

Saint John the Baptist Parish

Parroquia San Juan Bautista

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Office Hours

Horario de la Oficina

Monday – Thursday / Lunes a Jueves
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Weekend Masses

Misas de fin de semana

Saturday: 4:30pm English / Inglés
Sábado 6:00pm Español / Spanish
Sunday: 9:30am English / Inglés
Domingo 11:30am Español / Spanish

Daily Masses

Misas durante la semana

Wednesday 8:00am English / Inglés
Martes y Viernes 7:00pm Español / Spanish
Bilingual Mass Saturday / Sábado at 8:00am

Confessions (Chapel) / Confessions (Capilla)

Saturday / Sábado 3:30pm to 4:20pm
& 5:30pm to 5:50pm or by apt. / por cita

Baptism / Bautismo

Baptisms are celebrated on the second Sunday of every Month after the 11:30am Mass. Please call the rectory at least two months in advance.
Los Bautismos se celebran el segundo Domingo de cada mes después de la Misa de las 11:30am.
Llame a la rectoría con 2 meses de anticipación.

Anointing of the Sick

Unción de los enfermos

Please call the parish.
Por favor llamar a la parroquia.

Legión de María

Lunes a las 6:00pm en la Sacristía

Matrimony / Matrimonio

Call one year in advance to begin preparation.
Llamar con un año de anticipación.

Eucharistic Adoration

Adoración Eucarística

Every Friday / Todos los Viernes
9:00am to 6:45pm in the Church / en la Iglesia

Young Women's Faith Group

Ages / Edades 15 to 25

Meeting Place: Rectory

1st Sunday of the month

She Speaks Scripture

June 7, 2026

5-7pm

Comunidad Evangelizadora (CERS)

Miércoles a las 7:30pm
en el sótano

Food Bank / Banco de Comida

May / Mayo

Monday / Lunes 18 & 25

9:30am to 11:00am & 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Wednesday / Miércoles 20 & 27

9:30am to 11:00am

Hospitality House / Casa de Hospitalidad

Open every Tuesday / Martes at 10:30am

Hot lunch / Almuerzo caliente at 11:30 am

New Parishioners

Please call the Rectory to register.
Llamar a la Rectoría para registrarse.

Pentecost Sunday

May 24, 2026

Peace and Good! Dear brothers and sisters in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Introduction

One of the moments in which we most keenly sense and witness the presence of the Spirit alive and active in our history is when we gather to celebrate the Lord's Supper (the Holy Eucharist). On this Sunday of Pentecost, the Spirit once again unites us as a community around the altar to give us life and to rekindle within us the gifts of joy and peace.

The grandeur of this Sunday of Pentecost (fifty days after Easter) stands out in today's liturgy as the extraordinary manifestation of a New Covenant one that no longer resides in a written, lifeless law, but rather in the new life that comes to the Church through the breath of the Spirit of the Risen One. Such was the case in the early days among the disciples of Jesus. After a prolonged Easter season, they found themselves enveloped by an irresistible, wondrous force one that bore them on new wings to proclaim the message of salvation and to face all the difficulties that this entailed within the Jewish world and within those institutions that did not allow for a prophetic path.

Biblical Commentary on the Readings for Pentecost Sunday

The account of Pentecost that we read today in the First Reading (*Acts 2:1–11*) is a narrative that encompasses many experiences simultaneously not merely those of a single day. This feast of the Church which has its genesis in the Passover of her Lord serves as her baptism of fire. **For of what value is it to be baptized if one does not confess before the world the name of the One in whom we have been baptized, and the very meaning of our lives?** Thus, on the day of the Feast of Pentecost a day on which the gift of the Law at Sinai was celebrated as the gift of God's Covenant with His people we are shown that, within the very heart of the community of the Lord's disciples, a definitive transformation took place through the power

of the Spirit. In the Second Reading of the day (*1 Cor. 12:3–7, 12–13*), Paul presents to this community its unity, brought about through the Spirit. In reality, this section addresses a problem that had arisen within the communities of Corinth, where some individuals who had received extraordinary gifts or charisms were competing among themselves over which ones were the most important. Paul devotes an extended reflection to this topic (chapters 12–14), yet he places everything under the criterion of **charity that is, love** (chapter 13).

