

May 22, 2022 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Readings for May 29, 2022

1st Acts 1:1-11
2nd Ephesians 1:17-23
Gospel Luke 24:46-53



MASS INTENTIONS May 22-28, 2022

Sunday 5/22	7:00 AM - + Angela Rodriguez Reyes
Sunday	8:45 AM – + Neza Lutfi
Sunday	10:15 AM Thanksgiving –Gil Albinto
Sunday	12:00 PM + Victoria Oliva
Sunday	5:00 PM St. Luke Parishioners
Monday 5/16	6:45 AM + Renato J. Tecson, Sr., 8:30 AM Thanksgiving-Felicidad Albinto
Tuesday 5/17	6:45 AM –Thanksgiving-Jose Alberto Loza 8:30 AM +Delfin & Maria De Los Santos
Wednesday 5/18	6:45 AM –+Donald Jude Marsau 8:30 AM +Vicente & Mercedes Ballesteros
Thursday 5/19	6:45 AM – + Donald Jude Marsau 8:30 AM + John Watt
Friday 5/20	6:45 AM – + Donald Jude Marsau 8:30 AM +Johnnie Garcia & Pete Campos
Saturday 5/21	8:30 AM –+Mitch, Jane & Remigio Morelli 5:00 PM + Carol Wiss

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM

Pray for the soul of STALIN GAPUZ who passed away recently. May God grant him eternal rest and bring consolation to his family.



PLATE COLLECTIONS - May 15

Plate \$ 8,467.50
Catholic Communication \$ 1,933.00

SECOND COLLECTIONS

May 22, 2022 – Youth Ministry

100% of your contribution stays in ST. LUKE PARISH and supports youth ministry activities and programs.

May 29, 2022 Envelope Offering

DID YOU KNOW

... that every First Friday following Adoration and Benediction there is Mass? Drop by after work every First Friday at 5:00 pm for a Catholic “Evensong” and get your month off to a great start!

CHILDREN’S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for fall classes will be on Mondays beginning on May 16 in the CRE office from 9:00 AM to 12 noon and 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. There will be no registrations in July, however, registration will resume in August. Children who are new to the program will need to provide a copy of their baptism certificate at the time of registration.

Fees: \$65 for one child
\$45 for second child
\$20 for additional children at same address

Registrations will only take place in the CRE Office, NOT after Mass as Sister Odetta will be out-of-the-country and not available. For questions or for more information, please call Sister Odetta or Miss Alberta in the CRE Office at 209-462-0410.

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1. Select your parish by entering name, city and/or zip code.
2. Enter your name and email address.
3. Check your email account for a link to begin using FORMED.

Formed Bible studies, sacramental prep materials, documentaries, books and audio talks from leading Catholic experts will help you grow in understanding your faith. Check it out!

THERESA ANH CAO MEMORIAL



If someone in your family has lost a battle with cancer or some other disease, memorialize them by purchasing a brick in the Theresa Anh Cao Memorial near the gazebo by the shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Bricks are only \$100 each and may be inscribed with a short personalized memorial. A great Mother’s Day gift! See Margaret in the parish office for more information.

LADY OF ANTIPOLLO FEAST DAY

Please join the celebration of Our Lady of Antipollo on Sunday, May 29 at 3:00 pm at St. Michael Church, 5882 Ashley Lane in Stockton. Sponsored by the Filipino Catholic Association.

ADULTS IN NEED OF SACRAMENTS?

If you are an adult who was baptized but never received your first communion and/or confirmation, it's not too late. Call Sister Irma at 209-981-0837 to begin the process.

ADVERTISE WITH ST. LUKE

If you have a business that you would like to publicize with your fellow parishioners, consider placing an ad on the back of St. Luke's bulletin. The back of the bulletin is currently being re-done and will be going to a professional printer soon, so call the office at 209-948-3450 to get your copy in right away!

Parish Update

We are happy to announce and introduce the new members of Our Office Staff :

Jacob Bechtel – Youth Minister

Roxanna Lopez Parish Secretary

Victoria Montes –Safe Environment/Social Media Coordinator

REFLECTION ON TODAY'S GOSPEL

One of my favorite lines from the Rule of Benedict reads: "As we progress in this way of life and in faith, we shall run on the path of God's commandments, our hearts overflowing with the inexpressible delight of love."

God created our hearts to overflow with the inexpressible delight of love. In today's Gospel, Jesus highlights two characteristics of Christian love: generosity and courage.

Jesus calls his followers to love **generously**.

Jesus tells the disciples, "If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father ..."

This type of generous, expansive love can be really challenging to practice. Of course, we want our beloved friends to live into the fullness of their callings. We know that their whole purpose in life does not revolve around us. Other people are not ours to possess. Still, the departure of a dear friend can evoke difficult feelings. How will the relationship change when we are not together every day? Will we still be as close? It's easy to imagine the disciples asking difficult relational questions as their dear friend Jesus prepares to be assumed into heaven. Still, a generous spirit and a hurting heart can coincide in one body. Jesus calls the disciples to move through this transition with generosity. Rejoice that I have accomplished my life's work. Rejoice that I am going to the Father. Rejoice that I will take you with me, for where I am you will also be.

Jesus calls his followers to love **courageously**.

Jesus tells the disciples, "Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." Now, I don't think Jesus expects his followers to never feel these profoundly human emotions. The Son of God knows better than anyone that hard things happen. Hearts get hurt. Sin and suffering remain strong forces in our world even with the promises of Easter. Abbot John Klassen, OSB, of Saint John's Abbey spoke powerfully to this reality on Good Friday when he said:

"We can never really know the resurrection of Christ if we drive around the cross."

To get to resurrection, we must move through the cross. Suffering and death, hope and resurrection, are always part of the same story. Jesus calls us to move through the crosses of our lives with courage. Courage does not erase suffering.

Rather courage recognizes human hardship and says: move forward anyway.

Feel troubled and move forward anyway.

Feel afraid and move forward anyway. You can do it.

You are never alone.

My Spirit is with you always.

