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Mass Intention



Our Parishioners

Póngase en contacto con Elizabeth para programar una misa o si tiene alguna pregunta. Por favor, den intenciones de misa al Padre.

Contact Elizabeth to schedule a Mass or if you have any questions. Please

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Proverbs 8:22-31

Responsorial Psalm 8:4-9

Reading II: Romans 5:1-5

Gospel: John 16:12-15

June Birthdays

- 2 Inez Edita Smith
- Antonio Deluna-Santes
- 7 Monserrat Deluna-Ramirez
- 10 George Seif
- 14 Nelida Rosales
- 22 Brett Abernathy
- 30 Monica Ramirez Perez

Happy Anniversary

Augustus Williams
&
Agatha Pascal
June 12th



Please use this list to pray for those who are in need. May we all lift one another up in prayer.

Mary Frances Kramer, Nina Gendron & family, Esther Zepeta

Please contact the office with updates.

Upcoming Events:

Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

Officers for 2024-2025

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta

Grand Knight: Mark Fracassa

Deputy Grand Knight: John
Husson

Chancellor: Dave Thomas

Recorder: Bobby Berndt, PGK*

Treasurer: Jay Warfel, PGK*

Financial Secretary:

Tom O'Neill, PGK*

Advocate: Bob Oravits

Warden: Paul Kurilla

Guards:

Inside: Kip Boisot, PGK*

Outside: Richard Rumprik

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Trustee One Year:

Chuck Youse

Trustee Two Years:

Bobby Berndt, PGK*

Trustee Three Years:

Wilson Youngblood, PGK*

*PGK-Past Grand Knight

Catholic men 18 years or older are eligible to join the Knights of Columbus. Please contact Mark Fracassa (804) 305-6175 or Tom O'Neill (252) 519-3050.

St. Richard Catholic Church

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We welcome all visitors and guests to our parish family and wish you safe travels and a happy visit to Emporia.

Mission Statement:

We, the Church of Saint Richard, have been anointed by Jesus Christ to continue His Mission. For us to participate in the mission of Jesus, we are challenged by the Gospel to a daily conversion to God, leading to spiritual growth and holiness. We invite others to join us at the Eucharistic table. Mindful of our neighbors, we will work to bring about a just and peaceful society. At every opportunity, we will work with other faith communities to further God's Kingdom.

Pastor: Fr. Jong R. Bayta

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Rectory: 434-636-7782

Business Manager:

Elizabeth Martin

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Liturgical Schedule

Weekday Mass:

Wednesday: 12:00 pm at SVMC

Weekend Masses:

Saturday—1:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday—10:30 am

Rosary:

Wednesday—11:45 am at SVMC

Sunday—10:00 am

Reconciliation:

Sunday—10:00 am

Pastoral Council—Anayeli Verduzco-Rios: 434-368-8141

Finance Council—Janet McKenzie: 614-579-8185

Religious Formation—Anayeli Verduzco-Rios: 434-368-8141

Music Coordinator—Rocky Rodriguez; **Assistants—**Ramis Celedonia; Jeromil Enoc

Altar Ministry—Stevie Thomas: 434-634-6713

Family Service Advisor—Linda Adamos: 434-774-9376

Pentecost Sunday—June 8, 2025

Study of the Readings

Background on the Gospel
Reading John 20:19-23

The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, taken from the Gospel of John, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts to each other. It is enough to know that, after his death, Jesus fulfilled his

promise to send to his disciples a helper, an advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world. We previously heard today's Gospel on the second Sunday of Easter. At that time, we also heard the passage that follows, which describes Jesus' appearance to Thomas. In that context, we were led to reflect on belief and unbelief. In the context of the feast of Pentecost, this reading reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun, "As the Father has sent me,

so I send you." As he breathes the Holy Spirit upon them, Jesus sends his disciples to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. This reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are washed clean from sin and become a new creation in Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God in forgiving sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.

PARISH NEWS

If you are seeking validation from Father for any specific documents, you must be a registered parishioner of the church before receiving such validation. If you are requesting services from the parish but are not registered, the parish will not fulfill any request(s) until a parishioner registration form is submitted. Some churches require you to be a registered parishioner at least 6 months before providing any letters of validation. If you have the intentions to only register for that benefit, you may be denied such request. The priest cannot state that he has known the person personally. We strongly encourage all to register now to avoid any issues. There are registration forms in the back of the church.