The diversity of graces and communal gifts must not fracture the unity of the community, for we all require something fundamental without which we are nothing: The Spirit of the Lord Jesus, enabling us to profess our faith. Without the Spirit, we are not Christians, even if we believe ourselves to possess extraordinary graces or speak in tongues that no one understands.

Today's Gospel reading John (*20:19–23*) conveys to us that, from the very day Jesus rose from the dead, His communication with His disciples was mediated through the Spirit. The Spirit He "**breathed**" upon them bestowed upon them discernment, joy, and the power to forgive the sins of all people. The greeting of peace ***Shalom*** appears twice in the narrative to underscore a significance that extends far beyond a mere everyday salutation within the biblical world or among the Jewish people.

It is a greeting extended on God's behalf a salutation intended to prepare His own for the gift He is about to bestow upon them: **the power of the Holy Spirit**. Thus, the union between the Risen Jesus and the Holy Spirit is indisputable. It is, therefore, this very Spirit who serves as the guarantor of the event of the Resurrection and, likewise, of the mission itself.

Pentecost stands as the decisive and programmatic manifestation of how the Church born of the Paschal Mystery must open itself to all humanity. This is a truth we must ponder with the same care

with which Saint John presents the life of Jesus to us—in a manner both original and distinct. The truth is that the Spirit of the Lord was present throughout the entire Paschal Mystery and served as the true architect of the early Church from the very first day that Jesus was no longer physically present among them.

I pray, brothers and sisters, that on this Solemnity of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit may come to each one of us, strengthening our vocation to service within the Church and deepening our daily discernment. May we all solemnly intone the Sequence of the Holy Spirit, thereby invoking His presence within our parish community and within our own lives...

**Come, Divine Spirit,
send forth Your light from heaven. Loving
Father of the poor,
splendid in Your gifts,
Light that penetrates souls,
and Giver of all gifts...**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday May 23	4:30pm
+Yvette Rondeau, by Richard & Suzanne Mailhot	
Sunday May 24	9:30am
+Elvia Mendoza & Jose Piedra, by Family	
Wednesday May 27	8:00am
+Ashley De Barros, by Jose De Barros	
Saturday May 30 Bilingual	8:00am
Vigil Mass	4:30pm
+Isabel De Barros, Manuel Silva & Joao Pereira, by Lia Lopez	
Sunday May 31	9:30am
+Guilhermo Fernandes Cosme, Domingas Rodrigues Rocha y Jose Maria Barbosa, by Idilia Cosme	

Saint Joseph's Vigil Candle

In thanksgiving for Sarah Djamou on her
22nd Birthday
By Her Family

Collection 5/17	\$4813.00
Ascension Thursday	\$ 917.00
Fuel/Maintenance	\$3009.00
<u>Second Collection</u>	
Catholic Charity Appeal	5/31

Sanctuary Lamp for May
In Memory of Donald Theroux
By Gail Theroux

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS
For the following parishioners:
In the Hospital: Hope Fernandes
At Home: Jovina De Barros
Jeanne Jugan Residence: Florence Corneau
Grandview: Alberto De Barros



Announcements

The office will be closed **Monday, May 25th**.

Masses on Tuesday 7pm, Wednesday and Saturday 8am will now be celebrated in the Chapel. The stipends are as follows: **\$15** weekday masses and **\$25** for weekend masses. **Please note: stipends are due when booking the mass.**

Catholic Charity Appeal

This year's parish goal for the Catholic Charity Appeal is \$13,965. As of today we have raised 51% or \$7,100. There will be a second collection on **May 30th & 31th** to raise the balance. Every gift makes a difference. Thank you for your generosity!

Saint John the Baptist Parish Raffle Tickets

Prizes

1 st : \$500	2 nd : \$250
3 rd : \$150	4 th : \$100

Drawing will take place during Saint John the Baptist Feast in June \$5.00 Each Ticket

Anuncios

La oficina estará cerrada el **lunes 25 de mayo**.

