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St. Susanna Catholic Church

a Community of Faith... a Church in Action!

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 4:30pm (Closed daily from Noon-1:00pm)

Bulletin Deadline

The deadline for all articles for the Sunday bulletin is Friday afternoon, (9) days before the article appears in the bulletin. Please send items, along with the dates they should run, to bulletin@stsusanna.org for submission.

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MAY 19, 2019 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

GET THE NEW AND IMPROVED....

We are all looking for the latest and greatest gadgets. We are all looking for something new and exciting in our lives. We often get bored with the same old, same old. We need to be entertained by life and seem to be drawn to advertisements that insist: "this is really new and you can't live without it!" How new and improved does everything have to be? What can I really live without? Today's scriptures are telling us that there is something that



is really new and something we can't live without. But they are not talking about something that is relevant only for today but something that is lasting.... a new and heavenly Jerusalem... a new commandment.

We are called and destined for heaven. We are invited by Jesus to enter the new Jerusalem where we will dwell with God... where everything will be transformed. To achieve this new dwelling place, we must follow His new commandment to love... to love everyone totally and completely. This commandment was revolutionary then... it is revolutionary now. How do we love those different from ourselves? How do we love those who cause harm to innocent people? How do we love the sinner, the outcast? The people of Jesus' day found it easier to get rid of the messenger (Jesus) by crucifixion than to take His teaching seriously and change their lives. Are we any better? Are we willing to change our attitudes, our perspectives, our hopes and dreams for the sake of someone else? Do we close off our hearts to those who challenge us to live and love differently because it is too difficult?

The new kind of love that Jesus told to us might require us to open doors that we have close against others, to respond to cries for help we would rather not hear, to forgive oversights and mistakes of others. Jesus says this is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.



John's vision of the new heaven and new earth is in the future only because we have failed to live it in our present. Jesus has risen from the dead and all is new. We have entered the age of fulfillment. Because we have received the same Spirit our ancestors in faith received, it is within our power to fashion a world, a country, a parish, a neighborhood and family where true love is found. That's why people who do live this extraordinary love, this unselfish love stand out in the crowd. Stand out... stand up for Jesus and His new commandment. Take some time this week to pray on those things that hold you back from transforming your little corner of the world.

Fr. Bob Farrell

MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKEND PRESIDERS

Monday, May 20 6:00pm Ed Wendel

Tuesday, May 21 8:15am William Welsh

Wednesday, May 22

8:15am James Francis O'Connor

Thursday, May 23

8:15am Jenny Akin 2:00pm (Chesterwood)

Intention of the Parishioners

Friday, May 24

8:15am Walter Hudepohl

Saturday, May 25

8:15am Sandra Leach

5:00pm (Fr. Roush) Bonnie Phillips

Sunday, May 26

7:30am (Fr. Roush) Intention of the Parishioners

9:00am (Fr. Roush) Isabelle Haley

11:15am (Fr. Farrell) Theresa Maley, Special Intention

4:00pm (Spanish) Lolita Covas 6:00pm (Fr. Farrell) Nancy Cooper

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday at 5:00pm Sunday at 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:15am, 6:00pm

Spanish Mass: 4:00pm the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month

DAILY MASS TIMES

Monday at 6:00pm Tuesday through Saturday at 8:15am

HOLY DAY MASSES

8:15am, 12:00pm (Noon) & 7:00pm (Unless otherwise noted.)

RECONCILIATION

Monday at 6:45pm and Saturday at 9:00am

EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

Monday, 6:45 - 9:00pm

FIRST FRIDAY

After 8:15am Mass Friday to beginning of 8:15am Mass Saturday

ROSARY/DEVOTIONS

Tuesday through Saturday at 7:30am

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OVERSEAS!

