

A Word on the Feast of Pentecost

“You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you...” ACT 1:8



As we celebrate this Christian holiday of Pentecost, which is celebrated the 49th day (the seventh Sunday) after **Easter Sunday**, we commemorate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the **Apostles** and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Acts of the Apostles.

Traditionally, the Church prays the Novena to the Holy Spirit the 9 days before Pentecost. In Acts 1, Mary and the Apostles prayed together “continuously” for nine days after the Ascension leading up to Pentecost. Thanks to all who participated with the Novena to the Holy Spirit these past nine days. Our intentions for the gifts from the Holy Spirit, the Confirmandi, all the Candidates who received or about to receive their sacraments, those who were involved with the preparation of these holy sacraments, those still suffering from COVID-19 and all our parish community continue to be in our prayers.

The name of the day itself is derived from the Greek word "*pentecoste*," meaning 50th.

On June 9, 2019 at the Mass for Pentecost, one of the most important feast days of the year, Pope Francis spoke about the third person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit, which he said is “far from being an abstract reality,” but is the “most concrete and close, the one who changes our lives.”

Without the gifts of the Holy Spirit, Christians lack that which animates them and gives them internal life and harmony, Pope Francis said on Pentecost.

“Without the Spirit, our Christian life unravels, lacking the love that brings everything together,” Pope Francis said.

“Without the Spirit, Jesus remains a personage from the past; with the Spirit, he is a person alive in our own time. Without the Spirit, Scripture is a dead letter; with the Spirit it is a word of life,” he continued. “A Christianity without the Spirit is joyless moralism; with the Spirit, it is life.”

As you continue in your spiritual relationship with Christ allow the Holy Spirit to guide you.

COVID GUIDELINES

Please note - Bishop Brendan Cahill has extended the dispensation of Sunday Mass for the whole month of June. Therefore, the First Holy Communion times we have scheduled are optional as well. They do not have to receive the sacraments with everyone else. Parents, if you or your child would feel more comfortable staying home and/or waiting, you may do so. So, if your child was in the First Communion class this past year and qualified to receive the sacraments in May and June but would prefer to wait until things are more open, they may contact us at the office to schedule a better time anywhere from June through the Fall. May the gift of Jesus’ presence bring you joy and blessing to you on your First Holy Communion and always. And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying,

“This is my body given to you; do this in remembrance of me. In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.” – Luke 22:19-20

CONFIRMATION Information

If you were on track to be confirmed this year, please contact your teacher for all the necessary information. We will need your sponsor name, saint name, and letter to the bishop. Confirmation will need to be divided up this year due to the coronavirus and will take place June 15-19 at the 6 p.m. OLS daily Masses. Be sure to sign up!

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



Please pray for the repose of the souls of Johnny Daniel Garcia and Michael Anthony Salazar. May they rest in peace and their families be comforted.

Favor de rezar por a las almas de Johnny Daniel Garcia y Michael Anthony Salazar. Que sus almas descañen en paz y que sus familias reciben Consuelo.



In memory of Joe P. Rubio Michael Martinez Ignacio Martinez Sr.



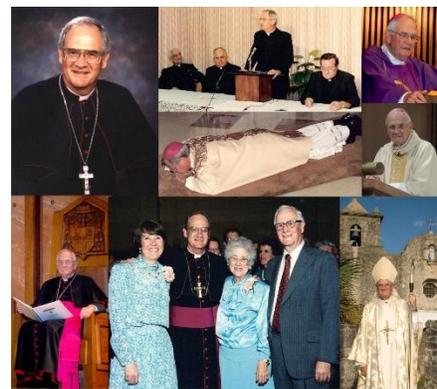
Sunday May 31, 2020 Readings

May 31 ~ Pentecost Sunday
 Acts 2:1-11
 Psalms 104:1, 29-30, 31, 34 (30)
 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
 John 20:19-23

