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Dear Parishioners.

Apostles and Disciples were gathered together with fear and great anxiety. We see this today happening to us. We are all overwhelmed by this pandemic. When the Holy Spirit came on the Apostles, they were filled with courage and Came out of isolation. They began to glorify God and proclaim the good news. What transformed them was the presence of divine Love.

We all know God is love and Christ through his Spirit present with us. “And, of course, what comes with the presence of love, is not only disappearance of anxiety and coming of security, but also a great sense of peace. The presence of love, Christ among them, brought them peace.” (The Word Become Flesh – Charles Curan).

The same author asserts that “this is very relevant of our lives. We are all anxious about anxiety, we are all afraid of being afraid. This mood of times.” We can cast all fears and anxiety with the warmth of love. If we accept this challenge, we can turn things upside down and change culture of fear with hope.

Come Holy Spirit and fill the hearts of your faithful. Amen.

Prayers and blessings,

Fr. John Alex Pinto OCD

Pastor

The following Articles were taken from [International Catholic Stewardship Council May ebuletin](#)

The Holy Spirit Gives Us Strength

This year, the Church celebrates the great feast of Pentecost on May 31.

As recounted in the second chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, Pentecost occurred when the followers of Jesus were, filled with fear, clustered together in a room and were suddenly surprised by the dynamic presence of the Holy Spirit in their midst. Strong wind and flame seemed to sweep the room, and the Apostles were so filled with the gifts of the Spirit that they emerged with new confidence, energy and a newly discovered strength. They experienced a new life in the Holy Spirit.

In our secular culture, Pentecost goes largely unobserved. “Pentecost” cards don’t pop up on store shelves weeks in advance, and there’s no merchandising that remotely compares to Easter and Christmas.

Yet make no mistake. To Christians, Pentecost is a great celebration, sometimes called the birthday of the Church. The word Pentecost has its roots in the Greek word for “fifty;” Pentecost comes fifty days after the Resurrection on the seventh Sunday after Easter.

Why was Pentecost such a watershed event in the life of the Church? As Christian stewards, we know we are called to live a life using the “fruits of the Spirit.” This calling has its roots in the momentous events of Pentecost. Up until that time, the followers of Jesus were still a somewhat disorganized band of believers, still in shock over the events of the crucifixion, still confused about the meaning of the sightings of the Risen Lord.

Pentecost abruptly and forever changed that. Suddenly, missionary disciples were born, followers both called and sent forth. Like us, they were called together, in community. They became aware that their great mission was to reach, not just their Jewish brothers and sisters in Palestine, but the disparate crowds who visited Jerusalem and beyond. Like us, they were called to bring Jesus to the world.

The Holy Spirit brought courage to replace fear, understanding to replace confusion, faith to replace doubt. The same Holy Spirit moves in our own lives, perhaps not always with the drama of that first Pentecost, but with the same spiritual energy. The Spirit calls us within our Church community to share Jesus with others, just as the disciples were called.

Our task is to embrace the strength and energy of the life of the Holy Spirit moving through us. Let’s celebrate Pentecost this year as heirs to this great moment in the life of our Church, as stewards inspired to be people of hope for others in this world desperate for God’s presence.

Pentecost Sunday Weekend of May 30/31, 2020

Mass during the Day This weekend we celebrate the feast of Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Spirit among the fearful believers of the early Church. Saint Paul reminds us of the special power the Holy Spirit has bestowed upon us to give us confidence and how that power gives us the

Mass Intentions



Day			Intention
Saturday	May 30	4pm	Sp. Int. of Naresh
		6pm	Thanksgiving by Arlene Albano & Anita Berdida
Sunday	May 31	9am	+Fe Paredes Rosales+
		11am	+Carolyn Reid+
		12:30pm	Sp. Int. of the Parishioners
Monday	Jun 01	8am	+Jason Du Perron+
Tuesday	Jun 02	8am	+Alf Westaway+
Wednesday	Jun 03	8am	+Henry Fu Tat Fong+
Thursday	Jun 04	8am	Sp. Int of Nestor Chan & Family
Friday	Jun 05	8am	+Rose+

Please pray for our Parishioners who passed away in the last two months, namely:

- + Adam Ciszewski +
- + Duncan Joseph Phyper +
- + Rodolfo Tayag +
- + Mario Labuda +



Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light shine
upon them. And, may the souls of all
the faithful departed, through the
mercy of God,
Rest in peace.

Stewardship Reflection

Pentecost Sunday May 31, 2020

“To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.” (1 Corinthians 12:7)

To receive the gift of the Holy Spirit you must open your heart and invite Him in! Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your thoughts, words, and actions every day! Be grateful for all the gifts God has given you! Regardless of our individual circumstances, God has given all of us many blessings. What we do with those gifts is our gift back to God! By generously sharing everything we have and everything we are, we become more “God-centered” and less “self-centered” and our lives truly reflect God’s light, love, and mercy.



Spirit filled
Pentecost
Sunday




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KIDS & SENIORS CORNER

(Contributed by Nyles Fernandes)



- 1) Name the symbols of Pentecost?
- 2) Why is red the color of Pentecost?
- 3) What are the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit?
- 4) Which is the largest ocean? (Indian, Pacific, Arctic or Atlantic)
- 5) Which is the smallest ocean? (Indian, Pacific, Arctic or Atlantic)
- 6) Which ocean basin is the most geologically active? (Indian, Pacific, Arctic or Atlantic)
- 7) In which of the mysteries of the holy rosary do we recite the decade, Ascension of the Lord? (Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious)
- 8) I've got sunshine on a ____ day, when I am with ____.
- 9) After every storm comes the _____.
- 10) Once you choose ____ anything is possible .
- 11) The darkest hours are just before _____.
- 12) Be thankful for what you _____, you will end up having _____.
- 13) St. Stephen the first martyr was killed by _____ (sword, stones or crucifixion)

ANSWERS:

- 1) Wind, Fire, Dove and the Breath of God.
- 2) It is the fiery color that descended upon the Apostles.
- 3) Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and Fear of the Lord.
- 4) Pacific
- 5) Arctic
- 6) Pacific
- 7) Joyful.
- 8) Cloudy, you
- 9) Rainbow
- 10) Hope
- 11) Dawn
- 12) Have, more