



OUR LADY  
OF LOURDES  
PARISH TUJUNGA 1920-2020

Family ~ Community ~ Church

May 28, 2023

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7:00 am (English)  
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12:30 pm (English)

**Daily Mass**  
Monday through Thursday  
7:45 am  
Friday: 8:30 am

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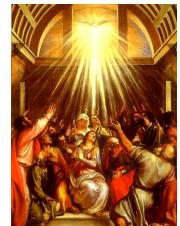
**Reconciliation**  
Saturdays: 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm

**Rosary**  
After Daily Mass

**Baptism and Marriages**  
Please call the Parish Office  
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# Our Lady of Lourdes Church and School

A Catholic Tradition in the foothills of Los Angeles since 1920



## Pentecost Sunday

**First Reading:** Acts 2:1-11

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 104

- Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12:3-7.12-13

**Gospel:** John 20:19-23

We have arrived at the conclusion of the Easter Season. It's Pentecost Sunday. It's the third event in the mystery of the resurrection. When Jesus rose from the dead, he ascended into heaven and the Holy Spirit was given to the Church. With this feast, we celebrate the birthday of the Church because on that first Pentecost Sunday, the infant Church was launched on its course and took on its missionary role.

During that first Pentecost Day, the Jews were then celebrating the commemoration of the arrival of the people of Israel at Mt. Sinai, where, Moses met God and received the ten commandments for his people. It was on that day that the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles. Peter took the lead to speak on behalf of the apostles and it is said that about 3,000 were converted on that day. Hence, that first Pentecost is celebrated as the birthday of the Church.

Scripture tells us that while the apostles were at prayer with Mary in the upper room, suddenly, there was a roaring wind and the Holy Spirit descended on them in the form of tongues of fire and gave the timid and frightened men the courage to rush into the street and fearlessly preach the word of God to friend and foe alike.

Pentecost is a special day at Easter time for the Universal Church. If for the Jews that day commemorated the arrival of the people of Israel at Mount Sinai when Moses went up the mountain, met God and received the law or ten commandments for his people, by saying that the apostles received the Spirit on Pentecost Day, the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles is teaching us that, for Christians, the Spirit has substituted the old law with a new law, the law of the heart, the life of God in us that is capable of spontaneously producing the works of God. Hence, the first reading is telling us that what we are and what we do as Christians should be guided by the law of the Spirit

which is the law of the heart, the law of love.

Today, we recall the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples who started to act as Church, as a community of believers in the Lord Jesus. It is our celebration as a Church in the parish of Our Lady of Lourdes as it is for all parish Churches. This parish is one faith community that journeyed as a parish for decades marked by the richness of its diverse cultures and traditions, of different races and ethnic backgrounds and from different parts of the globe celebrating together one faith, one baptism, one God and these elements make this day special for us.

In this faith community marked by diversity in cultural composition and language, we are called to worship, we are called today to celebrate the Eucharist, a celebration of life with Christ in the Holy Spirit. What happened as a historical event almost 2,000 years ago is now an experience of the awesome and overpowering presence of God, of being Church and acting as Church in our times and through the future. Our Church is an experience of being brothers and sisters and children of the same Father in faith, speaking different languages with one accent and that one accent is LOVE. For the miracle of Pentecost is not so much to speak the languages of others without accent but to be able to hear our own language through the accent of others. And because of this, we have always heard our Church leaders telling us not to be so much concerned whether this country is made up of citizens, immigrants or the undocumented because before God and to be Church and to function as Church where the Holy Spirit is present, all of us are immigrants going the same way to the true citizenship somewhere in heaven and that there be no more slaves and free men, no black, brown, red, white and yellow because we are now God's children recognizing each other and are willing to listen to the language of love. ♦

## Cast into the Deep (May 28)

### Mary, Mother of the Church

Nelle Orsburn

*"We fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection... Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies..."* These are a couple of lines from the prayer that Pope Francis gave us to pray after the Rosary in the time of the pandemic. I love saying that... Mother of God and our Mother.



