

PASTOR'S DESK

This weekend, the Church celebrates the great feast of Pentecost and I want to thank all of you for showing that the Holy Spirit is alive and well in our community. In the words of St. Paul from his first letter to the Corinthians shared at our liturgies today:

**There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit;
there are different forms of service but the same Lord;
there are different workings but the same God who produces all of
them in everyone.
To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some
benefit.**

I am particularly grateful to the liturgical ministers who enhance our services with their selfless, devoted and humble participation. This weekend, we are acknowledging and blessing our Ministers of Hospitality (Greeters and Ushers), Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Altar Servers, Sacristans and Music Ministers.

May all of us feel commissioned in our own way to bring Christ closer to the people.

God bless you all.

Father George

We have been asked by several people in the parish to offer an opportunity to remember loved ones at our Mother's Day and Father's Day weekend celebrations. We will have special cards or envelopes available this week and next to remember mothers, living or deceased, and will be placing them on the altar. You are welcome to make a donation in their name that will be placed in our Memorial Fund but that is not necessary to have your loved ones remembered. Consider including grandmothers, godmothers, aunts, etc. Please let us know how you feel about this opportunity as we will try to formalize a ritual next year. May God bless all of you, especially for those who have lost a parent, child or loved one because I know this makes the day particularly poignant.