Las Misas de los **martes 7pm, miércoles y sábados 8am** se celebrarán en la Capilla. Los estipendios son los siguientes: **\$15** para las misas entre semana y **\$25** para las misas de fin de semana. Tenga en cuenta: **el estipendio debe pagarse al reservar la misa.**

Colecta de Caridades Católicas

La meta parroquial de este año para la Colecta de Caridades Católicas es de \$13,965. Hasta el día de hoy, hemos recaudado el 51%, es decir, \$7,100. Los días **30 y 31 de mayo** se realizará una segunda colecta para recaudar el resto. ¡Gracias por su generosidad!

Parroquia de San Juan Bautista Rifa

Premios

1 ^o : \$500	2 ^o : \$250
3 ^o : \$150	4 ^o : \$100

El sorteo se llevará a cabo durante la Fiesta en Junio \$5.00 cada boleto

Urge Your Rhode Island State Legislators Today

SAY "NO" TO PHYSICIAN ASSISTED SUICIDE
CHOOSE COMPASSIONATE CARE



Violates medical ethics to save lives and do no harm. Physician assisted suicide upturns ethical codes held by medical practitioners for centuries and is opposed by the American Medical Association and American College of Physicians.



No accountability for lethal drugs. Lethal drugs are not monitored or tracked. Many go unused leaving opioids, barbituates, and other harmful drugs open to falling into the hands of teens and drug dealers.



Sends the message that suicide is okay. Suicide prevention efforts are undercut by creating exceptions for life-threatening disabilities. All Rhode Islanders deserve equal protection when expressing suicidal ideation, not encouragement and assistance to commit suicide instead.



Lacks real safeguards. Where it's already legal, proponents use more legislation or lawsuits to expand it further succeeding in shortening waiting periods, eliminating residency requirements, and allowing lesser-qualified medical professionals to prescribe lethal drugs.



Makes vulnerable people feel like a burden. Half of those dying by assisted suicide didn't want to "be a burden" to families or caregivers. Pain, or fear of future pain, has never even been one of the top five reasons that patients ask to take their own life in Oregon.



Leaves vulnerable people at risk. Disability groups oppose physician assisted suicide because it says their lives are not worth living. Barely 4% of people choosing death in Washington were first referred for a mental health evaluation.

Take Action ↗

Tell your State Senator and State Representative **to oppose SB 2051 and HB 7760.**



Scan the QR code or go to <https://provd.io/pas> to voice your opposition as soon as possible!

Domingo de Pentecostés

24 de Mayo, 2026

¡Paz y Bien! Estimados hermanos y hermanas en nuestro Señor Jesucristo.

Introducción

Uno de los momentos en los que mejor presentimos y constatamos la presencia del Espíritu vivo y activo en nuestra historia es cuando nos juntamos a celebrar la Cena del Señor (la santa Eucaristía). En este domingo de Pentecostés, el Espíritu nos vuelve a unir como comunidad en torno al altar para darnos vida y reavivar en nosotros los dones de la alegría y la paz.

La grandeza de este domingo de Pentecostés (cincuenta días después de la Pascua) resalta en la liturgia de hoy como la manifestación extraordinaria de una Alianza Nueva, que ya no está en una ley escrita, muerta, sino en la vida nueva, que le llega a la Iglesia por el soplo del Espíritu del Resucitado. Así fue en los primeros tiempos entre los discípulos de Jesús. Después de un tiempo pascual prolongado, se vieron envueltos en una fuerza irresistible, maravillosa, que les llevó con alas nuevas a proclamar el mensaje de salvación y a afrontar todas las dificultades que eso suponía dentro del mundo judío y de las instituciones que no posibilitaban un camino profético.

