

St. Thomas More Church

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Pentecost Sunday Sunday, June 4th 2017

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS WEEKLY LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil
5:00PM

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00-4:45PM

Sunday
7:30AM, 9:00AM, 12:30PM
10:45AM *Spanish*

English
Daily: Mon-Sat
8:30AM

Holy Day Masses
8:30AM, 7:00PM

Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements regarding
Baptisms, Funerals, and Quinceañeras



For Sacraments of Matrimony, please contact the
Parish Office six months prior to the date of the wedding

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday	9:00AM - 7:30PM	<i>Closed 1:00 - 2:00PM</i>
Friday	9:00AM - 7:00PM	<i>Closed 1:00 - 2:00PM</i>
Saturday	9:00AM - 1:00PM	

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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 and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13).

Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1a-8; Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-6; Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2, 7-9; Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25:2-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 12:28-34

Friday: Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-10; Mk 12:35-37

Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8; Mk 12:38-44

Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52-55; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Quedaron llenos del Espíritu Santo y se pusieron a hablar idiomas distintos (Hechos 2:1-11).

Salmo — Envía, Señor, tu Espíritu, y renueva la tierra (Salmo 104 (103)).

Segunda lectura — Hay diferentes dones, pero el Espíritu es el mismo (1 Corintios 12:3b-7, 12-13).

Evangelio — Así como el Padre me envió a mí, así yo los envío a ustedes (Juan 20:19-23).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Tob 1:3; 2:1a-8; Sal 112 (111):1b-2, 3b-6; Mc 12:1-12

Martes: Tob 2:9-14; Sal 112 (111):1-2, 7-9; Mc 12:13-17

Miércoles: Tob 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Sal 25 (24):2-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mc 12:18-27

Jueves: Tob 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Sal 128 (127):1-5; Mc 12:28-34

Viernes: Tob 11:5-17; Sal 146 (145):1b-2, 6c-10; Mc 12:35-37

Sábado: Tob 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tob 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8; Mc 12:38-44

Domingo: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52-55; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

Collections for 5/28/17

5:00 PM	\$576.00
7:30 AM	\$1,112.00
9:00 AM	\$1,763.00
10:45 AM	\$520.00
12:30 PM	\$539.00
By mail/online	\$898.00
Bldg Fund	\$777.00
Special Projects	\$36.00
Ascension	\$305.00
Total	\$6,526.00
2nd collection:	
Youth Group-Steubenville	\$591.00

Thank You

Gracias



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Priest Retirement Fund

Special Collection – This weekend all parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Los Angeles will be asked to give generously to support the Retirement Fund for Archdiocesan Priests. At each Mass on June 4th & 5th, a second collection will be taken to benefit this important program. Currently, the fund provides for more than 100 priests who are retired. Over the next ten years, that number is expected to increase significantly. With minimal compensation, and in many cases, no pension, these men often retire with nothing to fall back upon. Your contributions can change that. The Priest Retirement Fund offers us a way to give back to our Catholic priests who have served us so faithfully. Your contribution will help archdiocesan priests live modestly and peacefully in retirement. Help us offer thanks for their years of devotion to God, and faithful service to our parish communities. Look for the brochures in the pews next weekend for more information.

4th ANNUAL DINNER AND SHOW

Come enjoy an evening of good food, entertainment and fellowship on Sunday, June 25th from 4pm-6pm in the Parish Hall. Tickets are \$12 each.

Children 12 & under are free.

Tickets Includes: Pasta, salad, bread dessert, beverage & live entertainment

Sponsored by St. Thomas More Youth Ministry

All funds are to help with the cost of Steubenville Conference

Contact Youth Office for more Info [\(626\)284-8333](tel:6262848333) Ex. 35

STM Youth Ministry and Confirmation

needs your help! We are seeking donors to help with the cost of our Steubenville conference in July.

During the weekend conference, teens will enjoy workshops, mass, praise and worship and adoration.

It is a great way for teens to develop in their relationships with God while connecting with the teens their own age. The cost is \$250 per teen, which includes transportation, board, meals and the conference fee. No donation is too big or too small.