On Monday, the day after Pentecost, we celebrate the Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church. It is a newish feast as it has only been 6 years since Pope Francis promulgated it as a feast to honor Mary in the Liturgical calendar. It is not, by any means, a new title for Mary. As early as the 4th century, there has been reference to her as the Mother of the Church. More recently, Saint Paul VI as well as Saint John Paul II have called Mary, Mother of the Church. At the foot of the Cross, Jesus looked at His mother and at John, the disciple whom he loved and said, "Woman, behold your Son" and to John, "behold your mother." It was then that Mary became the Mother of all the living.

It makes sense that the feast of the Mother of the Church comes a day after Pentecost.

She was with the Apostles in the Upper room at the original Pentecost which is considered the birthday of the Church. And we can just imagine that she mothered the disciples who were waiting for the promised Advocate especially since Jesus had entrusted them all to her maternal love.

So in what way is Mary our Mother, the Mother of the People of God, the Church? The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* in Paragraphs 963 – 975 enlightens us on the Motherhood of Mary with regard to the Church. "Mary's role in the Church is inseparable from her union with Christ and flows directly from it." Furthermore, in her Assumption, when she "fully participates in her Son's Resurrection," we anticipate our own resurrection. Finally, she is our Mother by the order of grace. By the grace of God, she uttered her "Yes" and cooperated in the "...Savior's work of restoring supernatural life to souls."

Reflecting on these truths leads to a consideration of the qualities of a mother.

Like a mother, Mary intercedes for us. Maybe some of us have experienced asking Mom to help us make our case with Dad, perhaps when we wanted to borrow his car in our youth. We make the same request of our Mother, Mary, "*Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God the Father of Mercies.*" It is not unusual that we begin or end our prayers saying, "through Christ our Lord and through the intercession of Mary."

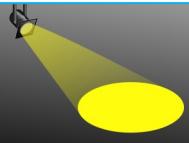
Another quality that is typical of mothers is as someone who nurtures her child, cares for him and helps him grow. Mother Mary nurtures us by urging us closer to her son, Jesus Christ and reminding us of the Father's love for us. In her many apparitions Mary always had a message to impart. Our Lady of Lourdes, as well as Our Lady of Guadalupe, brought the message that God is love and He loves us as we are. Our Lady of Fatima urged us to pray, do penance and make reparation. Always, Mary leads us to Jesus. Even the rosary which she asked us to pray daily, is a meditation on the Gospel life of Jesus.



A mother also serves as a model for her children to emulate. Mary, from her immediate and joyful "yes" at the annunciation shows us how to say our own yes to God's will. Mary is our model of Faith and Love. As Jesus has commanded us to love God and to love one another, we can look to Mary at the Wedding at Cana who took the initiative to love the wedding couple and asked Jesus to take care of the wine problem. On Sunday, June 4, we will celebrate Trinity Sunday and we are reminded to live in Trinitarian relationships, i.e., to love unconditionally like the Father and to welcome love and love back like the Son. The fruit of this reciprocal love is the spirit of joy, of peace and of light. I sometimes imagine Mary in Ephesus with John to whom Jesus entrusted his mother. Did John come home from a day of preaching and talk to Mary about his day? Mary would have listened with complete attention, empty of all thought except what John was saying. The light of the Spirit born out of their reciprocal love may even have reminded him of a detail that he needed to include in his first or second letter.

As we close the month of May, this month of Mary, let us honor Mary, Mother of God and our Mother. "This very special devotion . . . differs essentially from the adoration which is given to the incarnate Word and equally to the Father and the Holy Spirit, and greatly fosters this adoration." (CCC 971) Let us seek her protection and her intercession. Let us heed her message to draw ever closer to her Son, Jesus Christ and to believe in God's love.❖

Reprint: Cast into the Deep, May 30, 2021



## Lalo Garcia's *The Empty Tomb*

Our Lady of Lourdes parish has had the honor of hosting Lalo Garcia's painting *The Empty Tomb* since our Easter Vigil Mass and throughout the Easter season. We heartily thank the Fresquez family who loaned us this moving piece of art.

