

Dear Padre,

My aunt tells her husband he shouldn't watch a certain TV show. She says it's an "occasion of sin." What is that?

Occasions of sin are people, places, or situations that can easily lead a person to sin or give the individual an opportunity to commit a sin. There are two types: *remote* and *proximate* (or "near").

If the attraction is not strong or has only a small probability of leading to sin, the occasion is remote. Remote occasions of sin are always around us, and we have no obligation to try to avoid them.

If the attraction is powerful or the probability of its leading to sin is great, the occasion is called proximate. Saint Alphonsus suggested that if a person sins four out of ten times in a particular situation, that situation should be

regarded as a proximate occasion of sin.

Proximate or near occasions of sin are further classified as *necessary* or *voluntary*. A necessary proximate occasion cannot be avoided or can be avoided only with great difficulty—for example, an occasion associated with doing one's job or being in prison.

A voluntary proximate occasion is freely and voluntarily entered. We must avoid voluntary proximate occasions of grave sin.

Among the many means at our disposal for avoiding occasions of sin, the sacraments of reconciliation and Eucharist have pride of place. Prayer and self-discipline also help.

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Temptation in us truly works like this: it begins with something small, a desire, an idea, it grows, it infects others and in the end, it justifies itself....And all of us, when we are conquered by temptation, ...end up feeling calm, because we have found a justification for this sin, for this sinful attitude.

HOMILY, APRIL 4, 2020

Calendar

Monday
MAY 16
Easter Weekday
Acts 14:5–18
Jn 14:21–26

Tuesday
MAY 17
Easter Weekday
Acts 14:19–28
Jn 14:27–31a

Wednesday
MAY 18
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:1–6
Jn 15:1–8

Thursday
MAY 19
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:7–21
Jn 15:9–11

Friday
MAY 20
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:22–31
Jn 15:12–17

Saturday
MAY 21
Easter Weekday
Acts 16:1–10
Jn 15:18–21

Sunday
MAY 22
Sixth Sunday
of Easter
Acts 15:1–2, 22–29
Rv 21:10–14, 22–23
Jn 14:23–29

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What's New?

Everyone gets a bit excited with the prospect of something new, whether it's a new job, a new car, or a new iPhone. This new thing might simply be a replacement. However, when it is a new model, an upgrade, we get even more excited. Revelation uses a distinctive Greek word, *kainós*, for this second kind of newness. The new heaven, the new earth, the new Jerusalem (and the new commandment mentioned in the Gospel) suggest radical newness—the kind resulting from an act of God. Centuries earlier, the prophet Isaiah had promised a new heaven and a new earth (see Isaiah 65:17). This metaphor pointed to a time of eschatological peace and fulfillment, a time when the covenant relationship between God and the people would be renewed and last forever. This was a promise the people held dear.

How are we to read this passage from Revelation today? Is it referring to a time in this life? Or, after this life? It may actually refer to both. We believe that, with his death and resurrection, Jesus inaugurated this time of fulfillment. However, its full establishment is not yet complete, hence the new commandment: "Love one another" (John 13:34). When we truly follow this commandment and love each other, we actually make present the new heaven and new earth; we make real the new Jerusalem, God's covenant partner. However, the ultimate fulfillment will come when God finally brings all things to completion. That is when everything will be new.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

May 15, 2022

Fifth Sunday of Easter (C)

Acts 14:21–27

Rev 21:1–5a

Jn 13:31–33a, 34–35

[Jesus said,] "As I have loved you,
so you also should love one another.
This is how all will know that
you are my disciples."

JOHN 13:34–35



FOR Reflection

- ★ How has the love of other people made you a better person?
- ★ In what ways does your love of others strengthen them?



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5 th Sunday	6 th Sunday of Easter
Mass May 15, 2022	Mass May 22, 2022
Lector: Victoria Ocampo	Lector: Molly Kunkel
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:
Stacy Ferguson	Maria Garcia
Greeters & Presentation of Gift	Greeters & Presentation of Gift
Terry & Helen Tobin	Larry & Jaeniffer
Altar Servers:	Alter Servers:
Angie V.	Mackenzie P. & Adrian K.

