

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 6, 2018

The Month of May

The month of May is dedicated to Mary our mother. The Church elevates Mary so that we can imitate her holiness and be inspired by her life. We do not place her above God, nor do we worship her. She was protected from sin so as to be a worthy mother of the Christ. During this month let us strive to imitate her virtuous life as we keep our gaze upon her son who truly loves his mother and invites us to do the same. If we are to imitate and follow Jesus, then every disciple must honor and love Mary.

I realize that some people struggle with Mary, but I believe that this is based on misconceptions and confusion of the church's teachings of the Blessed Virgin Mary. I will not lay out all the arguments that people have about Mary but I hope and pray that those who struggle with having Mary in their life will ask Jesus for help. I truly believe that if someone asks Jesus to help them in their understanding and devotion of Mary, that person will be enlightened and will fall in love with their Mother and Queen.

The intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary is salutary and efficacious. She goes by many names and titles, here are a few: Queen of Peace; Queen of All Saints; Our Lady of Perpetual Help; Our Lady of Sorrows; Star of the Sea; Refuge of Sinners; Mother of God; the New Eve; Cause of Our Joy; Virgin Most Pure, etc. "Mary, pray for us now and at the hour of our death."

This weekend our children will be receiving their 1st Holy Communion. It is such a beautiful sight to see all the girls and boys so nicely dressed and bursting with excitement and nervousness. They've been waiting for this big day for so long, it's finally here. Please join me in praying for the 1st Holy Communion children that they and their families will always hunger for Jesus in the Eucharist, the Bread of Life. Just as the kids hunger for Jesus, so does Jesus hunger for them.

This next week the priests of the Diocese of Stockton will be on retreat. Please pray for me and all my brother priests as we join our new bishop, Myron Cotta, for a special time of prayer and priestly fraternity.

God bless you,
Fr. Matthew O'Donnell

DAILY MASS READINGS

- Monday:** *Easter Weekday*
Acts of the Apostles 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4a
- Tuesday:** *Easter Weekday*
Acts of the Apostles 16:22-34; John 16:5-11
- Wednesday:** *Easter Weekday*
Acts of the Apostles 17:15, 22-18:1;
John 16:12-15
- Thursday:** *Ester Weekday*
Acts of the Apostles 18:1-8; John 16:16-20
- Friday:** *Easter Weekday*
Acts of the Apostles 18:9-18; John 16:20-23
- Saturday:** *Easter Weekday*
Acts of the Apostles 18:23-28; John 16:23b-28
- Sunday:** *The Ascension of the Lord*
Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11; Mark 16:15-20

This Week's Program Schedule

Monday, May 7

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| 8:00AM | Mass | Church |
| 8:30AM | Bible Study | Lounge |
| 6:00PM | No Adoration/ No Reconciliation | |
| 6:15PM | YLI Officer's Meeting | Conf. Rm |
| 7:15PM | YLI General Meeting | Lounge |
| 6:30PM | The Factor | |

Tuesday, May 8

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| 8:00AM | No Mass | |
| 6:30PM | Charismatic Prayer Group | Lounge |

Wednesday, May 9

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| 1:00PM | Communion Service @ CSUS | Bizini Hall |
| 4:00-5:00PM | 1 st Session CRE | Church |
| 5:15-6:30PM | 2 nd Session CRE | Church |
| 6:45-8:00PM | 3 rd Session CRE | Church |

Thursday, May 10

Friday, May 11

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| 4:30PM | Mass | Church |
| 5:00PM | Confirmation Practice | Church |

Saturday, May 12

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| 3:30PM | Reconciliation | Church |
| 5:00PM | Mass | Church |

Sunday, May 13

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| 9:00AM | Mass | Church |
| 6:00PM | Mass | Church |

Something for our Children!

Can you unscramble the following words from today's Gospel?

VLOE	OYJ	RFEISDN
LAEVS	RUTIF	MNADMCO

Answers on the next page→

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Give back to the Lord a sacrifice, a share of what the Lord has so generously given to you.

Sunday's Offertory: \$ 6,348.75

God bless you for your generosity.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS!

We have twenty-nine young members of our community who will receive their First Holy Communion on this **Sunday, May 6** at a special **11:30AM Mass: Vivian Alvarado, Antone Borba, Allison Bourbon, Clare Caetano, Mia Clinkenbeard, William Cole, Nicoletta Dowd, Madison Ferreira, Jayden Garcia, Alvaro Gaytan, Ethan Guina, Makai Guinnane, Christopher Heredia, Sofia Lear, Dominic Long, Faith Mailloux, Ashli Mendoza, Kaylee Mendoza, Aaron Meraz, Grace Nass, Gretchen Nass, Toben Persons, Karli Relvas, Lorelai Romo, Audrey Saavedra, Joseph Silveira, Alejandro Trujillo, Luke Valgos, and Isaac Villapudua.**

Congratulations on receiving the most sacred Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ for the first time!

