar en lenguas y a compartir la Buena Nueva de Jesucristo y el Reino de Dios. Una vez más escuchamos el Evangelio de Juan hablando de Jesús soplando sobre los apóstoles dándoles el mismo Espíritu de Dios. Este evento también puede considerarse el comienzo de la Iglesia; en los Hechos de los Apóstoles, en Pentecostés, donde tenemos las primeras historias de los apóstoles, actuando como Iglesia. Celebremos y regocijémonos en este maravilloso día que concluye la temporada de Pascua.

Dado que los boletines no llegaron la semana pasada, repito una parte de mis notas de la semana pasada que se relaciona con los próximos asuntos.

La ausencia de los sacerdotes la semana pasada fue un buen momento para reflexionar sobre el don de la disponibilidad de la Misa diaria y para orar por las vocaciones, especialmente al sacerdocio. A partir de este fin de semana, esperamos tener familias/individuos listos para comprometerse a orar por las vocaciones cada día durante una semana. Serán enviados a casa con un cáliz como símbolo de servicio para la oración. Si no ha tenido la oportunidad de inscribirse en este ministerio, comuníquese a la oficina parroquial. El cáliz se intercambiarán en las Misas de 9:30 AM y 6:00 PM cada domingo. Gracias por considerar este nuevo ministerio. Por supuesto, un cáliz no es necesario para orar por las vocaciones. Todos están invitados a participar a través de su oración personal oración individual. El núcleo de la oración por las vocaciones es que todos los fieles estén abiertos a escuchar lo que Dios

ha puesto en sus corazones y estén dispuestos a buscar la fuerza para llevarla a cabo en el mundo.

Pronto se cumplirá un año desde el comienzo del "**Avivamiento Eucarístico**" en nuestra diócesis y en todo el país. Comenzó en la Solemnidad del Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo en 2022 con un tiempo especial de acción de gracias en silencio después de la Comunión, dejando el Santísimo Sacramento en el altar y rezando el Anima Christi (Alma de Cristo). Creo que la mayoría ha encontrado este tiempo útil para volver a enfocarnos en nuestra creencia en la presencia real de Cristo en el pan y el vino que recibimos, y para recordar el llamado de acción de gracias. La misma palabra, *Eucaristía*, significa acción de gracias. Un tiempo de silencio, conocido como silencio sagrado, siempre ha sido prescrito en la liturgia, aunque a menudo hemos prestado poca atención. Aprecié que nos acostumbráramos a este momento importante. También es un buen recordatorio de que debemos tener un silencio sagrado después de que se proclame la Palabra de Dios.

El Avivamiento Eucarístico comienza su segundo año en la Solemnidad del Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo el 11 de junio. Ahora que nos hemos vuelto a centrar en la presencia de Cristo en la Eucaristía, ya no dejaremos el Santísimo Sacramento en el altar después de la Comunión; como hemos estado repitiendo desde el año pasado, la misma presencia de Cristo está en cada uno de nosotros que recibimos. Continuaremos observando el silencio sagrado después de la Comunión para dar gracias y luego recitaremos juntos una oración adaptada del famoso recuerdo de Santa Teresa de Ávila de que "**Cristo no tiene cuerpo en la tierra sino el tuyo**". El objetivo principal que el Obispo Mueggenborg tiene para nosotros en el Avivamiento Eucarístico en la Diócesis de Reno es que todos se den cuenta de que recibimos el verdadero Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo para que podamos ser esa presencia activa del Cuerpo de Cristo en el mundo. La oración de Santa Teresa es perfecta para desafiarnos a hacer precisamente eso. Los obispos de los Estados Unidos han pedido que colectivamente, en todo el país, tengamos procesiones eucarísticas en la solemnidad de este año. Nuestro obispo nos ha pedido que hagamos esto después de una de las Misas del fin de semana. Para ayudarnos a conectar esa presencia de Cristo en la Eucaristía con la presencia activa de Cristo en nosotros, me gustaría que preparáramos sándwiches para distribuir en nuestras calles mientras caminamos en procesión. En este clima cálido, sándwiches de mantequilla de maní y jalea serían la mejor opción para no arriesgar que se echen a perder. También distribuiremos agua y algunos kits de higiene para climas cálidos. Tendré más detalles sobre esto después, pero creo que sería una excelente manera para que conectemos el servicio con el Santísimo Sacramento.

Este fin de semana también oramos y recordamos a todos aquellos que han perdido la vida en la batalla. Volviendo a los horribles tiempos de la Guerra Civil en nuestro país, el **Día de los Caídos** nos recuerda cuán delicadas son nuestras vidas y cuán precioso es el regalo de la paz en nuestro mundo. Hagamos todo lo posible para alentar el diálogo entre los pueblos de nuestra tierra a fin de garantizar la paz, la justicia y la seguridad para todos los que viven aquí y luchar por lo mismo en todo nuestro mundo roto.

Después de la última liturgia del domingo, el Cirio Pascual será procesionado a la Pila Bautismal en la iglesia para permanecer allí hasta la próxima Pascua. Se mantiene erguido como un recordatorio de que Cristo es la Luz del Mundo y ha conquistado el pecado y la muerte. Encenderemos el cirio en cada bautismo y en cada funeral durante el año para resaltar estas verdades.