For more information call the Youth Office at [\(626\)284-8333](tel:6262848333) Ex. 135

Mass in Recognition of All Immigrants

Sunday, JUNE 18, 2017 – 3:30 pm

(2:30 pm Pre-Procession)

When one suffers, we all suffer; we are the Body of Christ



**Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels
Archbishop José H. Gomez presiding**

555 W Temple St. – Los Angeles

Sunday Breakfast

Please join us in the hall for



Coffee and Donuts

8:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

If you are a newcomer to the parish and would like to register, please complete the information below. Please clip this form and bring to the parish office or deposit in the Sunday collection. **Current Parishioners, help us update our files by submitting address and phone number changes with this form.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

CURRENT EVENTS

Saturday, June 03, 2017		
Sunday, June 04, 2017		
8:00AM -2:00 PM	Breakfast	Hall
Monday, June 05, 2017		
9:30AM	Legion of Mary	Ministry Center
7:30PM - 9:00PM	Youth Band Practice	Church
Tuesday, June 06, 2017		
9:00AM - 9:30AM	Our Lady of Wisdom Prayer Group	Church
7:45PM -9:15PM	English Choir Practice	Church
7:00 PM	Grupo De Oracion	Ministry Center
Wednesday, June 07, 2017		
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Mother of Perpetual Help Novena	Church
Thursday, June 08, 2017		
1:00PM	Mission Circle	Ministry Center
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Youth Nights	Ministry Center
8:00 PM -9:00 PM	Spanish Choir Practice	Church
Friday, June 09, 2017		
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
6:00 PM	STM Graduation Mass	Church
Saturday, June 10, 2017		
Sunday, June 11, 2017		
8:00AM -2:00 PM	Breakfast	Hall

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 03, 2017		
8:30 AM	Fr. Lorenzo	Parishioners of STM
4:00PM	Fr. Thai	Confessions
5:00 PM	Fr. Thai	Patrick Yiu † Pedro Ponce: Happy Birthday
Sunday, June 04, 2017		
7:30 AM	Fr. Andrew	Peter Phan †
9:00 AM	Fr. Thai	Martha Alicia Verdin †
10:45 AM	Fr. Thai	Parishioners of STM
12:30 PM	Fr. Andrew	Frank & Lucia Alcantar(Anniversary)
Monday, June 05, 2017		
8:30 AM	Fr. Thai	Patsy Flores †
Tuesday, June 06, 2017		
8:30 AM	Fr. Andrew	Patsy Flores †
Wednesday, June 07, 2017		
8:30 AM	Fr. Andrew	Parishioners of STM
Thursday, June 08, 2017		
8:30 AM	Fr. Andrew	Parishioners of STM
Friday, June 09, 2017		
8:30 AM	Fr. Andrew	Parishioners of STM
Saturday, June 10, 2017		
8:30 AM	Fr. Thai	Parishioners of STM
4:00PM	Fr. Thai	Confessions
5:00 PM	Fr. Donovan	Margarita Yugar † Patrick Yiu †
Sunday, June 11, 2017		
7:30 AM	Fr. Thai	Parishioners of STM
9:00 AM	Fr. Andrew	Parishioners of STM
10:45 AM		Rafael Garcia Sr. †
12:30 PM	Fr. Thai	Parishioners of STM

