

# Pentecost Sunday

*More Than 50 Years of Faith!*  
**Saint Pius X**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL "To renew all things in Christ"

Dear Friends,

Over the past few days, I've been collaborating with a relative who lives in Canada, to fill in some gaps in our family tree. We have been focusing on one particular branch that reaches into our Czech background. It is always fascinating to make new connections and each of these connections adds a new dimension to our appreciation of our heritage.

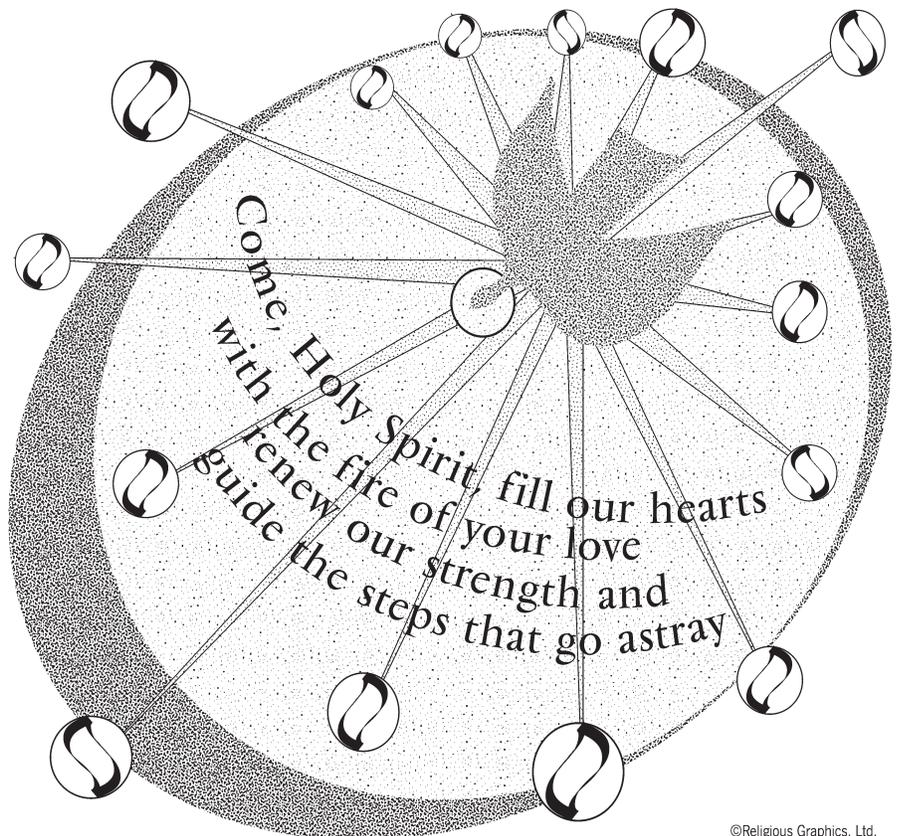
As we grow up, many of us develop an appreciation of our heritage and our particular culture. Whether it be the music we grew up with, the particular foods we eat, the style of dancing we learn – all these things impress themselves upon us and shape who we are. They even influence how we look at the world.

There is something really amazing about how culture and language adds spice to our lives. It forms us. It seeps into our identity and how we think of ourselves. We may even develop a certain pride surrounding the characteristics of our unique cultural heritage. We even tend to find joy in showing off those things that make our heritage unique, including dance, food, costumes, or whatever else identifies our peculiar culture.

As one who is half-Czech, I am always quick to clarify with a kind of pride what is a true kolache. A true kolache isn't really a piece of dough with sausage inside as is often assumed. Rather, it is a pastry with fruit or cheese filling. Someone from Asia might do the same with what we Americans call Chinese food. They would probably tell us that Chinese food in America is nothing like what is actually eaten in China. Obviously, most Chinese restaurants have catered to the tastes of Americans.

