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Pentecost Sunday

Dear faithful,

This Sunday is the **Sunday of Pentecost**, also known as "**Whitsunday**" or "**Whit Sunday**" by Catholics in England, Ireland, and throughout the United Kingdom, in commemoration of the catechumens coming into the Church. In the initial stages of their reception into the Church, they would wear bright, clean white garments to the purity of soul granted in Baptism. Dom Guéranger describes in dramatic terms the descent of the Holy Ghost on the original Pentecost:

"Suddenly is heard, coming from heaven, the sound of a violent wind: it startles the people in the City, it fills the Cenacle with its mighty breath. A crowd is soon round the house that stands on Mount Sion; the hundred and twenty Disciples that are within the building feel that mysterious emotion within them, of which their Master once said: *The Spirit breatheth where he will, and thou hearest his voice*. Like that strange invisible creature which probes the very depth of the sea and makes the waves heave mountains high, this Breath from heaven will traverse the world from end to end, breaking down every barrier that would stay its course" (*The Liturgical Year*)

Try as they might to resist the Holy Ghost, His enemies; the enemies of the Catholic Church both without and within, will ultimately fail. The Church of Christ shall arise always victorious in the end.

The monthly **Blessing of Sacramentals** is this Sunday after the 12:30 Mass. Please see the PDF instructions in Flocknote on how to prepare your sacramentals and where to place them **before the Mass**.

Last day to donate! Do you have old clothing that you no longer use but which could benefit others? If so, please bring it to the 12:30 Mass this Sunday. **Andres Tinajero** will be collecting your donations of old clothing to donate to a local thrift store which sells these items at more affordable prices. More information: andrestinajero196@gmail.com or (510) 775-4987.

PLEASE NOTE – Mass and Weekly Adoration schedule **changes this week**: Exceptionally, the Mass this **Wednesday will be at 12 noon**, and not at 6 pm. The **Weekly Adoration** will be this **Tuesday** after the 6 pm Mass, instead of Wednesday.

"Laudate pueri dominum (Praise the Lord, ye children)!" (Psalm 112:1). At any apostolate, the Sacred Music program would not be complete without some means of preparing the future generations in the art of Gregorian Chant. To that end, we will be starting a Children's Schola to chant certain Masses throughout the year. Contact Julia Baetz: jcbaetz@gmail.com or (925) 444-5126.

A new **women's group** is being formed for our apostolate. The Sodality of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary will meet about once every two months for a spiritual conference followed by a convivial dinner. Conferences will focus on devotion to Our Lady, the teachings of the Church, and the ordinary means of growing in holiness.

This includes the devout reception of the Sacraments, the duties of one's state in life, and personal prayer. The first meeting will be on **Tuesday, June 23 at 7:15 pm**. Contact Jessica Glennon: jessyshepplen@gmail.com or (415) 827-4997.

Archbishop Cordileone will administer the **Sacrament of Confirmation** for our apostolate on Saturday, **November 21** at 11 AM. The Confirmations will take place at Most Holy Rosary Chapel. A Mass is not yet scheduled, but please be on the lookout for updates. Thank you, Your Grace!

Our apostolate is blessed with an abundance of **Altar Servers**, Deo gratias! Please remember that it is necessary to introduce yourself to Canon Norman before serving, so as to avoid “overloading” any of the Masses with a disproportionate number of servers. If you are 18 or older, it is necessary to complete the **Safe Environment requirements** for the Archdiocese of San Francisco and the Institute of Christ the King before serving. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Only three spots left! The camper list for the Institute’s annual California summer camp, **St. Michael’s Patrol**, for fathers and sons (ages 6-18), is **almost filled** to capacity. The camp features genuine fun and recreation that builds both body and soul according to the Tradition of the Catholic Church, including sports, games, Rosary processions, and of course daily Mass in the Traditional Latin Rite.

The camp will take place from **July 22 - 25 at Rancho Los Mochos** in Livermore (18450 Mines Rd). Contact Canon Norman to RSVP or for questions: canon.norman@institute-christ-king.org or (408) 600-4218. **If you wish to take part, don’t delay!**

Important donations reminder! Please be sure to use the envelopes provided in the vestibule and by the **ushers** with the words **“Institute of Christ the King”** printed on them for your donations, either cash or check. **For checks**, please write “Institute of Christ the King” on the “pay to” line. If one of these printed envelopes is not available, you may use your own envelope, or a piece of paper. Please be sure to write the words **“Institute of Christ the King”** on it. Thank you very much for your continued generosity!

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,

Canon Norman

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Mass Times at Most Holy Rosary Chapel:

Sundays: 8:00 AM (Low Mass) & 12:30 PM

Confessions will be heard 45 minutes before the 8 AM Mass, and one hour before the 12:30 PM Mass.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday: 6:00 PM

Thursday: 12 Noon

Confessions 30 minutes before Mass

First Friday and First Saturday Masses and devotions are scheduled based on the availability of the chapel, but will be announced in advance in Flocknote.

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