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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).
Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).
Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13) *or Romans 8:8-17*.
Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission (John 20:19-23) *or John 14:15-16, 23b-26*.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday June 8

5:30pm Monsignor Murrough Wallace (spec int) by friends

Sunday June 9

8:00 am St. Theresa parishioners

10:00 am Ed Burkart (dec) by Tom & Cindy Burkart

12:00 pm Jerry Tobolski (dec) by the Tobolski & Finkel families

7:00 pm

Monday June 10 **Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**

8:00 am Jim Donovan (dec) by Katie Donovan

Tuesday June 11 **St. Barnabas**

8:00 am Margaret & Antone Salel (dec) by the Hurley family

Wednesday June 12

8:00 am Special intention, by Katie Donovan

12:00 pm Esberto Magpusao (dec) by Mindy & family

Thursday June 13 **St. Anthony of Padua**

8:00 am Gerald Hurley & Kathleen Carlson (dec) by the Hurley family

Friday June 14

8:00 am Adella Bisbee (birthday) by her family

12:00 pm Joseph Donovan (dec) by Mom

Saturday June 15 **Blessed Virgin Mary**

5:30pm Linda DeLilli (dec) from friends



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WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, June 10	8am Mass; 4pm-5:30pm Bread & Broth Meal; 6pm Meeting for Festival
Tuesday, June 11	8am Mass; 9am Session VI of Priest, Prophet & King
Wednesday, June 12	8am Mass; 12noon Mass; 7pm Knights of Columbus Meeting
Thursday, June 13	8am Mass; 2pm-4pm B&B4Kids; 5pm wedding rehearsal; 6pm Blessed Is She
Friday, June 14	8am Mass; 12noon Mass; 4pm-5pm Second Serving; 3pm-4:30pm Food Pantry; 6pm to 9pm Evening of Reflection for Men and Women at the Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center (660 Highway 50, Zephyr Cove, NV 89448)
Saturday, June 15	9am-5pm Day of Reflection for Women at the Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center (660 Highway 50, Zephyr Cove, NV 89448); 2pm wedding; 4pm confessions; 5:30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday, June 16	8am, 10am, 12 noon & 7pm (in Spanish) Masses

FR. MAURICIO'S WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, June 10	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 9am-12noon office work; 12noon break; 1pm-4pm office work; 6pm Festival Meeting
Tuesday, June 11	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 9am Session VI of Priest, Prophet & King; 11am-4pm office work
Wednesday, June 12	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 9am-11:30am office work; 12noon Mass; 1pm-3pm office work; 3pm break; 4pm-7pm Safety Seminar; 7pm Knights of Columbus Meeting
Thursday, June 13	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; day off
Friday, June 14	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 10am appointment; 12noon Mass; 1pm-4pm office work
Saturday, June 15	7:30am opening the church; 7am-8:30am blowing leaves & pine needles; 2pm wedding; 4pm Confessions; 5:30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday, June 16	6:45am opening the church; 8am, 10am, 12 noon Masses; 3pm-5pm personal time; 6pm confessions; 7pm Mass

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to add to the prayer list, please send an email with your loved one's name along with your name and phone number to tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com.

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Second collection NEXT weekend: **NO SECOND COLLECTION**



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KNIGHT'S CORNER

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St. Theresa Commemorative Keepsake available for sale.

WELCOME ERIKI!



Let us welcome Erik Pereira, seminarian of the Diocese of Sacramento, who will be with us for his Summer Assignment and for his Pastoral Year.

SOLITUDE IS THE PLACE OF CONVERSION

In order to understand the meaning of solitude, we must first unmask the ways in which the idea of solitude has been distorted by our world. We say to each other that we need some solitude in our lives. What we really are thinking of, however, is a time and place for ourselves in which we are not bothered by other people, can think our own thoughts, express our own complaints, and do our own thing, whatever it may be. For us, solitude most often means privacy. We have come to the dubious conviction that we all have a right to privacy. Solitude thus becomes like a spiritual property for which we can compete on the free market of spiritual goods. But there is more. We also think of solitude as a station where we can recharge our batteries, or as a corner of the boxing ring where our wounds are oiled, our muscles massaged, and our courage restored by fitting slogans. In short, we think of solitude as a place where we gather new strength to continue the ongoing competition of life. But that is not the solitude of St. John the Baptist, of St. Anthony or St. Benedict, of Charles de Foucauld or the brothers of [the] Taizé [Community]. For them solitude is not a private therapeutic place. Rather, it is the place of conversion, the place where the old self dies and the new self is born, the place where the emergence of the new man and the new woman occurs. <https://henrinouwen.org/meditation/solitude-is-the-place-of-conversion/>