Whatever the case may be, one of the magnificent things about our world is that there is an immense cultural diversity that exists. Sometimes we develop prejudices about people who are different from us, but for the most part, most of us can appreciate the differences in culture as something peaks our interest. People like to travel because they enjoy seeing something different. They want to experience different styles of architecture, different types of dance, or music that is characteristic of a region. They are curious about the history of a place and want to gain new insights into why a culture developed the way that it did. Isn't it fabulous that we can be fascinated by an Irish dance, or a German polka, or Mexican cumbia, or a Chinese dragon dance, or a Philipino tinkling folk dance?

If everything were the same in every locale, things would be pretty bland. Having traveled to many different places myself, the one thing that I notice is that many places are tragically losing a sense of their unique culture. As communication and travel expands, things are melding together. While there are many positives in this due to



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the sharing of experiences, there are also negatives because things are slowly becoming the same. When he was alive, Pope Saint John Paul II lamented the loss of unique cultural identity. He saw culture as something important.

The Feast of Pentecost this weekend celebrates the diversity of gifts that exist in our lives as Christians. It celebrates how God has uniquely given us many gifts of the Spirit to be used for the purpose of drawing us more deeply into his divine life and more deeply in union with one another.

There are many gifts, but the same Spirit. Let us rejoice in how God brings us together despite our differences in language and culture. Let's recognize that we are all children of the same heavenly Father. We are one body in Christ.

## **Mass Contributions**

If you are able, we encourage you to continue to support your church during this time. You can easily contribute online by going to [spxcc.org](http://spxcc.org) and clicking on the "Online Giving" tab. If you prefer, you may mail your donation to 5620 Gollihar Rd, Corpus Christi, TX 78412, or you may drop it by the black locked mailbox outside the parish office.

## **VBS - Cancelled**

Unfortunately, there will be no VBS this summer.

## **Golf Tournament & Raffle Rescheduled**

Due to the Coronavirus "Stay-at-home" order, the Golf Tournament & Raffle associated with it has been rescheduled to June 12, 2020. Please check the school letter on page 5 for more information. Thank you for your support and your understanding. We are still accepting sponsorships and donations of silent auction items. Please contact the school to help.

## **Parish Office Hours**

We are cautiously beginning to re-open our offices according to State and diocesan guidelines. For the time being, the parish office hours are Monday - Friday, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon. As a precaution, we encourage you to wear masks and practice distancing guidelines while in the office.

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Parish Office Hours:  
*Monday-Friday, 9:00AM-5:00PM*

## **Schedule of Services**

Masses: *First Friday: 5:30PM - Anointing of the Sick*

*First Saturday: 8:15AM*

*Saturday: Vigil at 5:30PM.*

*Sunday: 8AM, 10AM, 12PM, 5:30PM*

*Vietnamese Mass: 7:30PM*

*(Babysitting at 10AM and 12 noon Sunday Masses - Ages 6mo-5yrs - in Parish Hall Nursery)*

*Weekdays: Monday through Friday 8:15AM,*

*Wednesday & Friday 5:30PM*

*Holy Days: 6:30AM, 8:15AM, 12PM & 6:00PM(Vigil 5:30PM)*

*Confessions: Saturdays - 4-5PM and 6:30-7:30PM and Thursdays 7-8PM*

*Marriages: By appointment only and notice six months in advance.*

*Baptismal Instruction: Pre-register through the office.*

*Anointing of the Sick: On request and at the 5:30PM Mass on First Fridays*

## Scholarship Donations

We are currently accepting contributions for our two scholarships; the Christopher Janosek and Emil & Marie Habeeb Scholarships. The graduating seniors in our parish will have the opportunity to apply for this scholarship money. If you would like to donate to either of these scholarships, you can drop your donation in the collection basket or make an online contribution. The scholarships will be awarded at the Graduation Mass.

## Christopher Janosek/Emil & Marie Habeeb Scholarships

All graduating high school seniors are invited to apply for the Christopher Janosek/Emil & Marie Habeeb scholarships. The application can be downloaded from the home page of our website, [www.spxcc.org](http://www.spxcc.org). All applications must be completed and submitted by June 10, 2020. No late application will be accepted. Completed applications are to be returned to Brandon Lutz. You can drop them off at the parish office during office hours, mail or drop them in the black locked mailbox outside the parish office if the office is closed.