Alex Back Jake Denman Craig Doty Joseph Patrick Fusco Justin Schuh Christian Sorfnsen Brandon Wesley Michael Zeller



PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NEED

Erlinda Amoroso-Lingan

Sue Back Molly Baker Cyndy Brady Denise Brown Jeanne Bruce BettyLu Bryan Deborah Burkardt Jody Charlton Robert Chiricosta Fred Contant James Edmonds Joann Fath Joseph Feiertag Edna Gilb Deanna Hamm David Hicks Laura Johns Joe Koenig Janice Koncius Susan Marsh Matt Martin Mary McDonnell Kaidance Morgan Jeanne Mullett Gabriel Orick Jeanie Pence Bill Reynolds Dorothy Rice Doreen Schowalter Wayne Schowalter Matt Shawhan Millie Smeltzer Terry Sojda Connie Sparkowski Marilyn Stark Jack Stubenrauch Marie Seuberling Teresita Gloria Lim Sy Julia Theil Stephanie Tobiaf Scott Trapp Jenny Weibel Gary Wilkinson Jennifer Williamson Ken Wood

Nursery Available

The nursery is available for 9:00 and 11:15am Masses. It is located in the Undercroft. Call ext. 3126 or email nursery@stsusanna.org for details.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

For children in grades K-2, September through May, 9:00 and 11:15am Masses.

Spanish Mass

A Mass in Spanish will be held at 4:00pm on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of every month. For details, contact Karla Eysoldt, (513) 448-8994 or keysoldt@catholiccincinnati.org.

Misa en español es el segundo y cuarto domingo del mes a las 4:00pm.

Parish Membership

We joyfully welcome new members of our parish community. Please register by calling the Parish Office (513-398-3821), or online (www.stsusanna.org).

Parish Library

Media can be checked out at any time. Stop by the Parish Office for help.

Prayer Requests

If you have people to be prayed for and would like to have them in the bulletin, please email bulletin@stsusanna.org and we will begin publishing them weekly.



WORSHIP

Our Catholic Faith

Are you interested in learning more about our beautiful Catholic Faith and perhaps becoming Catholic? Are you an Adult Catholic seeking Confirmation? Then please contact Susan Hack, ext. 3169 or hacks@stsusanna.org.

Baptism Preparation

All parents desiring Baptism for their children should go to the website and fill out the registration forms on the website at www.stsusanna.org/baptism.

Marriage Preparation

Please contact the Parish Office no later than six months prior to the date of intended marriage.



To create your FREE personal login, go to **stsusanna.formed.org**.

FORMED PICK

The Story of Father Kapaun

A True American Hero

Servant of God Emil Kapaun is the most decorated Chaplain in United States history, making a name for himself on battle fileds and prison camps with his fearless attitude and undying commitment to his men.







"I can't recommend this film more highly!! His life is a true inspiration!"

-Amanda H., Westpoint, NY

This summer, St. Susanna is offering different classes to adults in the parish! All classes will meet in the St. Isidore Room. Find more information, and register for the classes listed below, online at: www.stsusanna.org/adultsummerclasses

The Activated Disciple Challenge:

Mondays at 7:00pm, June 3rd - July 22nd (8 weeks), \$17.00

Living in the Father's Love (for Women Only):

Wednesdays at 10:00am, May 22nd - June 26th (6 weeks), \$20.00

Power and Grace:

Tuesdays at 7:00pm, June 4th - June 25th (4 weeks), \$10.00 OR Tuesday at 10:00am, July 23rd - August 13th (4 weeks), \$10.00

YOU ARE INVITED - THIS WEEKEND!

With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God and in gratitude to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Archdiocese of Cincinnati invites you to the Ordination of Deacon Jeffrey M. Stegbauer to the Sacred Priesthood on Saturday, May 18th at 11:00am at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral (325 West 8th St., Cincinnati, OH 45303). Please pray for him and his eight classmates as ordination quickly approaches, that they may be faithful priests after the humble and Sacred Heart of Jesus!

You are also joyfully invited to attend his first Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, May 19th at the 11:15am Mass at St. Susanna Catholic Church. A reception will follow the Mass at the Meyer Center. You are also invited to a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving on Saturday, May 25th at 5:30pm at Holy Angels Church (324 S. Ohio Ave., Sidney, OH 45365).

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

Come and be trained for the beautiful Extraordinary Ministry of Holy
Communion by Teresa & Tim Geiger! Anyone who is interested in
ministering in our Masses, helping take Communion to many area
nursing homes, and to those in Westchester hospital and homebound parishioners, is invited.
The next training session is Saturday, May 25th, at 9:00am, in the Church. Register for this
or future training sessions online at: www.stsusanna.org/eucharisticministers.

STEWARDSHIP

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION

You can dedicate the placing of flowers at the altar in memory of a loved one or to honor a special occasion. The amount is \$50 to defray the cost of the flowers. To reserve, please contact the Parish Office, 398-3821, ext. 3100, or visit www.stsusanna.org/altarflowers.

