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PENTECOST SUNDAY – MAY 19TH 2024

LORD, SEND OUT YOUR SPIRIT, AND RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH.



The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, John 20:19-23, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Yet the event in John's Gospel takes place on Easter Sunday. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts. It is to we know that after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, a Paraclete, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world.

In the context of the feast of Pentecost, John 20:19-23 reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and sends them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. Jesus' act of breathing the Holy Spirit upon the apostles mirrors God's act of breathing life into Adam. In fact, both the Greek and Hebrew words for "spirit" can also be translated as "breath." This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. The reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are cleansed of sin and become a new creation in Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God through the forgiveness of sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.

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DOMINGO DE PENTECOSTÉS

ENVÍA, SEÑOR, TU ESPÍRITU, A RENOVAR LA TIERRA. ALELUYA.

El tiempo de Pascua concluye con la celebración de hoy, la fiesta de Pentecostés. En Pentecostés celebramos el descenso del Espíritu Santo sobre los apóstoles reunidos en el cenáculo de Jerusalén; este evento marca el comienzo de la Iglesia. La historia de Pentecostés se encuentra en los Hechos de los Apóstoles, la primera lectura de hoy. El relato del Evangelio de hoy, Juan 20:19-23, también relata cómo Jesús dio el don del Espíritu Santo a sus discípulos. Sin embargo, el acontecimiento del Evangelio de Juan tiene lugar el domingo de Pascua. No es necesario intentar conciliar estas dos cuentas. Es de saber que después de su muerte, Jesús cumplió su promesa de enviar a sus discípulos un ayudante, el Paracletito, que les permitiría ser sus testigos en todo el mundo.

En el contexto de la fiesta de Pentecostés, Juan 20:19-23 nos recuerda la conexión integral entre los dones de la paz y el perdón y la acción del Espíritu Santo. Jesús saluda a sus discípulos con el don de la paz. Luego, Jesús encarga a sus discípulos que continúen el trabajo que él ha comenzado: “Como el Padre me envió, así también yo os envío”. Sopla el Espíritu Santo sobre los discípulos y los envía a continuar su obra de reconciliación mediante el perdón de los pecados. El acto de Jesús de infundir el Espíritu Santo sobre los apóstoles refleja el acto de Dios de infundir vida en Adán. De hecho, tanto la palabra griega como la hebrea para “espíritu” también pueden traducirse como “aliento”. Este Evangelio nos recuerda que la Iglesia está llamada a ser presencia reconciliadora en el mundo. La presencia reconciliadora de Cristo se celebra en la vida sacramental de la Iglesia. En el Sacramento del Bautismo, somos limpiados del pecado y nos convertimos en una nueva creación en Cristo. En el Sacramento de la Penitencia, la Iglesia celebra la misericordia de Dios mediante el perdón de los pecados. Esta presencia reconciliadora debe ser también un estilo de vida para los cristianos. En situaciones de conflicto, debemos ser agentes de paz y armonía entre las personas.

WHEN WAS THE CHURCH BORN?

The Catechism No. 766 says: “ ‘The origin and growth of the Church are symbolized by the blood and water which flowed from the open side of the crucified Jesus.’ ‘For it was from the side of Christ as he slept the sleep of death upon the cross that there came forth the “wondrous sacrament of the whole Church.”’ As Eve was formed from the sleeping Adam’s side, so the Church was born from the pierced heart of Christ hanging dead on the cross.”

Some have called Pentecost the “birthday of the Church,” but that is more of a pious custom and is not an official teaching or declaration. The image is used since, in a way, the Church comes forth from her initial formation in the “womb” of Galilee during Christ’s public ministry. She comes forth now to begin her mission to the ends of the earth.

The problem with this image is that the Church that comes forth is no infant. She has been formed and is now clothed with power from on high to begin a mission, having been schooled, prepared and enabled. The image of birth falls short here, since birth bespeaks a helpless infant in need of complete formation. But the Church at Pentecost was far more mature.

One might argue that in the image of Eve coming forth from Adam’s side she came forth as an adult, not an infant, and thus “birthday” here can be understood in that manner. And this may be fair enough, but it is not the usual manner in which we speak of birthdays. At some point an image with too many qualifiers suggests a possible flaw in the image itself. What Pentecost surely is, is the commissioning of the Church to go forth unto all the nations. She has been formed, purified, taught, equipped and enabled to go forth with joy and confidence. On the day of Pentecost, a fire fell on the Church. Those who had been frightened, confused disciples went forth with confidence and holy boldness, their minds made clear.

Rev. Msgr. Charles E. Pope is a priest of the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C.



SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 9:00 and 11:15 AM in English,
Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month at
5:00 pm in the Church. 4th Saturday of the
month at 7:00pm in Cachagua.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday:
10 AM - 12 PM; 2 - 4 PM

The church is open Wednesday — Sunday
from 10 AM to 4 PM for personal prayer.

PARISH STAFF

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Music Ministry

4:30 pm Sat. Mass: Kim Hartford—Kathy Nathan

9:00 am Sun. Mass: Stefania Ortiz

11:15 am Sun. Mass Parish Choir

Angelica Lozano

Custodian

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions May 18th— 26th 2024

Sat. Vigil May 18th 4:30:

+ Rev. Donald Higgins (5th Anniv)

Sun. May 19th 9:00: - Meridith Ramos (94th Birthday)

11:15: + Baby Rosa Palma Morales

Wed. May 22nd 12:00: - Fr. Jhonnatan F. Carmona

9th Priesthood Anniversary

Thurs. May 23rd 12:00: + Bob Tully

Fri. May 24th 12:00: + Baby John Herbert Tompkins

Sat. Vigil May 25th 4:30: + Bill Roberts

7:00 pm Misa en Cachagua (18800 Cachagua Rd. # 3)

+ Ofelia Quiroz (3er Aniv)

Sun. May 26th 9:00: + Brenda Shakal

11:15: + Robert McCarty

MAY THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED,
THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE. AMEN

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- **Confirmation:** Tess Arthur (2nd year). Supply teacher: Alondra Klemek.
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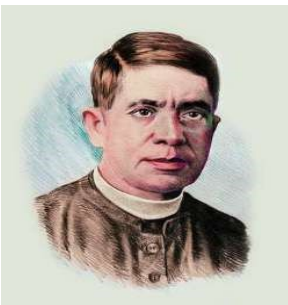
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SAINT OF THE WEEK: MAY 21ST: SAINT CHRISTOPHER MAGALLANES AND COMPANIONS.

Cristóbal Magallanes born in Totatiche, Jalisco, México on July 30, 1869. As a young person he was a shepherd. Ordained a priest in Guadalajara in 1899, he served as chaplain of the School of Arts and Works of the Holy Spirit in Guadalajara.



As a parish priest in his home town he helped found schools and carpentry shops and assisted in planning for public works. He took special interest in the evangelization of the local indigenous Huichol people. When the government closed the seminary in Guadalajara in 1914, he offered to open a seminary in his parish in 1915.

Falsely accused of promoting the Cristero Rebellion in the area, he was arrested on May 21, 1927, while en route to celebrate Mass at a farm. Giving away his few remaining possessions to his executioners, he gave them absolution, and without a trial, was killed four days later with Saint Agustín Caloca in Colotlán, Jalisco. His last words were "I die innocent, and ask God that my blood may serve to unite my Mexican brethren." The martyrs were canonized by Pope Saint John Paul II on May 21, 2000. I-Breviary

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