## Attention Graduates of 2020!

This has been a year of upheaval and disappointment for all of our graduating Senior Class of 2020. The interruption of their classes, coupled with the cancellation of all the Senior milestones has been difficult. Nevertheless, we want to honor all of our graduates and we are planning to have a Graduation Mass for them on June 14, 2020 at 5:30 pm. We would like to invite all seniors to participate by walking in in cap and gown. Let us honor you in a special way for your accomplishments. If you are a graduating senior and would like to participate, please RSVP to the parish office at [parishoffice@stpiusxcc.org](mailto:parishoffice@stpiusxcc.org) or to Brandon in the Youth Office at [blutz@stpiusxcc.org](mailto:blutz@stpiusxcc.org) by June 5th.

## Father's Day Novena

The Father's Day Novena starts on Sunday, June 21st. If you receive offertory envelopes in the mail, there are Father's Day Novena envelopes included in your packet. For those who do not receive monthly envelope mailings, there are cards and envelopes in the church vestibule for your use. The card and envelopes inside can be given to your living father to let him know that he is included in the novena of Masses. On the outside envelope, write the names of your fathers, living or deceased, that you would like to include in the novena of Masses and insert a donation to be returned to the church. More than one name can be written on the outside of the envelope for the Novena, so there is no need to take more cards than needed. Please bring all novena envelopes and donations to the church by Friday, June 19th.

## Welcome to Seminarians on Summer Assignment

This summer, we are very happy to welcome two seminarians who will be working on some projects involving our youth programs. The two seminarians are not strangers to us. In fact, both of them have been here before on summer assignment. They are Michael Golla and Raymond Pendleton. Michael will be staying in residence in the rectory, while Raymond will be residing at the Cathedral for the summer. However, you will see both of them around. We are glad to have them here and look forward to the good things they will do for our parish!

## Comings and Goings

*The Week at a Glance*



### Sunday, May 31st

8:00AM – Mass – CH  
10:00AM – Mass – CH  
2:30PM – Youth Confirmation Mass – CH  
7:30PM – Vietnamese Mass

### Monday, June 1st

8:15AM – Mass – CH

### Tuesday, June 2nd

8:15AM – Mass – CH

### Wednesday, June 3rd

8:15AM – Mass – CH

### Thursday, June 4th

8:15AM – Mass – CH  
7:00PM – Adoration – CH

### Friday, June 5th

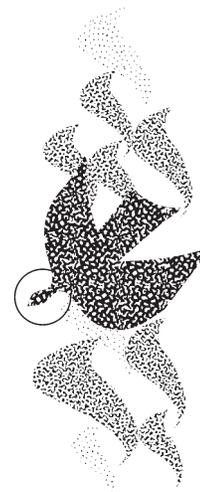
8:15AM – Mass – CH

### Saturday, June 6th

8:15AM – Mass – CH  
2:00 – 3:30PM – Confessions - CH  
5:30PM – Mass – CH

### Sunday, June 7th

8:00AM – Mass – CH  
10:00AM – Mass – CH  
7:30PM - Vietnamese Mass - CH



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**Deadline for submitting  
bulletin announcements is  
Wednesday's @ 12:00noon**

## ***Addition of Masses As We Reopen***

This next week, we will be slowly adding Masses to our schedule as we continue to reopen. During the weekdays, we will add the Wednesday and Friday evening Masses at 5:30 pm. On Sunday next week, we will add the Sunday evening Mass at 5:30 pm. For the time being, we will not have the 12:00 noon Sunday Mass. We look forward to seeing you at Mass!