It was painted by Lalo Garcia, a local artist (Mission Hills) who specializes in sacred art. Lalo was born on a small rancho in Michoacan, Mexico and was raised, along with several other siblings by a single mother, whose husband was in the U.S. on the Bracero program and was allowed a vacation every other year. It was his mother who instilled in him his faith and love of all that is sacred. Their home was festooned with sacred art and Mama prayed her Rosary every afternoon until she could no longer hold the beads. The family moved to the U.S. when Lalo was thirteen. The family had been apart for 15 years, before their move to the San Fernando Valley.



With no formal art training or education, Lalo started as a sign painter in the early 70's. He joined a group who painted murals for casinos in Las Vegas, where "the money was good, but no passion." Lalo moved back to the valley, still painting, but started a Folklorico dance company out of Santa Rosa Church in San Fernando. Teaching and performing the traditional Mexican dances to adults and children was exhilarating to Lalo. He even toured with Linda Ronstadt on her "Canciones de mi Padre" and "Mas Canciones" tours.

In 1986 he took his troupe of dancers, this time in Aztec costume, for a special event at Dodger Stadium. A representative from Martinez and Murphy, Inc., a huge supplier of liturgical furnishings, including vestments, church furniture, statuary, and the like, inquired as to who designed the Aztec costumes. Lalo had and they asked if he would join their firm. He did and his first assignment was to design a mitre. Lalo didn't know what a mitre was, so they put him in a library with a book on mitres and he learned. He designed mitres for Pope John Paul II and for 350 Bishops in the U.S. Since then, he has designed and supervised the fabrication of all the items that Martinez and Murphy sold.

In 1991, Lalo set out on his own. Working out of his studio in his home in Mission Hills, he has created work for Our Lady of the Angels Cathedral downtown, including the magnificent rendering of Our Lady of Guadalupe, furniture and art for St Bernardine in Woodland Hills, Sta. Rosa in San Fernando, Providence / Holy Cross Medical Center among quite a few more.



*THE EMPTY TOMB* is from a collection of five pieces he calls The Passion of Our Lord. Lalo Garcia's works invite the viewers to use their imagination as to the subjects' feelings and allows them to draw their own conclusions. When asked if he has a 'style' he says no. He is proud to meld his Mexican culture and his faith in his art. To view more of Lalo's work, go to <https://www.lalogarcia.com/>

This is my body... this is my blood.

(Spanish version on page 8)

~ Jim Lank



# Parish News

## Is the Pandemic Over? (In case you missed it)

The World Health Organization (WHO) on Friday, May 5th, announced that **COVID-19** is now an established and ongoing health issue which **no longer constitutes a public health emergency of international concern (PHEIC)**. In their deliberations, they noted the decreasing trend in COVID-19 deaths, the decline in COVID-19 related hospitalizations and intensive care unit admissions, and the high levels of population immunity to SARS-CoV-2. Meanwhile, the CDC reported that **May 11, 2023, marks the end of the federal COVID-19 PHE declaration**.

Both the WHO and CDC are quick to point out that **we need to remain vigilant** against the virus and that we should not forget the community-level strategies we have developed for prevention.

### Here at OLL,

- \* we continue to respect each one's choice to mask or not to mask.
- \* We encourage our parish family to fill the pews at our Sunday Masses. All are welcome.
- \* We will continue to live stream the 5:00 pm and the 8:30 am (Spanish) Masses for the sick and homebound (or for anyone wanting to hear the homily again)  
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100066995050587>
- \* We will continue to have confessions in the music room from 3:45 to 4:45 pm on Saturdays until further notice.

**Thank you to our OLL Parish Family.** Together we survived the pandemic, pivoting as needed with outdoor masses, drive-through communion, learning to live stream, the new visual media ministry, your generosity and faithfulness with your love offerings, celebrating one hundred years a year later.



## TOGETHER IN MISSION

	a/o 5/16/23	Last Year
Goal:	\$44,396.00	\$41,607.00
Pledged:	\$28,337.00	\$49,948.00
Paid:	\$20,293.86	\$48,272.75
Over/Under Goal:	(\$26,102.14)	\$ 6,665.25

If you haven't submitted your pledge, it is not too late. Pledge envelopes are in the bulletin racks. Thank you for your generosity.



