



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father.” - Jn 14:6-7

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Liturgical Ministry	Ext. 107
Outgrown Shop	Ext. 150
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Our Second Collection for
DSJ Retirement was
\$4,986

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Upcoming Second Offerings
Your generosity is appreciated.
**Denotes Parish Second Collection.*

5/7	Community Ministry*
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Division of Labor was Authored by God

In the Acts of the Apostles today the Twelve said, "It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at the table." They wanted the job in the early Christian community to be shared among the community of the disciples, Acts 6:1-7.

I grew up with my mother, father, and six siblings. When you have a problem with education you talk to the first son William, whose intelligence was a delight to watch in the courtroom. If you want a discussion of peace you talk to the second son Franklyn who would sacrifice everything for peace to reign (although we called him a coward behind his back, as young boys will do.) If you want war, revenge, anarchy, and insubordination invite Stan to the meetings. He was the strongest of the siblings and represented the village in the annual traditional wrestling match. If you want prayers and spiritual advice, call the fourth son who is writing this piece. He can do other physical works, but his vocation and division of labor have limited him to spiritual works like the twelve apostles.

Furthermore, if there is a communal family responsibility to be done without procrastination call Augustine the fifth son. He is very domestic and down to earth. Whenever there is a medical issue Dr. Pascal will get a call. From

childhood, he was nicknamed 'The Whiteman.' His sense of hygiene and cleanliness was exceptional from kindergarten. And finally, Tony the last one. What do expect to hear about her? The only girl of six boys, she can cook like my mother. She can manage the household and our stomachs very well. She accumulated a lot of money because she received royalties from all the boys (Hahaha). In this equation, we knew when to beckon Mom or Dad.

This division of labor is not a sign of weakness but a sign of strength and brings importance to everyone in the community. So, what is your area of strength in the community of St. Justin? We have many apostolates begging for people to take up. Even the people who do not like public apostolates, we have a lot of private apostolates that will engage everyone. The church needs you; your biological family needs you, likewise your social family. Discover your talent and put it to use wherever you are called.

God who created you has given you all you need to survive. Now what will you give back to God to help his creation and creatures to flourish? Do not be a jack of all trades and master of non, because the apostles frowned upon that.

Fr. Gerald Nwafor

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

	Sunday 4/30/2023	Fiscal Year To Date 7/1/22-4/30/2023
Goal	\$9,640	\$424,088.00
Collected	\$12,063.62	\$475,851.20
Over/(Short)	\$2,423.62	\$51,763.20

**Annual
Benefit Auction**

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VIVA

ST JUSTIN

Join us for tasty tacos, casino games, and our annual auction. Tickets include dinner, one drink ticket, and a \$100 token toward games. Purchase your tickets now for early bird pricing!

♠ ♦ ♣ ♥

May 20
6:00 - 10:00 PM

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 14:5-18;
Ps 115:1-4, 15-16;
Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28;
Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;
Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6;
Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21;
Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31;
Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10;
Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17;
Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-18 or
1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 14:15-21
or Jn 17:1-11a



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

To help increase awareness of the Eucharist Revival and participation in Mass we are having a Eucharist Revival Lectio Divina in the Parish Ministry Center/PMC

approximately 5 minutes after the end of 10:30 am Sunday Mass. It will this Sunday, **May 7**, and will last until Pentecost Sunday, May 28th. We invite you to join us and experience the feeling of God's message to yourself through the Eucharist Revival and meditation of the soul.

Mass Dedications for the Week of May 8 – May 14, 2023 + notes deceased

Monday 8:30 a.m.	Peter Lee + Susanna Ha +	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	FOR ALL PARISHIONERS
Tuesday 8:30 a.m.	No Intention	Sunday 7:30 a.m.	FOR ALL MOTHERS
Wednesday 8:30 a.m.	All Souls	Sunday 9:00 a.m.	FOR ALL MOTHERS
Thursday 8:30 a.m.	No Intention	Sunday 10:30 a.m.	FOR ALL MOTHERS
Friday 8:30 a.m.	No Intention	Sunday 12:15 p.m.	FOR ALL MOTHERS
Saturday 8:00 a.m.	Charles Cordina +	Sunday 7:00 p.m.	FOR ALL MOTHERS

We pray for those who are ill or suffering from loneliness, sadness, or depression. We pray for those who care for them. We pray for our deceased family and friends. We pray for our men and women who are serving in the military.



