

STEWARDSHIP

May 13th.....\$2,022 **Challenge Week\$33,000!!!!!!**

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MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

Pope Francis has decreed

that the ancient devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, under the title of Mother of the Church, be inserted into the Roman Calendar, celebrated annually on the day after Pentecost. The Holy Father wishes to promote this devotion in order to "encourage the growth of the maternal sense of the Church, as well as a growth of genuine Marian piety". *From the text of the Decree: She became the tender Mother of the Church which Christ begot on the cross handing on the Spirit. Christ, in turn, in the beloved disciple John, chose all disciples as ministers of his love towards his Mother, entrusting her to them so that they might welcome her with filial affection. This celebration will help us to remember that growth in the Christian life must be an-*

chored to the Mystery of the Cross, to the oblation of Christ in the Eucharistic Banquet and to the Mother of the Redeemer and Mother of the Redeemed.

from ZENIT.org

PENTECOST

This is the last Sunday of Easter season. Its Mass is vivid. Let us look at the wording. The noise was not an actual wind but something "like" a wind. And these were not tongues of fire, but tongues "as of fire" (i.e., "as if they were made of fire"). They were discussing marvels that could not be described as is, so they used metaphors. They were experiencing a presence that cannot truly be written down. Obviously it was something very real but too deep for words. So they resorted to metaphor. The Holy Spirit is completely and truly God, the third person of the Holy Trinity come to dwell within us. No wonder it is hard to talk about! In our time the be-

stowal of the Spirit is less dramatic. There has been a regularization, and it has been gradual. When we receive baptism and other sacraments, we are receiving the Holy Spirit, quietly and in ritual form. Christ and his Father come to dwell within us. *Why do you and I not act as someone who has God within us? Well, like anything planted so deep, the Spirit's presence must have time to make its way into our actions, our words, our deeds. Whenever we find patches of charity or joy in ourselves, or patience and kindness, or the ability to endure hardship and injuries, when we are drawn toward mildness and modesty, then we can surely know that the Holy Spirit is at work. No, it is not heavy winds and tongues of fire, as in former days. But it is the same Spirit of Jesus and of the Father that has been bestowed throughout history. Can we open to it?*

from Fr. John Foley, SJ

SECOND COLLECTIONS

5/20- St. Vincent De Paul

EIM

(Ethics & Integrity in Ministry)

Workshop, English

St. John's

Saturday, June 30, 2018

1:00pm - 3:00pm

Register on-line early - there are only 45 spaces

Our parish actively supports the EIM policy of the Austin Diocese to prevent harm to any of our children or vulnerable adults. All members of our parish community are encouraged to be unified in support of this very essential program.

****NOTICE****

NO

5pm Sunday Mass until August 19th, 2018.

SUNDAY CONFESSION CANCELED

INDEFINITELY

Due to poor attendance we will no longer offer Sunday Confession. For questions please see Fr. Craig.

****NOTICE****

PARISH

ENGAGEMENT TEAM (PET)

Formerly the Permanent Community Council (PCC)

Will meet this Sunday

May 20th after the 10am Mass in the Library. Please feel free to join them and bring new ideas to our community!

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TRUCK

will be at St. John's: Saturday, June 9th from 10am to 1pm. Accepting furniture, clothing, household items, etc. No appliances or computer equipment please. These items are sold in the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store (Austin) and the proceeds used to assist the poor and needy to include those of San Marcos.



Happy Memorial Day!

Thank you to all our soldiers who have given of themselves for our freedom!

OFFICE CLOSED

The **Building and Office** will be closed on Monday May 28th in Observance of Memorial Day



CHALLENGE WEEK

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to all of you who participated in our first ever Challenge Week. Without your support our ministry would not be such a wonderful blessing to the Texas State campus.



Monday May 21st

No Confessions or Daily Mass but we will have a Communion Service

May 28th- June 1st

Mon.- No Services
Tues.- Communion Svc.
Wed.- Communion Svc.
Thurs.- Communion Svc.
Fri.- Confessions & Mass

SUMMER PARKING PASSES

Will be sold during Office Hours **ONLY** starting Tues. May 29th \$20 ea. Valid 5/29-8/26

Bulletin Submissions bulletin@txstatecatholic.org
Send content, questions, suggestions, etc.
Deadline: Wednesdays 5pm