¡BENDICIONES EN ESTOS ÚLTIMOS DÍAS DE PASCUA Y DURANTE LA 8^a SEMANA DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO!

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2023

8:00 AM † BJ COSTELLO
4:30 PM † JUAN EUSEBIO

SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2023—PENTECOST

7:30 AM † BEATRICE LANGWITH SPRINGMEYER
9:30 AM GEORGE MALONE JR. & FAMILY
11:30 AM † MERCEDES CRUZ-BARAJAS
4:00 PM PEOPLE OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHEDRAL
6:00 PM † FRANK MORENO

MONDAY, MAY 29—BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

9:00 AM † BJ COSTELLO

TUESDAY, MAY 30—WEEKDAY

7:00 AM HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY,
ESPECIALLY THE MOST FORGOTTEN
12:10 PM † JOSEFA EUSEBIO

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31—VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

7:00 AM † MARGARET BROWN STUKO
6:30 PM QUELDDY MARGARITA AGUIRRE

THURSDAY, JUNE 1—SAINT JUSTIN

7:00 AM † MARIE PARKER-ANDERSEN
12:10 PM FOR THE HEALTH OF SKYLER AWISUS

FRIDAY, JUNE 2—SAINTS MARCELLINUS AND PETER

7:00 AM MARÍA DEL ROCÍO DODSON ESTEVEZ—BDAY

SATURDAY, JUNE 3—

8:00 AM † DENISE MCKEE
4:30 PM † ANTHONY D'ANDREA



Monday, May 29

Only Mass will be celebrated at 9:00AM

Parish Office Closed

Introduction to the Mass #1 Liturgy

**“We don’t make the Mass,
the Mass makes us”**

When we speak of the Mass, we are speaking about God’s action. The word we use to describe our worship is “Liturgy,” which comes from two Greek words, and would roughly translate as “a work for the people.” At its core, we do not celebrate the Mass for God—God celebrates the Mass for us. We don’t make the Mass, the Mass makes us—that is, the Mass makes us the Mystical Body of Christ.

How does God prepare you for the Mass?

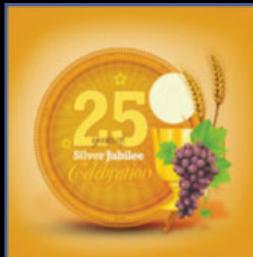
Where do you see God working in your life right now?



THIS WEEKEND

The Women of St. Thomas Aquinas are selling baked goods this Saturday after the 4:30 PM Mass and Sunday after all Morning Masses.

Coffee will be served on Sunday.



Fr. Thomas Czeck OFM Conv will be celebrating his 25th Anniversary of Priesthood on June 25. We were blessed to have him as our Rector from 2005-2010.

Please be sure to keep him in your prayers.

El Padre Tom Czeck OFM Conv celebrará su aniversario de plata como sacerdote el 25 de junio. Tuvimos la bendición de tenerlo como nuestro Rector de 2005 a 2010.

Por favor, manténgalo en sus oraciones.

**Fr. Thomas Czeck OFM Conv.
800 Bello Street
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8, 16-20/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24-34/1 Cor 12:3-13/Jn 20:19-23

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-7/Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-14, 23/Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18 or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-6/Lk 1:39-56

Thursday: Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-9/Mk 10:46-52

Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 96:10-13/Mk 11:11-26

Saturday: Sir 51:12-20/Ps 19:8-11/Mk 11:27-33



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9:30AM Sunday Mass is live streamed via YouTube: DIOCESE OF RENO CHANNEL

SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil-Saturday: 4:30PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30AM, 4:00PM
& 6:00PM—Misa en español

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday: 12:10PM
Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00AM & 12:10 PM
Wednesday & Friday: 7:00 AM
Miércoles: 6:30PM – Misa en español
Saturday: 8:00AM
HOLIDAYS: 9:00 AM

ADORATION

Thursday: 1:00—5:30 PM concludes with benediction

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Thursday 5:30—6:30 PM
Saturday 3:00-4:00 PM

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May 14	\$9,869	\$3,713	Catholic Home Missions
May 21	\$6,072	3,875	Food for the Poor
May 28	\$	—	NO 2nd Collection
June 4	\$	\$	Loan Payment
June 11	\$	\$	Catholic Communication Campaign
June 18	\$	—	NO 2nd Collection
June 25	\$	—	NO 2nd Collection

Gospel Reflections with Bishop Mueggenborg. New Video every week
www.youtube.com/@DioceseofReno/videos

CSA Goal \$124,183

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ONLINE GIVING MAY 22-26: \$3,237

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US Servicemen & Women, Tillie Pugliesi, Deanne Bradshaw, Jaime Mariscal, Nick Rossi Sr., Bernardo Rongcal, Tim Bauer, Dominador Batac, Amparo Quezada, Jerry Tellers, Patty King, Andrea Torres, Skyler Awisus, Doug Todd, Margarita Marshall, Joseph Gezelin, James Czeck, John Zepeda, Patty Tellez, Rose Fazio, Susan Moser, Jack Hallsted, Joyce Flynn, Charlie & Linda Gill, Heidi Gibson, Kristen Monibi, Ed & Maria Slaughter, Sayra Gutierrez, Donald Walls Sr., Jovita Mendoza, Hector, Bertha, Daniel, Linda & Luz Ibarra, Kriss & Zenaida Janoski,
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