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MAY 31, 2020
SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

OFFICE HOURS

MON - WED
 9am - 8pm

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 9am - 5pm

MASS TIMES

SATURDAYS
 5pm Vigil / 4:30 Confession

SUNDAYS
 9am / 11am / 12:30 Spanish

MON, TUES, THURS, FRI
 8:30am Mass

WEDNESDAYS
 Prayer Service with Eucharist 12pm

CHURCH HOURS

WEEKDAYS
 8am - 4pm

WEEKENDS
 8:30am - 4pm

OUR MISSION

Taking Jesus' message of loving service to heart, all are welcome in our vibrant, hopeful, diverse, Eucharistic Community where we break the bread and open the Word and discover God in our Midst.

NUESTRA MISIÓN

Tomando el mensaje de Jesús de servicio amoroso a corazón, todos son bienvenidos en nuestra Comunidad Eucarística vibrante, llena de esperanza, y diversa, donde partimos el Pan y abrimos la Palabra y descubrimos a Dios en medio de nosotros.

Jesus needed followers, too.

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THOSE IN OUR PRAYERS

HEY SFDS PARENTS,

Please take a moment to sign up for our Parents of SFDS Page on Facebook so that you can access current news and Religious Education materials for your children. We look forward to staying in touch with you through the miracle of social media. As always, if you need anything, please feel free to email Jayne at jayneporcelli@sfdsnyc.org. Stay well!

PRAYER IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC

O God of compassion, your people are anxious in this time of pandemic. Send your Holy Spirit among us to dispel our fears. We cry out to you in our confusion; comfort us in our affliction. Grant our leaders wisdom to guide us. Strengthen and sustain those who are ill, and be with those who care for them. Help us to travel this road in solidarity with our neighbors, with our eyes fixed on the salvation promised us through the death and resurrection of your Son, who is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

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SICK & DEPARTED

SICK

Jovina Ascencios, Pedro Carrero, Sr. Paul Theresa Henneese, George Gerardi, Helene Gallagher, Roberto Colon, John Kenny, Mila Ortiz, Denise Price, Fernando Rodriguez, Jerome Pannell, Luis Calderon, Laurie Siegal, Rafael Mauleon, Elizabeth Finnegan, Thomas Francis Murphy

DECEASED ✕

Margaret Whalen, Pablo Rosado Jr, Sofia Espinosa. Esther Marti, Carlos Avila, Msgr. Richard Guastella, Imelda Marquez, Maura Barrero, Kelly Ann Childs, Ashley Childs Santos, Piero and Michael Lucarelli, Julio Ortiz, Augusto Montan, Richard Lynch, Juanita Alvarez, John McGrath, Marjorie Sweitzer, Julia Cairo, Thomas Taaffe, Gelbert Rios, Henry Voznick, Victoria Mauleon, Prek Jakaj, Jimmy Giblin

HAVE A SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST?

Send us who or what needs a special prayer by using the Prayer Request feature on our new SFDS app—available in the Google Play or Apple App Store. Our parish prayer group will pray upon all submissions.

LET'S CONNECT



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SFDS + COMMUNITY

CONVERSATION #2!

Wed, June 3 @ 7:10pm (after the applause) via Zoom

Finding God in the Pandemic:



*How are we re-imagining ourselves
as a Eucharistic People?*

PARISH-WIDE CONVERSATIONS ONLINE
WITH FATHER KELLY & FRIENDS

To participate: www.sfdsnyc.org/conversation2

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday

(May 31, 2020)

Lectionary: 63 (During the Day)

Gospel: [John 20:19-23](#)

Adults: What important work does Jesus ask of you at this time in your life?

Children: How would Jesus want you to treat your family and friends this week?

