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PENTECOST SUNDAY / DOMINGO DE PENTECOSTÉS

MASSES / MISAS

Monday-Saturday:	8:15am
Saturday:	5:30pm
Sábado:	7:00pm
Sunday:	7:15, 8:45, 10:30am 5:30pm
Domingo:	12:15pm

CONFESSION / CONFESIÓN
Saturday / Sábado: 4:00 - 5:00pm *(or by appointment / O hacer una cita.)*

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Wednesday / Miércoles 6:30pm

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).
Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).
Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13).
Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14, 16; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Mk 12:28-34
Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17; Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168; 1-6; Mk 12:35-37
Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17,22 Mk 12:38-44
Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52-55; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

There appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them.

— *Acts 2:3*

THE WEEK AHEAD/*LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA*

Sunday/*Domingo*, May 31
No Events

Monday/*Lunes*, June 1
6:00-7:00pm Kitchen Community Supper

Tuesday/*Martes*, June 2
No Events

Wednesday/*Miércoles*, June 3
No Events

Thursday/*Jueves*, June 4
No Events

Friday/*Viernes*, June 5
No Events

Saturday/*Sabado*, June 6
No Events

THE RICHNESS OF THE SPIRIT

Students, and most adults recalling their school days, are familiar with the phrase "compare and contrast" that shows up from time to time on tests. Today we hear two different accounts of the giving of the Holy Spirit to the church. Let's contrast, then compare. Luke's account from Acts is filled with arresting details: the mighty wind from heaven, the tongues of flame, the miracle of different languages. John's account seems timid: fearful disciples, the wounded Christ, the expelling of breath from his risen body, not from the sky. Our literal, modern minds wonder which way it happened; our noisy culture probably makes us prefer the former. But if we compare the two, we find that the dazzling richness of the Spirit fills both accounts, for it is the very breath of the risen Christ, ascended to the sky in Luke, that appears to his disciples in John and sends his followers forth to carry on his mission of forgiving sin and proclaiming the mighty acts of God.

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8:15am Mass Intentions

Monday, June 1	† Jose Luis Garcia † Joanne Pera
Tuesday, June 2	† Libby Zalar † Jack LoMonaco
Wednesday, June 3	Randi Garibaldi † Josefa Robledo
Thursday, June 4	Loran & Tram Allen † Joanne Pera
Friday, June 5	† John Sorci, Sr.
Saturday, June 6	† Leo Holland † Anacleto Caballero

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE

by Deacon Rick Haeckel

In these times of difficulty and uncertainty we can rely on Mother Church. Our liturgical year leads us on our journey of faith with the blessing of hearing the Good News proclaimed as we expect it, year after year. We have limited our travel, seeing the same picture if you will week after week. It's for a good cause for sure, our health and the health of others is paramount. But the sameness of our confines produces an itch we can't seem to scratch. It's a reminder of our desire for variety … and what produces more variety than our first reading from the Acts of the Apostles. It's almost too much, people from all over with differing customs and even languages were gifted with the presence of the Spirit who wishes all to be one. Pentecost concludes the Easter season, formally, but the descent of the Spirit isn't just a one time event. As we allow the Spirit to lead us into the certainty that we can be as Jesus asked *"that they may all be one."* Our faith is most clearly expressed when we look outward, to the "other" whomever that may be. It may only be a glance, or a moment spent in the company of someone we don't know, or a reflection asking for an understanding of what "may all be one" means in concrete terms. One of the unexpected outcomes of this pandemic is the recognition of those who have given their lives, some even literally, to the service of those needing medical care. That collective respect that the world is paying to the medical community is an invitation. It reminds us that those we don't personally know offer us their service in treatment of illness. In that vein, we should consider ourselves all to be spiritual medics, opening to those who are before us, no matter their ethnicity, religion or whatever else, seeing them as having received the gift of the Spirit… whether they know it or not. We minister to them by honoring their humanity, their uniqueness, and yes even their differences. We have this opportunity wherever we are, and, as with all of God's graces, we too are enlarged. However imperfectly, we become at a moment in time, the presence of grace in action. So, as we "open up" our country, remember the yearning we felt in being confined. Remember the feelings of isolation and loneliness. Offer them as gift, by sharing our welcome to the stranger, or even in thoughtful prayer asking that the world become more like the amazed crowd at the first Pentecost. In wonder beyond understanding at the presence of God with us … and with others, all others. As we free ourselves from our isolation let us remember the gift that freedom asks … to share that wonder, the journey we are on with all peoples we contact each day. Truly, the Spirit is with us, in us, to be shared freely with all.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