Pope's Prayer intentions:

For Young People

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. @ St. Paul's in Eltopia
10:30 a.m. @ St. Vincent's (English)
12:00 p.m. @ St. Vincent's (Spanish)
Saturday: 7:00 p.m. @ San Juan Diego (Spanish)
Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. Adoration @ St. Vincent's
8:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Vincent's
Confessions: Wednesdays 6:30 pm @ St. Vincent's
Saturday 6:30 pm @ San Juan Diego

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Prayer Chain: Call Carolyn Nordhus @ 509-234-5972

Breezeway Calendar: If you have any parish events or meetings that you would like on the all parish calendar that is posted in the breezeway please contact
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photos of all the activities that have been happening. If you want to post church happenings on
Facebook please email Onna Pollock at olpollock@yahoo.com

UPCOMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Altar Flowers
May – Altar Society
June – Guadalupanas

NO CONFESSIONS
This week @ St. Vincent

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

As of April 22, 2022 all
presentations to children in Kinder
– 12th grade are done. If parents or
any parishioner wants a copy of the
material presented please contact;
Elida Fernandez 318-0917

Connell Food Bank
Seniors: Tuesdays
3rd Edad- los Martes
MAY 10th and 24th
10:00 am – 11:30 am
General Public:
El público en general:
Wednesdays / los Miércoles
MAY 11th and 25th
9:00 am – 1:00 pm
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK FROM THE PASTORAL PATTERNS BY JS

PAULISH CO:

When have you seen the power of love
overcome a bad situation? Do you believe love
is stronger than hate? Why?

STEWARDSHIP

*"I give you a new commandment: love one
another. As I have loved you, so you also
should love one another." (JOHN 13:34)*

"As I have loved you," this is the hard part – Jesus's
love is unconditional; our love usually comes with
strings attached. It is easy to love someone when
they love you back. But it takes mercy and
compassion to love someone when you feel
unappreciated, feel used or feel like your opinion
doesn't matter. It takes courage and the grace of
God to "love my neighbor" when they may be
someone you don't like, someone you don't know
or someone that doesn't look like you.

Thank you for your generous Weekly contributions

May 1, 2022	Apr. 24, 2022
10:30 am - \$1599.00	10:30 am - \$479.00
12:00 pm - \$516.11	12:00 pm - \$522.00
Basin city - \$686.46	Basin City - \$823.26

Request of Sacrament Certificates
Please be advised, there is a 10-day minimum
needed to search for records. Please be timely in
your request of a new certificate.

Graduation Bilingual Mass

May 22 @ 10:30 am

All are invited in celebrating our
graduating high school seniors.

Reception for Graduating Seniors

Altar Society will have a reception after the May
22 Bilingual Mass in honor of the
Graduating seniors.

Please join us in congratulating them.
Cake, coffee and lemonade will be served.

FR. GUS'S SCHEDULE FOR 2 WEEKS: May 16, 2022 - May 28, 2022

Monday May 16:

Fr. Gus' Day of Rest

Tues. May 17:

4:00 pm Confessions @ Eltopia
5:00 pm Mass @ Eltopia
7:00 pm Marriage Prep @ Eltopia

Wed. May 18:

8:00 am Adoration @ Connell
8:30 am Mass @ Connell
5:30 pm Meet w/ Core Hi School Teach Teams
No Confessions @ Connell

Thurs. May 19:

Fr. Gus @ Spokane meeting
No Adoration/ Mass @ Eltopia
5:00 pm Guadalupanas @ Connell

Fri. May 20:

8:00 am @ Prison Ministry
7:00 pm Parish Council @ Basin City

Sat May 21:

10:00 am Ordination
No Confessions @ Basin City
7:00 pm Mass @ Basin City

Sun. May 22: Bilingual Graduation Mass

8:00 am Mass @ Eltopia
10:30 am Mass @ Connell
Reception for Graduates in Hall after Mass.
No Noon Mass @ Connell

Please keep Fr. Gus In your daily prayers.

Monday May 23:

Fr. Gus @ Spokane @ Priest Meeting

Tues. May 24:

4:00 pm Confessions @ Eltopia
5:00 pm Mass @ Eltopia

Wed. May 25:

8:00 am Adoration @ Connell
8:30 am Mass @ Connell
No Confessions @ Connell
6:00 pm Basin City Youth

Thurs. May 26:

10:00 am Adoration/@ Eltopia
10:00 am Mass @ Eltopia

Fri. May 27:

8:00 am @ Prison Ministry
5:00 pm 1st Communion Practice @ Connell

Sat May 28:

1:00 pm 1st Communion Mass @ Connell
4:30 pm Confessions @ Basin City
7:00 pm Mass @ Basin City

Sun. May 29: Mass

8:00 am Mass @ Eltopia
10:30 am Mass @ Connell
12:00 pm Mass @ Connell