



Tongues as of fire  
appeared...& came  
to rest on each of them.

Acts 2:3

## Pentecost Sunday

May 20, 2018

### May 20, 2018 – The Holy Spirit, our Guide to Truth

Today's First Reading is about fulfillments, with the focus on Pentecost (*the Holy Spirit's descent on Mary and the Apostles*). People came from all countries for this pilgrimage festival, foreshadowing the fact that the Gospel would spread to all nations. The strong wind from the sky symbolized a new creation and recalls the first day of creation when the Spirit hovered over the waters. This new creation was being made into Christ's Mystical Body, the Church. The tongues of fire fulfilled Joel's prophecy that the Spirit would come upon God's people to dispel loneliness, alienation and fear; to heal the old confusion of languages (*the tower of Babel*). The Apostles spoke their own language and people of all different languages could understand them. The Responsorial, Psalm 104, praises God for creating and re-creating the world. After we sinned and damaged creation, God sent us His Spirit to renew the world. The Holy Spirit is God's down payment on the glory that awaits us. If we look at this life through His eyes, we see God's power working in our midst. We are totally dependent on God for physical and spiritual life. Not to worry, God provides His Spirit to whoever asks. God gives us life so profound that not even death can conquer it. In the Second Reading, St Paul counsels us to live by the Spirit; not by the letter of the law, nor lawlessly. For true freedom is the ability to love unselfishly. If we live a life of vice, our life is disordered and confused. If we live virtuously, our life will be ordered and peaceful. In today's Gospel we find Jesus instructing us about the Holy Spirit, our Advocate, Counselor, and Consoler. The Holy Spirit will reveal the truth to us, for it is the Spirit of truth. It will guide us to all truth, helping us to understand how much God loves us, giving us the ability to know and love Him better and better, as the Spirit works in our hearts and minds.

### Mass Intentions for the Week

#### Sunday 5/20/2018

8:00 AM (R) John Ramos by Ramos Family  
10:00 AM (R) Bill Mullin by John, Richard, Linda & Marilee  
10:00 AM (R) Maricela Reyes by Ana Kapandritis  
4:30 PM (R) Doris Kowalski by Kowalski Family

#### Monday 5/21/2018

8:30 AM (R) Tara Telford by James Joyce Family  
8:30 AM (R) Marcus Villhauer by Smith Family

#### Tuesday 5/22/2018 \*MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

\*8:30 AM (R) John Ramos by Ramos Family  
\*8:30 AM (R) Francisca Denning by Susan Myers

#### Wednesday 5/23/2018

8:30 AM (I) Jane Lumsargis by St. Mel Faculty & Staff

#### Thursday 5/24/2018

8:30AM (R) Dennis Myers by Susan Myers  
8:30AM (R) Don Houglan by Carter Family

#### Friday 5/25/2018

8:30 AM (I) Rebecca Jewers by St. Mel Faculty & Staff

#### Saturday 5/26/2018

8:30 AM (R) Frank Franzago by Franzago Family  
4:30 PM (R) Leo & Amparo Garcia  
by Henry & Genevieve Puga  
4:30 PM (R) George Gaudet by Carrothers Family

#### Sunday 5/27/2018

8:00 AM (I) Eddie, Bill & Rita Samcoff by Family  
10:00 AM (R) Bill Mullin by John, Richard, Linda & Marilee  
10:00 AM (R) Mary McFarland by Pavelchik Family  
4:30 PM (I) Mass for Parishioners

God always speaks to you when you approach Him plainly and simply.

~ St. Catherine Laboure

Commentators & Altar Servers May 26 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup>		
Mass Times	Commentator	Altar Servers
SAT 4:30PM	Faber / Wagner G	Michael, Sarah & Matthew
SUN 8:00AM	Wagner Do / Wagner P	Ralph, Lucas & Sebastian
SUN 10:00AM	Juten K / Cantrall	Zach, Austin & Sophia
SUN 4:30 PM	Wagner M / Estipular	Jack, Max & Alexandra

### PRIESTS VS. SEMINARIANS BASKETBALL GAME

You won't want to miss the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Priests vs. Seminarians basketball game at Christian Brothers High School on Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for students Kindergarten – college. A group of 6 adults is \$60. Tickets can be purchased in the Parish Office.

### ST. MEL GIFTS



May is the month for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. St. Mel Gifts has a wonderful selection of gifts for both Sacraments. The store is open after all weekend Masses so stop in and browse our selection of rosaries, books, statues and much more.