### Caring and Sharing Bereavement Support

Our 6-week sessions concluded with a Healing Prayer Service and Reflection led by Fr. Rolly in our Chapel. Pictures of the deceased were placed on the altar. The theme of the evening was "We and our loved ones are most precious in the Eyes of the Lord." A touching moment cherished by all.

## In the News:



Tomorrow, Monday May 29th , is Memorial Day. The Parish Office will be closed for the Holiday.

**ADOPT-A-FAMILY: FINAL CALL.** The Religious Education year is almost over and some of our parents are in need of some financial help. There are envelopes in all the pews that say "Adopt a Family" on them. Please help by giving toward their children's tuition. Any amount will be most appreciated.

We are concluding our 2023 Adopt-a-Family campaign at the end of May. We thank everyone who has donated to the effort. It truly takes a village...

### One More...

Yaretzi Bamondi, who couldn't join the rest of her class, received the Eucharist for the first time at the vigil Mass last Saturday.



**Parish Stewardship:** The Parish Finance Council met on May 15 and reported on the Financials for the month ending April 30, 2023. Here is a recap.

	Apr 2023	Mar 2023
Collections:*	\$42,339	\$31,768
Restricted Income:**	\$ 859	\$ 3,982
Expenses:	<\$43,625>	<\$45,798>
Net Operating Income	<\$ 427>	<\$10,048>



\*Includes Sunday Collections, Parish Hall Rental Income

\*\* Includes Collections designated for the school, the ministries and Parish Hall Rental deposits and restricted bequests.

## Lions Roar: OLL School News

### Lions Summer Program 2023:

Now open for enrollment. Runs from June 26 to July 28. Please see flyer on page 9 for more information.



### Mass sponsored by the First Graders.

Last Sunday at the 10:30 Mass, our little ones gamely stepped up to the mic with a little help from their parents and teachers.

### Celebrating our Saint for the Week

**June 1: Saint Justin, martyr (ca. 100 – ca. 165):** St Justin lived in the early 2nd century, born to a Greek-speaking family living in Samaria. He was raised in the religion of his family. He was a seeker of truth and followed various philosophical thoughts to find it—Stoics, Pythagorean, Plato among others. But he soon grew frustrated and disenchanted. Serendipitously, he met an old man by chance who told him to seek the truth and God not in philosophy but by listening to the prophets. Attracted by the moral life that the Christians lived, he converted to Christianity when he was about 30 year old and became a vigorous defender writing prolifically in Christianity's defense.

*"Let it be understood that those who are not found living as He taught are not Christian- even though they profess with the lips the teaching of Christ."*

Eventually, Justin was seized along with other Christians. They were scourged and beheaded because they refused to sacrifice to idols.

### Priest Ordination

Eight transitional deacons from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles will be ordained into the priesthood on Saturday, June 3, at 9:00 AM. It



will be held at the at Cathedral of our Lady of the Angels. Tickets are required to attend however, the event will be live streamed at [lacatholics.org/ordination](http://lacatholics.org/ordination).

Please pray for them as they prepare for their ordination.

### Papal Prayer Intention for :

#### May: For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.



#### June: For the abolition of torture

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

### Keep talking about online activity



One way to keep children from creating an isolated online virtual world is to keep the conversation going in real time, in person. Ask your children what they do online: who do they talk to? What are they reading and researching? Have they watched any interesting videos?

Making the online space part of your regular everyday conversations can help children bridge the gap between virtual engagement and reality. For more internet safety tips, read the VIRTUS® article "Five Keys to Monitoring Kids Online Activity" at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

Read the VIRTUS® article "Five Keys to Monitoring Kids Online Activity" here.