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PENTECOSTS PAST AND PRESENT

"When the day of Pentecost came it found them gathered in one place." —Acts 2:1

One-hundred-and-twenty of Jesus' disciples had been devoting themselves to constant prayer for nine days (Acts 1:14). As they began praying at about 9 AM on the tenth day, "suddenly from up in the sky there came a noise like a strong, driving wind" (Acts 2:2). After the Holy Spirit introduced Himself audibly, He manifested Himself visibly when "tongues as of fire appeared" (Acts 2:3). These exterior manifestations indicated interior transformations in the hearts of Jesus' disciples (see Acts 15:9). Then they spoke from the abundance of their hearts (see Lk 6:45) and "began to express themselves in foreign tongues and make bold proclamation as the Spirit prompted them" (Acts 2:4). This was only the beginning. After Peter preached and prophesied, these disciples reached 3,000 people with the Gospel of Jesus, and those 3,000 were baptized that very day (Acts 2:41).

Will Pentecost today be like the first Christian Pentecost? Many people, even Christians, think Pentecost was in the past and is not for the present. Others believe new Pentecosts happen today but only rarely. However, the Church has always taught that we celebrate the events of salvation history not merely to think of the past but to experience and fulfill these events in the present. Jesus promised that if we believed in Him, we would do greater works than He did (Jn 14:12). Therefore, expect a new Pentecost today — greater than ever before

Prayer: *Father, on this Pentecost may I expect You to love me as Your child.*

Promise: *"Peace be with you," He said again. 'As the Father has sent Me, so I send you.' Then He breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit.' " —Jn 20:21-22*

Praise: *Come, Holy Spirit! Blessed be the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.*

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PROMOTING LIFE | *Pentecost Voice*

The Holy Spirit, who came on Pentecost, gave voice to the apostles to proclaim the truth of the Gospel. The Spirit, the Soul of the Church, continues to enable the Church to speak, and enables us to speak in our individual capacity. As Cardinal Elio Sgreccia, former President of the Vatican's Pontifical Academy for Life has said, "The Church must speak out in today's context on fundamental rights, the right to justice, the right to peace, but above all and in the first place, the right to life. If the Church did not speak, did not proclaim the truth, it would be abandoning its duty; it would be unfaithful to society, to the good of society. Therefore, its precise duty is the very liberty to intervene with word, and also with example -- the example of promoting human life, of intervening for the salvation of mankind."

<https://www.priestsforlife.org/liturgy/liturgicalresource-cycles.aspx?id=71>

REFLECTIONS

WHAT'S THE SMOKE FOR?

Dear Johan,

I read in the newspaper that a politician was refused Communion during the funeral of his mother. I was shocked. I know a lot has been written and said about this, however, who should be allowed to go to Communion? And who has the right to stop people from receiving Communion?

Gentle Reader,

The Catholic Church has a very clear communion policy. Only Catholics who are in the state of grace, that is, who are without mortal sin, are invited to receive Communion. The decision as to one's state of grace before receiving Communion is ordinarily left up to each communicant. However, in the course of its history, the Catholic Church has withheld Communion from certain individuals or groups of people. Sometimes this was accompanied with great episcopal or papal fanfare. One of the best known excommunications is undoubtedly the one of King Henry VIII, which resulted in the establishment of the Church of England.

The loss of one's state of grace as well as the definition of mortal sin are very specific; yet, they also allow some room for interpretation. Wisely, most bishops have decreed that the time of Communion is not the time for a communion minister to discern a communicant's state of grace. And rather than using punitive measures or public threats, some have engaged in the often more fruitful exercise of conversation. Actions by self-appointed communion police rarely result in greater devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, nor do they contribute to a deepening of the spirituality of all involved.

When deciding on who is worthy to receive Communion and who is not, let's remember how Pope Francis reminded us that Holy Communion is not a kind of reward given to those who are perfect; rather, it is medicine administered in the hospital of the soul, which is the church at prayer. With the words we speak before Communion, "Lord I am not worthy... but only say the word / and my soul shall be healed," we acknowledge our unworthiness and our profound belief that Jesus will heal our brokenness and make us whole, no matter who we are or what we have done. As one wise bishop once wishfully told me, "If only we would all look a bit deeper into our own soul..."