STEWARDSHIP & GIVING IN A TIME OF SOCIAL DISTANCE

As the Archdiocese continues to discern the safest and most practical way to open, we will keep you informed as to what stage we are at. The best and most up-to-date information will continue to be on our web page, www.sfdsnyc.org and in our other social media platforms. In this digital age, we encourage you to avail yourself of the most up-to-date technology so that you are well informed. As we move toward a "new normal" we ask that you seriously consider using electronic giving as your preferred means of support. While science continues to keep pace with ways to contain and mitigate contagion, we have come to realize that certain practices help to eliminate or reduce the spread of germs. We hear with frequency the word "contactless" meaning that we need not have to risk infection through the handling of this or that object. The pandemic has made us aware of adapting to new and safer practices. Money as such can be a vector for the spreading of germs. So many folks have already adapted themselves to contactless ways of payment. We would like to reduce significantly the risks involved in the handling of money so we ask that you consider switching over to a contactless form i.e. electronic giving. We are working presently at keeping up with the technology in terms of safe and streamlined forms. For more information, go to the giving option on our website to learn more as to how you can continue to partner with us in ministry <https://www.sfdsnyc.org/give>

Weekly Collection May 19th – May 25th

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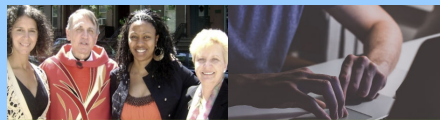
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Spring Faith Sharing

For those of you who are at home and would like to add a bit of prayer to your day, please feel welcome to join Jayne on Wednesday afternoons at 2pm on a national zoom small Christian community prayer share. We will read and reflect on the upcoming Sunday Scriptures each week until further notice. Details may be found on our webpage calendar. .



CONNECTING FAITH AND LIFE
TOGETHER... WHILE APART

*Faith Sharing
Wednesdays*

LATEST NEWS

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DEAR ST FRANCIS,

We were deeply gratified to come together last week to talk, as a parish, about what it means to 'be church' in this time of pandemic. Over 35 voices joined our conversation. It was wonderful to see one another's faces and listen to our concerns. We want to continue this important conversation next **Wednesday, June 3rd, at 7:10pm**. We are pleased to welcome Fr Tony Ciorra to the conversation this time around too! In order to focus our conversation a bit more this time around, we would ask you to prayerfully consider this questions: What, in particular, are YOU concerned about in this time of transformative change, in our world and our church? We look forward to seeing you next week!

VIRTUAL SUNDAY HOSPITALITY

Every Sunday, @ 11-11:45 in English;

Let's be social on Sundays! We understand that nothing can replace coffee and donuts with fellow parishioners after Mass. Until we can be together again, please join us online at our weekly "hospitality" Zoom Meeting. This is an opportunity to check in and let us know how you're doing, share your reflections about the Sunday homily, and show us your pets, kids, or latest pajama fashion. Bring a little of the Frank's Cafe vibe to wherever you are!

11am in English:

to log in: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/852504686>

to call in: 646 558 8656

Meeting ID: 852 504 686

The music is one of several pieces of the SFDS style that makes our parish so special. Do you miss singing and dancing on Sunday mornings? Well, come join us for a weekly bilingual event right online: *Let's Church!* You simply download a lyric sheet, and at noon, you can watch the broadcast and sing along to the hymns we would sing during the Mass. See you this Sunday at noon!



MONDAY NIGHT INQUIRY SESSIONS

In this time of pandemic, many of us find our hearts and minds asking the big questions of life, questions about faith and God. If you'd like to chat with other folk about 'what it's all about' why not join our Monday night Inquiry Sessions (2Xmonthly) at 7:10 "after the applause". Our group will gather via Zoom on June 1, 15 and 29. For Zoom meeting details, please e-mail: jayneporcelli@sfdsnyc.org



SEEKING VIDEO TEAM FOR DIGITAL MINISTRY

Many of you are joining us for the online Masses in English and Spanish every weekend. The response to these videos has been so positive that we will continue to livestream our Sunday Masses even after we re-open the Church. This gives us an opportunity to provide another branch of our Digital Ministry: a videography team! If you have experience with video/audio or are interested to learn, please call the Parish Office or e-mail Lydia at: lydia@sfdsnyc.org - there are so many ways to Live Jesus on 96th Street

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

I couldn't help but chuckle to myself upon reading the gospel for the vigil of Pentecost. Jesus speaks of the coming of the Spirit as "Rivers of living water will flow from him who believes in me." We have just finished replacing the main water pipe which brings water into the church building at quite a cost! The work itself was, of course, necessary in that the leak that precipitated the repair would create any number of problems to the building. This necessary repair got me thinking about the living water that flows from this building and how it is of reverse order to the water flowing in.

Through baptism, we have been called to participate in Church, commissioned and sent out into the world to be Church. As we continue to speak about the "reopening" of the Church some have rightly pointed out that the Church has never been closed. The saving, reconciling work of the Spirit continued in spite of the pandemic. If we understand Church solely as a building then we have missed the point.