May 12, 2019	May 12, 2019	Over / (Under)	
BUDGET	ACTUAL	Budget	
\$44,375	\$37,516	(\$6,859)	
Year to Date	Year to Date	Over / (Under)	
BUDGET	ACTUAL	Budget	
\$2,032,625	\$2,042,394	\$9,769	

THIS WEEK, FROM THE ST. SUSANNA VINCENTIANS...

Adult Faith

OPPORTUNITIES

Summer, 2019

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "I give you a new commandment: love one another....This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you show that you have love for one another, especially those suffering and poor, and that indeed you are the disciple of Jesus.

PLEASE NOTE: We are no longer accepting CRS Rice Bowls. The funds have already been sent to Catholic Relief Services.

DISCIPLES IN ACTION

ST. SUSANNA SEEKING AFTERNOON PARISH OFFICE RECEPTIONIST

St. Susanna is seeking to fill an Afternoon Parish Office Receptionist Position. The schedule will be from 1:00pm to 4:30pm, Monday through Friday.

Some of the duties include answering phones, greeting visitors to parish office, and providing clerical support for staff persons and parish committees. The successful candidate will need to have excellent interpersonal skills, a pleasant and friendly demeanor, the ability to multi-task and possess excellent verbal and written communication skills. Candidates must be proficient in Microsoft Office, have strong computer skills, and be able to operate standard office equipment. Above all, the candidate must be able to maintain confidentiality in all matters and exhibit a Christian attitude in all dealings with parishioners and staff members. Candidate needs to be of the Catholic faith.

Please send resume and cover letter by May 28, 2019 to Bob Keever, keeverr@stsusanna.org or mail to St. Susanna Catholic Church, 616 Reading Road, Mason, OH 45040.

VOLUNTEER WITH MATTHEW 25 MINISTRIES

The work of Matthew 25 Ministries helps the poorest of the poor and disaster victims throughout the United States and



around the world. Volunteers play an essential role in the work of Matthew 25: Ministries. The donated goods they receive must be sorted, counted, packaged, and put on pallets ready for shipment to various parts of the world. There is a job for everyone!

- St. Susanna has organized two time slots for individuals from our parish to volunteer at Matthew 25 Ministries:
- Wednesday, June 12th, 10:00am-12:00pm
- Wednesday, June 12th, 4:30pm-6:30pm

Direct questions to Mary Jo Burns at, burnsmj@stsusanna.org or 398-3821, ext. 3120. To register for this event, please go to **www.stsusanna.org/Matthew25Ministries**.

MONTHLY CAREGIVER SUPPORT MEETING Wednesday, May 22nd at 7:00pm in the St Julie Billiart Room



GIVER'S
PPORT
"Caregiving often calls us to lean
into love we didn't know possible."
-Tia Walker, author

There's many levels and types of being a CareGiver. You're welcome to join us, we meet the fourth Wednesday evening of each month. Looking forward to meeting you, Sharon Kipfer (513-509-3278).

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION PICNIC - JUNE 5TH

All women of the parish are welcome to come and enjoy meeting with other women from the parish at the Women's Association picnic on June 5th, at 6:00pm in the St. Susanna Room. Dinner will be provided but, if possible, bring a desert to share. For planning purposes, if possible, please register by contacting Joan Peskin at peskin8@gmail.com or 513-459-0843.



This is a very important meeting since Board Members for the next year will be chosen, and it is the last formal meeting before the Garage Sale. You can find information on the responsibilities of the Board Members on the parish website. Contact Mary Ann Mushaben at mandj.mushaben@zoomtown.com or 513-504-7181, or Jean Robbins at jeanrobbins27@gmail.com or 513-236-5436, for more information about the Association. This organization cannot function without many hands, so come, participate, and enjoy!

HELP OTHERS BEAT THE HEAT!

Please consider donating a new or gently used fan to the Schuh Center. Donated fans will be distributed to our neighbors who are in need of them to stay cool this summer.



Please place donated fans by the Peace and Justice Kiosk in the Gathering Space of church. Direct questions to Mary Jo Burns, at burnsmj@stsusanna.org or 398-3821, ext. 3120.