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DON'T FEED THE PHISH!! - EMAIL AND TEXTING SCAM ON THE RISE

The Diocese has received multiple reports from parishioners receiving scam emails from an imposter who creates an email address using the pastor's name and then sends a phony email asking for money in the form of gift cards. The scam has recently evolved, and parishioners are now receiving text messages from the imposter/scammer using the pastor's name and a local telephone number.

Typically, the scam is initiated when the parishioner receives a casual email or text message from the imposter with a subject like, "Many Blessings." The body of the email is written something like, "Good morning, how are you doing?" "I need a favor from you, email me as soon as you get this message." Then the email is signed using the pastor's name.

Unbeknownst to the recipient, he or she replies to an address that is not the pastor's, but an imposter's email address. This type of social engineered attack is commonly referred to as Phishing or CEO Fraud (the latter because the imposter uses the name of a person you trust or have a close relationship and plays on a sense of urgency). The next email usually asks the parishioner to buy gift cards and to transmit the photo of the gift cards with the numbers revealed to the imposter.

What is Phishing? Phishing is an email or text message that will attempt to trick the recipient into doing something s/he wouldn't normally do (in this case emailing or texting the image of gift cards) because the request seems urgent, yet simple (like sending money, a bank or credit card number, or your email and network credentials). Close examination of the sender's email address will reveal that the address is not a legitimate email address for the actual person (like the pastor). But, it could be easily overlooked because the imposter will create an email address similar to the pastor's (e.g. FrJoe@gmail.com and use FrJoe@aol.com) that incorporates the pastor's name.

DON'T FEED THE PHISH REMEMBER: A pastor or clergy member will never ask for gift cards electronically via email or text message!!

If you would like more information on how to protect yourself on the internet, go to the SANS website and subscribe to the OUCH! Monthly Newsletters.

If you believe you are a victim of an internet crime (no matter what the dollar value), go to the following website to file a report with the FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center. For more information, go to their website at <https://www.ic3.gov/default.aspx>.

Source: <https://www.scd.org/sites/default/files/2019-05/IT-Weekly-News-on-Phishing-for-24may2019.pdf>

JOY AND RESENTMENT CANNOT COEXIST | <https://henrinouwen.org/meditation/joy-and-resentment-cannot-coexist/>

Of one thing I am sure. Complaining is self-perpetuating and counterproductive. Whenever I express my complaints in the hope of evoking pity and receiving the satisfaction I so much desire, the result is always the opposite of what I tried to get. A complainer is hard to live with, and very few people know how to respond to the complaints made by a self-rejecting person. The tragedy is that, often, the complaint, once expressed, leads to that which is most feared: further rejection...Joy and resentment cannot coexist.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

PRIEST, PROPHET AND KING

Bible Study/Formation Program | Parish Center (corner of Rufus Allen/Lyons Ave.) |
Tuesday at 9am | June 11: King of Kings

Join this six-session Bible Study! "We cannot introduce Jesus to others unless we have first been introduced to him ourselves, and this is our purpose with the Priest, Prophet and King– to provide an introduction to the Lord so that in coming to know him, people might better introduce him to others." Come to better understand Jesus, become more familiar with Scripture, and realize your own priestly, prophetic, and kingly mission received at Baptism.

WEEKEND OF REFLECTION | Zephyr Point Conference Center, Zephyr Cove, NV | (NEXT WEEKEND)

Reserve your space for either or both events! | Tickets may be reserved by either visiting: <https://www.eventbrite.com> (Zephyr Cove) or At the church Rectory (9-4p) or By contacting Bridget Spencer at (916) 595-2570

Friday, June 14th (6-9pm)
Making Hope Real
FREE

Join us for a FREE evening of spiritual enrichment and meet the author of "Busy Lives, Restless Souls".
Open to all men and women 12 and older who have found yourself in a situation where it is hard to have and hold onto hope? Hope is an invitation to see and appreciate the world, and believe that things can improve. In this workshop, Becky Eldredge shows you how to make 'Hope Real', even when life feels anything but hopeful. She will offer you tools on how to name what's really going on, how to bring the reality of what you are facing to God, and how to nurture hope.

