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### Jesus Prays to Be Glorified

John 17:1-11

John's gospel assumes we were created by God for a relationship with God. This is why eternal life means knowing the one true God and Jesus Christ, whom God has sent (John 17:3). According to John, eternal life comes from a relationship with the eternal God. It begins in faith, as people come to know the love of the God who made them. This **Life**

has a future through the promise of resurrection. The gospel also states "No one has ever seen God" (1:18). God is hidden until he chooses to reveal it. **Glory** is the way in which revelation takes place. First, Jesus is glorified by God on earth for finishing the work God gave him (17:4). This means he honored God through his obedience to God's commands. During his public ministry Jesus taught what God wanted him to teach, and performed the healings and other works God wanted him to perform. Such faithfulness honors God (8:49). In another sense, Jesus glorified God by revealing God's power. Biblical writers sometimes use the term *doxa* or "glory" for the way the power of God is revealed within the realm of human experience. According to John's gospel, Jesus made divine power visible by the miraculous signs he performed. At the beginning of his ministry Jesus manifested his glory by turning water into wine at Cana (2:11); and at the end of his ministry he revealed the glory of God by calling the dead man Lazarus back to life (11:40). By other miraculous acts, Jesus revealed divine glory through divine power. A second element in Jesus' prayer concerns the glory he will resume in heaven once his ministry on earth is over. This heavenly glory is something the Son of God enjoyed before the world existed. To share in such glory is to share in **divine honor, divine majesty, and divine power**. It was out of love the Father gave the Son such glory before the foundation of the world. Sharing in God's glory means sharing in God's love.

### Becoming an Evangelizing Parish

- ⇒ Pray daily and read Scripture
- ⇒ Trust the Holy Spirit to give you the grace to share your faith
- ⇒ Study the faith through the Catechism of the Catholic Church and faith formation programs
- ⇒ Participate in service opportunities.
- ⇒ Personally invite your family, friends, and neighbors to Sunday Mass in a welcoming spirit.
- ⇒ Be willing to listen to other peoples' stories and questions about the Church without judgment.
- ⇒ Welcome new members of the parish, offer to help new parents, support the divorced and widowed.
- ⇒ Remember the words of Peter: **"Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope" (1 Pt 3:15).**



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## The Ascension of Jesus

The "Ascension" is the Christian belief, reflected in the major Christian creeds, which tells us Jesus ascended to Heaven after his resurrection, where he was exalted as Lord and Christ, sitting at the right hand of God. The Gospels and other New Testament writings imply resurrection and exaltation as a single event. In Acts, Jesus' ascension is situated on the fortieth day (counting from the resurrection) in the presence of eleven of his apostles, thereby putting a limit on the number of resurrection appearances, and effectively excluding Paul's conversion experience from the bona fide resurrection appearances. In Christian art, the ascending Jesus is often shown blessing an earthly group below him, signifying the entire Church. The Feast of the Ascension is celebrated on the 40th day of Easter, always a Thursday.

Some Orthodox traditions have a different calendar up to a month later than in the Western tradition, while the Anglican Communion continues to observe the feast, many Protestant churches have abandoned the observance. In Christian theology, the death, resurrection, and exaltation of Jesus are the most important events, and a foundation of our Christian faith. The early followers of Jesus believed that God vindicated Jesus after his death, as reflected in the stories about his resurrection, ascension, and exaltation. The early followers of Jesus soon believed Jesus was raised as first of the dead, taken into Heaven, and exalted, taking the seat at the right hand of God in Heaven, as stated in the Apostles' Creed: "He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty." Psalm 110 (Psalms 110:1) played an essential role in this interpretation of Jesus' death and the resurrection appearances: "The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies your footstool.'" It provides an interpretative frame for Jesus' followers to make sense of his death and the resurrection appearances.

### Join us for Bible Study

**1st and 3rd Thursday**  
**1:00 & 7:00 PM**  
**Via ZOOM**

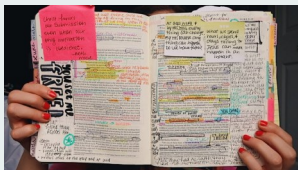
**1:00 pm Meeting**  
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**7:00 pm Meeting**  
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## Sacred Chrism



The original meaning of "chrism", like the Greek "chrisma," was used to designate any and every substance which served the purpose of smearing or anointing, such as the various kinds of oils, unguents, and pigments. This was its ordinary meaning in secular literature, and even in the early patristic writings. Gradually however, in the writings of the Church Fathers, the term came to be restricted to a special oil used in religious ceremonies and functions, especially in the administration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Ordination. Origen refers to the visible chrism in which we have all been baptized: St. Ambrose venerates in the chrism the oil of grace which makes kings and priests; and St. Cyril of Jerusalem celebrates the praises of the "mystic chrism." The early councils of the Church (Council of Constantinople in 381 and the Council of Toledo, 398) make reference to "chrism" as something set apart for sacred purposes and for our sanctification.

