

*So then the Lord
 Jesus, after he spoke to
 them, was taken up into
 heaven and took his
 seat at the right
 hand of God.
 Mark 16:19*

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Gospel Meditation

ENCOURAGE YOURSELF TO A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE



God remains where love remains. When a believer realizes without doubt that God is love, it is a powerful moment. Being able to place our resurrection trust in this fundamental truth allows us to experience God's presence in all of our experiences: the good and the bad,

positive and negative, life enriching and destructive events we encounter. It is no wonder that St. Paul so accurately tells us that it is love that endures all things and lasts. How can God not endure or ever fade away? Because he is God, Jesus also guarded and protected his disciples as the endearing shepherd who always had their best interest at heart. If we become too immersed in the world, we lose touch with these deeper realities. We can become so preoccupied with preserving what we have created or think that we need, forgetting that it is not building our city that really matters, but God's. Jesus clearly did not belong to the world and, by virtue of his resurrection, he tries to get us to understand that we do not either. The truth brings us to other worldly, more divine places and takes our eyes off of the concerns that often captivate our fears and storm our senses. Life can easily erode our faith. Think of your life over the last couple of weeks. What challenged your faith and distracted your divine glance? Even being overly stimulated with technology and social media can erode our sense of confidence and cause us to forget who we really are. We need to distance ourselves from the world in order to experience the joy that Christ offers. The world will never like the word of God. It is too challenging and too perplexing. The world mistakenly believes that it can survive on its own. It is a mistaken judgment that may cost people a lot in the end. It is all so very simple: God remains when we love one another. If in all the business of our lives and all that each day brings, the good and the bad, we follow the call and path of love, we will walk with God. There is nothing to fear and anxiety finds no home. ©LPi



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ADORATION THURSDAYS
8:30am-5:00pm

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

There's No Place Like Home
Where do you get the best night's sleep? For me, it's in my own bed. I don't even really know why. There's something about the texture of the sheets, the groove I've worn in the pillow. The mattress seems to recognize my shape. I've got a job that sees me traveling often and I've stayed in plenty of nice places. But there's just no sleep like the sleep you get at home. There's a feeling that we have when we're at home. Our bodies seem to recognize it when we walk in the door. There's a relaxation that kicks in, a peace that falls over us. I think that's what Heaven will be like. It won't be pleasure or happiness — those words aren't enough to describe what it feels like to be at home, are they? It's more than that. If you ever wonder why there is pain in this world, it's because we're not at home. That's not to say we don't belong here. Through God's mercy, this beautiful world is where we live out our earthly existence, and those existences can be filled with amazing relationships and profound experiences. In fact, we might enjoy our time here so much that we don't want to leave. But there's a reason this life has so many things that don't make sense: loss, fear, anger, sickness, hatred. It's because we weren't made for this place. For our souls, it's like a never-ending night in a hotel bed. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 KOC Breakfast St Vincent De Paul Collection 11:00am First Communion	3 3 de mayo #DiecidobresCruz	4	5 FELIZ CINCO DE MAYO	6 Adoration 8:30am - 5:00pm	7 First Friday Mass 7:00pm	1 First Saturday Mass 9:00am 1st Reconciliation 10:00am Reconciliation 4:00pm Men's Fellowship Via Zoom 8 Confirmation 3:30pm
9 Mother's Day	10	11	12 Adoration 8:30am - 5:00pm	13 Adoration 8:30am - 5:00pm	14	15 Reconciliation 4:00pm
16 Youth Group Breakfast after 8:30am Mass	17	18 Healing Mass 7:00pm	19 Misa de Sanación 7:00pm	20 Adoration 8:30am - 5:00pm	21 Wood Chipping Event	22 Reconciliation 4:00pm
23 PENTECOST	24	25	26 Adoration 8:30am - 5:00pm	27 Adoration 8:30am - 5:00pm	28	29 Reconciliation 4:00pm
30 Hispanic Breakfast After all Masses	31 REPUBLICAN DAY OFFICE CLOSED					

WEEKLY STEWARSHIP	
May 9, 2021	
Envelope Giving	\$1,855.00
Plate Giving	\$7,866.00
Online Giving	\$899.21
Total	\$10,620.21
Funds needed a week to meet operations	\$5,000.00
Overage/Deficit	+\$(\$5,620.21)



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE CONFIRMANDI'S

- Ithzel "Guadalupe" Barron
- Valeria "Monik" Benitez
- Sebastian "Sebastian" Diaz
- Francisco "Fernando" Hernandez
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- Xumayah "Genevieve" Perez
- Ariana "Julia" Valdez
- Hector "Michael" Vargas
- Dablo "Paul" Dulido
- Anapaola "Teresa de Jesus" Martinez



THE DIOCESAN CELEBRATION A PENTECOST FOR ALL PEOPLE

Bishop McElroy invites all faithful to come together for this special Pentecost celebration as we re-energize our mission to love and serve all of mankind in God's name. This event will be held at Good Shepherd Church on **Saturday, May 22**, beginning with a Call to Worship at 10 a.m. and Mass at 11. It will be an outdoor event – physical distancing and masks are required. The event will be live-streamed at www.sdcatholic.org/pentecost2021.

REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

Complaints about Sexual Abuse by a member of the Clergy, a parish Catholic Employee or a Volunteer can be made at <https://www.safeinourdiocese.org/> or call (858) 490-8353 misconduct@sdccatholic.org.

AMORIS LAETITIA

Along with being the Feast of St. Joseph, March 19th was also the start of Amoris Laetitia Family Year. Marking the fifth anniversary of the apostolic exhortation Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love), Pope Francis has asked the Church to celebrate the family throughout the year and to reflect upon how her ministry supports married couples and families at every level of Church life. This year also happens to mark the fifth anniversary of our diocesan synod on the family. The USCCB's Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life, and Youth (LMFLY) is coordinating the anniversary celebration in the United States, which will run until June 26, 2022. Learn more about Amoris Laetitia Family Year, including resources from the USCCB (<https://www.usccb.org/topics/marriage-and-family-life-ministries/year-amoris-laetitia-family>) and a brochure from the Vatican (http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/dam/laityfamilylife/amoris-laetitia/Brochure/Brochure%20A4_ENG_FlipBook.pdf).

LITURGICAL MINISTER WORKSHOPS

Online liturgical minister formation workshops will be held in May. Please check the diocesan website for registration and further information go to: <http://www.sdcatholic.org/workshops>.

12 Week Online Basic Catechist Course

For newly recruited catechists and those needing certification, the Echoes of Faith self-guided online basic catechist course will be offered beginning May 25th through August 16th. The cost of the course is \$75 and it requires basic computer skills and internet connection. For more information, please contact Joseph Horejs at 858-490-8234 or see Basic Catechist Formation Course Online (sdccatholicdisciples.net) to register.



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Question: What is the meaning of the letters that professed religious have after their names?

Answer: The Catholic Church includes hundreds of religious communities. The priests, religious brothers, religious sisters, and nuns of these communities (which are often referred to as "religious orders") are committed to particular spiritual traditions and often to a particular charism (such as teaching, healthcare, social work, or pastoral care). To help identify a person as a member of a particular religious community, the custom developed of including post-nominal letters that provide a sort of shorthand for the name of the community that the priest, brother, sister or nun is part of. So, for example OSB after a person's name would indicate that they are a member of the Order of St. Benedict (the Benedictines), just as SJ would indicate that a priest or brother is a member of the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) or RSM would show that a woman is a Sister of Mercy.

Other common examples include:

- DC = Daughters of Charity
- FSC = The Brothers of the Christian Schools/Christian Brothers
- OCist = The Order of Cistercians
- OCD = Order of Discalced Carmelites
- OEM = The Order of Friars Minor (the Franciscans)
- OEM Cap = The Capuchin Franciscans
- OP = The Order of Preachers (Dominicans)
- OSF=Franciscan Sisters
- SC = Sisters of Charity
- SDS = Society of the Divine Savior (Salvatorian Priests and Brothers and Salvatorian Sisters)
- SSND = School Sisters of Notre Dame
- SVD = Society of the Divine Word (Divine Word Missionaries) ©LPi

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading: In the immediate aftermath of Jesus' ascension, and as a means for healing within the group, Peter and the apostles discerned Matthias as the replacement for Judas. What are some areas in your faith life that need healing in order to feel whole?

Second Reading: John testifies that his community has "come to know and to believe in the love God has for us." Do you think your faith community shares a similar conviction of faith in the love of God?

Gospel: We hear Jesus' prayer to his Father for the protection of the disciples, especially against "the evil one" in the world. Where do you personally experience evil in the world today? ©LPi



LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

When Jesus was physically with his disciples, he guarded and protected them. One of his greatest desires was that they share his joy completely. God's love is the source of all things and their sustenance. As we conduct the normal routines of our lives it is easy to get caught up in the immediacies of this world and lose focus. We become very self and worldly dependent, forgetting that God wishes to guard and protect us. The joy the resurrected Christ can offer cannot be found in this world. It takes a bit of faith to realize that God's will is a constant in our lives and that God desires only the sustenance and goodness of both our bodies and our souls. We need to trust in God's constant and rejuvenating love. This radical resurrection trust allows us to experience the joy of God's presence in all of the good and the bad, positive and negative, life building and life destructive events that we encounter. God remains where love remains. ©LPi

