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CHURCH BULLETIN – May 19, 2013 – PENTECOST SUNDAY

The Spirit of Truth stays with you forever

Readings: Acts 2.1-11 Rom 8.8-17
 Jn 20.19-23 or Jn 14.15-16,23-26

Resp. Psalm: „Lord, send forth your Spirit,
and renew the face of the earth.” (Ps. 104)

WE OFFER THE HOLY MASS FOR:

9:00 József (felesége és családja)
Trevor Adzua felgyógyulása (Gabriella és csal.)
Len Stuart és családja, hálából (Gabriella és családja)
✠Bukovec Dávid lelki üdve (Gabriella és családja)
✠Mészáros Ferenc (unokái és dédunokája)
elhunyttjai (Ilonka és családja)
✠John Lim (Patricia Lim)
✠testvérek, Katalin és József (Molnár Éva)
✠Adorján Károly és Magdolna lelki üdve (Gabriella)
11:00 az egyházközség (plébános)
Faragó Mária, születésnap (Bonnay Erzsébet)
Wohlfart János felgyógyulása (szerettei)
hálából, sikeres műtétért és az érte imádkozókért
(Kovács Klári)

✠Kristóf családtagok (Kovács Erzsébet)
✠Kovács Sándor és ✠Mese Katalin (Kovács Erzsébet)
✠testvérek (Farkas Sándor)
✠osztálytársak (Forrai család)
✠Budányi Árpád, MO (Zydrón Margit)
Peterdy család ✠tagjai (Bonnay Erzsébet)
✠Tóth Antal (felesége)
✠Bukovec Dávid (Sándor Ilona és családja)
✠édesanya (Radocsay Mihály és családja)
✠Forrai József, Forrai Pál és +szüleik (Forrai család)
✠Mekis Ádámné (plébános)

Monday (20) Saint Bernardine of Siena

7:30 the recovery of Sotera Linay
✠John Lim (Patricia Lim)

Tuesday (21) Saint Eugène de Mazenod, Saint Christopher Magallanes and companions

7:30 the intention of the Jesuit General
✠John Lim (Patricia Lim)

God's grace on the LSS at St. Francis Xavier parish

Wednesday (22) Saint Rita of Cascia

7:30 healing for Lawrence Pangilinan
Jesuit vocations
✠John Lim (Patricia Lim)

7 PM béke a Kárpát-medencében
✠Ferentzy Tibor, 20. évf.

Thursday (23)

7:30 Etelka és Pál
world peace

the repose of the soul of Soledad Lim

✠John Lim (Patricia Lim)

Friday (24) Bl. Louis-Zéphirin Moreau, Our Lady of the Way

7:30 end of abortion
✠John Lim (Patricia Lim)

Saturday (25) Saint Bede de Venerable, Saint Gregory VII, Saint Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi

7:30 our ✠Jesuits
2:00 a torontói roma magyarok

Confirmation: Gáspár József, Herczeg Zsolt, Huber Sándor, Kedmenecz Alexandra, Csiszér Zsolt, Dankó Márk, Elekes Noémi, Kovács Rebecca, Német József, Tekse Róbert, Tóth Róbert
Funeral: Tercs Frank (82)

PARISH EVENTS

Today, May 19: Pentecost ♦ Exhibition in the Hall at 3:30 PM: "Shared Space, Shared Heritage" **25** Pre-Registration for the Hungarian School from 9:30-12:30 ♦ Mass for the Roma Hungarians at 2 PM ♦ Saint Elizabeth Scola Cantorum concert at 7 PM **26** Third collection of ShareLife ♦ Lángos sale ♦ Heros' Day Celebration at 1:30 PM **June 1** Closing ceremonies of Hungarian School, Scouts, and High School **2** Crepe Sale of the Scouts ♦ How to go together with Trianon at 3 PM **4** MCC meeting at 7 PM **5** All Day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **8** Closing ceremonies of Hungarian School **9** Mass and picnic of the Altar Servers ♦ Tea party for the elderly at 3 PM **16** Fundraising schnitzel and bake sale.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ INVITATION – to the annual concert of St. Elizabeth Scola Cantorum choir ***"Music from the Romantic Period."*** The program includes: Faure: Requiem and Mendelssohn: Psalm 95. **Saturday, May 25th, at 7 p.m.**, St. Elizabeth of Hungary RC Church (432 Sheppard Avenue East, Toronto). Tickets: Adults \$20; Student \$10. Following the concert the choir invites the audience to stay for a reception. Further information: scola.cantorum@gmail.com or 416-441-9300 or <http://www.scolacantorum.ca/>.