MASS INTENTIONS

5:00PM	Saturday, May 5	Merrick Hillberg
9:00AM	Sunday, May 6	Alice O'Donnell†
6:00PM	Sunday, May 6	All Saints Community
8:00AM	Monday, May 7	Teodula† & Sixto† Tamos
4:30PM	Friday, May 11	Bud† & Peggy† Meyer

THIS WEEKEND'S 2nd COLLECTION is for the benefit of our Building Fund.

SQUIRES SPRING BREAKFAST will be held on Sunday, May 20 after the 9AM Mass. Breakfast will consist of pancakes, sausage, eggs, fruit, coffee and juice. Adults \$8.00; Children 12 & under \$6.00. All proceeds will go toward the Squires Annual Convention **Please come and support our Squires!**

"CHANGE FOR LIFE" BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: Turlock Pregnancy and Health Center offers free pregnancy tests, sonograms, and information to help those facing an unplanned pregnancy. The goal is to educate, equip, and empower individuals to make life-affirming choices. **Pick up your baby bottle on Mother's Day, May 13th (1 bottle per family please), fill it with coins, cash or check and return it on or before Father's Day, June 17.** For more information, go to www.turlockphc.com.

HOPE FOR HEALING: Has abortion left you feeling empty and alone? Rachel's Vineyard Retreats are available for anyone who has struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. This healing weekend is for mothers, fathers, grandparents, and siblings of aborted children. (The retreat and registration are strictly confidential.) Dates are June 29 - July 1 in English. Register for retreat at 209/465-5433 or kfuentes@stocktondiocese.org. There is a Spanish retreat on September 21-23; to register call 510/485-2574 or afterthechoice@oakdiadmin.org. For more information: www.stocktondiocese.org/project-rachel.

NEXT WEEKEND'S 2nd COLLECTION will be for the benefit of our *All Saints Parish College Scholarship Fund*. God bless you for your continued generosity!

This week's helpers include ...

Altar Linens ~ Jean Alt
Children's Liturgy ~ Grace Delgado
Hospitality ~ The Jackson Family

Thank you and God bless you for your unselfish service!

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS: LOVE, JOY, FRIENDS, SLAVE, FRUIT, COMMAND. How did you do?

TIPS FOR TITHING

We are to return a portion of our treasure, time and talent to God as an expression of our thankfulness for all of God's blessings, for all that we have comes from God.

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Please pray for our sick community members and friends:

Gustavo Delgadillo	Socorro Aguilar	Ed H
Peggy Howard	Carol Parks	Tom Abram
Cecilia Renenger	Linda Seymour	Stephen...
Jim Perdomo	Flynn Hillman	Janet Fiorini
Katarina Renenger	Anthony Farinha	Shelly...
Vicky Lorenz	Tim Grahm	Karen ...
Cynthia Basco	Jackie Ferreira	Jacki...
Richard Lopes	Lillian Lopez	Sharon...
Patti & Tom Scott	Charles W.	Ed Rocha
Carol Patterson	Catherine Harris	William Jackson
Joanne Mattos	Isabel Rodriguez	Edward Lytle
Bishop Stephen Blaire	Rozee Lopez	Kevin Downs
Ruby Summerlin	June Zuniga	Raul Campusano
Maria Ortega	Rita Yonan	Taylor Holt
Ray Morris	Teresa Diamond	Geralyn Weston
Russell Van Hook	Harry Sullivan	Sara Serpa
Pam Youngdale	Gary Winkleman	Infant Rosie
Cliff Bentley	Giovanni Sahagun	Joe O. Brasil
Ramin O.	Suzanne L.	Caroline B.
Pierre...	Romina Y.	Ernestina Padilla
Sam Carnemolla	Bob Placido	Frank Machado
Debbie Silva	Carter Gomes	Keely Gomes
Henrietta Webb	Doree O'Connell	Faith Mailloux

Your special prayers for these and others suffering from illness are gratefully appreciated. Thank you and God bless you!

Notify the office if you have anyone you would like to place on our list of persons in need of prayer due to illness. So that space will always be available for your loved ones, names will be kept on our list for three months. (However, your prayer requests can be renewed.)

CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CRE)

Confirmation Practice: There will be a mandatory practice for our Confirmation on **Friday, May 11 at 5:00pm.**

CATHOLIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION (CSA)

Sunday, May 6 @ 7:15pm: Movie Night: Risen

Wednesday, May 9: Bible Study at The Vista at 7pm

Saturday, May 12: Dance Party Luau, See Facebook for details.

As always, all college students are welcome and encouraged to attend all meetings and events!

RCIA

Any adult wishing to embrace the Catholic faith or any Catholic wishing to be confirmed should contact Michael Fuller by calling the church office at 669-0473.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC CONVENTION:

The 31st anniversary of the Northern California Renewal Coalition will be held at the Santa Clara Convention Center on May 25, 26 and 27, 2018. *"Thy Kingdom Come Thy Will be Done"* Mt. 6:10 Separate seminars in English will be held for Adults, Young Adults, Teens, and a children's program. Vietnamese and Spanish conferences. *Come and be Blessed.* Weekend \$60 or One Day Event \$50. (More information on our bulletin board.) Registration forms are on our lobby table, or register online www.NCRCspirit.org or call Gloria Acoba 209-725-8779.