### Mass Intentions May 27 to June 2, 2023



#### Saturday May 27

Clarence Emily Tice †  
Tito Suarez Jr. †  
Philip Marcelino Hernandez †  
David Arthur Tice Sr. †--Birthday Remembrance  
Mac & Ning Camanzo--40th Wedding Anniversary Blessing

#### Sunday May 28

Bienvenido Venus †  
MITCHELL Titus †

Hugo Betancourt †  
Esperanza Avila †

Jacinta Macias † & Magdalena Gomez †  
Ruben Ramirez † -- Birthday Remembrance  
Luis Juvencio Gallegos †  
Christopher Girolo -- Thanksgiving - Ordination to Transitional Deacon  
Mauricio Rodriguez -- Thanksgiving - Ordination to Transitional Deacon

#### 10:30 AM

Carolina Apeda †  
Joselina Demetillo--Birthday Blessing & Thanksgiving  
Evangeline Pelaez--Personal Intentions

#### 12:30 PM

Conrado De Los Reyes †  
Anibal Gaminio--Thanksgiving for Job

#### Monday May 29 (Holiday) 7:45 AM

Florencio Ulit †  
Lydia Ulit †  
Arante † & Bebing Tumanday †  
Sasha Alegado--Birthday Blessing

#### Wednesday May 31 7:45 AM

Roland Guerrero †

#### Friday June 2 (First Friday) 8:30 AM

Amal Chidiac †

**"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit."**

1 Cor 12:7

### Readings for May 29 to June 4, 2023

5/29	Gn 3:9-15, 20 / Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7 / Jn 19:25-34
5/30	Sir 35:1-12 / Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 / Mk 10:28-31
5/31	Zep 3:14-18a / Ps Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 / Lk 1:39-56
6/ 1	Sir 42:15-25 / Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 / Mk 10:46-52
6/ 2	Sir 44:1, 9-13 / Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b / Mk 11:11-26
6/ 3	Sir 51:12 cd-20 / Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 / Mk 11:27-33
6/ 4	Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9 / Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 / 2 Cor 13:11-13 / Jn 3:16-18

***From scripture to life...***

**Are you able to listen to others in the language of love?**

# en Nuestra Parroquia

## ¿Se acabó la pandemia?

La Organización Mundial de la Salud (OMS) anunció el viernes 5 de mayo que **COVID-19 es ahora un problema de salud establecido y en curso que ya no constituye una emergencia de salud pública de interés internacional (PHEIC)**. En sus deliberaciones, notaron la tendencia decreciente en las muertes por COVID-19, la disminución en las hospitalizaciones relacionadas con COVID-19 y las admisiones a la unidad de cuidados intensivos, y los altos niveles de inmunidad de la población al SARS-CoV-2. Mientras tanto, los CDC informaron que el 11 de mayo de 2023 marca el final de la declaración federal de PHE por COVID-19.

Tanto la OMS como los CDC se apresuran a señalar que **debemos permanecer alerta** contra el virus y que no debemos olvidar las estrategias a nivel comunitario que hemos desarrollado para la prevención.

### Aquí en OLL,

- \* Seguimos respetando la elección de cada uno de enmascarar o no enmascarar.
- \* Animamos a nuestra familia parroquial a llenar las bancas para nuestras misas dominicales.
- \* Continuaremos transmitiendo en vivo las Misas de las 5:00 p. m. y las 8:30 a. m. (español) para los enfermos y los confinados (o para cualquiera que quiera escuchar la homilía nuevamente)
- \* <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100066995050587>
- \* Seguiremos teniendo confesiones en el salón de música de 3:45 a 4:45 pm los sábados hasta nuevo aviso.

**Gracias a nuestra Familia Parroquial OLL.** Juntos sobrevivimos a la pandemia, girando según fue necesario con misas al aire libre, comunión en el auto, aprendiendo a transmitir en vivo, el nuevo ministerio de medios visuales, su generosidad y fidelidad con sus ofrendas de amor, celebrando cien años un año después.