Saturday, June 15th (9-5pm) | Cost: \$40pp
Making Room for God in the Busyness
Open to women 12 and older.

Join other women of the parish for a day of spiritual enrichment and meet the author of "Busy Lives, Restless Souls".
Do you ever wonder how your life could be different if you could nurture your relationship with God while tending to other responsibilities in your life? With your day to day demands, it might feel like a challenge to take care of daily tasks, let alone make room for God. The reality is when God gets pushed to the side, we can begin to feel "off" and restless. On Saturday, we will explore practical ways we CAN make time for God in our lives and nurture our awareness of God encountering us, even amidst the busyness of life!



ST. THERESA PARISH FESTIVAL

June 22 | 12-9 pm

Parish Grounds

Parking available at South Tahoe Middle School

PIVOTAL PLAYERS

Bible Study/Formation Program | Parish Center (corner of Rufus Allen/Lyons Ave.) | Tuesday at 9am

The Pivotal Players is a multi-part series that illumines a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of western civilization. This short 5-session study focuses on two incredible saints from the fourth and fifth centuries: St. Augustine of Hippo and St. Benedict of Nursia.

Tuesday, June 18: St. Augustine: The Teacher part I

Tuesday, June 25: St. Augustine: The Teacher part II

Tuesday, July 2: St. Benedict: The Monk part I

Tuesday, July 9: St. Benedict: The Monk part II

Tuesday, July 16: The 12 Steps of Humility

5th ANNUAL BASKETBALL GAME | Priests vs Seminarians | Tuesday, July 9, 2019

Game starts 7pm | Doors open 6:30pm Christian Brothers High School Gym 4315 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.,
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9 DE JUNIO DE 2019 | DOMINGO DE PENTECOSTÉS

PARA PROBLEMAS DE ESCUCHA: hay audífonos disponibles en la sacristía. Favor de devolverlos después de Misa.

¡Bienvenidos a todos! Nos reunimos con Jesús. Cristo es quién nos invita al banquete celestial. Qué esta liturgia les traiga paz. Si están visitando nuestra iglesia por la primera vez, ójala que se sienten como en familia, una parte de la familia mundial del Señor. Les damos la bienvenida cordialmente y celebramos y contemplamos el misterio de la Eucaristía y rezamos que su viaje a su casa será seguro y que regresen pronto.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Llenos del Espíritu Santo, los apóstoles empezaron a hablar en lenguas (Hechos 2:1-11).
Salmo — Envía, Señor, tu Espíritu, a renovar la tierra. Aleluya (Salmo 104 [103]).
Segunda lectura — Fuimos bautizados en el Espíritu para formar un sólo cuerpo (1 Corintios 12:3b-7, 12-13) o Romanos 8:8-17.
Evangelio — Jesús se aparece a los discípulos y los envía en su misión (Juan 20:19-23) o Juan 14:15-16, 23b-26

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Gn 3:9-15, 20 o Hch 1:12-14; Sal 87 (86):1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34
 Martes: Hch 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Sal 119 (118):129-133, 135; Mt 5:13-16
 Miércoles: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Sal 99 (98):5-9; Mt 5:17-19
 Jueves: 2 Cor 3:15 — 4:1, 3-6; Sal 85 (84):9ab, 10-14; Mt 5:20-26
 Viernes: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Sal 116 (115):10-11, 15-18; Mt 5:27-32
 Sábado: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Sal 103 (102):1-4, 9-12; Mt 5:33-37
 Domingo: Prov 8:22-31; Sal 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

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Hace algunos años, durante un verano tranquilo en Roma, el Papa Francisco tomó un día de descanso para pasar un tiempo en privado con algunos viejos amigos, cuyas identidades tomaron por sorpresa a los católicos italianos: protestantes evangélicos. Ellos dieron la bienvenida a Francisco a su iglesia pentecostal de la reconciliación, donde Francisco pidió perdón por las persecuciones católicas y celebró “la obra pentecostal” del Espíritu Santo. Francisco declaró que Satanás crea división en medio de los hijos de Dios, pero el Espíritu Santo crea una diversidad rica y hermosa. Y unidad, pero no uniformidad, Francisco especificó, sino unidad en la diversidad. Francisco nombró el don del Espíritu Santo “diversidad reconciliada”. El rico tesoro de Pentecostés de las lecturas de las Escrituras, para la vigilia del sábado y la liturgia del domingo por la mañana, rastrea la obra del Espíritu Santo desde el comienzo de la creación, mediante la resurrección de Jesús, hacia los primeros días de la Iglesia, ahora en nuestros días. Encerrados en nuestros corazones, el fuego gentil del Espíritu es nuestro para compartir generosamente, incluso con aquellos que son notablemente diferentes a nosotros. Todos los corazones son estimulados por la diversidad reconciliada.

