

A Note from the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

It has been more than 13 weeks since we switched from Ordinary Time to Lent, and then on March 31st/April 1st to the Easter Season. We have once again commemorated the life of Christ here on Earth, which culminated in that first Holy Week from the entrance into Jerusalem to His death on the Cross. After the Resurrection, we believe Jesus ascended into heaven to reign with His Father in glory and fulfill His promise to send the Advocate.

On that first Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came in power to give heavenly strength to the members of the new Church established by Jesus. In fact, the persons of the Holy Trinity always act together as one, but at different times, the actions of one person might be felt more forcefully than the other two persons. Thus, at Pentecost, the presence of the Holy Spirit became better known than before, and the Church received the power to go forth and proclaim the Gospel revealed by Christ. With God's help, the Church continues God's plan of salvation. At the beginning of time, God the Father spoke and the world was created. At the time of the Incarnation and then the birth of Christ, God the Son became visible. At Pentecost, God the Holy Spirit was made fully manifest. All three persons were always present and all three persons live forever, sharing their life and love with every person who welcomes that love.

It is a great mystery, but the Holy Spirit makes it possible for us to know the Son and give glory to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit forever.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love, and you shall renew the face of the Earth.

May the Holy Trinity bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Monsignor Giandurco". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.