ST. SUSANNA CATHOLIC CHURCH



FRIDAY, JUNE 28TH, 8:00AM - 3:00PM SATURDAY, JUNE 29TH, 8:00AM - 2:00PM

DROP DONATIONS OFF AT THE MEYER CENTER:

Saturday, June 22nd: 10:00am – 5:00pm Monday, June 24th - Wednesday, June 26th: 10:00am – 7:00pm

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

If you are interested in volunteering with the garage sale, please visit: www.stsusanna.org/garagesale

or, contact:

Christine Phelan (492-7265, jazzcat1946@aol.com) or Mary Ann Vossler (mavossler@yahoo.com)

DONATIONS NEEDED!

Accepting donations of books, toys, clothing, jewelry, furniture, working appliances, tools, flatware, clishes, home décor, picture frames, sporting goods, etc. (NO mattresses, refrigerators, TVs, computers, large office furniture or entertainment centers.)

If you are unsure, please, just give us a call at 492-7265.

CUSTOMERS WANTED!

Come and shop at our sale. Invite your neighbors and friends.

Garage Sale Sponsored by St. Susanna Women's Association. Proceeds fund special Parish projects. Unsold items donated to St. Vincent de Paul.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Early Childhood 2018-2019

Faith Formation for 3, 4, pre-K 5-yearolds and Kindergartners meets on Sunday mornings at 9:00am. For more information, contact Rebecca Sackrider, ext. 3126, sackriderr@stsusanna.org.

Preschool

Weekday Preschool is available for ages 2-5 in the Undercroft of church. For more information, contact Joette Ewing, ext. 3131 or ewingj@stsusanna.org.

CFP: Grades 1-8 (2018-2019)

Faith Formation for elementary students with classes available Sunday 10:30-11:45am, and Monday 6:00-7:15pm. For more information, contact Joe Schleicher, ext. 3149, or schleicherj@stsusanna.org.

Saint Susanna School

The parish school provides a Catholic education for Grades K-8. For more information, contact the School Office, ext. 3108.

Faith Alive Grades 6-8 (2018-2019)

Sundays at 4:00pm to 5:45pm in the St. John Bosco Youth Room. For more information, contact Gabbi Montavon, ext. 3195 or montavang@stsusanna.org.

If you would like to have updates texted to you, please text @stsuefa to 81010.

LIFE

Grades 9-12 (2018-2019)

Sundays at 7:00pm in the St. John Bosco Youth Room. For more information, contact Gabbi Montavon, ext. 3195 or montavang@stsusanna.org.

If you would like to have updates texted to you, please text @Godislife to 81010.

PICNIC WITH A PURPOSE THIS WEEKEND!

Join us as we serve burgers to serve others on *Saturday, May 18th, 6:15-9:00pm at the Meyer Center.* LIFE is going on our first mission trip this year! To help raise funds, LIFE is hosting a parish picnic. Tickets are \$5.00, which includes a hot dog/hamburger, sides, and a drink. Desserts will be sold separately. We look forward to seeing you there!

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES FOR KIDS!

This summer, St. Susanna is offering different classes to children in the parish! This is a great way to dive into some fun with faith! There is no cost. Find more information, and register for the classes listed below, online at: www.stsusanna.org/childsummerclasses.



Grades 1-2: The Diary of a Godly Kid - Mondays, 10:00-11:30am, July 8th - 29th (4 weeks) Grades 3-5: Art and the Bible - Tuesday, June 18th & Thursday, June 20th, 10:00am - Noon Grades 6-8: Dive into Scripture - Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00pm, June 19th - July 10th (4 weeks) Grades 6-8: What's your Dignity? - Wednesday, July 17th at 6:30pm



2019-20 CFP REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Sessions will be *Sundays* (10:30-11:45am) and *Mondays* (6:00-7:15pm). Numbers will be capped for each session, assignments will be made in the order of registration completion. Formal classes will begin September 15th and 16th, and conclude April 26th and 27th.

To receive First Communion, children must have completed 1st grade CFP or Catholic school classes, and be enrolled to complete 2nd grade classes. To receive Confirmation, children must have completed 7th CFP or Catholic school classes and be be enrolled to complete 8th grade classes.

Please direct questions to Joe Schleicher at schleicherj@stsusanna.org, or 513-598-3128, ext. 3149. After June 15th, there will be a registration price increase of \$10 per child. To register, please visit: www.stsusanna.org/2019-20cfp.