This building, which we are privileged to be stewards of, means so much to us in that it allows us to gather, celebrate, and partake in a sacramental life which in turns feeds us and sends us forth. When we become overly dependent upon a structure to define us, we place limits upon the Spirit. The living water of which Jesus speaks is a force which can't be contained by our narrow categories.

At the end of our Eucharistic celebration we are sent forth: "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord." How often do we take those words seriously? To go forth in the peace of the Lord means to bring with us the healing and reconciling power of Jesus in our own persons. Scripture testifies to this in today's gospel. As Jesus encounters the disciples in the upper room who are frightened and confused, he offers them the gift of his glorified body as he invites them to gaze upon his side and his hands. The crucified and the resurrected One is the same person and yet changed by the experience.

We have been changed and will change as a result of our experience in this time of pandemic. The gift of peace which Jesus offers comes at great price, but is given generously to those whom he calls friends. "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." The Church sends us to bring this gift of peace to all who are held captive by fear and sickness. The Church is Church in the middle of a broken, frightened and anxious world, offering the best we have to offer; God's own peace.

We have been carried by this life giving water these past few months through suffering and death, and we have been sustained by the Spirit who forms us as Church. On this feast of Pentecost, we trust in the power of the Spirit to continue to sustain us and send us forth to bring God's peace to a world hungry for this gift. We look forward with anticipation, to the day when we can once more gather at the table of the Lord. We recognize that in the middle of our exile God has been with us all the time, until the end of time, and be at peace.

Peace,
Fr. Kelly

ÚLTIMAS NOTICIAS & PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS

ENTÉRATE DE TODO LO QUE ESTÁ PASANDO EN SFDSNYC.ORG



RECURSOS COMUNITARIOS PARA ABUSO DOMÉSTICO

Hope's Door—888.438.8700; Safe Horizon — 800.621.4673

Estamos conscientes de que uno de los muchos resultados de refugiarse-en-lugar ha sido un aumento del abuso doméstico. Nuestro socio comunitario, Hope's Door, tiene una línea directa bilingüe las 24 horas a la que puede llamar para acceder a sus servicios, que incluyen: Planificación de seguridad, asesoramiento y grupos de apoyo para adultos y niños, programas de recreación y autocuidado para adultos y niños, acompañamiento a varias citas en la corte, de salud y de otro tipo, servicios de defensa para adultos y niños, y acceso a otros servicios y áreas de programa de Hope's Door. Otro recurso es Safe Horizons, la agencia sin fines de lucro más grande que ayuda a quienes sufren abusos en los Estados Unidos. No tiene que sufrir en silencio. También puede llamar a la Oficina Parroquial de SFDS. Estamos aquí para ofrecer apoyo espiritual durante este momento difícil para todos nuestros feligreses.

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

DOMINGO DE PENTECOSTÉS

(MAYO 31, 2020)

Adultos: ¿Qué tarea importante te pide Jesús este momento en tu vida?

Niños: ¿Cómo querría Jesús que trataras a tu familia y amigos esta semana?



HOSPITALIDAD VIRTUAL DEL DOMINGO/ EVENTO BILINGÜE

Cada Domingo de abril @ 11-11:45am en inglés;

¡Seamos sociales los domingos! Entendemos que nada puede reemplazar el café y las donuts con otros feligreses después de la misa. Hasta que podamos estar juntos nuevamente, únase a nosotros en línea en nuestra reunión semanal de Zoom "hospitalidad". Esta es una oportunidad para decir hola y hacernos saber cómo le está yendo, compartir sus reflexiones sobre la homilía del domingo, y mostrarnos a sus mascotas, niños, o la última moda de pijamas. ¡Lleva un poco del ambiente de Frank's Cafe a donde quiera que estés!

11am en inglés:

para entrar digitalmente: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/852504686> o para llamar: 646 558 8656

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La vida musical es una de muchas piezas del estilo de SFDS que hace tan especial nuestra parroquia. ¿Extrañan ustedes cantar y bailar los domingos? Bueno, únense al evento bilingüe de cada semana en la red: ¡*¡glesiemos!* Solo descarga la hoja de letra y a mediodía puede ver la transmisión y cantar con nosotros los cantos que cantaríamos durante la misa. ¡Nos vemos este domingo a mediodía!



