

## The Communicator May 16, 2023

Hello to all from the USA where I will be until May 27. I return just in time for Pentecost Sunday, May 28. Don't forget that just as we wear green on Saint Patrick's it is traditional to **wear red** on Pentecost Sunday. We wear red to remind us of the great meaning at the heart of Pentecost, that our fleshly life has become suffused with the burning fire of the Holy Spirit, our lives set aflame with divine love. Pentecost is the Birthday of the Church and it is also traditional to celebrate with a Birthday Cake. In the absence of **Debbie** I hope **Adrienne Socorro**, our substitute Hospitality Chairperson will help us have a cake to celebrate this wonderful day in our church calendar.



**Debbie Jeffress** arrived safely in North Carolina and reports she is getting good medical care and is excited about the upcoming wedding of her daughter. Travel safely our dear friend. We hope your visa for Australia comes through.



The Endowment fund received a generous gift last week. Unfortunately we don't know who to thank. The gift is helping to make up for the depletion of invested endowment funds used to pay some of the extraordinary expenses incurred during the pandemic.

Friday, May 26, 6:30PM, is a concert offered by **Discierna**, the beautiful center of SMAAA member **Gilda Darlas**. A number of us are enjoying Monday night classes there. It is a serene, lovely place to visit and the concert promises to be quite extraordinary. Ticket information is on the poster to the left and payment can be made by transfer. Banamex, Gilda Henríquez Darlas, Cuenta 5581329, CLABE: 002654700455813208.

Father Doug asked that I thank all of you for your many prayers and expressions of concern for Maria Fernanda and her baby boy, Veronica's first grandson. and Maria Fernanda should be

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released from the hospital in the next day or two.

**Anita Gottschalk** and I had a delightful visit at **Casa Hogar Al Abrigo de Dios**. Anita had sewn 15 pillowcases, and we brought 15 new pillows so each child would have a pillow of his or her own. Each pillowcase was unique! Working with children in this sweet setting could easily be an outreach project for SMAAA. Interest???? Could this be your mission?



We are looking forward to the first in our renewed lecture series. The date will follow in the subsequent Communicator. It is hoped our speaker will be the world-renowned environmentalist Beatriz Padilla. For decades Beatriz has fought (and educated) to protect the Forest

of Water - the source of all water in the State of Morelos. We all know how important this resource is and Beatriz is dynamic. You won't want to miss it! Stay tuned for date and time!

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Friday Memory Care continues to be great fun. If you know someone who could benefit from these two hours of community with a trained gerontologist and several excellent volunteers, please have them get in touch with me. Lorena, Pat, Amanda and I have more fun on Fridays than should be legal. Participants have a blast and I see such joyous expressions on their faces as they dance, sing, exercise, play bingo, etc.



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*"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."*  
Matthew 6:19-21

Senior Warden Judy Frothingham reminds me to remind you that we need to keep our pledges up to date if we are to meet our budget. There are two roofs and some plumbing currently being repaired. We need your help!

**VESTRY, Don't forget tomorrow's 10AM meeting.**