

# PENTECOST SUNDAY

MAY 27, 2007

IN ONE SPIRIT WE WERE ALL BAPTIZED INTO ONE BODY.

— 1 Corinthians 12:13a

## REFLECTIONS....

Try to take time this week to sit and read next Sunday's Gospel. Afterwards, reflect on the following questions:

*On Holy Trinity Sunday, we celebrate the relationship of love among the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. What relationships in your life reflect the loving relationships of the Trinity? If you are having difficulty in a relationship, what steps can you take to bring it into greater harmony with yourself and with God.*

*In what persons or in what events in your life do you clearly see God at work?*

— MOST HOLY TRINITY —

FIRST READING: Proverbs 8:22-31

SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-5

GOSPEL: John 16:12-15

## RCIA RITE OF WELCOMING

Three candidates, Jacki Clark, Benjamin Portillo and Kevin Spinelli, will be welcomed by the parish at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, June 3rd. As Jacki prepares for a Profession of Faith and Benjamin and Kevin, who are already Catholic, journey to the reception of Holy Communion, we ask God's blessing on them. May they grow in their commitments to Jesus Christ.

## MEMORIAL DAY

### REMEMBERING

RED, WHITE AND BLUE  
FOR THOSE WE KNEW  
WHO MARCHED OFF TO WAR.  
WE HONOR THEM NOW  
AND SHOW THEM HOW  
THEIR BRAVERY WE CAN'T IGNORE.  
HEROES OF WAR,  
THEY WERE SO MUCH MORE,  
FATHER AND BROTHER AND FRIEND.  
FLAGS AT HALF MAST  
FOR THOSE OF THE PAST  
TO WHOM OUR GRATITUDE WE SEND.  
WE PLACE FLOWERS ON THE GRAVES  
OF THOSE WHO WERE BRAVE,  
WE SALUTE THEM FAR AND WIDE.  
SEEING POPPIES GALORE  
WHILE OUR HEARTS SOAR,  
REMEMBERING PROUDLY THOSE WHO HAVE DIED.

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## COMUNIDAD NEWS

### MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 7:00 P.M. PARISH HALL

"How can I be Gay and Catholic?" At the next Comunidad meeting we are pleased to have Fr. Eugene Herbert, pastor of Annunciation Catholic Church in Arcadia as our speaker to help answer that question. Fr. Herbert has spoken at Comunidad meetings on several occasions in the past to rave reviews. He is a provocative and entertaining speaker well grounded in Catholic theology. The meeting will be held Tuesday, June 5th at 7:00p.m. in the Fr. Gerald Meisel Parish Hall. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome to attend and learn more about this challenging issue.

### AIDS WALK

Once again St. Matthew parish will be sponsoring a walking team for Aids Walk Long Beach to be held on Saturday, June 23rd. Members of Comunidad will be collecting donations to sponsor our walking team after all the Masses for the next several weekends. Your generosity has been greatly appreciated. You are welcome to join the parish team by picking up walking papers after Mass and asking family, friends, and co-workers to sponsor you. You can also join the St. Matthew's team or contribute on line.

### Did you know...

What happens when abuse is reported? Most people who hold positions of trust in Catholic institutions are mandated by California state law to report child abuse. Teachers, teacher's aides and counselors in our schools, therapists, clergy in parishes or other ministries all have the obligation to report the reasonable suspicion of child abuse to the local police or to child protective services. When any of these people know of or have reasonable suspicion of abuse, they report it to the appropriate police or protective agency. This is true for those ministering in facilities owned and operated by the Archdiocese, as well as Catholic institutions owned and operated privately by religious communities. For particular help you may call Sr. Sheila McNiff, Director of Assistance Ministry at 213.637.7650.

### PRAY FOR OUR DEAD

*Dolores Sartain, Maria Miranda*

### PRAY FOR OUR SICK

*Joann Stewart*