## ALREADY REPAIRED:

**The Don Felipe Gate was damaged on Saturday, May 13 by a leased bus. Our Fencing Contractor, Mr. Pena, was here first thing Monday morning to repair the gate. It was restored to its original condition and was operable by the end of the day. The Parish is in the process of being reimbursed by the bus company for the cost of the repairs to our mechanized gate.**



**Please submit your Bulletin Articles and Pulpit Announcements  
at least two weeks in advance.**

**If you have questions, pls contact the office at (323) 293-4877**

**Join us for  
Coffee and Donuts**

**After 10:00 am Mass  
Every Sunday in the Parish Hall  
If you would like to sponsor  
Coffee and Donuts**

**Contact the Parish Office @ (323) 293-4877**

*Man doesn't  
live by coffee  
alone...  
have a  
donut!*



**The Goals of Our "Young Adult Ministry" (18-35)**

#1 Connect young adults with Jesus Christ through spiritual formation/direction, religious education/formation, and vocational discernment. #2 Connect young adults to the Church through evangelizing outreach, formation of the faith community, and pastoral care. #3 Connect young adults to the mission of the Church through forming a Christian conscience, educating and developing leaders for the present and future. #4 Connect young adults with a peer community by developing peer leadership and identifying a young adult team for the purpose of forming faith communities of peers.

**6 Things to Do, During "Ordinary Time," to Keep Children Interested.  
(A 6 Part Series) Part 1 Focus on the Life of Christ**

With less time worrying about decorating, hanging wreaths, buying gifts, stuffing baskets and preparing hunts, maybe your family will intentionally and successfully find more time to review the Scriptures with your kids. Ordinary time can be a time of growth in learning about and knowing Jesus. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops puts it best: *"The Sundays and weeks of ordinary time ... take us through the life of Christ. This is the time of conversion. This is living the life of Christ. Ordinary time is a time for growth and maturation, a time in which the mystery of Christ is called to penetrate ever more deeply into history until all things are finally caught up in Christ. The goal, toward which all of history is directed, is represented by the final Sunday in ordinary time, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe."*



**Daily and Sunday Mass intentions  
at St. Bernadette Church.**

To request an intention please include:  
Is it for an individual? or family? Is the person  
Living? Deceased? Name of the person making  
the request? The Contact person's name? (If  
different than the requestor) Phone? Email  
address? Requested date of the Mass? Is the  
intention for a special occasion, such as a birthday, or an anniversary  
Are the prayers for the healing of a specific disease or condition?

**Our Parish Hall is a great place for a variety of events:  
Repasts, Luncheons, Business Meetings, Clinics, Inoculation Sites,  
Seminars and a host of other events. It is fully AV Equipped.  
For Details and Availability contact the Parish Office  
(323)293-4877**



**LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**MAY 22, 2023  
MONDAY OF THE 7TH WEEK  
OF EASTER  
TO MAY 28, 2023  
PENTECOST**

**Monday, May 22, 2023**

**8:00 am**

**Communion Service**

**Tuesday, May 23, 2023**

**8:00 am**

**Communion Service**

**Wednesday, May 24, 2023**

**8:00 am Mass**

**Live-Streamed and In-Person**

**Thursday, May 25, 2023**

**8:00 am Mass**

**Live-Streamed and In-Person**

**Friday, May 26, 2023**

**8:00 am Mass**

**Live-Streamed and In-Person**

**Saturday, May 27, 2023**

**3:00 pm Reconciliation**

**4:00 pm Vigil Mass**

**Sunday, May 28, 2023**

**10:00 am Mass**

**Coffee & Donuts**

**Parish Hall**

**Following Mass**

**Other Sacraments  
(as Scheduled)**

**Mass Intentions**

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#### 1 Corinthians 15:58

*Oh Lord, help every worker to  
work wholeheartedly for the  
church. Help them to remember  
the work they do in the church is  
not in vain as Your Word  
declares Your work is never  
wasted.*



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#### Mass Intentions for this Week

**Saturday, May 20, 2023:**

**Brian Hamilton and Silva-Haro Andres**

**Sunday, May 21, 2023: Carlos Ann Butler**

**Wednesday, May 24, 2023: Msgr. James Golasinski**

**Thursday, May 25, 2023: Fr. David Garnier**

#### **Did you know? May 20-21 || Residence restriction laws**

Residence restriction laws are state and local laws that prevent convicted sexual offenders from living within a specific range of a school, park, daycare, bus stop, or other known area for children. Many states have adopted some form of residence restriction to prevent sexual offenders from committing repeat crimes. These laws exist and have an impact, but they are only one layer of protection and are not a guarantee that a park, bus stop or other space is safe. For more information on restriction laws, read the VIRTUS® article “Residence Restriction Laws: Do they prevent sexual abuse?” at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/). [Read the VIRTUS® article “Residence Restriction Laws: Do they prevent sexual abuse?” here.](#)

For more signs of grooming behavior, read the VIRTUS® article “The Sometimes Hostile Community Response Regarding the Allegation of Child Sexual Abuse” at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/). [Read the VIRTUS® article “The Sometimes Hostile Community Response Regarding the Allegation of Child Sexual Abuse” here.](#)



#### **What Is the**

#### **“Get on the Bus” Ministry???**



Get On The Bus unites children throughout California who have been separated from their mothers and fathers in prison. An annual event, Get On The Bus offers free transportation for the children and their chaperones to the prison, provides travel bags for families, a photo of each child with their parent, and meals for the whole day including a shared meal with their parent, all at no cost to the children’s family. On the bus trip home following the visit, each child receives a teddy bear with a letter from their parent in addition to post-event counseling.