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS	PETICIONES POR ESTAS PERSONAS	
8 de junio sábado 	<u>POR LOS FELIGRESES—ACTIVOS CON EL SERVICIO MILITAR</u>	
5:30 pm Monsignor Murrough Wallace (spec int) by friends		
9 de junio domingo 		
8:00 am St. Theresa parishioners	Phillip Gaston Corbett Martin Zachary Martin Erik Townsend	
10:00 am Ed Burkart (dec) by Tom & Cindy Burkart	<u>POR LOS QUE ESTÁN ENFERMOS</u>	
12:00 pm Jerry Tobolski (dec) by the Tobolski & Finkel families		
7:00 pm		
10 de junio lunes Bienaventurada Virgen María, Madre de la Iglesia	Concordia Balong Bill Barboni Kathleen Brady Krista Carson Romie Enriquez Steve Frick Ophelia Kirvida Kel Lohmeier Matthew Morisky Simon McQuarrie Byron Melrose Jamie O'Malley Cecilia Ramirez Tony Russo Gloria Walkowiak	
8:00 am Jim Donovan (dec) by Katie Donovan	LISTA DE LOS ENFERMOS Si desea conservar su ser querido en la /lista, por favor, envíe un correo electrónico con el nombre de su ser querido, junto con su nombre y número de teléfono a tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com	
11 de junio martes San Bernabé		
8:00 am Margaret & Antone Salel (dec) by the Hurley family		
12 de junio miércoles 	¡GRACIAS POR SU GENEROSIDAD!	
8:00 am Special intention, by Katie Donovan		
12:00 pm Esberto Magpusao (dec) by Mindy & family		
13 de junio jueves San Antonio de Padua	5/26	
8:00 am Gerald Hurley & Kathleen Carlson (dec) by the Hurley family		
14 de junio viernes 	6/02	
8:00 am Adella Bisbee (birthday) by her family		
12:00 pm Joseph Donovan (dec) by Mom	Colecta Regular	5108.22
15 de junio sábado Santa María Virgen	TAMALES	2650.00
5:30 pm Linda DeLilli (dec) from friends	Colecta Regular	5365.88
<i>Segunda colecta—MANTENIMIENTO</i>	COLECTA PARA LA CAMPAÑA CATÓLICA DE LA COMUNICACIÓN	1311.16
<i>Segunda colecta—15/16 de junio: NO HAY COLECTA</i>		

VEN A NOSOTROS, ESPÍRITU DE SANTIDAD

Espíritu Santo,
tú desvaneces el temor de nuestro corazón;
eres testigo en nosotros de que somos hijos de Dios;
a ti acudimos:
Remueve de nuestro corazón el espíritu de esclavos;
danos el Espíritu de hijos adoptados
para que podamos llamar, "¡Abba, Padre!"
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MADRE DE TODOS NOSOTROS

"Este, y también aquél, han nacido en ella, y el Altísimo en persona la ha fundado" (Salmos 87:5).

¿Te sientes frustrado al no recibir el apoyo que necesitas? En la vida, nuestra frágil humanidad a menudo nos impide servirnos los unos a los otros como deberíamos. ¡Pero no te desesperes! "Creemos que la Santísima Madre de Dios, nueva Eva, Madre de la Iglesia, continúa en el cielo ejercitando su oficio materno con respecto a los miembros de Cristo" (Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, 975).

Cuando María "se paró junto a la cruz de Jesús", madre e hijo compartieron el último momento de rechazo (ver Jn 19:25). Sin embargo, no hay Resurrección sin la Crucifixión. El mal no triunfó, "porque no era posible que [la muerte] tuviera dominio sobre él" (Hch 2:24). El sacrificio expiatorio de Cristo allanó el camino para nuestro renacimiento. El plan de Dios de que nuestra salvación vendría por medio de la Iglesia se manifestó cuando "brotó sangre y agua" (Jn 19:34) del costado de Jesús. "Como Eva fue formada del costado de Adán adormecido, así la Iglesia nació del corazón traspasado de Cristo muerto en la cruz" (Catecismo, 766).

