

May 25, 2020

Dear brothers and sisters,

Welcome back to St Ann Church your parish. We certainly have missed you, but are delighted that you have rejoined us at the celebration of the Eucharist. How fitting and providential that the Church officially reopens her doors on the Feast of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church. In the midst of the covid-19 pandemic, we know that the Spirit of God is with us. "I am with you always".

We have the example of the Apostles, disciples, and our Blessed Mother whom persevered in prayer despite the many obstacles, awaiting the Spirit promised by the Lord. Like them, let us continue to listen with quiet hearts to the word of God. In their journey they asked many questions and I'm sure had many doubts, but ultimately, trusted, hoped and placed their faith in God. We too continue to have challenges during this pandemic with many fears and questions. There is so much that is presently unknown about tomorrow. However, the one constant is our Faith.

Once again, as we celebrate the birthday and reopening of our churches in the Diocese of Palm Beach, let us continue to be vigilant, and follow the guidelines of the CDC, and the instructions of the Catholic Bishops of Florida. With your collaboration and help we could make our places of worship safe for all of us.

"Grant, we pray almighty God, that the splendor of your glory may shine forth upon us and that, by the bright rays of the Holy Spirit, the light of your light may confirm the hearts of those born again by your grace". (collect for Pentecost).

May the Lord bless your families and continue to keep us safe.

Affectionately yours,

Father Nestor Rodriguez
Pastor