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Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

John 15:1-8 Icon of Christ the True Vine (late 20th-c.), Dormition Convent, Parnes, Greece, based on an early 15th-c. by Angelos Akotantos at Malles, Hierapetra.

Stewardship at SJV

Let your life be free from love of money but be content with what you have, for he has said,
"I will never forsake you or abandon you." Hebrews 13:5

Stewardship of Treasure

SJV SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Bi-Weekly Collection Needed: **\$11,027**
Needed Year-to-Date: **\$231,567**

Last Bi-Weekly Collection (April 6/7 & 13/14): **\$5,482**
Actual Year-to-Date: **\$227,321**

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024 BEGINS

One mission, one family – together in Christ is the theme of this year’s Annual Catholic Appeal, and this weekend kicks off the 2024 campaign! The Annual Catholic Appeal funds ministries and services for your local Catholic community across Western Washington. This combined effort of parishes and the Archdiocese of Seattle ensures the availability of outreach ministries, education, faith formation, administrative services for parishes and much more!

This year, our parish’s goal is \$36,000.

Please prayerfully consider how you can participate in helping our parish be a light to others.

It’s easy to give to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal:

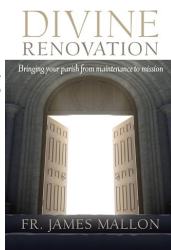
- Give online at [GiveACA - 2024 - Archdiocese of Seattle \(archseattle.org\)](https://www.giveaca.org)
- Scan the QR code



Stewardship of Time

DIVINE RENOVATION GROUP AT SJV— LEARNING SESSION AFTER MASS ON SUN.

If you are interested in a process for revitalizing parishes and helping them grow, you may join a group reading and discussing *Divine Renovation* by Fr. James Mallon. We are considering using the process he developed at our parish. **We will meet after Mass this Sunday in the back of the social hall** to see how many more books we need, answer questions, and decide when to meet. **You can ask Laura Wishik questions.**



THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 3:00-5:30 BRENDAN MCCAULEY, CATHOLIC SPEAKER, HERE AT SJV

Brian was engaging and inspiring when he met via Zoom with our Frassati Youth during the Theology of the Body series. He will be here at SJV on April 28th, and all in the parish are invited to hear him speak on human life and the sacredness of the human body. Please come. <https://humanumproject.regfox.com/what-does-it-mean-to-be-human>



SJV 1ST COMMUNION IS NEXT WEEKEND



**2023-24 1ST SACRAMENT PREPARATION—
1st Communion Retreat**
Saturday, May 4, 1-3.
First Communion is May 5th at the 9:30 Mass.

2023-24 PREPARACIÓN DE LOS PRIMEROS SACRAMENTOS—

Retiro de Primera Comunión es sabado el 4 de mayo, 1-3. **La Primera Comunión es el 5 de mayo a las 9:30.**

FRASSATI YOUTH GROUP



Next meeting is May 1st
Plan to be here for the Work of Mercy Night as well as hymn singing to honor Mary in her month of May... **6:30PM**
Faith sharing... Fun... Friendship...
Food... Pre-Teens and Teens, don't miss Frassati!

1ST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



Next Friday (May 3) is our 1st Friday Adoration. If you would like to arrive at 6:00PM, you will be able to join in the Benedictine Evening Prayer. **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 6:30.** The evening will conclude with a potluck in the Parish Hall. If you can, please bring a sweet or savory to share.

SJV WOMEN’S GROUP MON, April 29

Noon at SJV—BYOLunch... Spiritual reading shared and discussed... Catch up on our lives... Sometimes serious, sometimes fun... Always a good time with friends and support and faith... **A special get together is planned for this meeting, so bring a medium salad or dessert to share with a couple of friends, and plan to come.**



LIVING A LITURGICAL LIFE

Today is the Fifth Sunday of Easter on which our Introit invites us to “**sing a new song to the Lord**” (Psalm 96). This is timely for me as I am starting my facilitation of my next online theology course, “Liturgical Music,” through Notre Dame’s McGrath Institute for Church Life. <https://mcgrath.nd.edu/online-courses/step/courses/liturgical-music-a-historical-musical-and-pastoral-survey/> A couple of members of our St. John Vianney choir are taking this course through which we will study the historical, musical, and pastoral aspects of liturgical music. In today’s Mass we hear as our Responsorial Psalm the last verses of Psalm 22, that very Psalm which Jesus began to recite as he gave up his life for us on the Cross. Today it is as if he finishes his hymn in and through us. How will you allow the Holy Spirit conform you to the Risen Christ, to **lift up your voice and praise the Lord in the assembly** of his people?