The little rain we have received has worked wonders with Mother Nature's plants. We are "watered" too, where will we bloom next? Be a flower, be joyful.

FROM THE DESK OF FR. FRANCIS KALAW, PAROCHIA VICAR….

Fr. Donald Senior, a priest that I know from my time in the seminary in Chicago, offered this thought provoking reflection: *Will the pandemic we are enduring bring us closer together as human beings or drive us apart?*

Many thoughtful observers have begun to ask that question. Some wear masks; others consider it a sign of weakness. Some keep social distancing, others ignore it. Some are wary about opening up businesses; others suffer from unemployment and isolation.

These, of course, are not abstract or easily answered questions for any of us. It is interesting to consider such questions in the light of the great feast we celebrate today, the Pentecost.

Father Raymond Brown, the great Catholic biblical scholar, said that whenever he preached in a parish on Pentecost, he would begin by declaring that this is the most important feast of the liturgical year. However, he knew nobody in the congregation believed him. Pentecost cannot compete with Christmas, they thought.

However, Pentecost is a unique and unparalleled feast. It is the moment when the church was born with the power of the Spirit sent by Jesus, transforming the stunned and fearful disciples into courageous preachers of the Gospel to the Jerusalem crowds. From that moment on the church of Jesus would take flight and reach out to the world, eventually, bringing the Christian message to "the ends of the earth."

Each of the readings for this feast celebrate the spirit of the Gospel. It was never meant to be a small story for a few people. We see that in the way the Acts of the Apostles describes the event of Pentecost.

Pentecost was a Jewish feast celebrating 50 days after Passover. Crowds of Jewish pilgrims from all over the Mediterranean world came to Jerusalem to worship in its temple and to join with family and friends. Yet, given the diversity of this crowd, the Spirit enabled the apostles to speak in a way they all understood. "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language?" Different languages, different cultures and different races are transcended by the Spirit of God that embraces them all.

This wide and inclusive embrace of God's Spirit is also signaled in the other readings for Pentecost. In the second reading, taken from First Corinthians, Paul commends that dynamic community for their many gifts and talents but pleads that this not lead to competition and factions. "There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord."

Paul introduces a powerful metaphor for the church that he will develop later in this letter: "For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free persons, and we were all given to drink of the one Spirit." We are members of the one Body of Christ and therefore must care for each other, especially the most vulnerable.

The Gospel for today is John's beautiful account of the risen Christ appearing to his disciples who are huddled behind locked doors out of fear and confusion. The risen Jesus enters, shows them his wounds and greets them with the greatest of gifts: "Peace be with you." Reflecting the fundamental message of Pentecost, Jesus "breathes on them" and says, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

As in the account in Acts of Apostles, the power of the Spirit sends these disciples out into the world in the same way that the Father had sent Jesus. As with Jesus, their message will be one of forgiveness and healing.

Special to the Pentecost liturgy is the beautiful medieval poem "Veni Sancte Spiritus," "Come, Holy Spirit." It implores the Spirit to heal and animate us. As our country and our world experience the deep stress and tensions of this pandemic, the Christian Spirit gives us the capacity to be healers and reconcilers across our divisions. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we ask the Lord: "Heal our wounds and our strength renew!"

DOMINGO DE PENTECOSTÉS

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Quedaron llenos del Espíritu Santo y se pusieron a hablar idiomas distintos (Hechos 2:1-11).

