MAY 4, 2025 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

OUR MISSION:

We are a community of believers in Jesus Christ that gathers together to celebrate the mysteries of God's love. We support and strengthen one another in our commitment to the Catholic faith. We serve those in need and share with all the Good News of God's unconditional love.









MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Vigil: Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am & 5:00pm

Sunday 9:00am and Daily Masses are **Live Streamed** on our website stmaryslg.org/live-stream-mass

DAILY MASS

Mon - Sat: 8:30am Rosary - 8:00am Live-Stream & in church

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30pm - 4:30pm (in church)

ADORATION

Mondays - 9:00-10:00am Thursdays - 7:00-8:00pm

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REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading:

The Apostles "rejoiced" when they suffered public dishonor for preaching that Jesus rose from the dead. *Have you ever found joy amid your own suffering?*

Second Reading:

John has a vision of the whole created order worshipping and praising Jesus as the slain and

risen Lamb. In what ways will you praise and worship Jesus this week?

Gospel:

The resurrected Jesus reveals to Peter that the cost of following him and leading the disciples will be his own martyrdom. How are you sometimes challenged in following Jesus?

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TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 10:34a, 37-43;

Psalm 118;

Revelations 1:9-11a, 12-13,

17-19;

John 20:19-31

Our readings on this Third Sunday of Easter continue with lessons of hope for abundant new life in the Risen Lord. In fact, when we look at the Gospel Reading from John and compare it to the First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we get a glimpse of the "before Easter Disciples" and the "after Easter Disciples" that offer inspiration for positive change in all of us.

In the Gospel, we find the Apostles dejected and discouraged following the death of our Lord. Poor Peter decides to throw in the towel on the whole disciple thing and go back to his old way of life, declaring, "I'm going fishing." Upon hearing this, the other disciples follow him.

How easy it is for all of us to backslide on changes we have made in our lives, especially when it comes to our spiritual lives. We make a positive resolution — for instance to develop more patience or more discipline in our prayer lives — only to find our temper flaring in traffic or our hand hitting the snooze button instead of getting out of bed to pray. It makes us just want to forget it, to stop trying and go back to our old ways. Those very feelings of discouragement and lost hope make it even harder to try yet again.

But look how Jesus treats the disciples during their "backslide." He is right there with them in the midst of it, already waiting for them on the shore when they come back from their unsuccessful return to the fishing business (after abandoning their mission as disciples). Our Lord greets them with such tenderness, gently asking, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" Then he gives them some fishing pointers which lead to such a miraculous catch of fish that they finally recognize Him as the risen Lord. Wanting them to be at ease with Him, Jesus then feeds them breakfast. How gracious He is to them!

He is just as gracious today. When we find ourselves "out at sea" — discouraged by our failures or for squandering the gifts God has given us, or simply by a lack of progress in our faith life, Jesus is with us! He is calling to us from the shore to come back to Him without shame or embarrassment, but with hope-filled trust in His steadfast love. He never tires of offering "do-overs" if we just keep returning to Him.

This constant process of turning back to the Lord is the essence of a stewardship way of life. Good stewards are not necessarily those who have mastered some perfect formula for the giving of time, talent, and treasure. They are those who continue to get back up after each fall, who are willing to continually reevaluate their goals and priorities as they aim for Heaven. Good stewards simply have more confidence in the goodness of the Lord than fear of their own failure.

And little by little, good stewards find themselves becoming like the "after Easter Disciples", we find in today's first reading, who were proud to be called before the Sandhedrin for "filling Jerusalem" with the Good News of Jesus.

Let's allow ourselves to be renewed with Easter hope on our stewardship journey, secure in the knowledge that Jesus is walking alongside us each step of the way.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK					
Sun	5/4	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19			
Mon	5/5	Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29			
Tues	5/6	Acts 7:51—8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6ab, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; /Jn 6:30-35			
Wed	5/7	Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40			
Thu	5/8	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51			
Fri	5/9	Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1b-2; Jn 6:52-59			
Sat	5/10	St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Damien de Veuster, Priest Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69			
Sun	5/11	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER World Day of Prayer for Vocations; Mother's Day Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30			

Mass Intentions					
Mon	5/5	8:30 am	Therese (LoBue) Vrablic (birthday)		
Tues	5/6	8:30 am	Maria Nguyen Thi Huong Hue (healing)		
Wed	5/7	8:30 am	Suzanne Klein Lewis † Bishop Patrick McGrath †		
Thu	5/8	8:30 am	Ethel and Nicholas Baxter †		
Fri	5/9	8:30 am	George Aeria †		
Sat	5/10	8:30 am	Barbara Baxter †		
		5:00 pm	Melinda "Linda" Gutierrez †		
Sun	5/11	9:00 am	Olivia Gray †		
		11:00 am	Julia Clem †		
		5:00 pm	Mark Frezzo †		





ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe you are really here in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love you more than anything in the world, and I hunger to receive you.
But since I cannot receive Communion at this time, Feed my soul spiritually. I unite myself to you now, as I do when I actually receive You in Holy Communion. Amen.

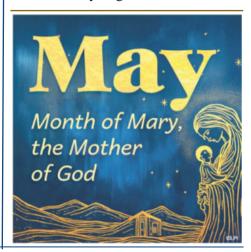
LIVE THE LITURGY -INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus bids the disciples to bring their bounty of fish to the fire, to gather around it, to be warmed and fed. God's invitation is for all of us: come to the fire of His love. Be warmed. Be fed. Then, go forth, and feed the sheep.

Pope Francis' Universal Prayer Intention: May

For working conditions:

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.