## ***Public Masses Continue***

We've begun to offer public Masses once again as we move ahead with re-opening after the State "Stay-at-home" orders. Everything went very smoothly and those who came felt rather safe. If you would like to join us for Mass, you are welcome. Please note that we are only limited to 106 people (25% Capacity) per Mass for the time being. If you are feeling sick, or if you have any symptoms that are characteristic of COVID-19, we ask you to stay at home. If you have underlying health issues, you might want to remain home as well. A dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass is granted to everyone through the month of June, especially those who feel uncomfortable attending Mass at this time. If you do come to Mass, please observe the following guidelines and procedures:

### Before You Arrive

- Be sure to wash your hands or use hand sanitizer.
- Face masks are strongly encouraged
- Check your temperature before leaving your home.

### Upon Arriving

- Enter only through the front doors from the parking lot on the Gollihar Road side.
- Please allow the ushers to escort you to your seat. There will be alternating empty rows of pews to help maintain physical distance.

- Everyone should maintain 6 feet of distance between them, but families may sit together.

### During Mass

- If wearing a mask, we encourage you to keep your face mask on during the Mass.
- Please no holding hands during the Our Father and there will be no Sign of Peace.
- Baskets won't be passed during the offertory. You may place your weekly gift in a basket in the vestibule of the church before or after Mass. We encourage you to practice online giving.
- For distribution of communion, maintain proper distancing from the person in front and behind you. Receive communion on your ungloved hand. Step aside 6 feet, pull your mask down if you are wearing one, and place the host in your mouth and recover your face with your mask and return to your pew.

### Departing Mass

- All are asked to depart Mass in an orderly fashion starting from the rear of the church while maintaining 6 feet of distance from others.

### Cleaning & Sanitizing Procedures

- We will implement a cleaning crew to sanitize pews, seats, and bathrooms, between every Mass.
- We will disinfect door handles and other frequently touched surfaces throughout the day.

## ***Congratulations to Those Who Have Received Sacraments***

We would like to congratulate the following people who were received into the Catholic Faith or who have received the completion of the Sacraments of Initiation in the Catholic Church this past weekend:

Newly Baptized Catholics: Ernest DelValle, Elizabeth Skylar Shaw, Michelle Rae Hogan, Araceli Marie Gonzalez, Lanay Deshae Moore, Gavin Molina and Kira Molina

Received Into the Church & Confirmed: Mary E. Kuffel

Catholics Received Completion of Sacraments of Initiation: Angelita 'Angie' DelValle, Anna Gonzalez and Corine Kuhlman (TAMUCC)

**VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS!**



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## **School News** *By Interim Principal Beth Hinojosa*

*Our mission is to develop the whole child in a Christ centered environment to become a loving and productive citizen in today's world.*

We closed out the year with some fun events for our students. We had a Drive-Thru/Drop-Off Day where all families drove through and dropped off textbooks, ipads, and library books. They registered for next year, picked up a free "Home of a Blue Jay" yard sign, and received a free snow cone, all from the safety of their car. We also had our first ever Drive-By Kindergarten Graduation Parade. Parents decorated their cars and drove through while we announced their child's name. We also announced what each student wanted to be when they grew up. Kindergarten students were cheered on by all their teachers and the school and church staff. We even had special guest appearances by Father Paul's sweet baby Brea and Father Thung's birds Rocky and Goldie. We also had our 6th-grade awards ceremony that was held in the Church. It was such a special event and we are extremely proud of our 6th-grade students.

Congratulations to the following 6th graders.

Noah Bakey

Tyler Bakey

Abigail Bippert

Nicoloas Capetillo

Jonah Dulin

Adam Mikulik

Joe Palacios

Sunny Pearson

Garrett Ramos

Katelyn Shull

All events are posted on our Facebook page if you would like to watch them.

Our 6th-grade teacher Mrs. Urbis has decided to retire after teaching at St. Pius X for the last 13 years. She is looking forward to spending more time with her grandchildren. Mrs. Urbis has been such a blessing to our school. She devotes many hours doing extra things for the school such as tutoring students after school, prepping for the Christmas program, the veterans day program, managing safety patrol all year, and helping with student council. We were so blessed to have such a servant heart here at St. Pius X. She shares her love for God's creations and teaches her students to appreciate the beautiful design of our world and its creatures. Her faith in Christ is solid and she sets an example for all to follow. Mrs. Urbis will be deeply missed but we are so happy for her to be able to spend more time with her new grandbabies. We already have a new 6th-grade teacher lined up for next year. More details to come.