Salmo — Envía, Señor, tu Espíritu, y renueva la tierra (Salmo 104 [103]).

Segunda lectura — Hay diferentes dones, pero el Espíritu es el mismo (1 Corintios 12:3b-7, 12-13).

Evangelio — Así como el Padre me envió a mí, así yo los envío a ustedes (Juan 20:19-23).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Gn 3:9-15, 20 o Hch 1:12-14; Sal 87 (86):1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

Martes: 2 Pe 3:12-15a, 17-18; Sal 90 (89):2-4, 10, 14, 16; Mc 12:13-17

Miércoles: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Sal 123 (122):1b-2;Mc 12:18-27

Jueves: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Sal 25 (24):4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Mc 12:28-34

Viernes: 2 Tm 3:10-17; Sal 119 (118):157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168; 1-6; Mc 12:35-37

Sábado: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Sal 71 (70):8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17,22; Mc 12:38-44

Domingo: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52-55; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

¡BIENVENIDO!

Nuestra más cordial bienvenida a todos los que están celebrando con nosotros, ya sean residentes de largo plazo o recién llegados a la parroquia. Damos gracias a Dios por ustedes. Si aún no estás registrado, por favor, llene este formulario y colóquelo en la canasta de la colecta o mandarlo por correo a la oficina de la parroquia.

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DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DEL P. FRANCIS KALAW, VICARIO PARROQUIAL….

El Padre Donald Senior, un sacerdote que conozco por mi tiempo en el seminario en Chicago, ofreció esta reflexión que nos invita a reflexionar: ¿La pandemia que estamos soportando nos acercará como seres humanos o nos separará?

Muchos observadores reflexivos han comenzado a hacer esa pregunta. Algunos usan máscaras; otros lo consideran un signo de debilidad. Algunos mantienen el distanciamiento social, otros lo ignoran. Algunos desconfían abrir negocios; otros sufren desempleo y aislamiento.

Estas, por supuesto, no son preguntas abstractas o fáciles de responder para ninguno de nosotros. Es interesante considerar tales preguntas a la luz de la gran fiesta que celebramos hoy, el Pentecostés.

El Padre Raymond Brown, el gran erudito bíblico católico, dijo que cada vez que predicaba en una parroquia en Pentecostés, comenzaría declarando que esta es la fiesta más importante del año litúrgico. Sin embargo, él sabía que nadie en la congregación le creía. Pentecostés no puede competir con la Navidad, pensaron.

Sin embargo, Pentecostés es una fiesta única e inigualable. Es el momento en que la iglesia nació con el poder del Espíritu enviado por Jesús, transformando a los atónitos y temerosos discípulos en valientes predicadores del Evangelio a las multitudes de Jerusalén. A partir de ese momento, la iglesia de Jesús tomaría vuelo y llegaría al mundo, eventualmente, llevando el mensaje cristiano a "los confines de la tierra".

Cada una de las lecturas de esta fiesta celebra el espíritu del Evangelio. Nunca tuvo la intención de ser una pequeña historia para algunas personas. Vemos que en la forma en que los Hechos de los Apóstoles describen el evento de Pentecostés.

Pentecostés fue una fiesta judía que se celebró 50 días después de la Pascua. Multitudes de peregrinos judíos de todo el mundo mediterráneo vinieron a Jerusalén para adorar en su templo además de unirse a familiares y amigos. Sin embargo, dada la diversidad de esta multitud, el Espíritu permite a los apóstoles hablar de una manera que todos entiendan. “¿No son todas estas personas que hablan galileos? Entonces, ¿cómo cada uno de nosotros los escucha en su lengua materna? Diferentes idiomas, diferentes culturas y diferentes razas son trascendidas por el Espíritu de Dios que los abraza a todos.

Este abrazo amplio e inclusivo del Espíritu de Dios también se señala en las otras lecturas para este Pentecostés. En la segunda lectura tomada de Primeros Corintios, Paul elogia a esa comunidad dinámica por sus muchos dones y talentos, pero alega que esto no conduce a la competencia y las facciones. “Hay diferentes tipos de dones espirituales pero el mismo Espíritu; hay diferentes formas de servicio pero el mismo Señor ".

