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**MAY 22 MMXXI**

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS**

Katherine Jolene Balbuena

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Kevin Justin Rosario

Arianna Isabel Bello

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Jeremiah Perez

Gabriel Jhoan Camilo

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Carolin Yunieli Díaz

Omar Oswaldo Montoya

Lucas Vargas

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMANDI**

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Denise Rosa Marca

Justin Anthony Reyes

Wilson Timothy Cruz

Janet Catherine Marroquín

Hugo Albert Rosete

Breanna Mary Espejel

César Thomas Martínez

Odalís Augustine Vargas

**Sunday/Domingo, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Pentecost Sunday**

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12: 3-7, 12-13/ Jn 20: 19-23

**9 AM** † Rita Carey

**11 AM** † Honorio Sanchez Lucero  
† Serafin Gutierrez  
Rosa Molina (Cumpleaños)

**Monday/Lunes, May 24<sup>th</sup>**

**The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**

Gn 3: 9-15, 20 / Jn 19: 25-34

**8:30 AM** † Sheila Tuohy

**Tuesday/Martes, May 25<sup>th</sup>**

Sir 35: 1-12 / Mk 10: 28-31

**7 PM** † Edgar Torres  
† Carlos Ferrufino

**Wednesday/Miércoles, May 26<sup>th</sup>**

**St Philip Neri**

Sir 36: 1, 4-5, 10-17 / Mk 10: 32-45

**8:30 AM** Souls in Purgatory (Req. J Kinney)

**Friday/Viernes, May 28<sup>th</sup>**

Sir 44: 1, 9-13 / Mk 11: 11-26

**7 PM** Available

**Saturday/Sábados, May 29<sup>th</sup>**

Sir 51: 12-20 / Mk 11: 27-33

**9 AM** † Rob Hawkins

**Sunday/Domingo, May 30<sup>th</sup>**

**The Most Holy Trinity**

Dt 4: 32-34, 39-40; Rom 8: 14-17/Mt 28: 16-20

**9 AM** Available

**11 AM** En acción de Gracias a Dios por la Familia Hincapie-Marín  
† Griselda Lozano

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**COLLECTIONS/COLECTAS May 16, 2021**  
Weekly need is / Necesidad semanal es: \$6,600.00

<b>Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$2,500.50</b>
(9 AM \$1,204.00 & 11 AM \$1,296.50)	
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**CARDINAL'S APPEAL 2021**

As of May 14, 2021



**GOAL:** \$21,000.00  
**PLEDGED:** \$10,285.00  
**PAID:** \$8,235.00  
**NUMBER OF GIFTS:** 36

**Las Hostias y el Vino**

Han sido ofrecida por la vida y salud de  
**Elizabeth Zapata** en su Cumpleaños.

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**La Lampara del Sagrario**

Ha sido ofrecida por el Sr. & Sra. Cano en memoria  
de su hija:

**Lucia Bertha Cano**

**The Altar Flowers**

Offered by the parents of:

**César Martínez, Josue Martínez, Elizabeth Barreto,  
Alina Calixto y Michelle Meléndez**

In thanksgiving to God for the sacrament of  
First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

## Pentecost (Acts 2:1-11)

Pentecost is the 'Third Great Day' in the church's yearly calendar, after Easter and Christmas. In a real sense, it's the birthday of the Church. It's the day the Holy Spirit came upon the church in power for the very first time. And like the breath in our lungs right now, if we did not have the Holy Spirit, the Church would be dead.

Some major changes took place on Pentecost. The disciples were huddled together in fear, when the sound of a blowing wind came down from heaven. What seemed to be tongues of fire settled on their heads. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they were understood perfectly by people speaking different languages.

A crowd gathered, people from all over the world, and that crowd listened as the disciples preached the gospel. After Peter preached his sermon, three thousand people came to faith and were baptized.

We do know that Jerusalem was packed with people, because of the Jewish Festival of Pentecost - which was originally a harvest festival, celebrating the first cutting of wheat. And they came from all over the Roman Empire - speaking different languages.

If we read the text of Acts closely, we see that Luke says, 'there appeared to them tongues as of fire'. It was the only way he could describe the manifestation of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples. Fire in scripture often signified the holy presence of God - like the burning bush, the pillar of fire, the consuming fire on Mount Sinai and so on.