FAITH IN ACTION

Stewardship of **PRAYER**

Please pray with us for our parishioners, family and friends.

For those who are sick and who have asked for our prayers: Magdolma O'Brien; Janel Shultz; Ryan Heath; Dave Najour; Rose Arnaudo; George Bommarito; Ken Ardent; Marietta Riney; Adam Thielmann; Honora Hannan; Tony Baldi

For those who have recently died:

Elisabeth Valenzuela; Shirley Stanger; Lynn Dawson; Maureen O'Connell; Sister Genie Rohner; Herb Robbins

Members of our parish family who are in the military, hospitals, nursing homes, shut-ins and all who have no one to pray for them.

Please remember to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl in the basket as marked as soon as possible or drop it off at the parish office.





Stewardship of TREASURE

Managing God's Gift To Us

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF TREASURE!

Our Goal for May is \$80,000.00

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OFFERINGS AND ONLINE GIVING

	Jul. 1, 2024 to April 20, 2025
Budget - Sun Coll.	\$ 645,000.00
Budget - Easter	\$ 25,000.00
Actual	\$ 662,078.00
Difference	- \$ 7,922.00

2ND OFFERING: MAY 10 & 11 DIOCESAN PRIESTS RETIREMENT APPEAL

There are 40 retired priests in our Diocese and 96 others currently serving in our parishes and in other diocesan assignments. In addition, the Diocese has 28 priests reaching retirement age (70 years old) in the next 10 years and 6 in just the next three years.

Your gift to the Diocesan Priest Retirement appeal provides vital funding for medications, nursing care, and more to our retired priests

To Make an Online Gift, please visit:

giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/stmaryslg

Select "Diocesan Priest Retirement Appeal" from the dropdown menu.



MAY 10 & 11

5:00pm Saturday: Cantor & Piano/Organ 9:00am Sunday: Adult Choir & Piano/Organ 11:00am Sunday: Cantor & Piano/Organ 5:00pm Sunday: 5pm Sunday Ensemble

COUNTRY FAIR 2025

ANNOUNCING....





She's a proud St. Mary's parent with a 3rd grader, a 1st grader, an incoming TKer, & a 2 year old Cougar in training—and she's ready to bring her energy and creativity to one of our community's favorite events!

We're thrilled to support her as she steps into this leadership role. With your help, we can make this year's fair fun, memorable, and more collaborative than ever!

To support our new Fair Chair, we're shifting to a team model this year. Instead of the Fair Chairs doing it all, we're dividing key roles to make planning smoother & more fun for everyone! Help us build a great team!

Contact Christie if you're interested! 650-823-1344 christieboskovich@gmail.com

OPEN POSITIONS:

VOLUNTEER CO-CHAIR

Partner with our current chair to organize and run our

- Manage & maintain our sign-up site (Sign-Up Genius)
- Strategize volunteer outreach to ensure full coverage
- Assist with on-site coordination during fair weekend

RENTAL COORDINATOR

Coordinate vendor rentals to keep the fair running smoothly.

- Reorder equipment, tents, and tables, used in past years
- Check with booth chairs about needs or changes
- Optional: consolidate or research new vendors

STAGE MANAGER

If you love entertainment

- Coordinate with the band and sound team a month in advance
- Be on-site for band arrival, soundcheck, and performance
- Be on-site to help manage the performance groups scheduled throughout the weekend
- Prep and maintain the green room with drinks

APPAREL CHAIR

Help bring the Fair's spirit to life with custom apparel!

- Work with vendor to produce Fair shirts featuring student artwork
- Coordinate orders, styles, and samples (if needed)
- Organize and distribute apparel to community once orders arrive
- Collaborate with the Fair Chair on any additional Fair apparel

SPONSORSHIP:

More updates coming from Sponsorship soon, but this year we are building a committee and would love for you to join!

SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- · Reach out to previous sponsors
- Brainstorm and contact new potential sponsors
- · Collaborate with a supportive committee

OPEN BOOTHS:

- · Opportunities to manage and sponsor new booths will be announced soon
- · Have a new booth idea? Bring it to May's Kick-Off meeting!

DATE!

TUESDAY, MAY 6TH, 7-8 PM

2025 Country Fair Kick-Off Meeting in Hofmann

The May PTG meeting will be moved to Hofmann



AROUND THE DIOCESE

SAVE THE DATE! ILM GRADUATION 2025: The Institute for Leadership in Ministry of the Diocese of San Jose will hold its twenty-sixth graduation honoring the Class of 2025 on Wednesday, **May 7, 2025**, at 7 PM at Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph. Most Reverend Bishop Oscar Cantú will preside the evening service and graduation.

2025 MONTHLY MEMORIAL MASS AT GATE OF HEAVEN & CALVARY CEMETERY 11AM.

♦ May 10 & Jun 14

Please call location for more information:

- ♦ Calvery Cemetery (833) 428-0379
- ♦ Gate of Heaven Cemetery (833) 304-0763

CAMINO DE CALIFORNIA EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION VISITS THE DIOCESE OF SAN JOSE AT MISSION DE SANTA CLARA DE ASÍS! On

Pentecost Sunday, June 8 at 10:30am gather at Mission Santa Clara and join the Eucharistic procession to Our Lady of Peace Shrine and Church. Together with Bishop Cantú and other pilgrims process the 4.6 miles. The Camino de California Eucharistic Pilgrimage will visit all 21 California Missions, including Works of Mercy, Jubilee, and other pilgrimage events. Mission Santa Clara de Asís and Our Lady of Peace Shrine and Church are one of the 21 sites where these pilgrims will accompany our Lord in the Eucharist. Visit www.caminodecalifornia.org for more information.





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