MASSES INENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK

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| Sábado | 5:00 p.m | Albert/ Mickey Quintanilla |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Raymond Villa Jr. |
| Sunday | 8:00 a.m. | Hector Saldivar |
| | 10:0 a.m. | 60 th Wedding Anniversary Dan/Noemi Galvan |
| | 12:00 p.m. | Abel Barrera |
| | 2:00 p.m. | Evelyn Kazmir |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Isaac Ramirez |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Guadalupe Mancillas |
| | 1:00 p.m. | Sandra Rivera |
| Monday | 6:00 p.m. | St. Jude |
| Tuesday | 6:00 p.m | Souls of Progortory |
| Wednesday | 6:00 p.m. | Mary Jane Zapata |
| Thursday | 6:00 p.m. | Richard Cantu |
| Jueves | 7:00 p.m. | Adam I. Gonzales |
| Friday | 6:00 p.m. | Johnny Ray Salazar |
| Sábado | 5:00 p.m | Richard Reyes |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Mary C. Alvarez |
| Sunday | 8:00 a.m. | Henry Vasquez |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Joe Alvarado |
| | 12:00 p.m. | Lionel Flores Jr. |
| | 2:00 p.m. | John Artero |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Margarita Juarez |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Adela Lopez |
| | 1:00 p.m. | Alvin Garza Jr. |



Wishing Bishop Emeritus David Fellhauer a happy 30th anniversary as Bishop.

PLEASE GIVE ONLINE!

Thank you everyone who has signed up for online giving. We understand that many people are struggling right now, and we are grateful for your contribution. If you have not signed up for online giving yet, there is always time. To give digitally, you can do so by clicking on this link at our website, under Giving: <https://pushpay.com/g/olsvictoria>

or you can text the keyword “olsvictoria” to 77977 and get started right from your smartphone!



Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. – 2 Corinthians 9:7

| OUR WEEKLY PARISH SUPPORT For Week Ending May 24, 2020 | | |
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| | OLS | ST |
| 1 st Collection | \$4,261.29 | \$782.00 |
| DSA | \$386.00 | \$201.00 |
| Debt Reduction | \$1,097.00 | \$30.00 |
| Children’s Collection | -0- | -0- |
| Candles | \$123.30 | -0- |
| Online Giving | \$2,025.00 | \$10.00 |
| Sub-Total | \$7,892.59 | \$1,023.00 |
| STJ/NA Collection | -0- | -0- |
| Daily Mass | -0- | -0- |
| Ascension | \$54.00 | \$10.00 |
| Retired& Needs Priests | \$32.00 | -0- |
| Defray of Envelops | -0- | -0- |
| Grand Total | \$7,978.59 | \$1,033.00 |

Spiritual Communion

When unable to receive Holy Communion, it is a pious practice to make a Spiritual Communion. Say the following prayer of St. Frances:

I believe that You, O Jesus, are in the most Holy Sacrament. I Love You and desire You. Come into my heart. I embrace you. Oh, never leave me. May the burning and most sweet power of your love, O Lord Jesus Christ, I beseech You, absorb my mind that I may die through love of Your love, who were graciously pleased to die through love of my love. Amen



In this time of social distancing, the ministers of the diocese are being discouraged from doing regular visits to the home.

But if you have a loved one who is in need of prayer, confession, communion, or anointing of the sick, we still want them to feel connected to the parish and to know that there are people who will try to help them.

Contact: Minnie Castillo with the Shut-In Ministry at 361-550-7217

Father Dalton Ervin



Congratulations to Father Dalton Ervin ordained into the Priesthood on Saturday May 30, 2020. Our parish had the pleasure of having Dalton over the summer and truly appreciated his time with us. Please keep him in your prayers as he continues on this journey and may the Lord bless him in his new ministry.

Caleb Krischki



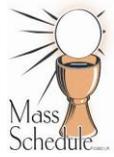
We would like to extend a big welcome to Caleb Krischki. Caleb is a Seminarian of the Diocese of Victoria and will be assigned to Our Lady of Sorrows and Santísima Trinidad for the months of June and July. We are pleased to have him with us this summer. Blessings.