Pablo presenta una poderosa metáfora para la iglesia que desarrollará más adelante en esta carta: “Porque en un Espíritu todos fuimos bautizados en un solo cuerpo, ya sean judíos o griegos, esclavos o personas libres, y a todos se nos dio a beber del mismo Espíritu." Somos miembros del único Cuerpo de Cristo y, por lo tanto, debemos cuidarnos los unos a los otros, especialmente a los más vulnerables.

El Evangelio de hoy es el hermoso relato de Juan sobre el Cristo resucitado que aparece ante sus discípulos que están acurrucados detrás de puertas cerradas por miedo y confusión. Jesús resucitado entra, les muestra sus heridas y los saluda con el mayor de los regalos: "La paz sea con ustedes". Como reflejo del mensaje fundamental de Pentecostés, Jesús "respira sobre ellos" y dice: "Recibe el Espíritu Santo".

Como en el relato de Hechos de los Apóstoles, el poder del Espíritu enviará a estos discípulos al mundo de la misma manera que el Padre había enviado a Jesús. Al igual que con Jesús, su mensaje será de perdón y curación.

Especial para la liturgia de Pentecostés es el hermoso poema medieval "Veni Sancte Spiritus", "Ven, Espíritu Santo". Implica al Espíritu que nos sane y nos anime. A medida que nuestro país y nuestro mundo experimentan el profundo estrés y las tensiones de esta pandemia, el Espíritu Cristiano nos da la capacidad de ser sanadores y reconciliadores en nuestras divisiones. A través del don del Espíritu Santo, le pedimos al Señor: “¡Cura nuestras heridas y renueva nuestras fuerzas!

OFICINA PARROQUIAL CERRADA

La oficina Parroquial estará cerrada hasta Nuevo aviso. Si tiene una alguna pregunta durante este tiempo en cual la oficina esta cerrado favor de enviarnos un correo electrónico a—

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LA RIQUEZA DEL ESPÍRITU

Los estudiantes y la mayoría de los adultos que recuerdan sus días de escuela, están familiarizados con la frase "compara y contrasta" que de tanto en tanto aparece en las pruebas. Hoy escuchamos dos relatos diferentes sobre la venida del Espíritu. Contrastemos y luego comparemos. El relato de Lucas en Hechos está lleno de detalles impresionantes: el viento poderoso, llamas de fuego como lenguas, el milagro de las diferentes lenguas. El relato de Juan parece tímido: discípulos temerosos, el Cristo llagado, el soplo de aliento viene de su cuerpo resucitado y no del cielo. Mientras nuestras mentes modernas y literales se preguntan de qué manera sucedió; nuestra ruidosa cultura probablemente nos hará preferir el primer relato. Pero si comparamos los dos, la deslumbrante riqueza del Espíritu llena ambos relatos, ya que es el mismo aliento del Cristo resucitado, ascendido a los cielos en Lucas, el que se aparece a sus discípulos en Juan y envía a sus seguidores a llevar a cabo su misión de perdonar los pecados y proclamar los portentos de Dios.

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

Adulto: ¿Qué trabajo importante te pide Jesús en este momento de tu vida?

Niño: ¿Cómo querría Jesús que trataras a tus amigos y familiares esta semana?

FORMACIÓN DE FAMILIAS EN LA FE

¡Estamos de fiesta! Hoy celebramos el día de Pentecostés y recibimos el don del Espíritu Santo. A pesar de nuestra realidad de estos dos últimos meses, ¡es día de alegría! No estamos solos, Jesús nos deja lo mejor de él para que nos acompañe, nos guíe y nos llene de sus dones. Abramos los brazos y el corazón para recibirlo con gozo y ser fortalecidos en nuestra fe. Demos gracias a Dios Padre y Dios Hijo por tan bendecido regalo.