Comentario bíblico de las lecturas Domingo de Pentecostés

El relato de Pentecostés que hoy leemos en la Iª Lectura (*Hch. 2, 1-11*), es un conjunto que abarca muchas experiencias a la vez, no solamente de un día. Esta fiesta de la Iglesia, que nace en la Pascua de su Señor, es como su bautismo de fuego. Porque ¿de qué vale ser bautizados si no se confiesa ante el mundo en nombre de quién hemos sido bautizados y el sentido de nuestra vida? Por eso, el día de la fiesta del Pentecostés, en que se celebraba la fiesta del don de la ley en el Sinaí como don de la Alianza de Dios con su pueblo, se nos describe que en el seno de la comunidad de los discípulos del Señor operó un cambio definitivo por medio del Espíritu.

En la IIª Lectura del día (*1Cor. 12, 3-7.12-13*), Pablo presenta a esta comunidad la unidad de la misma por medio del Espíritu. En realidad, esta sección responde a un problema surgido en las comunidades de Corinto,

en las que algunos que recibían dones o carismas extraordinarios, competían entre ellos sobre cuáles era los más importantes. Pablo va a dedicarle una reflexión prolongada (cc. 12-14), pero poniendo todo bajo el criterio de la caridad, es decir el amor (c. 13).

La diversidad de gracias y dones comunitarios no deben romper la unidad de la comunidad, porque todos necesitamos tener algo fundamental, sin la cual no se es nada: el Espíritu del Señor Jesús para confesar nuestra fe; sin el Espíritu no somos cristianos, aunque creamos tener gracias extraordinarias y hablemos lenguas que nadie entiende.

El evangelio de hoy, Juan (**20, 19-23**), nos viene a decir que desde el mismo día en que Jesús resucitó de entre los muertos, su comunicación con los discípulos se realizó por medio del Espíritu. El Espíritu que «sopló» en ellos les otorgaba discernimiento, alegría y poder para perdonar los pecados a todos los hombres. El saludo de la paz: Shalom, se repite en el relato por dos veces para confirmar algo que va mucho más allá del saludo cotidiano en el mundo bíblico y entre los judíos.

Es el saludo de parte de Dios y es el saludo para preparar los que les va a otorgar a los suyos: la fuerza del Espíritu Santo. De esa manera la unión entre Jesús resucitado y el Espíritu Santo es indiscutible. Será, pues, el mismo Espíritu, que les garantice el acontecimiento de la resurrección. Pero también el de la misión.

Pentecostés es la representación decisiva y programática de cómo la Iglesia, nacida de la Pascua, tiene que abrirse a todos los hombres. Esta es una afirmación que debemos sopesarla con el mismo cuidado con el que San Juan nos presenta la vida de Jesús de una forma original y distinta. La verdad es que el Espíritu del Señor estuvo presente en toda la Pascua y fue el auténtico artífice de la iglesia primitiva desde el primer día en que Jesús ya no estaba con ellos.

Deseo hermanos y hermanas, que, en esta Solemnidad de Pentecostés, el Espíritu Santo venga a cada uno de nosotros y refuerce nuestra vocación de servicio en la iglesia y nuestro discernimiento diario. Que todos entonemos solemnemente la Secuencia del Espíritu

Santo, para invocarlo en nuestra parroquia y en nuestras vidas....

**Ven, Espíritu divino,
manda tu luz desde el cielo.
Padre amoroso del pobre,
don en tus dones espléndido,
luz que penetra las almas,
y dador de todos los dones....**



Retiro de parejas que desean casarse por la Iglesia 12 y 13 de junio

Este retiro de un día es para todas aquellas parejas en circunstancias especiales, que están conviviendo por más de cinco años o están casadas solo por lo civil. Es para parejas, con o sin hijos, que están considerando casarse por la Iglesia. Viernes 12 de junio de 6-9 pm y sábado 13 de junio de 8:30am a 5:00pm. Necesita consultar con su párroco o sacerdote y no tener ningún impedimento antes de registrarse. El costo es de \$125 por pareja. Para preguntas llame al 401-278-4552.

