

Pastor's Corner, July 4 and 11, 2021

Lions and Dragons and More



Fr. Thien's Farewell Party Re-Cap. Around 500 (!!!) people packed the Auditorium on June 26 to say farewell and thank you to Fr. Thien. The auditorium was decorated with lanterns and flowers in the colors of the Vietnamese flag. The Vietnamese food, cake and desserts were delicious. The Slide Show on Fr. Thien was entertaining. The Rising Dragon and Lion Dancers and Tumblers were amazing. The Party was a bittersweet occasion because we will miss Fr. Thien but the send-off was full of memories and fun.

Special Thanks to Carol Pritchard and CJ Rowden for handling major reception details; Jack Siciliano for the lantern and flower centerpiece; Cathy Lorio and Nancy Brunet for table decorations; Carol Pritchard, Liz Leglue, Patty Jourdan, Bessie McDaniel and Allen Lorio for room set-up; Wayne Wetzel for bar set-up; Jessica Dwyer and Philip Giroir for the slide show; CJ Rowden and Rob Adoue for sprucing up the gym with new paint and lights; the Trang family, Chez Pierre, Aroma Catering and the Daughters for the food and desserts; the Hospitality Ministry, KCs and Daughters for serving. Thank you, one and all, for an unforgettable farewell for Fr. Thien

Upcoming July Events to which everyone is invited:

- +Victory Belles Concert in Church, Sunday, July 4, 2:30 pm, preceded by hot dogs, chips and drinks in the Pavilion from 1-2 pm
- + "The Fatherly Heart of St. Joseph" Talk by Cuong Tran on Wednesday, July 14, at 8:30 am in Church, repeated at 7:00 pm in St. Joseph Hall.
- +Summer Search Spirituality Program, Sunday, July 18, St. Joseph Hall, 1:30 – 3:30 pm
- +International Fatima Statue Visit, Wednesday, July 21, all day in Church (*see Bulletin flyer for times and details*)
- +KC Blood Drive, Sunday, July 25, St. Joseph Hall, 9 am – 3 pm (*see Bulletin flyer for details and sign-up information*).

Have a blessed July, Fr. Joe