# **PENTECOST SUNDAY**



#### **FIRST READING:**

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 2:1-11

The Holy Spirit descends upon the Apostles gathered in Jerusalem.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 12:3B-

7,12-13 OR ROMANS 8:8-17 We are all one in Christ Jesus.

**GOSPEL:** <u>JOHN 20:19-23</u>

Jesus appears to His disciples and gives them

the gift of the Holy Spirit.

#### **FAMILY CONNECTION:**

Pentecost is sometimes called the birthday of the Church. The Gospel for Pentecost reminds us that the Church begins with the command to forgive. Within the family, the domestic Church, we learn how to forgive and we learn to accept forgiveness. It is the gift of the Holy Spirit that enables us to do both. Today is a fitting time to share a family celebration of reconciliation.

As you gather together as a family, sit quietly for a few minutes, inviting all to reflect upon their need to forgive and to receive forgiveness. If there is a situation or issue within the family that needs attention, spend some time reflecting upon the concern and how your family might address it. Read together today's Gospel, John 20:19-23. Talk together about how Jesus gave us the gift of the Holy Spirit to help us in the work of forgiveness and to bring us peace. Pray together today's psalm, or the Prayer to the Holy Spirit, asking that the Holy Spirit help your family. Share with one another the sign of peace.



Saturday JUNE 7, 2025

9:00 AM REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF ALL DEPARTED (†) 5:00 PM DECEASED NORONHA FAMILY (†)

Sunday JUNE 8, 2025

9:30 AM NILDA BERCASIO (†)

11:15 AM FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS

Monday JUNE 9, 2025
WHOLE DAY - PASTOR'S REST DAY
Tuesday JUNE 10, 2025
8:30am MARIA SEGRETO (†)
Wednesday JUNE 11, 2025

8:30am LAURO CRUZ JR. (†)
Thursday JUNE 12, 2025

8:30am HEALING OF ELOISA CRUZ

Friday
8:30am
JUNE 13, 2025
LAURO CRUZ JR. (†)
LOUIE LEODOLTER (†)

**BURNING THIS WEEK:** 

**SANCTUARY LAMP: THANKSGIVING FOR GRACES** 

**BESTOWED UPON MARICHA ECHAVEZ** 

# **SL** ShareLife

You're creating an accessible future for all

You are the light of hope this ShareLife Sunday

On the third ShareLife Sunday of the year, you can extend God's compassion and solidarity to our brothers and sisters. Together with your support, let us illuminate His light in the darkest of places, providing strength to those enduring unimaginable hardships. Because of you, people who feel the weight of the world on their shoulders can experience some relief. Like young mother Sarah, and her 4-week-old baby, who fled a life-threatening situation. She went from being alone, homeless and afraid, to supported, secure and safe through programs at Catholic Family Services of Durham.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



# <u>June 15, 2025 – Building Fund</u> <u>June 22, 2025 – Mary Grove</u>

We kindly ask that you ensure your donation reaches the parish within one month of the collection date. Your generosity is vital, as 100% of the special collection contributions will be sent directly to the Archdiocese of Toronto within that timeframe. Together, we can make a meaningful impact in our community.





If there are errors or mistakes in the bulletin we are humans too. Nobody is perfect. -FZS

## PENTECOST SUNDAY



Jesus said to His disciples, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." And she took them in His arms and blessed them, laying His hands on them [Mark 10:13–16]

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our parish catechetical team for the gifts and ministry. Indeed, they served with love and patience in our catechetical program once again this year.

To the children and their families, and our entire parish faith community appreciate all that you have done to bring the young people and children of our parish to a deeper understanding of the Church's teachings and the Lord's blessings. Indeed, it is the manifestation of our shared mission to proclaim the Gospel of our Divine Teacher and Lord Jesus Christ.

It is the joy of every pastor like me that young people come forward to share their talents and gifts in our ministry, and the families that continue to celebrate the Sacraments after the children and young people celebrated and received the Sacraments. Of course, it is our prayerful hope that others will come more often to encounter Christ through our celebrations and fellowship. As I explicitly told our young people to receive the Gift of the Holy Spirit is not the end but rather a beginning to live to the fullest as being disciple of Christ and a herald of the Gospel.

I want to thank the photographers who took the time to capture the memorable celebration of First Holy Communion of the children, and the Confirmation of the young people of our parish. You can now view and download the pictures on our website.

Once again, the parish sacramental preparation program schedule for September 2025 to May 2026 is now posted on our parish website and bulletin board for those who wish their child/ children to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Communion or Confirmation. If your child/ children is/are not yet Baptized but at the age to receive the Sacraments, please call the parish office so that we can assist you. You can always approach my office for your concerns and questions.

May God continue to bless and guide us in our ministry to the children and young people of our parish.

Fr. Serrano



Charity is the soul of faith, makes it alive; without love, faith dies.

~ Anthony of Padua



#### Saturday July 26 from 8:30am-2:00pm

The Knights of Columbus are happy to announce the return of the annual community garage sale.

Vendor spaces are still available for a <u>\$25 registration fee</u>.

Contact us at **kofc11813@gmail.com** or **(437)435-0333** for details. Payments Can be done by EMT. **Cash payments by appointment only.** Thank you for NOT calling the parish office.

Additionally, the parish will not participate in the garage sale due to a lack of manpower. We will **NOT** be collecting any donations in kind for the garage sale this year.



# SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Reconciliation
First Eucharist
and Confirmation

### 2025-2026

#### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

The Sacramental Preparation Information Registration for 2025-2026 will be in September 14, 2025.

First Reconciliation & Communion is @ 10am

Confirmation @ 1pm

We only give one information session in a year. If you missed this information session you will have to wait for next year.

Parents must be active parishioners of the parish. Please check with the parish office if you are registered parishioner.

Bring the following:

- 1. Completed **sacramental registration form** (see parish website)
- 2. Child's Baptismal Certificate
- 3. First Holy Communion Certificate (only for Confirmands)
- 4. <u>Letter of permission</u> from your pastor if you are registered somewhere else.
- 5. **Sponsor Forms (only for Confirmands)** –see parish website.
- 6. <u>Donation of \$100/per child (cash or cheque)</u> to defray the cost of materials used for the sacramental programs. This particular donation will not be included in your tax receipt. If this is a concern please talk to Fr. Serrano.

Note: We only need the photocopies.

Come O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore You. Enlighten me, Drayer to the Holy Spírít

guide me, strengthen me, and console me.

Tell me what I must do. Inspire me with what I must say. Give me Your orders. I promise to submit myself to You in all that You ask of me and to accept all that You permit to happen to me. Let me only know Your will, and do Your will. Amen.