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RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH

by Michael Pirri

The word "Pentecost" is derived from the greek word for fiftieth; today marks the fiftieth, and last, day of Eastertide. It's also known as Whitsunday from "White Sunday", in reference to the Solemnity being a day where traditionally, donned in their white garments, many people were baptized.

Our first reading today is taken from the Acts of the Apostles, and depicts what must have been a frightening, yet exciting, occurrence for the apostles. I can't help but wonder what they must have been thinking as they began to speak different languages. What must have first felt like a gift, I'm sure began to feel like a tremendous responsibility to share Gospel. Throughout the ages, that responsibility has carried on, and now it is our responsibility.

Imagine if we felt the same sense of urgency that the apostles felt. How much does each of us play a role to contributing to this evangelization? How can we let the Spirit fill us and lead us? Just as the Holy Spirit filled each of the apostles there, so too does it fill us with our gifts.

Praying the following prayer, I'd like you to spend a few moments every day this week to think about the way your gifts are meant to be used:

> Father of light, from whom every good gift comes, send your Spirit into our lives with the power of a mighty wind, and by the flame of your wisdom open the horizons of our minds. Let the Spirit you sent on your Church to begin the teaching of the Gospel continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. Amen.

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

ACTS 2.1-11 PSALM 104 1 Corinthians 12.3-7, 12-13 John 15.26-27; 16.12-15

THANK YOU

I'd like to personally thank everyone who contributed to the Bake Sale last Mother's Day weekend. Your generous support, both baking and donating, helped raise over \$750 in support of the Outreach Ministries here at St. Basil's.

Over the summer months, our Outreach Ministries often see an increase in patronage, as other programs in the surrounding area shut down. Your contributions help ensure the continued success of our programs. Thank you.

— Michael

THEOLOGY ON TAP

THEOLOGY ON TAP: Ecological Awareness. All young adults (19-39) are invited to join together for an evening of thought-provoking conversation! Special guest: Rachel Ball.

Monday, May 28, 2018 7:00pm - 9:00pm Duke of York Pub 39 Prince Arthur Ave

For more information contact faithconnections@csj-to.ca

SHARELIFE

Living the Gospel by maximizing the impact of your donation.

Administered by St. Elizabeth HealthCare, the Shared Services Initiative is supporting other ShareLife-funded agencies in the areas of human resources, financial services, and information technology. Participating agencies report they are able to improve the quality, competency, and accuracy of their work. Through this initiative, ShareLife-funded agencies are ensuring the maximum amount received is directed to the frontline service they provide.

May 27 is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please consider making a donation to support ShareLife.

VICTORIA DAY

Please note that the parish office will be closed on Monday, May 21, 2018 in observance of Victoria Day. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00AM, after which the Church will be closed; regularly scheduled confessions are cancelled.

WELCOMING OUR NEW DEACON

On Saturday, May 19, James Sand, SJ, was ordained a transitional Deacon at St. Paul's Basilica. As part of his formation, he will serve St. Basil's Catholic Parish. Though he will serve throughout the coming academic year, he is with us this weekend at the 10:30AM Mass.

Deacon Sand entered the Jesuits in 2008, and is currently in his third year of studies at Regis College, where he is pursuing an M.Div. degree. Originally from Cincinnati, he earned a degree in philosophy at Fordham in New York City, taught high school in Detroit, and lived at L'Arche, Toronto.

BUNDLE UP WEEKEND

Mark your calendars! On June 16 and 17, the Society of St. Vincent dePaul will have a truck on site for Bundle Up Weekend. Volunteers will be on hand to collect donations by the truck before and after all weekend Masses. For a list of items that are accepted, please visit www.ssvptoronto.ca

DOORS OPEN TORONTO

Doors Open Toronto runs on May 26 and 27. This year, the Doors Open Toronto program highlights buildings that have been featured in film and television, many of which are often not open to the public.

Since a number of movies have been filmed on the University campus, St. Basil's will be taking part in the days. There is also opportunity to explore many other building on campus which are not regularly open to the public. Visit

https://www.doorsopenontario.on.ca/en/toronto for more information, and to see a list of venues that will be open to the public.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, May 6, 2018 \$6,610.85

MASS INTENTIONS МАҮ 20^{тн} — 26^{тн} PENTECOST SUNDAY Sunday 9:00am Carmela de Rubeis (+) 10:30am Pro Populo 12:00pm David Myung and Family (liv.) 4:30pm Zufia and Marian Kupfer (liv.) Monday 9:00am Margaret Chociej (+) TUESDAY 7:30am Holy Souls in Purgatory (+) 12:10pm Myriam Scoppio (+), Yehuda Ed Gefen (+) Wednesday 7:30am 12:10pm Michael Ciavarella (liv.) THURSDAY 7:30am Fr. Adam Keiter (liv.) 12:10pm Magdalena Fernandez (+) Frid<u>ay</u> 7:30am Katrina Teh (liv.) 12:10pm Teresa Henriques (liv.) Saturday 5:00pm Terry Mangan (+) PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Claire Fidler, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Rita Moran, Celerina Agpoon Lucy Rietveld Bowers, Donna Wood, Clare

DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Roberto Martello, Paul and Filomena Larocca, Joseph Troncone, Rebecca Beaton, Paul O'Brien, Carry Eillen, Romulus DeMello, Neil McCormack, Barbara MacMahon-Firestone, Alexander Wu, and Desmond Brownlee.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, especially, Marjorie Chan.

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