REGISTER NOW FOR THE 2019-20 EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM!



This Bible School program for ages 3 through kindergarten meets on Sundays from 9:00–10:00am. The program will begin September 15th. After June 15th, there will be a registration price increase of \$10 per child. To register for the Early Childhood Program, please visit: www.stsusanna.org/ecregistration.

PLEASE CONSIDER TEACHING IN OUR CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS!

There can be no greater calling than to teach the love of Jesus and our beautiful Catholic Faith! We have around 1,500 children - 3 years old through 8th grade - who participate in our programs... wouldn't you love to pass the faith on to them? Catechists and teen aides are needed (those over 18 years old and out of high school must be, or become, VIRTUS trained).



In order to make the task lighter, consider teaching with your spouse, family member, or with a good friend! We have an outstanding program that utilizes all aspects of learning and makes lesson planning easy and enjoyable. Classes begin September 15th and 16th. As a thank-you, children of teachers do not pay tuition. For more information and to register as a volunteer, please visit: www.stsusanna.org/childrensprogramvolunteer.

ESTE MES EN PARROQUIA ST. SUSANNA • MAYO 2019

MISA EN ESPAÑOL Segundo y cuarto Domingo del Mes 4:00pm

ORACIÓN TAIZE Y CORONILLA DE LA MISERICORDIA Tercer Jueves del mes a las 6:30pm

NECESITAMOS SU AYUDA!!

Con dos Misas al mes en Español, necesitamos ayuda. Ministros de Eucaristía, Ujieres, Lectores, Monaguillos. Se provee entrenamiento. Para el Coro contactar a: Nicolas Ortiz smtjedi@yahoo.com

NOTICIAS

- Grupo de Oración para adultos en Español todos los Martes a las 7:30pm en el cuarto de St. Jerónimo abajo de la Iglesia.
- No se les olvide registrarse a la parroquia! Cualquier programa que quieran participar, cartas de la Iglesia, hacer algún sacramento, tienen que estar registrados.
- Para más información o si tiene alguna pregunta por favor comuniquese con la Iglesia. El número de teléfono en Español de St.
 Susanna es: (513) 398-3821 Ext. 3202 por favor deje mensaje.

Asegúrese de consultar el Bulletin cerca de los elevadores para oportunidades de ayudar y servir a nuestra comunidad.

¡LA PRIMAVERA YA ESTA AQUÍ!

Este año la Venta de Garaje de la Parroquia es patrocinado por la Asociación de Mujeres, será el 28 y 29 de Junio. Si tiene artículos que no ha usado por más de un año y están ocupando lugar en su closet, sótano



y garaje, sepárelos para nuestra venta. La Asociación de Mujeres puede vender casi todo lo que aún sea usable, como libros, juguetes, ropa, joyería, muebles, electrodomésticos que aún funcionen, herramientas, cubiertos, platos, decoración, marcos, artículos deportivos, etc.

La Venta de Garaje es más que una recaudación de fondos. Esta venta es un ministerio para nuestra comunidad que permite a personas individuales y familias comprar artículos necesarios a un precio razonable. Las ganancias de esta venta proveen fondos para comprar artículos especiales para la Parroquia y para ayudar a sus diversos ministerios.

VOLUNTARIATE CON MATTHEW 25 MINISTRIES

El trabajo de Matthew 25 Ministries ayuda a los más pobres y a las víctimas de desastres en



los Estados Unidos y alrededor del mundo. Voluntarios juegan un papel muy importante en el trabajo de Matthew 25 Ministries. Los artículos donados que ellos reciben deben ser sorteados, contados, empacados y puestos en tarimas listos para ser enviados a varias partes del mundo. ¡Hay un trabajo para cada quien!

- St. Susanna tiene organizados dos espacios de tiempo para personas de nuestra parroquia que quieran ser voluntarios en Matthew 25 Ministries:
- Miércoles, Junio 12, 10:00am-12:00pm
- Miércoles, Junio 12, 4:30pm-6:30pm

Para más información contactar a Mary Jo Burns, burnsmj@stsusanna. org o 398-3821, ext. 3120. Para registrarte a este evento, por favor ve a: www.stsusanna.org/Matthew25Ministries.

¿HA PENSADO USTED EN LA MEJOR EDUCACIÓN PARA SUS HIJOS?