This week we pray especially for those who are ill or preparing for surgery:

Manuel Avila, Armando Bottelli, Viola Bradshaw, Lorraine Chavez, Diane Cribari, Ursula Duncan, Kathleen Farinas, Rodolfo Feliciano, Pilar Ferrer, Balwant Khaira, Joe Lombardi, Shirley McDonell, Angelina Medina, Caridad Mendoza, Greg Ortiz, Jr., Robert Ray, Margaret Saxton, Gayle Souza, Lu Trinh, Mark Walsh, Audrey Zampedri.

*and for those who have died:
Gwen Steirer*

CATECHETICAL MINISTRY NEWS

*Catechesis is more than just religious education.
It is a life long journey towards a deeper relationship with Christ.*

Ongoing Faith Formation will Resume in September!

These classes meet on Sunday morning.

**Registration forms will be available at st-justin.org or in the Parish Office in June.
We will mail out registration forms for returning families in August.**

Sacramental Preparation Program

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist

You may register for this program if your child has already completed one year of Ongoing Faith Formation or is enrolled in a Catholic school. This program is for baptized children in 2nd grade and higher. Registration begins in August and is supplemental to Ongoing Faith Formation.



High School Confirmation Program

This program begins in September and culminates with the Sacrament of Confirmation in May. The candidate sessions take place on Sundays. Registration begins in August.

RCIA (adapted for children)

If your child is seven years or older and unbaptized, we provide the Rite of Christian Initiation adapted for children. Please contact laura.ortiz@dsj.org for more information.



Infant Baptism

Our next infant baptism preparation class is
Wednesday, May 17th at 7 p.m.

Please email laura.ortiz@dsj.org to register.

Ever Thought of Being a Catechist?

As we prepare to return to the classrooms with social distancing protocols in the Fall, we are in need of substitute catechists. Part of our adherence to the County Health Order is to ensure that anyone (catechist included) who is not feeling well should remain at home and not enter our facilities.

Therefore, more than ever, we need to have back-ups. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to dip your toe into this ministry, obtain the training required, and join our catechetical team! We are in particular need for Grades 1, 5 & 6, as the catechists for those grades are from a single household. However, it is ideal to have substitute availability for all ages.

If the Spirit is speaking to you to share the gift of your faith with the youth of our parish, email laura.ortiz@dsj.org for more information.



MINISTRY NEWS

COMMUNITY MINISTRY

Community Ministry Food Pantry

Open:

Tues. thru Sat. 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Closed: Sunday & Monday

Frequently asked questions:

1. What kind of food donations are you in most need of?

Shelf stable meals in pop-top cans (chili, ravioli, soup), boxes of mac n' cheese.

2. When can we drop them off?

Tues thru Sat, 9:30 – 11:30 am; the door should be open (to avoid crowds, come before 9:50 or after 10:30)

3. Will you accept fruit picked off our backyard tree?

YES, We love to give away your donated fruit and vegetables!

4. My children need to do community service / volunteer hours. Can they volunteer at the food pantry on Saturday?

YES, but ... call Nancy Uyeda (see contact info, pg 2) to schedule times.

Due to social distancing requirements, we limit the number of volunteers each day.

Thank you for the many grocery bags you've donated!

Have unused, plastic-enclosed utensil packets from restaurant take-out or delivery orders?

The food pantry can use them in our brown-bag lunches. Bring them by!

Due to Covid-19 precautions

◆ no **Outreach Dinners** are currently scheduled.

The Outgrown Shop Hours:
Saturday & Sunday 10 to 4pm

At this time donations are not being accepted.

Questions? Leave a short phone message / email for Joe Bauer or Nancy Uyeda (see contact info on pg. 2).



Community Ministry - Family Shelter Meal Team

Our Meal Team headed by Carolyn Campbell who faithfully travel to the San Jose Family Shelter on the Third Saturday of each month to provide dinner for the Residents of the Shelter are searching for a few more people who would be interested in helping on this Team.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Joe Bauer at 408-296-1193 Ex 109 or joseph.bauer@dsj.org. You will find helping on this team to be a very rewarding experience.

Community Ministry – Outgrown Shop Volunteers

The St. Justin Outgrown Shop is now open on Saturdays and Sundays from 10 – 4. While we have recognized a lot of support for the shop, we are still desperately in need of more volunteers to help with this project.

If you have any time available on weekends please contact Karol Gallucci at karol.gallucci@dsj.org or stop by the shop during the hours it is open if you have any questions.