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Ascensión – Jueves	\$ 917.00
Gas / Mantenimiento	\$3009.00
<u>Segunda Colecta</u>	
Campaña Benéfica Católica	5/31

Rosario por los Inmigrantes

Invitamos a que envíen representantes de su parroquia o ministerio para unirse al Obispo Bruce en esta devoción. Quienes deseen asistir deben reunirse **sábado 6 de junio a las 11am** en Fuerza Laboral, 6 Chaces Lane, Central Falls, RI 02863. Luego caminaremos hacia el Centro de Detención Wyatt, donde rezaremos el Rosario a las **11:15 a.m.** y al finalizar regresaremos a Fuerza Laboral. El Rosario durará aproximadamente 30 minutos y se llevará a cabo en la acera. **11:45 am** – Después del Rosario, regresaremos a Fuerza Laboral. Más información en: <https://www.dioceseofprovidence.org/rosary-of-migration>

INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

Sábado 23 de mayo Vigilia 6:00pm

Por la salud de Cyrus Rogers, intención de sus abuelos
+Por el descanso eterno de Moisés Castro (en sus 9 días), intención de la familia Cante

Domingo 24 de mayo 11:30am

Por la salud de Roció Buritica, intención de Yamile Buritica
+Por el descanso eterno de Alicia Echeverry y Jordan Berson, intención de la familia Durango
+Por el descanso eterno de Luis López, intención de Rosa López
+Por el descanso eterno de Jorge Enrique Muñoz y Hugh Bryce, intención de Jorge Muñoz
+Por el descanso eterno de Francisco Venancio Madeira, Delfina Lopes Correia, Leoncio Venancio Madeira, Joao Venancio Madeira, Carlos Venancio Madeira y Jose Da Costa
+Por el descanso eterno de Ana Rosa Torres, Elio-nel Torres y Elvin Torres, intención de Luz Torres
+Por todas las Benditas Almas del Purgatorio

Martes 26 de mayo 7:00pm

Viernes 29 de mayo 7:00pm

+Por el descanso eterno de Eva Yáñez, intención de su familia

Sábado 30 de mayo (Misa Bilingüe) 8:00am

Vigilia 6:00pm

Domingo 31 de mayo 11:30am

+Por el descanso eterno de Alicia Echeverry y Jordan Berson, intención de la familia Durango
+Por el descanso eterno de Joana Maria Medina, Antonio y Sepriano Monteiro, Sesa Medina, Adriano y Alzeta Brito, intención de Antonieta Monteiro
+Por todas las Benditas Almas del Purgatorio

PENTECOST



Today is the second biggest feast in the Church year! Pentecost is when the Holy Spirit came to the disciples and the Church was formed. The Apostles went out and began to preach the Gospel and baptize thousands of people, receiving them into the new Church.

The Holy Spirit is God. He is the third Person of the Holy Trinity, after the Father and the Son. Before Jesus came to earth, the Holy Spirit inspired the men who wrote the Old Testament part of the Bible. It was the Holy Spirit who brought baby Jesus to the world through Mary. Jesus told His followers He would send the Holy Spirit to them after He went up into Heaven.



We all need the Holy Spirit. We can't do anything by ourselves. The Holy Spirit gives us the strength we need to do good. Did you know that we wouldn't even pray if the Holy Spirit didn't inspire us to?

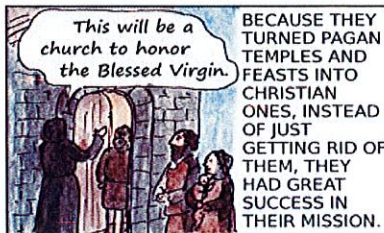
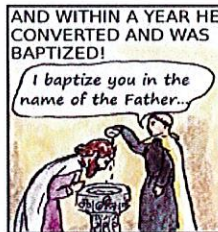
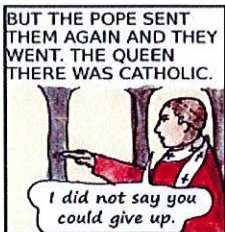
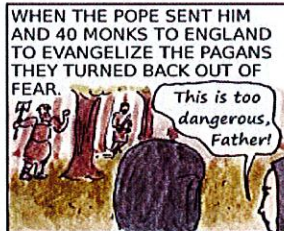
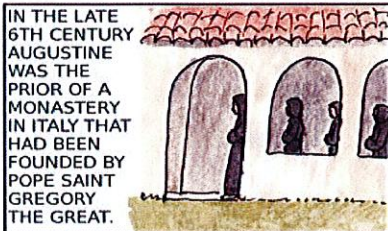


Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever! Amen.