I would like to give an update on all the fundraising we have done this year. With all the Pancake breakfasts, Fish fries, Christmas Bazaar, Rummage sales, Enchilada dinner, and our YoYo fundraiser the school raised \$25,601.85! Thank you so much for all your support. Our school prospered this year because of the hard work and support of parishioners. Our school is so fortunate to have such strong supporters. We are blessed.

Our 17th Annual Golf Classic has been moved to June 12th. We will have 2 separate tee times. A morning group and an afternoon group. We are so grateful to the Corpus Christi Country Club for helping us make this event safe for our players and volunteers. Our silent auction will be online this year. We will have more information in next week's bulletin if you would like to participate. We are still accepting raffle tickets and the drawing will take place June 12, the day of the tournament. You can drop them by the school or by the parish office.

Don't forget to check out our new website! Our web address is <https://www.stpiusxschoolcc.org/>. I keep it updated weekly with new information coming from our campus. We also have a very active Facebook page where I share student successes and school news. You can find that by going to <https://www.facebook.com/stpiusxschoolcc>.

## ***FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI - June 11, 2020***

The Feast of Corpus Christi, which is the Feast Day of our Diocese and our beloved city, will be on June 11, 2020. To prepare for the event, and to help you to appreciate the beauty of our diocese a little bit more, we encourage you to take a special Corpus Christi Cathedral Virtual Tour! The first event that will help us get ready for the Feast of Corpus Christi is the Cathedral Virtual tour. The first virtual tour can be viewed on the Diocesan website, Facebook, Vimeo, and YouTube channels on May 30th at 10 a.m. Take time to visit the Cathedral VIRTUALLY and learn about our beautiful faith and the history of our Corpus Christi Cathedral. Additional events and information will be forthcoming.

**Saturday, May 30th**

**Mass Intentions**



5:30PM † Bonifacio Rodriguez by Mary & Tony Sanchez

**Sunday, May 31st**

8:00AM † Gwen Irvin by John, Debra & Brian Janosek

10:00AM † Alfred Hesse, by Al & Adelle Hesse

† Raul Saenz by Anita Saenz

For the Parishioners

**Monday, June 1st**

8:15AM † Antonia & Roberto Villarreal by E. Garza

**Tuesday, June 2nd**

8:15AM † Raul P. Saenz by Anita Saenz

**Wednesday, June 3rd**

8:15AM † Deceased members of the Lowell & Alice Didear family

Julian Liam Galloway's Health by Grampa

† James W. Kelly, Sr. & Helen B. Kelly by James & John Kelly

† Albert T. & Mary Pat Slavik by James & John Kelly

† Clayton Travland's Anniversary by his family

† Fr. Gregory Romanski by Feliciano Rodriguez

† Mary, John & James Patrick Kelly by K.K.H.

† Anna Van Dyck by James Kelly

John C. Kelley's well-being by James Kelly

James W. Kelly 3rd well-being by James Kelly

**Thursday, June 4th**

8:15AM † Gilbert Schanen by Nancy Schanen

**Friday, June 5th**

8:15AM † Charlotte Groner by T. Groner, Jr.