## Sigue hablando de la actividad en línea



Una forma de evitar que los niños crean un mundo virtual en línea aislado es manteniendo la conversación con ellos en tiempo real, en persona. Pregunte a sus hijos sobre lo que hacen en línea: ¿con quién hablan? ¿Qué están leyendo e investigando? ¿Si han visto

algún video interesante? Hacer que el espacio en línea sea parte de sus conversaciones cotidianas regulares puede ayudar a sus hijos a cerrar la brecha entre su mundo virtual y su realidad. Para obtener más consejos de seguridad en Internet, lea el artículo de VIRTUS® en inglés, "Five Keys to Monitoring Kids Online Activity" (Cinco claves para monitorear la actividad en línea de los niños) en [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

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**"En cada uno se manifiesta el Espíritu para el bien común."**

1 Cor 12,7



Mañana, lunes 29 de mayo, es el Día de los Caídos. La Oficina Parroquial estará cerrada por el Día Festivo.

**ADOPT-A-FAMILY: LLAMADA FINAL.** El año de Educación Religiosa casi ha terminado y algunos de nuestros padres necesitan ayuda financiera. Hay sobres en todas las bancas que dicen "Adopte una familia". Por favor, ayude donando para la matrícula de sus hijos. Cualquier cantidad será muy apreciada. Estamos concluyendo nuestra campaña Adopt-a-Family 2023 a fines de mayo. Agradecemos a todos los que han donado al esfuerzo. Realmente se necesita un pueblo...

### Santo del Día:

**1 de junio: San Justino, martir (AD 100 - 165):** San Justino fue un buscador de la verdad y después de una búsqueda inútil en varias filosofías decidió escuchar a los profetas y se convirtió al cristianismo. Se convirtió en un ávido defensor de la fe cristiana que lo llevó al martirio.

*"Que se entienda que los que no se encuentran viviendo como él enseñó, no son cristianos, aunque profesan con los labios la enseñanza de Cristo".*

### Intención de oración papal para:

#### Mayo: Para movimientos y grupos de la iglesia

Oramos para que los movimientos y grupos de la Iglesia redescubran cada día su misión evangelizadora, poniendo sus propios carismas al servicio de las necesidades del mundo.

#### Junio: Por la abolición de la tortura

Oramos para que la comunidad internacional se comprometa de manera concreta a asegurar la abolición de la tortura y garantizar el apoyo a las víctimas y sus familias.



### Ordenación Sacerdotal

Ocho diáconos de transición de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles serán ordenados sacerdotes el sábado 3 de junio a las 9:00 a. m. Se llevará a cabo en la Catedral de Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles. Se requieren boletos para asistir, sin embargo, el evento se transmitirá en vivo en [lacatholics.org/ordination](http://lacatholics.org/ordination).

Por favor, oren por ellos mientras se preparan para su ordenación.

### De las escrituras a la vida ...

**¿Eres capaz de escuchar a los demás en el lenguaje del amor?**

**Domingo De Pentecostés****Primera Lectura: Hechos de los Apóstoles 2, 1-11****Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 104****- Envía tu espíritu, Señor, y renueva la faz de la tierra.****Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 12, 3-7. 12-13****Evangelio: San Juan 20, 19-23**

Hoy concluimos el Tiempo Pascual. Es domingo de Pentecostés. Es el tercer evento en el misterio de la resurrección. Cuando Jesús resucitó de entre los muertos, ascendió al cielo y el Espíritu Santo fue dado a la Iglesia. Con esta fiesta celebramos el nacimiento de la Iglesia porque en aquel primer domingo de Pentecostés, la Iglesia naciente se puso en marcha y asumió su papel misionero.

