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The Feast of Pentecost

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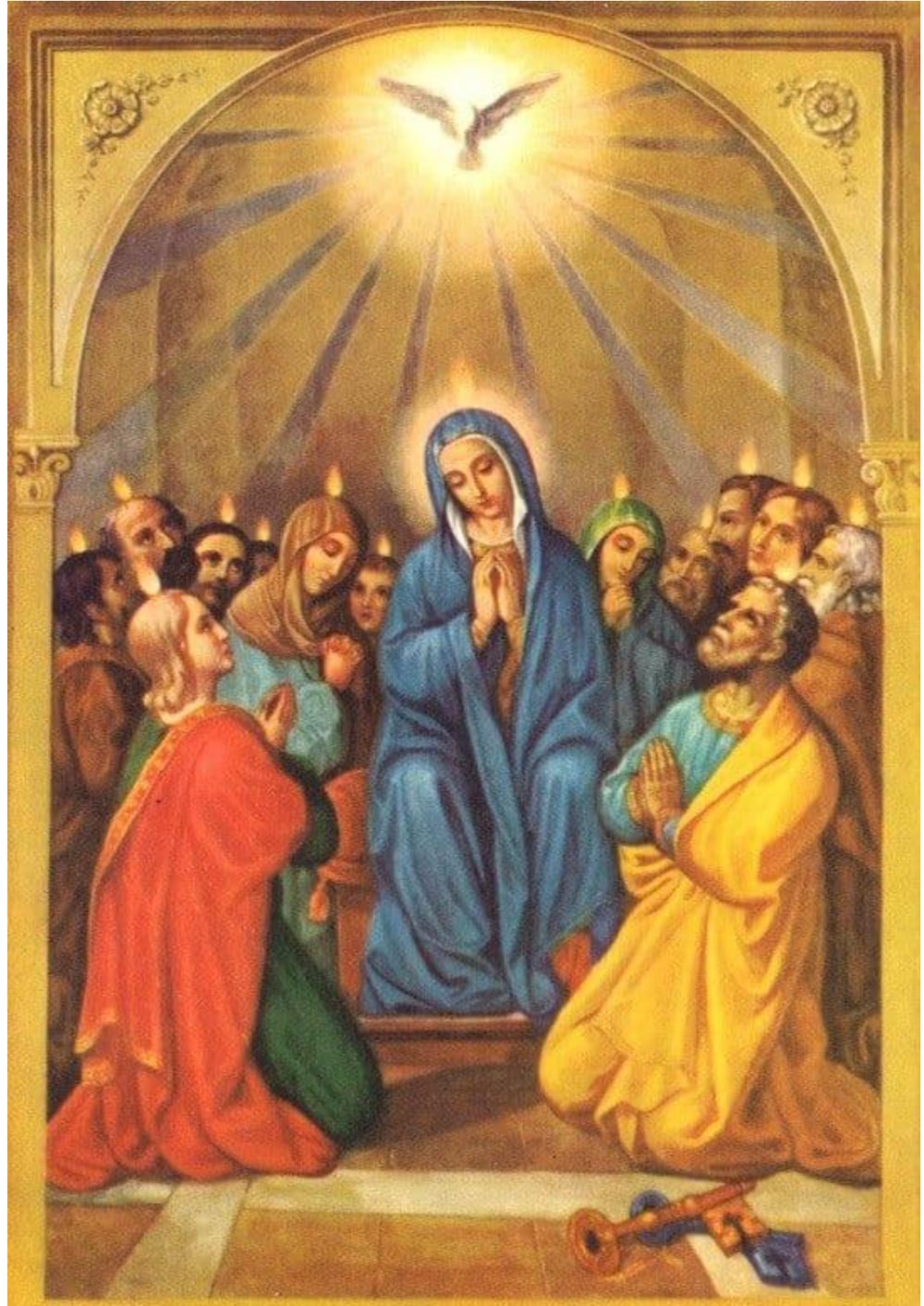
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MEMORANDUM

TO: St. Joseph & St. Luke Parishioners

DATE: Friday May 29, 2020

FROM: Fr. Eugene Radosevich

SUBJECT: Update on Re-Opening our Parishes



SPIRITUAL MATTERS

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the power and comfort of the Holy Spirit be with you. This Sunday is the feast of PENTECOST! I am asking that both parishes come together to celebrate Mass outside, this time @ 10:00am @ St. Joseph, Roanoke.