Our First Reading on this Fifth Sunday of Easter always concerns how the Gospel, the Good News of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, is going beyond the initial Jerusalem Jewish community to begin to echo to the ends of the earth. In our pericope assigned for Year B we hear how Barnabas, whose name means “the encourager,” **becomes a sponsor for St. Paul** who will bring the Good News to the nations (the Gentiles). Next week we will hear St. Peter bring the Good News to still more Gentiles previously presumed to be outside the covenant. These two indispensable men, as Bishop Barron calls St. Peter and St. Paul in the episode he devotes to them in his *Catholicism series*, *understood that the message of Jesus Christ, the voice of the Good Shepherd, was for all people*. ***How are you bringing the Good News to others who might need you to invite them and sponsor them into this community of disciples?***

In our Gospel for this Fifth Sunday of Easter we have **Jesus describe himself as the true vine** (see John 15:1-17) which we find as part of Jesus’ Last Supper Discourse. In the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (which I discussed in last week’s installment), the True Vine forms the core of the Holy Communion retreat, a series of meditations done in preparation for Reconciliation and Penance, before the young people partake of Holy Communion. To remain on the True Vine, to allow the lifeblood or vital sap of Jesus Christ to flow us, means to be grafted to him as a part of his Church, his very Mystical Body. His grace first breathed life into each of us and still more wondrously redeems us still. If we keep his commandment to love one another as he first loved us by willingly laying down his life then he remains in us and we remain in him. This is hard through! Especially when we have been wounded, when we have suffered at the hands of a loved one or even the Church this simple act of remaining can be a struggle. Jesus said these words to his disciples knowing Judas among his own company would that very night betray him. And yet it is only in being fed by Christ’s sacraments—allowing his Precious Blood to flow through us and clinging tenaciously to the risen Christ so as never cut ourselves off from the Church—by being fed on his love outpoured that we can bear much fruit, the fruit of love in our lives reborn in the Reborn Christ. As you prune your plants this week pay close attention to the sap, that natural connections Jesus is drawing out here for us. And then let us pray fervently for ourselves and one another to remain always on the True Vine.



In addition to memorial of St. Peter Chanel, whom I mentioned in last week's installment and the Samoan celebration at Holy Cross, Tacoma this Sunday, this week's sanctoral is replete with celebrations. On Monday, April 29, we keep the memorial of **St. Catherine of Siena** (1347-1380). Known as a prolific mystic theologian even in her own time and for her intervention which resulted in the restoration of a divided papacy in the fourteenth century to restored unity in Rome, St. Catherine of Siena was given the title Doctor of the Church in 1970 along with St. Teresa of Avila (making them the first two women Doctors of the Church). As a lay Dominican, St. Catherine of Siena's her phrase **"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire"** has inspired many to find their vocation and to unleash the Gospel. St. Catherine of Siena is the patroness of the St. Catherine of Siena Institute for forming intentional disciples. See <https://siena.org/> for more information about their excellent Called and Gifted Workshops and other resources.

On Wednesday, May 1, the Church marks the relatively recently added memorial of **St. Joseph the Worker** as a counterpoint to the Communist International Workers of the World Day (May Day). The principal solemnity of St. Joseph is observed on March 19 as mentioned last month; however, May 1 accords us an opportunity to reflect not only on the tradesman St. Joseph who raised Jesus but also on the rights and dignity of workers, one of the key themes of Catholic Social Teaching. See <https://tinyurl.com/3rbpe6ba> for more information and familiarize yourself with these key themes. You might as a family take today to reflect to reflect on the dignity of all those who labor to make possible the lives we enjoy by perhaps learning the names or at least seeking out stories of those who drive your bus, pack your Amazon shipments, pick your berries, manufacture your iPhone, etc. How can you **advocate for, that is be a voice for, these men and women who labor** who are not able to raise their own voices? How can we stand in solidarity with the unemployed and uphold their right to work as part and parcel of their human dignity?

The subsequent day, Thursday, May 2, is the memorial of **St. Athanasius of Alexandria** (296-373), one of the principal early Church voices from Alexandria, one of those five principal sees (hubs) of Christianity which we looked at a few weeks back. St. Athanasius was an important theologian, countering the heresy of Arianism and is, therefore, often regarded as the greatest champion of Christian orthodoxy regarding the Incarnation at a time when the world was forcing changes on the newly legalized Christian Church. Saint Athanasius participated in several of the early ecumenical councils and, despite multiple exiles imposed by political rulers, is considered one the four Greek/Eastern Fathers of the Church. St. Athanasius' *Life of St. Antony the Great* (251-356) also helped to spread desert monasticism and influenced the shape of the whole worldwide Church. I think it is also important that we not overlook that St. Athanasius in the East and St. Augustine in the West, both so influential in shaping Christianity in this seminal fourth century, similarly hailed from Africa.