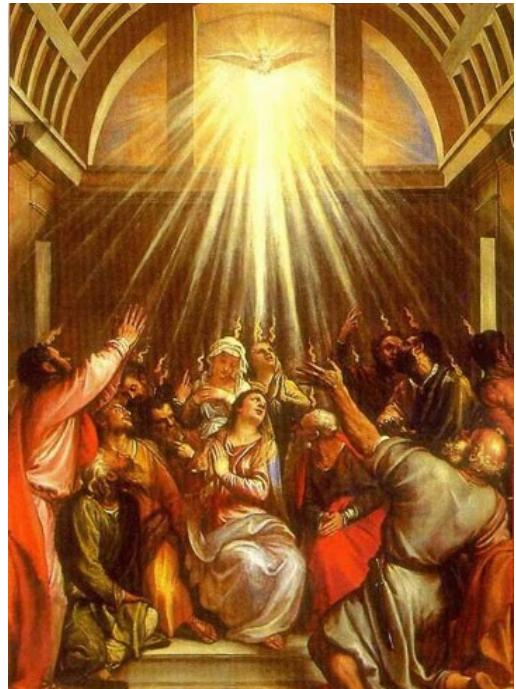
Durante ese primer día de Pentecostés, los judíos estaban celebrando en conmemoración de la llegada del pueblo de Israel al Monte Sinaí, donde Moisés se encontró con Dios y recibió los diez mandamientos para su pueblo. Y fue en ese mismo día que el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre los apóstoles. Pedro asume su papel de líder para hablar en nombre de los apóstoles y se dice que unos 3,000 se convirtieron ese día. De ahí que ese primer Pentecostés se celebra como el nacimiento de la Iglesia.

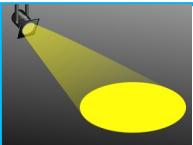
La Escritura nos dice que mientras los apóstoles estaban orando con María en el aposento alto, de repente, hubo un fuerte viento y el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre ellos en forma de lenguas de fuego y dio a los hombres temerosos y asustados el valor de precipitarse a la calle y predicar sin miedo la palabra de Dios a amigos y enemigos por igual.

Pentecostés es un día especial en el tiempo de Pascua para la Iglesia Universal. Si para los judíos ese día conmemoraba la llegada del pueblo de Israel al monte Sinaí cuando Moisés subió al monte, se encontró con Dios y recibió la ley o diez mandamientos para su pueblo, al decir que los apóstoles recibieron el Espíritu el día de Pentecostés, la primera lectura de los Hechos de los Apóstoles nos enseña que, para los cristianos, el Espíritu ha sustituido la ley antigua por una ley nueva, la ley del corazón, la vida de Dios en nosotros que es capaz de producir espontáneamente las obras de Dios. Por eso, la primera lectura nos está diciendo que lo que somos y lo que hacemos como cristianos debe estar guiado por la ley del Espíritu que es la ley del corazón, la ley del amor.

Hoy recordamos la efusión del Espíritu Santo sobre los discípulos que comenzaban a actuar como Iglesia, como comunidad de creyentes en el Señor Jesús. Es nuestra celebración como Iglesia en la parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes como lo es para todas las Iglesias parroquiales. Esta parroquia es una comunidad de fe con un trayecto de varias décadas donde destaca la riqueza de sus diversas culturas y tradiciones, de diferentes razas y orígenes étnicos y de diferentes partes del mundo celebrando juntos una fe, un bautismo, un Dios y estos elementos hacen que este día sea especial para nosotros.

En esta comunidad de fe marcada por la diversidad en la composición cultural y el lenguaje, estamos llamados a adorar, estamos llamados hoy a celebrar la Eucaristía, una celebración de la vida con Cristo en el Espíritu Santo. Lo que sucedió como un evento histórico hace casi 2,000 años es ahora una experiencia de la presencia impresionante e intensa de Dios, de ser Iglesia y actuar como Iglesia en nuestro tiempo y en el futuro. Nuestra Iglesia es una experiencia de ser hermanos y hermanas e hijos del mismo Padre en la fe, hablando diferentes idiomas con un solo acento y ese solo acento es el AMOR. Porque el milagro de Pentecostés no se trata de hablar el lenguaje de los demás sin acento, sino poder escuchar nuestra propia lengua a través del acento de los demás. Y por eso, siempre hemos escuchado a nuestros líderes de la Iglesia decírnos que no nos preocupemos tanto si este país está formado por ciudadanos, inmigrantes o indocumentados porque ante Dios y para ser Iglesia y funcionar como Iglesia donde está el Espíritu Santo presente, todos nosotros somos inmigrantes que van por el mismo camino hacia la verdadera ciudadanía en algún lugar del cielo. No hay más esclavos y hombres libres, no hay negros, morenos, rojos, blancos y amarillos porque ahora somos hijos de Dios reconociéndonos y dispuestos a escuchar el lenguaje del amor.