BUSCANDO FELIGRESES PARA EL EQUIPO NUEVO DE VIDEOGRAFÍA

Muchos de ustedes se unen a nosotros para las misas en línea en inglés y español cada fin de semana. La respuesta a estos videos ha sido tan positiva que continuaremos transmitiendo en vivo nuestras misas dominicales incluso después de reabrir la Iglesia. Esto nos da la oportunidad de proporcionar otra rama de nuestro Ministerio Digital: ¡un equipo de videografía! Si tiene experiencia con video/audio o está interesado en aprender, llame a la Oficina Parroquial o envíe un correo electrónico a Lydia: lydia@sfdsnyc.org - hay muchas maneras de vivir a Jesús en la calle 96!

UNA CARTA DEL PASTOR

No pude evitar reírme al leer el evangelio para la vigilia de Pentecostés. Jesús habla de la venida del Espíritu como "Fluirán ríos de agua viva del que cree en mí". ¡Acabamos de reemplazar la tubería de agua principal que lleva agua al edificio de la iglesia a un costo bastante alto! El trabajo en sí era, por supuesto, necesario ya que la fuga que precipitó la reparación crearía cualquier cantidad de problemas para el edificio. Esta reparación necesaria me hizo pensar en el agua viva que fluye desde este edificio y cómo es de orden inverso al agua que fluye.

A través del bautismo, hemos sido llamados a participar en la Iglesia, comisionados y enviados al mundo para ser Iglesia. A medida que continuamos hablando sobre la "reapertura" de la Iglesia, algunos han señalado correctamente que la Iglesia nunca ha sido cerrada. La obra salvadora y reconciliadora del Espíritu continuó a pesar de la pandemia. Si entendemos a la Iglesia únicamente como un edificio, entonces hemos perdido el punto.

Este edificio, del cual tenemos el privilegio de ser administradores, significa mucho para nosotros, ya que nos permite reunirnos, celebrar y participar en una vida sacramental que a su vez nos alimenta y nos envía. Cuando nos volvemos demasiado dependientes de una estructura para definirnos, ponemos límites al Espíritu. El agua viva de la que habla Jesús es una fuerza que no puede ser contenida por nuestras categorías estrechas.

Al final de nuestra celebración eucarística, se nos envía: "Id en paz a amar y servir al Señor". ¿Con qué frecuencia tomamos esas palabras en serio? Salir en la paz del Señor significa traer con nosotros el poder sanador y reconciliador de Jesús en nuestras propias personas. Las Escrituras dan testimonio de esto en el evangelio de hoy. Cuando Jesús se encuentra con los discípulos en el aposento alto que están asustados y confundidos, les ofrece el regalo de su cuerpo glorificado mientras los invita a mirar a su lado y sus manos. El crucificado y el resucitado son la misma persona y, sin embargo, la experiencia la ha cambiado.

Hemos sido cambiados y cambiaremos como resultado de nuestra experiencia en este tiempo de pandemia. El don de la paz que Jesús ofrece tiene un gran precio, pero se da generosamente a aquellos a quienes llama amigos. "La paz sea con vosotros. Como el Padre me ha enviado, yo también te envío a ti. La Iglesia nos envía a llevar este regalo de paz a todos los que están cautivos por miedo y enfermedad. La Iglesia es Iglesia en medio de un mundo roto, asustado y ansioso, que ofrece lo mejor que tenemos para ofrecer; La propia paz de Dios.

Esta vida nos ha llevado a dar agua en los últimos meses a través del sufrimiento y la muerte, y hemos sido sostenidos por el Espíritu que nos forma como Iglesia. En esta fiesta de Pentecostés, confiamos en el poder del Espíritu para continuar sosteniéndonos y enviarnos a traer la paz de Dios a un mundo hambriento de este regalo. Esperamos con anticipación el día en que podamos reunirnos una vez más en la mesa del Señor. Reconocemos que en medio de nuestro exilio Dios ha estado con nosotros todo el tiempo, hasta el final de los tiempos, y estar en paz.

*Paz,
Padre Kelly*

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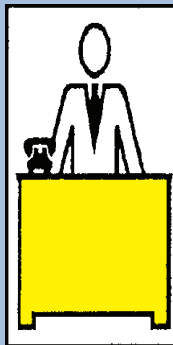
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