Our store is a ministry for our Parish. Help is always needed. If you are interested in giving 15-20 minutes of your time after Mass to assist parishioners with their purchases, contact Brenda, 916-722-1965.

### CATHOLIC VIEWPOINT, FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE

"Catholic Viewpoint, Faith, Hope and Love," half hour interviews of guests by Fr. Michael Kiernan, airs on Comcast Channel 20, Consolidated/19 and AT&T/14, at 7:00AM Sunday, 9:30AM Tuesday, 8:30PM Wednesday and 5:00PM Thursday.

You can also watch the shows on YouTube. On the YouTube website, simply type in "Catholic Viewpoint, Faith Hope and Love." Click on the icon and a list of all the shows will be shown. Recent guests have been Bishop Francis Quinn, Sr. Eileen Enright, RSM, and Fr. Paul Mark Schwan, Abbot of the Trappist Monastery in Vina.

### 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL COLLAR CUP SOCCER GAME

The Diocese of Sacramento and Sacramento Republic FC Soccer presents the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Collar Cup soccer match between the priests and seminarians. The game will take place on Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at Papa Murphy's Park, 1600 Exposition Blvd. Gates open at 3:30PM and the Vigil Mass, presided by Bishop Jamie Soto, begins at 4:00PM. The game begins right after Mass and is followed by a Vocations Fair. Stay and cheer on the Sacramento Republic FC soccer team as they take on St. Louis. Tickets can be purchased in the Parish Office.

### ST. MEL SUMMER ADVENTURE PROGRAM 2018

St. Mel School is excited to offer a top-quality summer program for students who will be entering grades TK-6 in August 2018. The program will run for seven consecutive weeks beginning Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup> and ending on Friday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. Daily and weekly rates are available.

It is our goal to provide an exciting, stimulating, and enriching environment for students. The morning Reading and Math Enrichment Classes will be Common Core based. The afternoon camp will include creative, fun activities and field trips! Registration packets are in the school office and also can be downloaded from the school website. Contact Mary White at [mwhite@stmelschool.org](mailto:mwhite@stmelschool.org) for more information.

### CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION

Registration forms for the 2018-2019 CFF year will be in the mail and on the website by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Please pray for all those who are receiving First Holy Communion and Confirmation this month. Have a wonderful summer! If you have questions about registering for CFF classes, please call 916-966-4314.

### NEW CHURCH BULLETIN COMING SOON

St. Mel staff is excited to announce that we will have new church bulletin beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>. The new bulletin will be in full color with more pages and more information to help you learn about what is happening in our parish. Ads can be purchased for a business, family, or a sponsorship ad for a non-profit organization. Please consider advertising in the bulletin, since revenue from the ads will make the bulletin possible at no cost to St. Mel. Advertising in the bulletin is a great way to promote your business, while connecting with the community and benefitting the church at the same time. For advertising information, contact Gina Shaughnessy, our parish representative from Liturgical Publications, Inc., at 916-200-8979 or [gshaughnessy@4LPi.com](mailto:gshaughnessy@4LPi.com).

### PRIESTLY ORDINATIONS & RECEPTION FOR FATHER RAMOS

All parishioners are invited to attend the priestly ordination of German Ramos, Jesus Hernandez and Hector Rene Jaugueri on Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00AM at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament.

The following weekend, Father Ramos will offer his Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Mel Parish, Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, at the 4:30 Vigil Mass. The Vocations Ministry invites you to attend a reception for Father Ramos following the Mass in the Parish Center. Please join us as we celebrate this joyous event in Father German's life.

### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Knights of Columbus Council 6066 is seeking volunteers to help at a new build site for a family in need. Build weekends are June 14<sup>th</sup> and June 29<sup>th</sup>. If you're over 16 and want to help, you're welcome! Helping isn't reserved just for the young or skilled professional. They have jobs for all types of skills and abilities and they'll train you! You just might get your hands a little dirty! Contact DGK Michael Ochoa at 916-740-3178 or [mnkochoa@pacbell.net](mailto:mnkochoa@pacbell.net) to get on the volunteer list or for more details.

### PLEASE NOTE!

\*\*\* SCHEDULE FOR BULLETIN ARTICLES \*\*\*  
Please send your typed articles, in MS Word - Times New Roman, font 10, via email to [stmeloffice@yahoo.com](mailto:stmeloffice@yahoo.com), no later than **NOON ON FRIDAY** to be included in the next bulletin. Thank you for your cooperation.