Answers to Unscramble Puzzle: place, suddenly, wind, house, fire, filled, began, Spirit, BIRTHDAY.

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Saint Augustine of Canterbury May 27

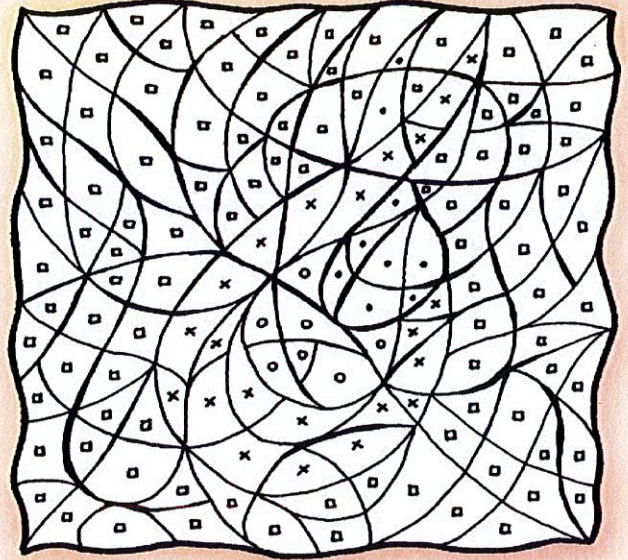


SAINT AUGUSTINE DIED ONLY 7 YEARS AFTER COMING TO ENGLAND. WHILE HE WAS ALIVE THE SAXONS AND THE CELTS DID NOT MAKE PEACE, BUT AFTER HIS DEATH THE FAITH CONTINUED TO SPREAD AND EVENTUALLY THEY MADE UP. BECAUSE OF HIS WORK AND OBEDIENCE TO THE POPE, SOON ALL OF ENGLAND WAS CONVERTED

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The Kids' Bulletin

Pentecost Sunday
May 24th, 2026



In what form did the Holy Spirit come to the Apostles on Pentecost?

Use this colour code to colour in the picture and find out!

- o red
- o orange
- blue
- x yellow

Unscramble: The Pentecost Story

Unscramble the words to finish the story and use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end.

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one 7 [LCPAE] together. And 8 [ENYLUSDD] there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving 6 [DWN] and it filled the entire 5 [USHOE] in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of 3 [ERFI] which parted and came to rest on each of them. And they were all 2 [ILFLDE] with the Holy Spirit and 1 [GNEAB] to speak in different tongues, as the 4 [IPSTRI] enabled them to proclaim.

Pentecost is the _____ of the Church!



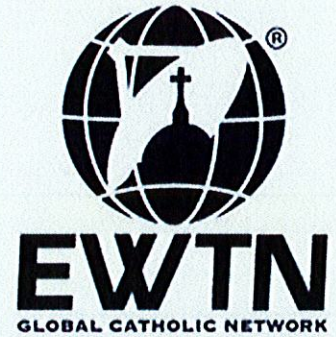
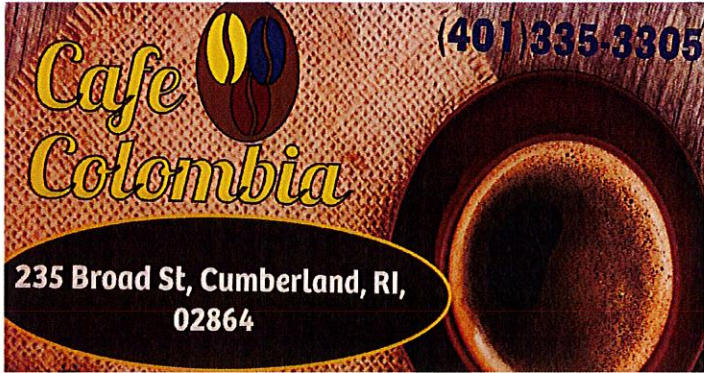


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