We are told that 'The tongues of fire separated and rested upon each of them'. So the Spirit of God fell on the Apostles, in a mighty way. The point being made is, that this is not literal fire. It's symbolic.

Our reading also says that suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. By describing the noise as coming from heaven, Luke emphasizes that this was supernatural action. It was not a weather-related problem. The supernatural activity of God is so utterly beyond the grasp of humans that Luke has to employ similes to describe His manifestations to us. And immediately we are told of the changes that took place on Pentecost. No longer were the disciples confused or timid. Now, they were confident - speaking courageously in public.

Another incredible thing is the gift the disciples enjoyed, of being understood by people speaking different languages. Luke makes it clear that the disciples' speeches were clearly understood by a variety of people - fifteen in all, representing all the nations of the world.

The lesson here is simple - the Holy Spirit comes to unite people from all the nations under the truth of the gospel of Jesus Christ. And the wonderful message of Pentecost is that we really are not alone. The Holy Spirit walks with us and talks with us every day. Through good times and bad, even though we are strangers on this earth, Jesus our Savior has not abandoned us. His Spirit lives on - the Holy Spirit is with us.

## Pentecostés (Hechos 2: 1-11)

Pentecostés es el "tercer día grande" en el calendario anual de la iglesia, después de la Pascua y la Navidad. En un sentido real, es el cumpleaños de la Iglesia. Es el día en que el Espíritu Santo vino sobre la iglesia con poder por primera vez. Y como el aliento en nuestros pulmones ahora mismo, si no tuviéramos el Espíritu Santo, la Iglesia estaría muerta.

Algunos cambios mayores tuvieron lugar en Pentecostés. Los discípulos estaban acurrucados juntos por el miedo, cuando el sonido de una ráfaga de viento que soplabla descendió del cielo. Lo que parecían ser lenguas de fuego se posaron sobre sus cabezas. Todos estaban llenos del Espíritu Santo y fueron entendidos perfectamente por personas que hablaban diferentes idiomas.

Se reunió una multitud, gente de todo el mundo, y esa multitud escuchó mientras los discípulos predicaban el evangelio. Después de que Pedro predicó su sermón, tres mil personas llegaron a la fe y se bautizaron.

Sabemos que Jerusalén estaba llena de gente debido a la Fiesta Judía de Pentecostés - que originalmente era una fiesta de la cosecha, que celebraba el primer corte de trigo. Y venían de todo el Imperio Romano - hablando diferentes idiomas.

Si leemos atentamente el texto de los Hechos de los Apóstoles, vemos que Lucas dice "aparecieron unas lenguas como de fuego". Era la única forma en que podía describir la manifestación del Espíritu Santo sobre los discípulos. El fuego en las Escrituras a menudo significaba la santa presencia de Dios - como la zarza ardiente, la columna de fuego, el fuego consumidor en el monte Sinaí, etc.

Se nos dice que "las lenguas de fuego se separaron y se posaron sobre cada uno de ellos". Entonces el Espíritu de Dios cayó sobre los Apóstoles, de una manera poderosa. El punto es que, esto no es fuego literal. Es simbólico.

Nuestra lectura también dice que de repente vino del cielo un sonido como el de una ráfaga de viento impetuoso que llenó toda la casa en la que se encontraban sentados. Al describir el ruido como proveniente del cielo, Lucas enfatiza que se trataba de una acción sobrenatural.

No fue un problema relacionado con el clima. La actividad sobrenatural de Dios está tan completamente fuera del alcance de los humanos que Lucas tiene que emplear símiles para describirnos Sus manifestaciones a nosotros. E inmediatamente se nos informa de los cambios que tuvieron lugar en Pentecostés. Los discípulos ya no estaban confundidos ni tímidos. Ahora tenían confianza - y hablaban con coraje en público.

Otra cosa increíble es el don que disfrutaron los discípulos, de ser comprendidos por personas que hablan diferentes idiomas. Lucas deja en claro que los discursos de los discípulos fueron claramente entendidos por una variedad de personas - quince en total, que representan a todas las naciones del mundo. La lección aquí es simple - el Espíritu Santo viene para unir a personas de todas las naciones bajo la verdad del evangelio de Jesucristo. Y el maravilloso mensaje de Pentecostés es que realmente no estamos solos. El Espíritu Santo camina y habla con nosotros todos los días. En los buenos y en los malos tiempos, aunque somos extranjeros en esta tierra, Jesús nuestro Salvador no nos ha abandonado. Su Espíritu sigue vivo - el Espíritu Santo está con nosotros.