Bulletin Weekend Dates 2018	Articles DUE Prior To FRIDAY
May 19 - 20 May 26 - 27 June 2 - 3 June 9 - 10	May 11 May 18 May 25 June 1

### CHAPEL OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST



Perpetual Adoration  
GREAT NEED FOR ADORERS:  
Sunday: 12-1pm, 1-2pm, 6-7pm,  
7-8pm, 10 -11pm  
Monday: 3 - 4pm  
Wednesday: 4 - 5pm  
Thursday: 12-1pm  
Friday: 2-3am, 10-11am, 6-7pm  
Saturday: 1-2pm, 2-3pm, 4-5pm, 6-7pm

If you would like to be in the Real Presence of Jesus and visit with Him for one or more of the above hours, or any Hour, or be a substitute, please call Marge, 967-0641 or Chris, 966-3266. God is "thirsting" for you to satiate "His thirst"

Talk given why Perpetual Adoration is so important to the world - Pope Benedict XVI, Feb.22, 2007. "In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent Adoration, of Jesus concealed in the "Host".

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their monthly food drive NEXT weekend, May 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. Your generosity is appreciated.

### BAPTISM PREPARTION CLASS

Attention Parents and Godparents. The next Baptism Preparation class is on Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM in the Parish Center Conference Room. If you would like to attend the class, please call the Parish office to register. 916-967-1229.

### COUNTRY MUSIC SHOW

The singing group, Whole Notes, along with a Country music band, will be performing all your favorites on Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM at the Holy Family Church Community Center in Citrus Heights. There will be a Pie and Chili Cook-off contest too! Tickets are \$15 which includes the chili and pie. Questions? Call Sally Fisher, 916-721-0378.

### CROSSROADS: PRO-LIFE WALK ACROSS AMERICA

Crossroads' mission is to spread the Gospel of Life and promote and inform others about the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church with regard to the sanctity and dignity of all human life, especially unborn children in the womb. Crossroads welcomes and encourages members of all faiths to participate in its activities, noting that all are charged with the duty to defend the sanctity and dignity of all human life from its very beginnings in the womb to natural death. Crossroads is funded 100% by the generosity of individual donors from all over America. Crossroads is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3), Non-Profit organization and all donations to us are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. Our existence relies completely on the generosity of others and the grace of God. Members from Crossroads will be at St. Mel parish next weekend, May 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> to accept your donations.

### PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS



Please join the **Legion of Mary** in praying daily the intentions of Pope Francis for May. Please place special emphasis this month on...*Evangelization – The Mission of Laity*

*That the lay faithful may fulfill their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.*



Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb? –Mk 16:3

**Reflection:** On Easter morning, little did the women know that the stone had already been rolled away and that Jesus was alive.

But the women's question persist today. Who will roll away the stone for us? Who will free humanity from death, from sin, and from despair? How do we roll away the culture of death?

**Prayer:** Lord, renew my faith that the stone has been rolled back already and that Your victory is among us!

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### SOAP FOR SOULS

St. Vincent de Paul collects small toiletry items from hotels and gives them to those in need. There is a box in the vestibule marked "Soap FOR SOULS" where you can place your donations. Toiletries needed are toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, kleenex, soap and body wash. Please remember "Soap for Souls" as you travel this summer.

### RCIA INQUIRY MEETINGS

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, or know someone who is, it is not too late! Please join us at our RCIA Inquiry meetings held Wednesday nights at the parish from 6:00PM to 7:00PM. Learn more about the Catholic faith and get your questions answered. Please contact Michael Faber at 916-719-5565 for more information and meeting locations.

### Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

(Names will appear for 2 months unless a call is received by the Parish Office to extend the time or to remove the name.)