❖ On the **Solemnity of Corpus Christi**, June 2nd 2013, the Holy Father will preside over a special Eucharistic adoration that will extend at the same time all over the world involving the cathedrals and parishes in each diocese. In Toronto, everyone is invited to gather at St. Paul's Basilica (Queen & Parliament) at 4:30 pm for Mass with His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins; immediately following Mass there will be a Eucharistic procession along Shuter Street to St. Michael's Cathedral; following a period of silent adoration, Cardinal Collins will celebrate Vespers and Benedictions at 7 pm, and conclude with his monthly Lectio Divina series for the year of Faith.

Homily for the Feast of Pentecost Sunday

Do you know why Christians celebrate the Eucharist on Sundays? Didn't God rest on the last day of the week? Sunday is actually the first day of the week, not the last; Sunday is the day that God began creation, we are told in the Genesis story. The Spirit of God moved on the waters on the first day! We celebrate Eucharist on Sunday as a reminder of the first creation and of the second creation. The Holy Spirit that stirred the waters of creation returned to us on Pentecost making a new creation, her Church, and making us new creatures because of the Resurrection. This is really what we are all about today. And every Sunday. So, happy birthday!

So what is Pentecost all about? First of all, it is about the Holy Spirit. We often pray that the Holy Spirit enlighten the hearts of the faithful. I like that image because I think that any light that can be shed in our lives is a good thing! I have here a camping light that can be used to shed light in the darkness and help us to see. But it can't work by itself. It has to have batteries. Perhaps think of the Holy Spirit as the battery behind us that gives us the 'energy', often called 'grace' that powers us, allowing us to see.

St. Paul often talks about the gifts of the Spirit – the greatest one being caritas or love. But the Church also identifies other gifts that come from the Spirit, gifts that presumably were given to the apostles and disciples in the upper room at Pentecost and are given to each of us – gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord. We see many of these gifts acted out in the Pentecost story.

Wisdom involves seeing the light – seeing things as God sees them and not as humans do. Christ often told us that God's ways are not our ways. The Holy Spirit can

help us distinguish what is God's way, and help us make right judgments in our lives.

Understanding also involves seeing the light – it is the light bulb that goes on when we recognize the truth in something. It is the "Eureka" moment. The Apostles had such a moment at Pentecost when all the things Jesus had taught them, his Passion and Death, his Resurrection, his Ascension – all came together and made sense for them, so they had the ability to see and teach others. They understood what it was all about.

Counsel is the mentoring aspect of the Spirit. It is the compass that can guide us when we lose our way. It is the map that we need when we don't know which way to go. It is the friendly advice that pushes us in the right direction.

Fortitude is the gift that helps us by giving us the strength to make difficult moral decisions. Think of fortitude as a shot of moral adrenaline that overcomes the fear that we may have to choose a difficult but correct path. With fortitude the early Christians could go out and preach the Good News even in the face of persecution.

Knowledge is the gift of the Spirit that helps us to understand what is difficult to understand. As thinking beings, the Spirit can help us to make sense of the spiritual realm which is often not as accessible as worldly knowledge. Use your minds to ponder the mysteries of God, and the Spirit will help you. Our Catholic theology is a direct result of great Christian thinkers of the past and present.

Piety is the gift of recognizing our gifts. It is our recognition of the wonderful things that God has done for us and the feeling of thankfulness that comes with it. It is the joy that the Apostles felt at Pentecost, the gratitude that allowed them to praise God and spread his Good News.

Lastly, we are given the misunderstood gift of "fear of the Lord". This is probably a poor translation because the Church does not believe that God, our loving parent, should be feared. A better translation might be "respect of the Lord". When we respect a person, we often want to be like that person and makes us not want to hurt or dishonor him. It gives us impetus for not sinning because we don't want to hurt God. It is respect for his Creation, the environment, and for his Word.

Thus, in the Pentecost story today we can see many of the aspects of the theology that have developed over the centuries. What is most important for us to remember, I think, is that the Spirit is God's gift to us, the Spirit is with us, the Spirit can help us grow, guide us, help us to become better persons, help us make right decisions, give us strength when we are down or bad things happen to us, and so much more. So it is time today to celebrate those gifts, that our loving God has given us, and to become more aware of the power that we have through the Spirit. In everything you do, the Spirit is with you. Listen to her!

And this is the Good News of the Spirit I bring you today!
Fr. Ron Stephens, St. Andrew's Parish, Warrenton, VA