"Ven Espíritu Santo, llena los corazones de tus fieles. Y enciende en ellos el fuego de tu amor. Envía Señor tu Espíritu y todas las cosas serán creadas. Y renovarás la faz de la tierra."

SAN CARLOS LWANGA Y COMPAÑEROS

También son conocidos como los mártires de Uganda, África Central, que había recibido a los "padres blancos" (misioneros), pero que después, por órdenes del rey Mwanga fueron expulsados. Al darse cuenta de que algunos de sus cortesanos "eran gente que rezaba", los llamó a todos y les pidió que se hicieran a un lado "los que rezan" es decir, quienes eran cristianos. Les preguntó "si rezaban" y respondieron: "Sí, señor mío, hasta la muerte", la noche anterior habían pasado en oración y Carlos Lwanga, catequista, estaba con ellos. Pero eso estaba prohibido pues era un desafío a la religión del rey, por tal motivo ordenó que los llevaran a Namugongo en donde algunos de ellos fueron decapitados y otros atados y echados al fuego. Este grupo de mártires estaba compuesto por niños y jóvenes. El testimonio heroico de su sufrimiento dio un fuerte impulso al cristianismo, de tal suerte que cuando los misioneros regresaron, ya había casi mil catecúmenos esperándolos para ser bautizados. Fueron martirizados en 1886 y canonizados en 1964 por el Papa Pablo VI.

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DOMINGO DE PENTECOSTÉS

VIVIR A DIOS DESDE DENTRO

Hace unos años, el gran teólogo alemán, Karl Rahner, se atrevía a afirmar que el principal y más urgente problema de la Iglesia de nuestro tiempo es su "mediocridad espiritual". Estas eran sus palabras: el verdadero problema de la Iglesia es "seguir caminando con resignación y aburrimiento cada vez mayores caminos comunes de una mediocridad espiritual."

El problema no ha hecho más que agravarse en estas últimas décadas. De poco han servido los intentos de reforzar las instituciones, salvaguardar la liturgia o vigilar la ortodoxia. En el corazón de muchos cristianos se está apagando la experiencia interior de Dios.

La sociedad moderna ha apostado por "el exterior". Todo nos invita a vivir desde fuera. Todo nos presiona para movernos con prisa, casi sin detenerse en nada ni en nadie. La paz no encuentra rendijas para penetrar hasta nuestro corazón. Vivimos casi siempre en la corteza de la vida. Se nos está olvidando lo que es saborear la vida desde dentro. Por ser humana, a nuestra vida le falta una dimensión esencial: la interioridad.

Es triste observar que tampoco en las comunidades cristianas sabemos cuidar y promover la vida interior. Muchos no saben lo que es el silencio del corazón, no se enseña a vivir la fe desde dentro. Privados de la experiencia interior, sobrevivimos olvidando nuestra alma: escuchando palabras con los oidos y pronunciando oraciones con los labios, mientras nuestro corazón está ausente.

En la Iglesia se habla mucho de Dios, pero, ¿dónde y cuándo escuchamos los creyentes la presencia callada de Dios en lo más profundo del corazón? ¿Dónde y cuándo acogemos al Espíritu del Resucitado en nuestro interior? ¿Cuándo vivimos en comunión con el Misterio de Dios desde dentro?

Acoger el Espíritu de Dios quiere decir dejar de hablar sólo con un Dios al que casi siempre colocamos lejos y fuera de nosotros, y aprender a escucharlo en el silencio del corazón. Dejar de pensar a Dios con la cabeza, y aprender a percibirlo en lo más íntimo de nuestro ser.

Esta experiencia interior de Dios, real y concreta, transforma nuestra fe. Uno se sorprende de cómo ha podido vivir sin descubrirlo antes. Ahora sabe por qué es posible creer incluso en una cultura secularizada. Ahora conoce una alegría interior nueva y diferente. Me parece muy difícil de mantener por mucho tiempo la fe en Dios en medio de la agitación y la frivolidad de la vida moderna, sin conocer, aunque sea de manera humilde y sencilla, alguna experiencia interior del Misterio de Dios.