Please Pray for the Sick

Fr. Jeremiah O'Neill

A Anita Alderete	M Gilbert Madrid
Mariano Aoanan	Cely Magpantay
George Astacio	Salvador Maldonado
Rosa Astacio	Anna Maraldo
Brianna Ayestas	Edgardo Marin
B Douglas Barquero	Francis Meyer
Bertha La Barreda	Jean Miceli
Roy Barrientos	James Montague
Patricia Bernal	N Carey Nakayama
Andy Bouffard	Gloria Natividad
Louie Bouffard	Huy Nguyen
Steven Brown	Sinh Nguyen
Tod & Rose Marie Brown	Mario Nieto
Ida Bustos	P Tony Pagliotti
C Jessica Cabrera	Sharon Palmiter
Rita Campanella	Arpie Pezeshkian
Gloria Cancio	R Dolores Ramirez
S. Cano	Maria Rosa Ramirez
Burt Carranza	Ramon Ramos
Erik M. Casillas	Julieta Reta
Blanca & Procoro Castañeda	Maria T. Riley
Jessica Cerda	Armando & Maria Rivera
Joan Cervantes	Michael Angelo Rodriguez
E Maria Endara	Mike Romano
Malia Estrada	Ana Romo
F Ruth Fabela	Daniela Garcia de la Rosa
Pat Fernandez	Virginia Rosales
Tony Filosa	Alissa Roybal
G Mariano G.	S Virginia Sanchez
Ramona Garcia	Sisi Shum
Gavin Gutierrez	Uldarica Sison
Carolina Guzman	Eddie Souza
H Memo Herrera	Anne Steidl
Sally Herrera	S Dorian Suarez
I Selvia Inado	U Leticia Ureno
J Darwin Jenkins	V Michael Velasco
Dennis James Johnson	Ricardo & Felicidad Villegas
Gary Jones	Theresa Mai Vu
K Mary Keffer	Therese Huyen-Duong Thi Vu
Theresa Kryszek	W Jean Reyes Williams
L Anfreia Leija	Martha Willox
William Lievense	Janny Wong
James Lindgren	Jennifer Wong
Yee See Lipsun	Z Christine Zampese
Eleanor Lopez	
Brother Martin Lorenzini	
Bonnie Luna	
Elvira Luna	
Rafael and Gerardo Luna	

Pray for the Dead

Sofia Bouffard	Artemio Moralda
Eduvigis Gonzales	Neils Jholen
Jose Roque Hernandez	Martha Alicia Verdin
Wang Shu Kuan	Patrick Yiu



Hello!

Today's celebration is one of the most important feasts of the Church—the Pentecost—the Birth of the Church. On that day, the disciples received the gift of the Holy Spirit, and they were overjoyed because the Holy Spirit was the fulfillment of Jesus' promise that He would never leave them alone. Hence, we have come to know this as the gift of *wisdom, understanding, knowledge, fortitude, counsel, piety, and fear of the Lord*. Once the disciples received the Holy Spirit, they were led into an exciting world where they proclaimed the death and the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

How did the descent of the Holy Spirit change the disciples? How did the change take place? How did it manifest itself? We do not know those details, but what we do know is how changes occur in our life and how we adapt to changes. So, by our own experiences, we can make some assumptions as to how the descent of the Holy Spirit might have affected the first disciples on the Pentecost.

Sometimes changes come to us suddenly and unannounced, and we must adapt to them quickly because we have no other options. For example, when we receive a bad medical report diagnosing with incurable cancer that no one had before. Such unexpected news would change our life. We might feel frustrated or anxious thinking all the time about the worst possible outcomes. Thus, our attitudes and lifestyles can begin to change quickly.

Most of the time, however, change is gradual, especially when change is positive. For example, if a person receives news that he or she is free from cancer. We can see changes appear in the person's face and attitude. Or you might witness changes that happen with your own family by looking at your children for the past five, ten, or twenty years. Your children were once just little infants that you held in your arms; they were helpless and in need of security. But now they have grown and are making important decisions for themselves. It is a wonderful experience for parents and those directly involved to witness such changes.

The first disciples changed on the Pentecost, and the Holy Spirit was the agent of that change. It enabled them to stay convicted in their mission while encountering cultural, social and political obstacles. Nothing could weaken their commitment because they were anchored by God's Spirit. Indeed, the Holy Spirit was an irresistible force that allowed them to be faithful to the end!

All humans try to practice some form of spirituality that helps build habits. Some seek support from another person or leader with strength and wisdom. When unwanted circumstances occur, they know where to find guidance or strength. For those who are baptized, however, the Holy Spirit is our strength and inner peace that helps us to respond to life's events.