Finally for this week on Friday, May 3, we keep the **Feast of the Apostles, St. Philip and St. James**. This is the so called “Little James” (Jacobus Minor) to be distinguished from “James the Greater” (Jacobus Major, James the Son of Zebedee) our archdiocesan cathedral is named after. This Feast of St. Philip and St. James on May 3 honors from the anniversary of the dedication of the minor Basilica of the Twelve Apostles (Santi Apostoli) in Rome on this date in the sixth century. The crypt of the basilica houses the relics of these two Apostles. Both St. Philip, who grew up in Bethsaida with St. Peter and St. Andrew, and St. James the Less are said to have taken their mission to Hierapolis in Phrygia (modern day Turkey) which reminds us of the multiethnic shape of the Christian Church from her very first days as the Holy Spirit lead the Apostles to share the Good News of the Risen Jesus Christ.

Throughout this Fifth Week of Easter I would commend to you once more, as mentioned in the Easter Sunday installment, to pray as a family the **Stations of the Resurrection (Via Lucis)**. <https://vialucis.org/images/pdf/Via-Lucis-Inglese-comunita.pdf> This would also be a good time to **ponder the Prefaces of Easter** with Mauricio Perez <https://tinyurl.com/c43hr3tv> who points to these elegant and concise reflections on the Paschal Mystery. Mauricio has written for Northwest Catholic, Patheos, and is completing a liturgy degree at the Pontifical Academy of Liturgy. His son attends O’Dea and serves with our Campus Ministry team!

Lastly, as we enter into May, let us recall that this is a **whole month set apart to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary**. In wider culture May Day has begun to recover much of its pre-communist focus on the fecundity of springtide as naturally corresponding to the virginal fertility of Mary. Next week I will offer some suggestions of ways to honor Mary in your home. But this Saturday, a day of the week set aside to honor Mary, you may want to organize a simple **May Crowning** <https://tinyurl.com/2zcxyrhj> by **placing a crown of flowers on a statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary in your home**. And perhaps we want to conclude by praying, perhaps even singing a new song such as “**The May Magnificat**” by the Jesuit poet **Gerard Manley Hopkins, SJ**:

May is Mary's month, and I
Muse at that and wonder why:
Her feasts follow reason,
Dated due to season—

Candlemas, Lady Day;
But the Lady Month, May,
Why fasten that upon her,
With a feasting in her honour?

Is it only its being brighter
Than the most are must delight her?
Is it opportunist
And flowers finds soonest?

Ask of her, the mighty mother
Her reply puts this other
Question: What is Spring?—
Growth in every thing—

Flesh and fleece, fur and feather,
Grass and greenworld all together;
Star-eyed strawberry-breasted
Throstle above her nested

Cluster of bugle blue eggs thin
Forms and warms the life within;
And bird and blossom swell
In sod or sheath or shell.

All things rising, all things sizing
Mary sees, sympathising
With that world of good,
Nature's motherhood.

Their magnifying of each its kind
With delight calls to mind
How she did in her stored
Magnify the Lord.

Well but there was more than this:
Spring's universal bliss
Much, had much to say
To offering Mary May

When drop-of-blood-and-foam-dapple
Bloom lights the orchard-apple
And thicket and thorp are merry
With silver-surfed cherry

And azuring-over greybell makes
Wood banks and brakes wash wet like lakes
And magic cuckoocall
Caps, clears, and clinches all—

This ecstasy all through mothering earth
Tells Mary her mirth till Christ's birth
To remember and exultation
In God who was her salvation.



THE PANCAKES WERE GREAT—

Janice & Bruce and Mike, thank you for the delicious breakfast and wonderful opportunity to stay around and visit—the Parish Hall was packed last Sunday.



Also a thank you to Andrew Casad who was a master “Parish Hall host,” circulating and picking up coffee cups and empty pancake plates so parishioners could just sit and chat with their friends—three cheers for Andrew making it easy for the rest of us.

Our next Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for Pentecost, May 19, don't miss this delicious parish tradition!

CALLING ALL WOOD CREW, JUNIOR AND SENIOR... NEXT SATURDAY (MAY 4, 9:30-NOON) THERE IS WORK FOR ALL!