OUR FASCINATING FAITH **May and Mary**

There have long been devotions to our Blessed Mother, but the dedication of the month of May to Mary is a more recent development in the long history of the Church. In the sixteenth century there were month-long Marian devotions, but they were not necessarily associated with May. In medieval times, various celebrations involving Mary occurred in May. But it wasn't until late eighteenth-century Italy that the idea of dedicating May to Mary began to take root. This notion flourished in the nineteenth century and began to foster daily devotions, frequent rosaries, and May crownings around the world. And so May, the lovely month of nature's motherhood, came to be dedicated to our Blessed Mother Mary.

With Mary, the apostles and first disciples kept prayerful vigil for the Spirit's coming, the culmination of Mary's faith-filled lifetime. Mary's faith was shown forth in her acceptance of the angel's word at the Annunciation, her charity in the Visitation to Elizabeth, her trust in Joseph during the flight into Egypt, her steadfast vigil beneath her Son's cross. Throughout these joyful and sorrowful mysteries of her life, Mary's faith-filled heart embraced God's will, making her an instrument for the accomplishment of God's plan for our salvation, and a living model for us of trust and perseverance. For Mary's undaunted faith and the selfless love it inspired, all generations shall call her blessed.

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**DIOCESEAN/PARISH
GOAL**

\$123,507/\$175,000



\$18,070

\$14,875

\$ 4,665

\$10,075

\$12,895

\$15,438

\$11,400

\$16,403

\$36,882

\$21,152

\$161,855

ALTAR SERVER BAKE SALE

On Sunday, May 21st, after each of the morning masses - including the 12:15 pm mass - we invite you to join the St. Justin Altar Servers for a bake sale between the church and the rectory. Altar servers will be providing baked goods for donations in an effort to raise money for the Altar Server Ministry. These funds are needed for purchasing new cinctures to replace some that are falling apart and to ensure that we have enough in each of the liturgical colors. Funds are also used to support our servers with wonderful social events. Your generous donations to the ministry are greatly appreciated.

Ladies Guild Meeting

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

6:30 p.m.

Small Hall

Please join us for a Taco Dinner prepared by the Stablemates. Election of officers for 2023/2024 will be held. Please join us for this delightful evening.

All Ladies of the Parish are invited!

STABLEMATES OPEN GYM!

If you are 18 years old or older and a member of the St. Justin, come join us for every Thursday evening when the gym is available for pickup basketball games. Grab a friend or come alone and make some new friends. Play for 30 minutes or the entire three hours, it is your call!

Next STNAOB date: May 11

*Save
THE
Date*

Fr. Chris'
25th Ordination Anniversary
and Parish BBQ

June 11, 2023

WAYS TO SUPPORT THE CHURCH'S MISSION:

1. Securely Online

Scan the QR code or visit our website.



DSJ.org/ADA

2. Bring to Church



Place in the offertory basket or mail to your parish.

3. Gift of Stock/ IRA Distributions



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4. Become a Sustaining Donor by creating an online gift that will automatically renew each year.

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Congratulations to Our First Communicants!

Marco Campos
 Lisa Chu
 Madelyn Cruz
 Makaio Cruz
 Alice Gianaschi
 Violette Gonzales
 Zoe Gonzalez
 Aubry Hather
 Avery Hensley
 Elyanna Janiola
 Emilee Labson
 Madelyn Lara
 Maile Loggins
 Brandon Lowery
 Madelyn Lugtu



Anthony Luvara
 Joseph Luvara
 Joseph Mancebo
 Mya Mancebo
 Marivelagh Melendez
 Carter Olson
 Julia Powers
 Richard Ramos
 Marlena Rebeiro
 Celia Sanders
 Timothy Sheets
 Benny Sousa
 Hazel Stallings
 Brynn Vane
 Aria Villatuya



WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday

8:30 a.m.

Saturday

8:00 a.m.

Livestream via YouTube

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

Livestream via YouTube

10:30 a.m.

12:15 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

(CONFESSION)

By appointment only.

Please email Fr. Chris and or
 Fr. Gerald directly
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Stewardship

The discipline of stewardship—of planned and consistent giving—is appropriate for this time. As you spend time in contemplation this season, consider planning your giving for this season as well as seasons to come. You can use ParishSOFT Giving—our secure giving option accessible through our church website—to plan and give this season. You can use Online Giving for your regular tithes or to contribute to special funds. You can find the online giving link on www.st-justin.org.

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