Eva fue "la madre de todos los vivientes" (Gn 3:20). Sin embargo, ella cayó en la tentación y pecó. La obediencia de María remedió la desobediencia de Eva. Por lo tanto, María es la madre de aquellos que renacieron en Cristo, de "los que obedecen los mandamientos de Dios y poseen el testimonio de Jesús" (ver Ap 12:17). Confíe en el poder de la intercesión de la Santísima Madre. Ella está lista, dispuesta y capaz de ser tu defensora.

Oración: *Señor Jesús, que todos Tus discípulos obedezcan alegremente Tu mandato de contemplar y aceptar a María como madre (Jn 19:26-27).*

Promesa: *"Dijo al discípulo: 'Aquí tienes a tu madre'. Y desde aquel momento, el discípulo la recibió en su casa" (Jn 19:27).*

Alabanza: *El Papa Francisco instituyó el Memorial de la Santísima Virgen María, Madre de la Iglesia, el 11 de febrero de 2018, en el 160avo*

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PENTECOSTÉS PASADO Y PRESENTE

"Cuando llegó el día de Pentecostés, todos estaban reunidos en el mismo lugar" (Hechos 2:1).

Ciento veinte de los discípulos de Jesús se habían dedicado a la oración constante durante nueve días (Hch 1:14). Cuando comenzaron a orar alrededor de las 9 a.m. del décimo día, "de pronto, vino del cielo un ruido, semejante a una fuerte ráfaga de viento" (Hch 2:2). Después de que el Espíritu Santo se presentó audiblemente, se manifestó visiblemente cuando "aparecieron lenguas como de fuego" (Hch 2:3). Estas manifestaciones exteriores indicaban transformaciones interiores en los corazones de los discípulos de Jesús (ver Hch 15:9). Luego sus bocas hablaron por la abundancia del corazón (ver Lc 6:45) y "comenzaron a hablar en distintas lenguas, según el Espíritu les permitía expresarse" (Hch 2:4). Esto era solo el principio. Después de que Pedro predicó y profetizó, estos discípulos llegaron a 3.000 personas con el Evangelio de Jesús, y todos fueron bautizados ese mismo día (Hch 2:41).

¿El Pentecostés de hoy será como el primer Pentecostés cristiano? Mucha gente, inclusive los cristianos, piensan que Pentecostés ocurrió en el pasado, pero ya no ocurre. Otros creen que nuevos Pentecostés suceden hoy, más solo raramente. Sin embargo, la Iglesia siempre ha enseñado que celebramos los eventos de la historia de la salvación no solo para pensar en el pasado, sino también para experimentar y realizarlos en el presente. Jesús prometió que, si creíamos en Él, haríamos obras más grandes que Él (Jn 14:12). Por lo tanto, espera un nuevo Pentecostés hoy, más grande que nunca.

Oración: *Padre, que en este Pentecostés yo espero que Tú me ames como Tú hijo.*

Promesa: *"¡La paz esté con ustedes! Como el Padre me envió a Mí, Yo también los envío a ustedes". Al decirles esto, sopló sobre ellos y añadió 'Reciban al Espíritu Santo'" (Jn 20:21-22).*

Alabanza: *¡Ven, Espíritu Santo! Bendito sea el Padre, el Hijo y el Espíritu Santo, ahora y siempre. Amén.*

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PROMOVIENDO LA VIDA

El Espíritu Santo que vino en Pentecostés, le dio voz a los Apóstoles para proclamar la verdad del Evangelio. El Espíritu, el Alma de la Iglesia, continúa permitiéndole a la Iglesia hablar, y nos permite a nosotros hablar en nuestras capacidades individuales. Esto dijo el Cardenal Elio Sgreccia, antiguo Presidente de la Academia Pontificia para la Vida, del Vaticano: "La Iglesia debe hablar en el contexto de hoy sobre los derechos fundamentales, el derecho a la justicia, el derecho a la paz, pero sobre todo, en primer lugar, el derecho a la vida. Si la Iglesia no habla, si no proclama la verdad, estaría abandonando su deber; sería infiel a la sociedad. Por tanto, su deber preciso es la propia libertad para intervenir con palabra, y también con ejemplo – el ejemplo de promover la vida humana, de intervenir por la salvación de la humanidad."

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