The piles of unstacked donations are still on the ground in front of the covered storage. I believe there is enough room from deliveries this season to finish processing and get it stacked. Most of the effort is stacking but there are "too longs" and unsplit rounds still to process. I will bring my splitter. We could probably use another one plus there will be chain sawing. Please let me know if you can be there. Saturday, May 4th, 9:30 at the SJV Woodshed. Thanks, Jim



SPRING CAMPUS CLEAN UP, TOMORROW, 9:00-NOON

Clean up opportunities abound here at SJV, starting with our **Almost Summer Clean Up** on April 27, tomorrow, 9:00-Noon. **Bring your tools**, your good spirits, your muscles, and meet your friends here for a morning of fresh air and help for our parish! Please come for... Rosary

One day long ago these young parishioners got a lot done with a few rakes!



Garden tidying, twig and limb clean up all around, and pressure washing the sidewalks and parking lot. Don't forget your favorite yard tools!

COFFEE & DONUTS AFTER THE 9:30 MASS

Thank you to **The Dardeau Family** who will do the donut pick up for all of us and host us in the Parish Hall! Friends, coffee & donuts, and fun times for all, younger and



older—see you here, and please tidy what you can as you head for the parking lot so our hosts can focus on the kitchen clean up. Thank you.

THE 3RD THURSDAY COMMUNITY DINNER NEEDS A JULY TEAM

The June Team has completely planned out their meal, and are ready to go. The **Frassati Families** are providing the **May Dinner**, and we would ask that you get in contact with Barbara and/or Pam so that your meal can be cemented down. **Then we arrive at the third Thursday in July and we have no team** in place... February and March team members, would you like to serve our Island with a meal again over the summer, or even better, other parishioners who have not yet volunteered July is waiting for you?

Assemble a team and let Barbara/Pam/the office know. These evenings are really worth the effort. So, SJV, please consider helping at a summer meal and putting Christ's message to care for those in need among us into action.

Contacts: Barbara Powell at (707) 812-2420, Pam McMahan at (206) 817-8731, the office (office@vashonsjv.org).

FREE WEEKDAY DINNERS



All Are Welcome!
Eat-in or Take-out!

Delicious Free Meals Served
Monday-Friday 5-5:30 pm



Vashon Presbyterian Church
17708 Vashon Hwy SW

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Vashon Interfaith Council to Prevent Homelessness

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR
THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

<u>Positions</u>	<u>5PM Vigil</u>	<u>9:30 Sunday</u>
Sacristan	MA. Beardsley	E. Stewart
Greeter	T. Terry	E. Lawrence
Lector 1	J. Charnews	L. Weiss
Lector 2	CL. Ives	M. Lawrence
EMC Host	xxxxxxxxx	J. McCoy
EMC Cup	MA. Beardsley	A. Casad
EMC Cup	A. Terry	
Altar Server	D. Mielock	M. Lawrence
Accompanist	xxxxxxx	M. Casad
Cantor	xxxxxxx	J. Valencia

**Prayer for the Sick Requests & Mass
Intentions & Funerals**

As a parish we pray for:

Andelka Chorak—Repose of the Soul
 Gert Cunningham—Repose of the Soul
 Dailene Dean—Healing
 Kathi Ferrari —Healing
 Fr. Fred Mayovsky—Healing after surgery
 Gary Medeiros—Strength during treatment
 Leslie Perry—Healing and Recovery
 Mary Sage—Strength in her illness
 Monica Stein—Strength in illness
 Gena Yousoufian—Healing
 Please submit Prayer for the Sick requests to:
 Barbara Powell: waltersmom50@gmail.com



PRAY THE ROSARY WITH OUR SJV FAMILY Wednesday Zoom Rosary at 7PM—
 we are praying for our parish family and individual intentions. Consider a 1/2 hr. a week to add your
 parish's prayers to your own, and join us. Find the link on the SJV website—<https://stjohnvianneyvashon.com/>

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil **5:00 PM** Sunday Mass **9:30 AM**

Daily Mass Wednesday **Noon** Thursday, with Eucharistic Adoration **Noon** Friday **Noon**

ADORATION 1st Friday of the Month, beginning with Benedictine Evening Prayer at **6PM**, followed by
 Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist at **6:30PM**

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation Sat. 4:00-4:30, *and by appointment*

Baptism/Confirmation/Marriage Please contact the office.

HORARIO DE MISAS

Sabado 5:00PM **Domingo** 9:30 AM **Miercoles Jueves, y Viernes** 12PM

SACRAMENTOS

Bautizo: Avisar 1 mes antes y preparacion se require **Matrimonio:** Avisar 6 meses antes y preparacion

Reconciliacion: Sabados 4:00-4:30 y con cita

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: EMERGENCY HOTLINE Please call/llame por favor the St. Vincent de Paul hotline
 if in need of emergency help/ayuda de emergencia: 206-450-7577

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY Please call the office at 206-567-4149 if you know of anyone sick or
 homebound and who wants to receive Communion.

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