

May 31, 2020
Pentecost Sunday



Important Announcement

Dear Parishioners,

Over the last ten weeks because of the coronavirus, we have been deprived of joining together as Catholic Christians to celebrate and participate in that which makes all Catholics around the world “one body of Christ” -the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. While we have been celebrating the Mass without physically gathering with you, it is now with great excitement and words of caution that I announce the reopening of St. John the Baptist Church for public worship to resume once again.

Public Weekend Masses:

- * Saturday 4PM / 6PM (Spanish)
- * Sundays 6AM/ 8AM/ 10AM/ 12:30PM (Spanish). 4PM

Weekend Mass requires a reservation:

*You can visit

<http://saintjohnthebaptistkalihi.eventbrite.com>
and register.

Daily Masses will begin Tuesday, June 2

with the following schedule (No reservations required; attendance will be filled as “First -come, First-served”)

Public Daily Masses/Confessions

Daily Masses: Tuesday – Friday @7:15AM
Outdoor Confessions: Saturday @ 9AM at the main entrance begins (May 30th)

PENTECOST SUNDAY

LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

Our Easter celebration reaches its grand finale today as we celebrate the glorious feast of Pentecost. Today, we focus on the role of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church and in our individual lives.

Throughout our readings today, we see the amazing truth that the Holy Spirit gives us gifts and guidance in a very personal way — and that we are meant to use these gifts to build up the Body of Christ in a way that is unique to each one of us. What a stunning privilege and awesome responsibility. We must rely constantly on the Holy Spirit to guide us in the best use of the gifts, talents and blessings we have been given so that we can fulfill the specific mission to which we have been called.

Our first reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, recalls the dramatic moment when the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the apostles just as Christ had promised. “Suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were.” Amazing, but there is more. “Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.” And still more. They “began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.”

Notice how personal and individual is this outpouring of the Spirit. The Spirit filled the entire house where they were gathered, yet also came to each one of them separately, as individuals (the tongues of fire parted and rested on each one of them). And not only that, the Spirit empowered each of them in a unique way (they began to speak in different tongues). This personalized way of “gifting” the apostles allowed them each to reach different people, sharing with them the “mighty acts of God.”

This is the same way the Holy Spirit operates today. He gives each of us a unique combination of gifts, and empowers each of us to speak in different “tongues” so that, together, every person can be offered the saving message of the Gospel in a way that is meaningful to them. (Have you ever been amazed at how some can be so creative and energetic with the little ones in the nursery or the teens in the youth group? And others so compassionate with our elderly or infirm parishioners? It is because the Holy Spirit has made us fluent in different “tongues.”)

Our second reading, from the letter to the Corinthians, illustrates the beautiful way the Spirit weaves together His personal gifts to each us for the good of all. “To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.” Embracing the stewardship way of life means that we allow the Holy Spirit to guide us in the best use of the unique gifts He has given to each of us, to accomplish the particular mission entrusted to us.

Jesus gives us this mission in our Gospel passage from John. “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” We are called to be Christ’s hands and feet to all those He places in our path. But we must not let this responsibility overwhelm us. Jesus Himself tells us so. Actually, He tells us twice in this passage: “Peace be with you.”

As this Easter season comes to a close, let us be at peace. And let us resolve to lean on the Holy Spirit more and more as our guide through the stewardship way of life.

Stewardship Collection

Total Weekly Collection - 04/29 to 05/18	\$3,800.00
Other Offerings (Mass Offering, Funerals, Marriages, Donations)	\$1,195.39
2nd Collection Maintenance Fund	\$102.00
TOTAL OFFERINGS	\$5, 097.39
Weekly Offering needed for Operations	\$6,743.00
*Unplanned expenses in our budget for This Year (Increase) Parish Assessment and Property & Liability Insurance	\$21,898.00
Collection <u>not retained</u> by the Parish	\$125.00



Mass Intentions

Rest of the Souls of;

- (+)Philip J. Cavaco
- (+)Gaylynne Santos Cavaco
- (+)Jose & Vicenta Pascual
- (+)Claro D. Daoang

Thanksgiving for;

- Leota Family

Blessings for;

- Princess Philomena. Leota

June 1-June 6 For the repose of the Souls;

- (+)Claro D. Daoang
- (+)Antonio Bristol
- (+)Paulina D. Salvador
- (+)Emilia Madriaga Domingo

Thanksgiving & Birthday;

- Kellen Sagayaga

If you would like to have confession. You can call the office to schedule an appointment for Father. Thank you.

Our Stewardship Prayer

Generous and Loving Creator, you have called us to Malama i ka Makana (Cherish the Gift). As disciples of your Son, we ask that your Spirit open our minds and hearts to appreciate your countless blessings more deeply. Increase your transforming spirit within us, to nurture our call to stewardship as a way of life marked always by faith-filled prayer, service to others and generous giving. With the kokua of St. Marianne and St. Damien, teach us to be good stewards so we may return a hundred-fold the makana entrusted to us. We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Stewardship Collection

- Due to this covid-19 pandemic, we are asking for your support for our church through your offerings or envelope. You can drop off your envelope to the parish office from Monday to Friday from 8am to 12pm. Or you can mail it to the office. We will get through this crisis together. Mahalo!

Rev. Diego Restrepo Serna
Parish Administrator

Peter Soumwei
Deacon

Ricardo Burgos
Deacon

Bertha Guerrero
Secretary & Business Manager

Carol Chong
School Principal

Sr. Esther Pagdato, O.P.
Sisters Convent & Superior

Renier Torres
Pastoral Council Chair

Ping Blas
Finance Council Chair

Danielle Burgos
Religious Education Director

PARISH MINISTRIES

Building & Maintenance

Baptism Preparation

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Marriage Preparation

Eucharistic Ministers

Lectors

Altar Server

Altar Cleaners

Ushers/Hospitality

Social/Outreach

Neo-Catechumenal Way

Divine Mercy

Music Ministries

Knights of Columbus

Youth Ministry

Gimong ti Novena

Ethnic Ministries (Hispanic, Samoan, Ilocano, Chuukese)

Other Masses, Adorations & Devotions

- * First Friday @ 7:45am-9:00am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- * First Friday @ 6:00pm- Ilocano Mass
- * First Saturday @ 8:00am- Holy Rosary - Dominican Lay Associates
- * First Sunday @ 5:00pm- Chuukese Mass