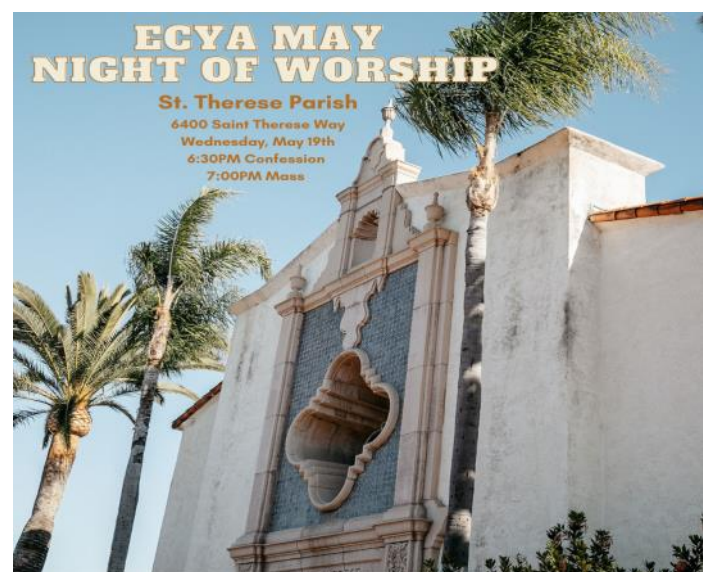


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16	17	18	19	20	21	21
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday Masses 8:30am 11:00am 12:30pm (Spanish) Please pray for: Rev. Ricardo Frausto Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/ Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19	Bible Study (Virtual) 7:00pm Please pray for: Rev. Michel Froidurot Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/ Jn 16:29-33	Daily Mass 7:30am Healing Mass 7:00pm Please pray for: Rev. Enrique Fuentes Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 /Jn 17:1-11a	Daily Mass 7:30am Please pray for: Rev. Charles Fuld Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19	Daily Mass 7:30am Adoration 8:30am-5:00pm Please pray for: Rev. Rolando Gabutera Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26	Daily Mass 7:30am Please pray for: Rev. Msgr. Michael Gallagher Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/ Jn 21:15-19	Please pray for: Rev. Edward Gallagher, Jr. Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/ Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

MASS Intentions

May 16	Sun	8:30am	For the Parishioners
May 16	Sun	11:00am	For the Parishioners
May 16	Sun	12:30pm	For the Parishioners
May 17	Mon		NO MASS
May 18	Tues	7:30am	For the Parishioners
May 19	Wed	7:30am	For the Parishioners
May 20	Thur	7:30am	For the Parishioners
May 21	Fri	7:30am	For the Parishioners
May 22	Sat	5:00pm	For the Parishioners



Observances for the week of May 16, 2021

Sun: The Ascension of the Lord; World Communications Day

Tue: St. John I, Pope and Martyr

Thur: St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

Fri: St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Sat: St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

Lifting up his eyes to heaven, Jesus prayed saying: "As you sent me into the world, so I sent them into the world. And I consecrate myself for them, so that they also may be consecrated in truth."
— Jn 17:18-19



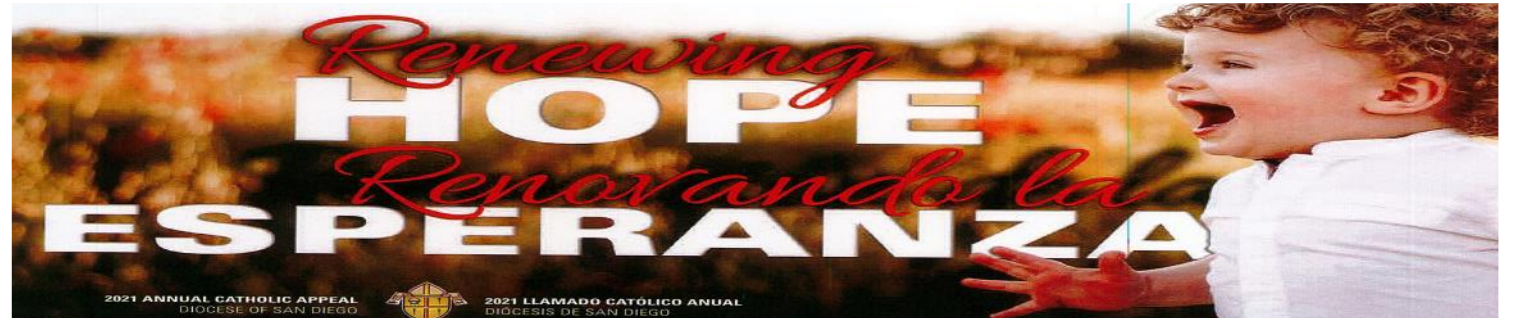
Masses will continue to be livestreamed or taped as necessary and available on our website www.stpiusxjamul.com or on the Diocesan website www.sdcatholic.org

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Indoor Mass Guidelines

- Per Bishop McElroy, under NO condition are we to violate the following procedures:
- Everyone over 2 years old will be required to wear a mask.
 - Parishioners will be expected to use hand sanitizer provided on the entrance/exit table.
 - Practice social distance of 6 feet between family groups.
 - No Handshakes at the Sign of Peace.
 - Holy Communion will be distributed only in the hand and the usual time.
 - The Most Precious Blood will not be distributed.
 - Bulletins will be placed on the entrance table for parishioners to pick up.
 - The Sacrament of Reconciliation is by appointment only.
- All Catholics in the Diocese continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further notice.
- We ask for your patience and support as we continue to help our tiny church with a big heart follow all these guidelines and requirements in order to succeed in our Spiritual Journey.



- Special *Thank you* to all those that have responded to this year's Annual Catholic Appeal *Renewing Hope*
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