
2024 UPSES Portuguese Capela Annual Report

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“Today, as it was intended in 1922, the Chapel is used to house the Crown of the Holy Spirit during the Festa do Espirito Santo celebrations. On Pentecost Sunday, devotees of the Holy Spirit visit the Chapel to pray and offer a donation of money or Portuguese sweetbread to assure the continuation of this time honored ethnic religious celebration.”

Festa 2024 the chapel collected close to \$5000.00 in donation during Festa. We were open all 3 days, on Friday & Saturday, 5:00pm till 8:30, and on Festa Sunday from 11:00am till 600pm.

We thank the volunteers who took their 2-to-3-hour shifts. Alyssa Barandiaran, Kerena Monroig, Virginia Correia, Arnold Madruga, Rosemarie Silva, Maria Oliveira, Gayle Frank, Jeff Madruga. The chapel was full of visitors all weekend. Thanks Sra Cecilia Medina, Teresa Medina and Suzette Simoes who donated the traditional sweet breads for purchase.

Congratulations to the Schoeffel Family on a beautiful 2024 Festa. To the 2025 Byrnes Festa Family we wishing you and successful festa.

Submitted:

Therese Garces