The feast of Pentecost reminds us that we have received the same gift of the Holy Spirit at the moment of our own baptism, just as the disciples did. Invoking this gift in our daily lives will change fear into confidence, sadness into joy, confusion into clarity, resentment into kindness, or hatred into love so we can respond to life's circumstances in a positive and healthy manner.

God bless!

Fr. Thai

¡Hola!

La celebración de hoy es una de las fiestas más importantes de la Iglesia -el Pentecostés- el nacimiento de la Iglesia. En ese día, los discípulos recibieron el don del Espíritu Santo, y se llenaron de alegría porque el Espíritu Santo fue el cumplimiento de la promesa de Jesús de que Él nunca los dejaría solos. Por lo tanto, hemos llegado a conocer esto como el don de la *sabiduría, comprensión, conocimiento, fortaleza, consejo, piedad y el temor del Señor*. Una vez que los discípulos recibieron el Espíritu Santo, fueron llevados a un mundo excitante donde proclamaron la muerte y la resurrección de Jesucristo.

¿Cómo cambió el descenso del Espíritu Santo a los discípulos? ¿Cómo ocurrió el cambio? ¿Cómo se manifestó? No conocemos esos detalles, pero lo que sí sabemos es cómo ocurren los cambios en nuestra vida y cómo nos adaptamos a los cambios. Así, por nuestras propias experiencias, podemos hacer algunas suposiciones acerca de cómo el descenso del Espíritu Santo podría haber afectado a los primeros discípulos en el Pentecostés.

A veces los cambios vienen a nosotros de repente y sin previo aviso, y debemos adaptarnos a ellos rápidamente porque no tenemos otras opciones. Por ejemplo, cuando recibimos un mal informe médico que diagnostica con cáncer incurable que nadie tenía antes. Tales noticias inesperadas cambiarían nuestra vida. Podemos sentirnos frustrados o ansiosos pensando todo el tiempo acerca de los peores resultados posibles. Así, nuestras actitudes y estilos de vida pueden comenzar a cambiar rápidamente.

Sin embargo, la mayoría de las veces el cambio es gradual, especialmente cuando el cambio es positivo. Por ejemplo, si una persona recibe noticias de que está libre de cáncer. Podemos ver cambios en la cara y actitud de la persona. O puede ser testigo de cambios que suceden con su propia familia mirando a sus hijos durante los últimos cinco, diez o veinte años. Vuestros hijos eran, alguna vez, pequeños bebés que tenías en tus brazos; Estaban indefensos y necesitaban seguridad. Pero ahora han crecido y están tomando decisiones importantes por sí mismos. Es una maravillosa experiencia para los padres y los directamente involucrados testigos de tales cambios.

Los primeros discípulos cambiaron en el Pentecostés, y el Espíritu Santo fue el agente de ese cambio. Esto les permitió permanecer convictos en su misión al encontrarse con obstáculos culturales, sociales y políticos. Nada podría debilitar su compromiso porque estaban anclados por el Espíritu de Dios. De hecho, el Espíritu Santo fue una fuerza irresistible que les permitió ser fieles hasta el final!

Todos los seres humanos tratan de practicar alguna forma de espiritualidad que ayude a construir hábitos. Algunos buscan el apoyo de otra persona o líder con fuerza y sabiduría. Cuando ocurren circunstancias no deseadas, saben dónde encontrar orientación o fuerza. Para aquellos que son bautizados, sin embargo, el Espíritu Santo es nuestra fuerza y paz interior que nos ayuda a responder a los eventos de la vida.

La fiesta de Pentecostés nos recuerda que hemos recibido el mismo don del Espíritu Santo en el momento de nuestro propio bautismo, tal como lo hicieron los discípulos. Invocar este don en nuestras vidas diarias cambiará el miedo en confianza, la tristeza en alegría, la confusión en claridad, el resentimiento en bondad, o el odio en el amor para que podamos responder a las circunstancias de la vida de una manera positiva y saludable.

¡Dios bendiga!

P. Thai