Congratulations 2020 Graduates!



We invite you to come to any mass (weekday or weekend mass) during the month of May. You can come as a group or individually. Please wear your gown. We ask that you wear your mask and continue to practice the guidelines put forth by the Diocese of Victoria and the local authorities. Upon arrival, please sit in the front pew to be recognized and receive a special blessing.

As COVID-19 continues to impact our church and communities around the world, people are coming together to help one another now more than ever. We are so grateful to everyone continuing to practice their faith from their home or church.



Please note, the mass schedule has changed during this transition of the COVID-19 phase. Thank you for your patience and co-operation.

Saturday: OLS – 5 pm vigil Mass
ST – 6 pm vigil Mass
Sunday: OLS – 8:00 am, 10 am, 12 pm & 2 pm Sunday Masses
ST – 9 am, 11 am & 1 pm Sunday Masses

- The Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place on Saturdays as a drive through process at O.L.S., Trinity Hall, and S.T. carports: 9 am – 11 am.

We will be Live on Facebook with the 10 am Mass.

- Weekday Masses:
OLS – Monday – Friday at 6 pm in English.
S.T. – Thursday 7 pm in Spanish

We are hoping that the evening mass will provide an opportunity for you to attend with your family at the church or from home. We will be streaming on Tuesdays at 6 pm in English at OLS and Thursdays at 7 pm Mass in Spanish at ST.

If you have not yet signed up for Flocknote please do so by going to Our Lady of Sorrows website (<https://olsvictoria.org/>) and look for the Flocknote Sign-up box.

Thank you all! God Bless you! Be Safe!

Due to COVID-19 and the Guidelines set forth by the Diocese of Victoria and the local authorities we ask **First Holy Communion:** Both parents, one Godparent and the person making his/her 1st Holy Communion may attend.

Please wear your mask, sanitize your hands and practice social distancing. [Grab your reader's attention with a great quote from the document or use this space to emphasize a key point. To place this text box anywhere on the page, just drag it.]

First Communion Dates

June 13, 2020 5pm Mass at

Our Lady of Sorrows

First Communion Group A

2nd Grade Mrs. Hernandez &

Mrs. Prado

3rd Grade Mrs. Gonzalez &

Mrs. Miranda

4th/5th Grade Mrs. D Martinez

Mrs. Leos



&

June 14, 2020 12pm Mass at

Our Lady of Sorrows

First Communion Group B

2nd grade Mr. Leos & Mrs. Ortiz

RCIA 4th -5th Mr. & Mrs. Martinez & Mrs. Poncio

RCIA 6th - 9th Mrs. Hinojosa & Mrs. Castilla

Both First Holy Communion Celebrations will be live streamed on Facebook.

Children that need to be baptized before their First Communion will not need to attend the First confession dates. Please continue to stay informed through Facebook, the website or feel free to call the office at any time. Congratulations and Blessings!



Catholic Daughters Scholarship Applications
Please contact Janie M. Rubio for any information
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(361) 571-7319



Confirmation

June 16-19

6:00 PM

Our Lady of Sorrows

Confirmantes will need to arrive at 5:30 PM with mass beginning at 6:00 PM. Each confirmante will be assigned one pew for confirmante, Godparent, and family. Please dress modestly.



Please continue to pray for our parish and all our first responders, the unemployed, the homeless, the hungry, our Holy Father, Bishop Brendan Cahill, all the clergy and religious of our Diocese, all who have volunteered numerous hours for the safety of our communities and those who have no one to pray for them.

CATHOLICISM 101

Beginning Wednesday June 3, 2020 after the 6 PM mass at Trinity Hall
Father Jacob invites you to join his class.
Come nurture your faith and grow in your discipleship to Jesus Christ in His Holy Catholic Church.