The Knights of Columbus continue the "Baby Bottle Campaign" this month. All funds collected are donated to the Roanoke Rapids Pregnancy Support Center, which provides counseling, information, support, and baby needs to pregnant women in our area. Baby bottles are available in the back of the church. Please return all bottles by June 29.

Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$817.31	\$558.00 (\$259.31)
Diocesan Home Missions		\$281.00

Online Giving

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/>
Strichardemporiava OR Text
GIVE to 434-603-6341

MASS ATTENDANCE:

June 1
105

Domingo de Pentecostés

Estudio de las lecturas

Antecedentes de la lectura del
Evangelio Juan 20:19-23

La temporada de Pascua concluye con la celebración de hoy, la fiesta de Pentecostés. En Pentecostés celebramos la venida del Espíritu Santo sobre los Apóstoles reunidos en el aposento alto en Jerusalén; este evento marca el comienzo de la Iglesia. La historia de Pentecostés se encuentra en los Hechos de los Apóstoles, la primera lectura de hoy. El relato en el Evangelio de hoy, tomado del Evangelio de Juan, también relata cómo Jesús dio el don del Espíritu Santo a sus discípulos. No es necesario tratar de reconciliar estos dos relatos entre sí. Basta con saber que, después de su muerte, Jesús

cumplió su promesa de enviar a sus discípulos un ayudante, un abogado, que les permitiría ser sus testigos en todo el mundo. Ya habíamos escuchado el Evangelio de hoy en el segundo domingo de Pascua. En ese momento, también escuchamos el pasaje que sigue, que describe la aparición de Jesús a Tomás. En ese contexto, nos llevaron a reflexionar sobre la fe y la incredulidad. En el contexto de la fiesta de Pentecostés, esta lectura nos recuerda la conexión integral entre los dones de la paz y el perdón y la acción del Espíritu Santo. Jesús saluda a sus discípulos con el don de la paz. Luego, Jesús comisiona a sus discípulos para continuar la obra que él ha comenzado, "Como el Padre me ha enviado, así os envío yo". Al

soplarles el Espíritu Santo, Jesús envía a sus discípulos a continuar su obra de reconciliación a través del perdón de los pecados. Este Evangelio nos recuerda que la Iglesia está llamada a ser una presencia reconciliadora en el mundo. Esta presencia reconciliadora de Cristo se celebra en la vida sacramental de la Iglesia. En el Sacramento del Bautismo, somos lavados de nuestros pecados y nos convertimos en una nueva creación en Cristo. En el Sacramento de la Penitencia, la Iglesia celebra la misericordia de Dios al perdonar pecados. Esta presencia reconciliadora también debe ser un modo de vida para los cristianos. En situaciones de conflicto, debemos ser agentes de paz y armonía entre las personas.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Si está buscando la validación del Padre para algún documento específico, debe ser un feligrés registrado de la iglesia antes de recibir dicha validación. Si está solicitando servicios de la parroquia pero no está registrado, la parroquia no cumplirá con ninguna solicitud hasta que se envíe un formulario de registro de feligrés. Algunas iglesias requieren que seas un feligrés registrado al menos 6 meses antes de proporcionar cualquier carta de validación. Si tiene la intención de registrarse solo para ese beneficio, es posible que se le niegue dicha solicitud. El sacerdote no puede afirmar que ha conocido personalmente a la persona. Recomendamos encarecidamente a todos que se registren ahora para evitar cualquier problema. Hay formularios de registro en la parte trasera de la iglesia.

Los Caballeros de Colón continúan con la "Campaña del Biberón" este mes. Todos los fondos recaudados se donan al Centro de Apoyo al Embarazo de Roanoke Rapids, que brinda asesoramiento, información, apoyo y necesidades de bebés a mujeres embarazadas en nuestra área. Los biberones están disponibles en la parte trasera de la iglesia. Por favor, devuelva todas las botellas antes del 29 de junio.

Next Week's Ministry Schedule

READERS	E. MINISTER	USHERS	SERVERS
Mary Anne	Maria Vasquez	Elizer Carillo	Julio Gonzalez
George Seif	Manuel Vasquez	Dave Thomas	Jesus Ramirez
			Luis Ramos

Next Week's Cleaning Group

Christine Smith	Vanessa Carillo
Stevie Thomas	Mary Ann Newsome
Lois Gownley	Magdalena Alston