José Antonio Pagola

ORACION POR LAS VOCACIONES

Padre celestial, Tú Divino Hijo nos enseñó a orar al Señor de la mies que envíe trabajadores a su viña.
Te rogamos encarecidamente que bendigas nuestra parroquia, nuestra escuela, y nuestra Diócesis con muchos más sacerdotes, religiosos, y religiosas que te conozcan íntimamente, te amen fervientemente, y te sirvan con alegría por medio de la inspiración del Espíritu Santo.
Oramos, para que continuamente llames a nuestros jóvenes a un encuentro vivo con tú Hijo Jesucristo, por medio de la Palabra y la Eucaristía, para que sean dignos ministros de tú Santa Iglesia Católica.
Fortalécelos con el apoyo de sus padres, maestros, y amigos en el mundo y todos los ángeles y santos en el cielo.
Que la siempre bendita Virgen María, Madre de la Iglesia, interceda por nosotros para que podamos escuchar la Palabra y actuar de acuerdo a ella.
Te lo pedimos por Cristo nuestro Señor. Amén.

¡San José, Patrono de nuestra Diócesis, ruega por nosotros!

CONFESIONES DURANTE LA CUARENTENA

El Sacramento de la Reconciliación continua en nuestra parroquia el dia y horario de siempre, Sábados de 4 a 5 de la tarde. Los sacerdotes estan escuchando confesiones en el área de en frente del templo, les pedimos mantener la distancia de 2 metros del distanciamiento social.

Equipping Families to Pass On the Faith

HAPPY BIRTHDAY CHURCH!

This Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, when we hear in Acts that the Spirit comes to the disciples like a mighty wind and with tongues of flame. The feast unites us as one Christian family and reminds us that we are filled with the courage, confidence and strength of the Holy Spirit.

In these extraordinary times, the birthday of the church is another milestone: the opportunity to look ahead to the upcoming year and envision and re-imagine what our church will look like as parishes across the nation reopen their doors to public worship and ministry.

How can the parish community best serve you and your family? What fears, doubts or questions are lingering in your heart? What needs do you see that need to be addressed? What gifts and talents are you called to share? Please send your thoughts to me at rpucanmeagor@dsj.org.

May we be open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit as we step into this new year, transformed in our hearts by the quiet revelations that have been given to us during these challenging months.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.
And kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.
And you will renew the face of the earth.

ST. CATHERINE'S YOUTH MINISTRY

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CONFIRMATION

Dear St. Catherine Confirmation Candidates,
Because we asked to not meet at this time, there is an Adjusted Online Curriculum. Every Monday a list of activities and assignments is posted online. It is your choice in which to participate. Each assignment has seven days to be completed; it is due the Sunday after the assignment is posted. If there are any difficulties completing any or all the options, please contact me to find a solution that works with your schedule. To find the Adjusted Online Curriculum for Confirmation please go to stca.org/adjusted-online-curriculum.

Queridos candidatos a la confirmación de Santa Catalina,
Debido a que se nos recomendó no reunirnos en este momento, se llevará a cabo un plan de estudios en línea ajustado en el que todos los lunes se publicará en línea una lista de actividades y tareas. Será su decisión decidir en qué participar. Cada tarea tendrá 7 días para completarse y se debe entregar el domingo posterior a la publicación de la tarea. Si hay dificultades para poder completar alguna o ninguna de las opciones, comuníquese conmigo para encontrar una solución que funcione con su horario. Para encontrar el plan de estudios en línea ajustado para la confirmación, visite stca.org/adjusted-online-curriculum.

