

From the Desk of Fr. Leo

In the dry season, the river beds barely contain a trickle of water, the land is parched, life is dormant and seemingly non-existent. Everything appears scorched and barren, water is scarce, but let the rains come again, that life-giving flood of water, and the entire picture changes. Now life appears again in



abundance, growth springs up everywhere. Grass, grain, flowers and leaves all flourish. Humankind is given new hope. What a marvel is water! But it symbolizes a still greater marvel: the living water, the Holy Spirit.

Jesus had promised rivers of Living Water to those who would accept him and he meant the Spirit that gives life, refreshes, animates. What a change the Spirit wrought in the Apostles at his coming! They who were once timid and cowardly are now filled with new life and vigor. No more hiding behind closed doors for fear of what others would do to them as followers of Jesus, or what people would say about them. They forget all about themselves, their energy is now directed to a new goal. Now they have a mighty job to do, a stupendous project: endowed with the Spirit, they set out to conquer the world for Christ.

Now, they are no longer hesitant, inactive, but up and doing. Transformed by the Spirit to men of action, they fearlessly bear witness to Christ's resurrection. Impelled by the Spirit as Christ was before them, they preach the Christian way of life in season and out of season, although it means telling their very leaders that they did wrong in crucifying the Messiah-King. Filled with the Spirit, their life and example are now like that of Christ, pointing the way to true values for life and eternity.

In Baptism, we have all received the same Spirit of Jesus, and a fuller potion of the water of Life in the

sacrament of Confirmation. Now it is our turn to be more fully aware of his abiding presence within us, to be open to his suggestions, to work with him for the up building of our fellowmen and women be it in the family, the community, the parish. With the Spirit we will



not lack vigor and drive, for he is the promised Christ, the Gift of Living Water.

Since each member of Christ has received from the Spirit a charism or special gift for the common good, one ought to foster it and utilize it to the utmost, so that greater benefit come to those we serve. The gifts of the Spirit ought not to lie dormant but to be put to use. Even natural gifts can be heightened by the Spirit and constitute a valuable charism for the community.

Fr. Leo Alban Asuncion

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tues.	May 25	11:00AM
Ricardo Diwa Sr. †		Bob & Lydia
& Carmelita Diw	a†	

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Wed.	May 26	11:00AM
Francisco M. Jose †		Lacsina Family
Thur.	May 27	11:00AM
Special Intentions		
Fri.	May 28	11:00AM
Thanksgiving		Lily Militar
Sat.	May 29	4:30PM
Special Intentions		
Sun.	May 30	9:00AM
Special Intentions		
Port Costa		11:00AM
People of the Parish		

<u>Sunday Collection - May 16</u>

St. Rose, Crockett	\$1727
St. Patrick Mission, Port Costa	\$212

Thank you again to all who support our Parish!

Indoor Mass!!!

Please remember face coverings are required, keep six feet distance at all times and only sit in the open sections/pews. As the Governor has lifted attendance limitation in places of worship, our Churches are able to increase to normal capacity, but we must remember that we still need to maintain our 6ft distance to keep everyone safe. For updated information regarding the Oakland Diocese, please visit https://www.oakdiocese.org/prayer-and-masses.

During communion, please follow Fr. Leo's directions, and STAY ON THE MARKINGS IN THE AISLE TO MAINTAIN A SAFE DISTANCE!!!



Pentecost Word Search

Prayers for the Deceased

In your prayers, please remember in a special way Domitila Valentin. A memorial mass will be held Monday, May 24th at 10:00AM here at St. Rose.



<u> Father's Day Novena</u>

Father's Day is June 20th. Father's Day cards will be available in the vestibule beginning next week to enroll your father or father figure, living or deceased, in the Father's Day Novena, June 15th thru June 24th. You may drop it in the collection basket or the office by Sunday, June 13th.



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