Lalo Garcia's

## LA TUMBA VACÍA



**L**a parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes ha tenido el honor de albergar la pintura La Tumba Vacía de Lalo García desde nuestra Misa de Vigilia Pascual y durante todo el tiempo de Pascua. Agradecemos de corazón a la familia Fresquez que nos prestó esta conmovedora obra de arte.

Fue pintada por Lalo García, un artista local (Mission Hills) que se especializa en arte sacro. Lalo nació en un pequeño rancho en Michoacán, México y fue criado por su mamá junto con varios hermanos, ella los educó sola pues su esposo estaba en los EE. UU. en el programa Bracero y se le permitían vacaciones cada dos años. Fue su madre quien le inculcó la fe y el amor por todo lo sagrado. Su casa estaba adornada con arte sacro y su mamá rezaba el rosario todas las tardes hasta que ya no podía sostener las cuentas. La familia se mudó a los Estados Unidos cuando Lalo tenía trece años. La familia había estado separada durante 15 años, antes de mudarse al Valle de San Fernando.

Sin formación o educación artística formal, Lalo comenzó como pintor de letreros a principios de los años 70. Se unió a un grupo que pintaba murales para casinos en Las Vegas, donde "el dinero era bueno, pero no la pasión". Lalo regresó al valle, todavía pintando, pero comenzó una compañía de danza folclórica en la iglesia de Santa Rosa en San Fernando. Enseñar y realizar los bailes tradicionales mexicanos para adultos y niños fue estimulante para Lalo. Incluso estuvo de gira con Linda Ronstadt en sus giras "Canciones de mi Padre" y "Mas Canciones".

En 1986 llevó a su grupo de bailarines, esta vez con trajes aztecas, a un evento especial en el Estadio de los Dodgers. Un representante de Martinez and Murphy, Inc. un gran proveedor de muebles litúrgicos, incluidas vestimentas, muebles de iglesia, estatuas y similares, preguntó quién diseñó los trajes aztecas. Lalo lo había hecho y le preguntaron si se uniría a su firma. Lo hizo y su primera tarea fue diseñar una mitra. Lalo no sabía lo que era una mitra, entonces lo llevaron a una biblioteca donde había libros de mitras y aprendió a diseñarlas. Diseñó mitras para el Papa Juan Pablo II y para 350 obispos en los EE. UU. Desde entonces, ha diseñado y supervisado la fabricación de todos los artículos que Martínez y Murphy vendieron.

En 1991, Lalo se independizó. Trabajando en su estudio en su casa en Mission Hills, ha creado obras para la Catedral de Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles en el centro, incluida la magnífica representación de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, muebles y arte para St Bernardine en Woodland Hills, Sta. Rosa en San Fernando, Providence/Holy Cross Medical Center entre bastantes más. LA TUMBA VACÍA es de una colección de cinco piezas que él llama La Pasión de Nuestro Señor. Las obras de Lalo García invitan al espectador a usar su imaginación en cuanto a los sentimientos de los sujetos y les permite sacar sus propias conclusiones. Cuando se le pregunta si tiene un 'estilo', dice que no. Está orgulloso de fusionar su cultura mexicana y su fe en su arte. Para ver más del trabajo de Lalo, vaya a <https://www.lalogarcia.com/>

~ Jim Lank



Lalo Garcia's *Empty Tomb* as displayed at OLL's altar area during the Easter Season. Note the halo in this print is golden while the original painting and subsequent prints are not.

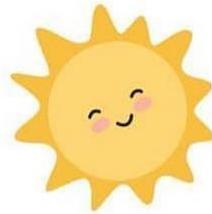
Tumba vacía de Lalo García exhibida en el área del altar de OLL durante la temporada de Pascua. Tenga en cuenta que el halo en esta impresión es dorado, mientras que la pintura original y las impresiones posteriores no lo son.



Una representación de la imagen de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe adorna su Santuario en la Catedral de Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles (L.A.) Lalo García es uno de los pocos artistas seleccionados encargados de crear obras de arte para la Catedral.



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