I am asking that those who do not have Internet access to reach out and to keep in contact by phone with someone who does have Internet access, for both peer spiritual support and parish information. Please watch the HOME page of our parish website: www.StsJLJ.com for the date, time, and location of the next opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Confession and the next outdoor Mass.

RE-OPENING MATTERS

On the HOME page of our website is a menu item labeled: COVID-19 NEWS. I have been posting the documents from the Arch Diocese of Chicago and the Diocese of Peoria on this page that will give you a lot of information of how all six Catholic Dioceses in Illinois are moving forward to re-opening our parishes.

According to documents posted on the COVID-19 NEWS page of our website, we have begun to form RE-OPENING teams for each parish. I have asked Trustee Ashley Mahaffey and Deacon Terry Stalsberg to CO-Chair the re-opening team for St. Luke and Trustee Lucie Canamore and Deacon Michael Harris to CO-Chair the reopening team for St. Joseph. Currently they are working on creating a “cleaning checklist” and a cleaning supply list for both parishes. In addition, they may be contacting some of you to volunteer to help in the various re-opening efforts. Those who are 65 years of age or older are encouraged to “sit-this-one-out” and pray for the safe, clean, and timely re-opening of our churches.

Like one of my dearest friends has often commented when we have started a project like this: “We’re off! Like a herd of turtles!” We may be moving slower than most people want to go, but we must move slow enough to make sure that we remain safe, healthy, and that we do not make any major mistakes. We need to get our re-opening efforts right, the first time. God Bless!

MONEY MATTERS

Our **2020 Annual Diocese Appeal** (ADA) is progressing, with the following results.

St. Luke has a goal of \$23,125, with \$10,200 (43%) pledged from 21 parishioners.

St. Joseph has a goal of \$12,304, with \$4,485 (37%) pledged from 17 parishioners.

THANK YOU for your generosity and please RETURN your pledge cards.

The **St. Luke Hall Renovation Project** is proceeding as planned, with many volunteer hours from Dave Hise (St. Luke Trustee) leading the effort. **St. Joseph Parish Memorial Project** of replacing the bell tower chimes is on hold till the church is re-opened. This memorial donation came from a deceased member, with only a small amount of the donated funds going to the chimes and all additional funds going into our general treasury.

Our **parish finances** Year to Date (YTD) **have been difficult** with March thru May all churches “closed and locked”, NO Sunday collections and most of our expenses (salaries, utilities, upkeep, etc.) continuing. We applied to the Small Business Association (SBA) for a **Payroll Protection Program (PPP) loan of \$15,700** which was APPROVED and received in early May. This loan will be forgiven by the SBA if we maintain our current payroll. With the SBA income and mailed in offerings from parish members, our May 20, 2020 financial position is as follows:

St. Luke Parish YTD (July 2019 to May 2020) has had a reported deficit of \$23,436, because we have spent \$43,011 the past month for renovation of the parish hall (using previous years saved funds). If we looked at only normal income & expenses St. Luke had a \$19,574 YTD surplus!

St. Joseph Parish YTD (July 2019 to May 2020) has had a reported surplus of \$43,851, because we received a one-time memorial of \$52,000 in December 2019. If we looked at only normal income & expenses St. Joseph had a \$8,149 YTD deficit!

The Federal Government has created the **Above the Line Deduction** which provides a new incentive through the new CARES Act for those able and wanting to make charitable donations to nonprofits such as their parish, diocese, or Catholic Charities. This includes Sunday offering donations as well as direct donations to Catholic Schools. A reduction in taxable income is available on your 2020 Tax return for donors who do not itemize their deductions, i.e., an “above-the-line” adjustment to income that will reduce a donor’s Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) and consequently taxable income. The adjustment is available for cash gifts up to \$300 per taxpayer or \$600 for a married couple. **If you so desire and your current income allows you to make a donation during these “closed” weeks, it would be greatly appreciated.**



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