FOLLOW ST. CATHERINE'S YOUTH MINISTRY ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

@STCATYM

TikTok

If you have any questions regarding Youth and Young Adult Ministry, or if you'd like to join the Youth Ministry Leadership Team please feel free to email me at **diego.estrada@dsj.org**
Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre el Ministerio de Jóvenes y Jóvenes Adultos, o si desea unirse al Equipo de Liderazgo del Ministerio de Jóvenes, no dude en enviarme un correo electrónico a **diego.estrada@dsj.org**

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Dear Parishioners,

As you know, the Parish, Youth Ministry and Family Faith Formation offices have been closed since Tuesday, March 17th and remain closed until further notice.

If you have questions, we are here to serve you remotely. Please email us—

Maria Dominguez, Office Manager
Maria.dominguez@dsj.org

Office@stca.org

Jessica Perez, Business Manager
Jessica.perez@dsj.org

ONLINE DONATIONS

Many of you have asked me about financial support and how you can get your offertory envelopes to us. Although you could mail them to our office, we ask that you consider giving online. We need your financial support now more than ever. The online donation system we use is safe, secure and convenient. You can use credit cards, debit cards or direct transfer from your bank account. Please visit our website (www.stca.org) to donate now.

We Thank you for your continued support of your parish especially in these difficult times.

NEIGHBORS IN NEED CONTINUED….

Reach Out

Is our community's food pantry. Located behind the Parish Center and staffed by volunteers from throughout our town, Reach Out provides once-a-month bags of groceries, bread, dessert, fresh fruits and vegetables, and more. We've moved to a "drive thru" format to be able to continue to serve our neighbors. Numbers have doubled or more, with almost half of the guests who come each day being "new" visitors to a food pantry, and all grateful. Donations of nonperishables (especially protein-based items like chili, stew, soups, beans, etc.) may be dropped off at the Reach Out building M-F 12:30-2:30pm. The food bank has just not been able to provide us with their usual deliveries, and the need is great. Whatever you can offer will be most welcome.

NEIGHBORS IN NEED

St. Vincent de Paul

Has a Help Line (408-778-2928) answered every day by parish volunteers. Local people in need contact us for help with rent, utilities, food, gas, etc. This ministry is for everyone in the community, including YOU! Feel free to call if you need anything. In this COVID season we are experiencing a higher number of requests, especially for help with rent, as so many are furloughed, but financial assistance is available. Payments for housing are postponed, yes, but they'll be due at some point and it has made folks understandably, nervous about how they'll take care of that without the expected paychecks. If you'd like to help with a donation or as a volunteer, it would be appreciated. Thank you to all those who have been so generous at this time of hardship. It is heartwarming.

Safe Car Park

Hosts up to eight homeless households, living in their cars, at a site in town that offers showers, laundry, food, and most importantly, a dedicated case manager to help families clear up debt, improve job skills, and secure affordable housing. They can stay as long as they are working diligently on their case management plan. This health crisis has been a real setback for the families in the program; the list is increasing for open spots. Donations are welcome for ongoing needs. You can find a periodic updates for items requested by the families in the bulletin. ***Current needs: Laundry detergent pods, Small, dorm size refrigerator, Electric frying pan, Cartons of non-perishable milk, Baby wipes***

Drop off items on the patio at the SCP located on the MH Bible Church property, 15055 Monterey Rd.

Monday Night Community Supper

Serves 40-65 hot to-go meals during this time of "shelter in place" instead of our usual sit-down dinner. Martha's Kitchen, who supplies our meals, is low on some items. If you'd like to help by providing dinner rolls, any kind of salad ingredients, or individual beverage containers (sparkling water, juice, chocolate milk are favorites!), you can drop them off at the back door of the Parish Center Kitchen on Mondays between 5-7pm. Volunteers to prepare meals in the kitchen may contact Joe 408-857-4516.

STEPHEN MINISTRY IS HERE TO HELP!

During this time of Shelter in Place Stephen Ministers continue to provide one to one care by telephone. If you need emotional/spiritual support or just someone to listen, we are here for you during this difficult time. You are not alone! Please reach out to one of us.
Claranne: 408-782-1413,
Kenny: 408-722-7600
For Spanish speakers, Santa: 408-772-8880

God is great all the time, all the time, God is great!