## **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**First Holy Communion and Confirmation**— On Saturday, May 22, 2021 after two years of preparation fifteen children received First Communion, and eighteen candidates received the sacrament of Confirmation. We congratulate all the children and their parents on this important day of their lives. We also congratulate the catechists Maria Ines Velasquez and Yolanda Faña for diligently and lovingly leading them to this day. Special thanks to Bishop Josú Iriondo who presided at the mass of Confirmation.

**The sacrament of baptism** - Please call the parish office for an appointment to schedule baptism for your child. Both parents should come for the appointment. They must be registered members of the parish and if this is not your parish you must bring a letter from your pastor giving permission for the child to be baptized here at St Joseph. Please bring a copy of the birth certificate of the child. You would also be required to submit sponsorship letters for the godparents - who must have received their sacraments, and if married, they should have been married in the Catholic Church. A date for baptismal Instruction (usually two weeks before, at 7:00 PM) will be given.

**Welcome to St Joseph's!** —We invite you to become part of our parish community through registering. Registration forms are available in the church and at the Parish Office.

## **ANUNCIOS IMPORTANTES**

**Primera Comuni3n y Confirmaci3n**—El s3bado, 22 de mayo de 2021, despu3s de dos a3os de preparaci3n, quince ni3os(as) recibieron su Primera Comuni3n y dieciocho j3venes recibieron el sacramento de la confirmaci3n.

Felicitamos a todos los ni3os y sus padres en este importante d3a de sus vidas. Tambi3n felicitamos a las catequistas Maria Ines Vel3squez y Yolanda Faña por guiarlos con diligencia y amor hasta este d3a. Agradecemos especialmente al obispo Josú Iriondo, quien presidi3 la misa de Confirmaci3n.

**El sacramento del bautismo** — Por favor llame a la oficina de la parroquia para programar una cita para el bautismo de su hijo. Ambos padres deben venir a la cita. Los padres deben estar registrado en la parroquia y si pertenecen a otra parroquia deben traer una carta del p3rroco dando la autorizaci3n que el ni3o (a) puede bautizarse en esta parroquia (San Jos3). Traiga una copia del certificado de nacimiento del ni3o. Tambi3n se le solicitar3 que env3e cartas de patrocinio de los padrinos, deben haber recibido sus sacramentos, y si est3n casados, deber3an haberse casado en la Iglesia Cat3lica. Se dar3 una fecha para la instrucci3n bautismal (generalmente dos semanas antes, a las 7:00 PM).

**¡Bienvenidos a San Jos3!** - Les invitamos a que formen parte de nuestra parroquia inscribi3ndose en nuestra Oficina Parroquial o haciendo uso de los formularios que se encuentran a la entrada de la iglesia.

## PARISH GROUPS –GRUPOS PARROQUIALES

### Monday/Lunes

Cursillistas 7:00 PM School

### Tuesday/Martes

Circulo de Oración 7:45 PM Church

### Wednesday/Miércoles

Silent Eucharistic Adoration 6:30 PM Church

Adoración Eucarística en silencio

### Friday/Viernes

Hora Santa (1<sup>st</sup> viernes) 8:00 PM Church

Hora Apostólica (2<sup>nd</sup> vier.) 8:00 PM Church

Hora Santa en silencio (3<sup>rd</sup> vier) 8:00 PM Church

Hora Santa Pro-Vida (4<sup>th</sup> vier.) 8:00 PM Church

Rosario Pro-Vida 6:30 PM Church

### Sunday/Domingo

Caballeros de Colón(1<sup>er</sup> Dom) 1:00 PM K of C Room

**El Comedor Parroquial** - servirá **Comida Caliente para llevar**, los domingos, desde las 2PM a 4PM. No se permitirá gentes dentro del edificio.

**Dispensa de alimentos** - abierto los sábados desde las 8 am a 9 am.

**Et apparuerunt illis dispertitæ linguæ tamquam ignis, seditque supra singulos eorum!**

(Actus Apostolorum 2:3)



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