Albert Alcantera	Diana Fischer	Jean Thorpe
Aiden Hulse	Diane Buzzard	Jeanette Barron
Albert Souza	Diane Castonguay	Jerry Centabar
Allene Blessing	Elaine Ervin	Jerry Smith
Amanda Barron	Frank & Renee Weiss	Joe Hoffmann
Bob Ahern, Sr.	Gene Fischer	John English
Carol Ellen Leever	George Stevens	Jonathan Hayes
Danielle Hannon	Gerald A. Hoffarth	Jude Hoffmann
Dawna Jones	Helen S. Worthington	Martinez Family
Delores Bousliman	Helen Chilcott	Rudy Worthington
		Victoria Hummer

### St. Mel Parish Ministries & Social Groups (REV. May 1, 2018)

<b>PARISH COUNCILS</b>		
Parish Pastoral Council	Denny Shunta	952-4502
Parish Finance Council	Jim Joyce	967-1229
<b>PARISH SCHOOL</b>		
St. Mel School:	Janet Nagel (Principal)	967-2814
St. Mel School Parents Club:	Contact the School Office	967-2814
St. Mel Youth Group	Malcolm MacDonald	916-869-6787
St. Mel Young Adults (ages 18-39)	Malcolm MacDonald	916-869-6787
<b>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</b>		
R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):	Michael Faber	719-5565
Catholics Return Home:	Karen Fitts	966-0184
Catholic Faith Formation (CFF):	Sara Donnelly	966-4314
Scripture & Religious Study:	Cheryl Hoffmann / Karen Fitts	966-1830 / 966-0184
Parish Library open after weekend Masses:	Joanne Wagner	967-0190
<b>LITURGICAL SERVICES</b>		
Altar Servers:	Dave Murray	338-5011
Music Ministry Director	Aaron Thompson	stmelmusic@outlook.com
Commentators:	Patrick Wagner	961-8652
Eucharistic Ministers:	Deacon Anthony Pescetti	704-0057
Ushers	Patrick Wagner	961-8652
<b>PRAYER ADVOCACY</b>		
Charismatic Prayer Group	Karen Juten / Chris Juten	712-3706 / 715-1162
Fiat Rosary Group	Peggy Grass	962-9244
Eucharistic Adoration Chapel:	Marge Della Villa / Chris Guzman	967-0641 / 966-3266
"D. J. M." Disciples of Jesus and Mary	Joanne Hammett	765-4007
Legion of Mary (Day):	Joyce Savage	342-6179
Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe:	Dolores Leon	337-1800
Prayer Chain:	Dolores Moniz	962-0571
Fraternity of Fatherhood:	Mike Allison	834-6226
Men's Cursillo Group:	Chuck Friedrich	635-7791
<b>SOCIAL CONCERNS</b>		
Hospitality	Parish Office	967-1229
Loaves and Fishes Volunteers:	Kathy Yanez	967-1229
Knights of Columbus #6066:	Patrick Wagner	961-8652
St. Mel "Sip & Sup" Fellowship Dinner Program	Roelof & Claire Van Ark	802-1089
St. Vincent de Paul Society:	Bill Savage	967-1229
Sacramento Life Center: Pro-Life Pregnancy Support:	Joanne Hammett	451-4357
Bereavement/Grief Share	Rita Ecdao	408-903-6344
Fr. Richard Doheny Religious Education Fund:	Walt Schaff	961-4698
Bishop-Gallegos Maternity Home:	Mary Schaefer / June Schott	988-3171 / 967-9158
Relevant Radio Parish Ambassador	Frank Abi-Nader	916-337-9171
<b>PARISH ORGANIZATIONS</b>		
Altar Society:	Parish Office	967-1229
Marriage Encounter:	John & Regina Ruport	987-5616
Boy Scouts:	Chris Herne / Don Jones	798-8493 / 606-1659
Cub Scouts	Chris Jones	390-4678
Girl Scouts:	Jill Dutra	217-3990
KKIS:	Laura Lumenta	718-2718
OPUS DEI:	Deidra Chapman	944-1356 or 425-4904
Children's Liturgy	Sara Lebeck / Serena Carleton	967-1229
Clara's House	Martha Rusnak	448-3976
Religious Articles:	Brenda McCollum / Dorothy Wagner	967-1229
Vocations Ministry:	Jeanne Condon	349-6936
Wedding Coordinator:	Karen Fitts	966-0184
For Any Changes to Ministry List	Parish Office	967-1229

*We welcome all new parishioners and ask that you complete this registration form and place it in the collection basket at Mass, or return it to the Parish Office.*

Quick Registration St. Mel Catholic Church		Envelopes?	Yes	No
Last Name _____	First Name(s) _____			
Mailing Name (i.e. Mr. & Mrs. John Doe) _____				
Address: _____				
Street _____	City _____	Zip Code _____		
Phone # _____				
E-mail _____	CONTACT ME BY:	<input type="checkbox"/> PHONE	<input type="checkbox"/> EMAIL	
Do you have any special request: _____				