SAINT CHARLES LWANGA AND HIS COMPANIONS (martyred 1886-87)
June 3

"Master of Pages," reputedly the handsomest man in all Uganda, Charles Lwanga, lay catechist, courageously led about forty teenaged boys, Catholics and Anglicans, on a forty-mile forced march to martyrdom for their common Christian faith. Teaching each other the hymns of their different churches, they strengthened one another for the ordeal ahead. King Mwanga, himself barely twenty, had ordered them executed for being "those who pray." But these royal pages were the king's male harem, who, now Christians, refused what pious accounts demurely describe as his "unreasonable demands." Some were clubbed to death, most burned alive; the youngest, thirteen-year old Saint Kizito, whom Charles had often shielded from the King's lust; the most tragic, Saint Mbaga, whose father was his executioner! In 1964, Paul VI canonized the young Catholics and praised their Anglican companions, recalling the heroism of early Christianity's African martyrs, which we modern Christians of far less faith never expected to see repeated. Forty years after the pope's words, what does our faith cost us? Heroism aside, how generous is our response?

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Adult: What important work does Jesus ask of you at this time in your life?

Child: How would Jesus want you to treat your friends and family this week?

GREAT PLATES SENIOR FOOD PROGRAM

The "Great Plates Delivered" program connects older adults across California to meal delivery services. Santa Clara County that seniors and other adults at high risk from COVID-19 can access. It's available at mysourcewise.com or by calling 408-350-3230 (option 1).

MONDAY NIGHT COMMUNITY SUPPER

Serves 40-65 hot to-go meals during this time of "shelter in place" instead of our usual sit-down dinner. If you'd like to help, our dinner guests really appreciate when we have the occasional donation of toothpaste, shampoo, lotion, hand sanitizer, etc. You can drop them off at the back door of the Parish Center Kitchen on Mondays, 5-7pm. Volunteers to prep meals in the kitchen may contact Joe 408-781-3847.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know the parish sends out a weekly email Blast on Fridays? Would you like to sign up to be on that weekly email list? If so, please your request to Office@stca.org and don't miss what is happening in your parish!

Welcome! Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you. If you are not registered, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

Name:_____

Address:_____

City:_____ Zip: _____

Phone:_____

Email: _____

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If you need assistance with stock transfer or Employee Match programs
Please contact the business office via email jessica.perez@dsj.org

Current Capital Campaign progress:

Capital Campaign Pledges 745

Collected:$3,169,805.42

Pledged: $6,475,053.49

Thank you for your generosity!

St. Catherine Church and Shutterfly unite !

Father's Day is around the corner!

If you are thinking of purchasing a photo book, mug, Mothers Day card or any personalized item, use the St Catherine store front. From the convenience of your home obtain your personalized item and help the church earn 8% of your purchase subtotal.
Right now, Photo books are 50% off for Mother's day!!

Use this site to help the church earn a little extra money!!

stca.ShutterflyStorefront.com

St. Catherine School News

St. Catherine School holds a May Crowning each year. Due to Covid-19, we held a virtual event. Officiated by Fr. Francisco, 8th grade brothers, helped with the crowning. The event was streamed on our Youtube channel for school and parish families to enjoy.

If you need to contact the school, please email the person directly or call the school office. Phone calls are being forwarded to a remote location.

APPLICATIONS FOR 2020-2021

Applications for the 2020-2021 school year are available on the school website under the Admissions tab. We currently have space in grades 1 and 5 only and wait lists for other classes. For more information, contact Fabienne Esparza at fesparza@stcatherinemh.org .

The California Schools in the Diocese of San Jose, mindful of their mission to the love of Christ for all, admit students of any race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the schools. The Catholic Schools in the Diocese of San Jose do not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and/or ethnic origin, age, sex or disability in administration of educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic

After our May Crowning, school families were encouraged to place flowers at Mary's statue and say a prayer. Families dropped by, keeping their distance, to reinforce special devotions to Mary. Keeping students connected to their faith while Sheltering in Place is a priority.