Lilian Van Hoof's well-being by James Kelly

† Roberto Peña by Carolyn Consuelo

† Frank & Betty Kollaja by Dotti Duerr

† Egils Purins by Larry & Donna Grove

John David Broadstreet's Intentions

Sultanas' Intentions

† Carolyn & Felipe Quintanilla by their family

† Jesse/Robert/Delores/Ernest Torres by George & Estela Phillips

† Andres Alvarez by George & Estela Phillips

† Oscar & Gladys Phillips by Sabrina & Al Garrison

† Faustino & Roberta Torres by George & Estela Phillips

**Saturday, June 6th**

8:15AM † Henry Muenster by Gail E. Zambie

5:30PM † Sterling Achee by Anna Vrazel

**Sunday, June 7th**

8:00AM † Chris, John & Patricia Janosek by Austin Janosek

10:00AM † Frances Marsden Annv. by Bill Marsden

† Alvino & Stella Campos by their family

For the Parishioners

**Financial Report for Sunday 5/24/2020**

**Operating Revenue:**

Sunday Collection..... \$10,465.00

Sunday Online ..... \$5,318.00

Other Income..... \$100.00

Total Operating Revenue... \$15,883.00

**Other Contributions:**

Acts of Charity ..... \$135.00

Janosek Scholarship ..... \$50.00

Retired Diocesan Priests ..... \$225.00

Rice Bowls..... \$21.00

Catholic Comm. Camp. .... \$205.00

Home Missions..... \$100.00

Total Other Contributions..... \$736.00

Total Contributions..... \$16,619.00

**Diocesan Loan – Parking Lot, A/C, Roof Repairs (1/6/2017)**

Amount borrowed ..... \$389,469.05

Principal pd (4/30/20) ..... \$137,549.22

Ending balance..... \$251,919.83

**Please Pray for our Sick & Shut-Ins:**

Alicia & Luis Alvarado, Kirk Anderson, Sugar Arras, Abby Arredondo, Missy O'Rourke Atkinson, Tamra Bacon, Allan Balderas, Elida Benavides, Bernice Berry, Isabel Black, Judy Bowman, Jimmy Buehrig, Michael Campos, Lisa Caperton, Allison Cash, Eddie Castro, Sylvia Chatelain, Dora Church, Sabrina Cisneros, Gino Colmenero, Melanie Conner, Carole Cotter, Shirley Currie, Sandy DeGregorio, Florinda DeLaGarza, Didra DeLosSantos, Pud'n Dellinger, Albert Diemert, Ethel Dulak, Natalie & Elaine Elwood, Balde Espinoza, Elijah Ethridge, Bobby Floyd, Julian Galloway, Berta Garcia, Dakota Garcia, Esperanza Garcia, Minerva Garcia, Dora Garza, Raquel Garza, Terry Garza, Leigh & Jackson Gavarkovs, Deborah Giese, Beatriz Gonzalez, Juan Gonzalez, Jared Groner, Linda Habeeb, Monte Hall, Rose Marie Hand, Doyle Harris, Owen Harris, Roger Heitzmann, Jr., Shain Hennig, Anna Hernandez, Graham Hughes, Mark Hyde, Carl Jacobi, Elizabeth Johnson, Steve Jones, Frank Kolda, Dennis Kramer, Arlene Leep, Diana Lopez, Mario Lopez, Larry Ludka, Bill Lyman, Christopher Manka, Dottie Margrave, Gilbert Martinez, Jack McCord, Pat McLemore, Katie Mechlar, Barbara Mikulik, Fred Mitchell, Melynda Moore, Arlene Morgan, John Morgan, Liz Morgan, Sterling Murphy, Doug Nicol, Trent O'Connell, Anna Fay Olenick, Jason Olog, Ozzie & Mary Osborne, Valerie Pompa, Derrel & Dolores Puckett, Aaron & Mercedes Presas, Irma Ramirez, Tino Ramos, John Rank, Leo M. Robles, Stella Rollins, John & Irene Rosales, Rebecca Rosales, Myron Rose, Hedy Rosenast, Lorena Roy, David Russell, Hidalgo Salas, Americo Salazar, Luis Salazar, Robert Sanchez, Janie San Miguel, Rick Sanders, Brandee Saylor, David N. Scherzer, Msgr. Richard Shirley, Clara Skelton, Maxine Sommers, Dean Smith, Denise Sosa-Villagran, Mary Ann Starkey, Donna Tindall, Andrew Trevino, Bessie Vasquez, Leah Villalobos, Santana Villarreal, Judy West, Cynthia Williams, Helen Witzsche and all those who asked for and need our prayers.



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