Las escuelas católicas ofrecen una enseñanza superior en un ambiente de fe, valores y disciplina.

Venga a visitarnos y no se arrepentirá. ¡Las inscripciones ya están abiertas! Tenemos becas y ayuda financiera disponible. Para más información, por favor comuníquese con Mayra Wilson–Coordinadora de Relaciones Hispanas al (513) 421.3131 ext. 2718

ESCUELAS CATÓLICAS - ¡La mejor opción... para lo que más importa!

AYUDA A VENCER EL CALOR

¡Tú sabes lo caliente y húmedo que los veranos en el sur oeste de Ohio pueden llegar a ser! Imagina lo sofocante durante el calor del verano sin aire acondicionado. ¡Ahora imagina pasar esos días sin siquiera un abanico! Muchos de nuestros vecinos están en esta situación.

Por favor considera donar al Schuh Center un abanico nuevo o ligeramente usado. Los abanicos donados serán distribuidos a nuestros vecinos que están en necesidad de ellos para mantenerse frescos este verano. Por favor deja los abanicos en el quiosco de Peace and Justice en el espacio de reunión de la iglesia. Para preguntas diríjase por favor con Mary Jo Burns, burnsmj@stsusanna.org o al teléfono 398-3821 ext. 3120.



PROGRAMA DE FORMACION CRISTIANA

Ya están abiertas las inscripciones del programa de religión de St. Susanna (CFP) para niños de 1 a 8 grados, para el año escolar 2019/2020. Puede registrar a sus hijos en la oficina llenando la hoja de registro o por la página web. Si su hijo/a necesita un Sacramento se necesitan 2 años de formación religiosa. Clases empiezan en Septiembre.

SU CASA SE HA MUDADO

La nueva dirección es: Mid Pointe Tower 7162 Reading Rd, Cincinnati, Ohio 45237. Tel 513-761-1588.





¿CONOCE A ALGUIEN A QUIEN EL ALCOHOL Y LAS DROGAS REPRESENTAN PROBLEMAS EN SU VIDA?

GRUPO AMOR Y SERVICIO tiene sesiones:

Todos los dias de 8-10PM.

Para más información por favor llame a: (513) 551-3103, (513) 390-3825. Trabajamos con las debilidades humanas, alcoholism, drogadicción, neurosis, depresión y pensamientos obsesivos compulsivos.

GRUPO DE APOYO PARA SOBREVIVIENTES DE VIOLENCIA DOMÉSTICA.

Todos los Martes de 5:30-7pm. Llame al (513) 381-5610 para mas información y lugares. Hay cuidado de niños.





El programa de ABLE ofrece clases de Inglés. Para más información comuniquese al (513) 695-2987. Clases en Lebanon en las tardes.



May 19, 2019

Fifth Sunday of Easter (C) Acts 14:21–27 Rev 21:1–5a Jn 13:31–33a, 34–35

God's Reign in Heaven and Earth

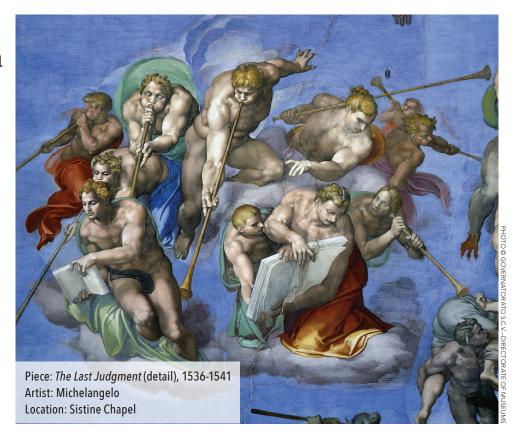
The trumpeters in the center of the huge Sistine Chapel wall fresco declare the new reign of God, the coming of the new Jerusalem, which was sent from heaven from God Most High. This new heaven and earth is the civilization of love brought about by Christ's passion, death, and resurrection.

It's not an abstract ideal or some faraway lost city. It's a city that exists in heaven around the throne of the Lamb and grows by means of the Church as God's kingdom on earth.

Just as Paul and Barnabas appointed elders and the Church took on a stable, hierarchical

structure, we are reminded of the historical growth of this city of love—God's Church on earth. From the beginning it was founded on faith. The apostles prayed, fasted, and commended these elders to the Lord. It was their common faith in Christ that was the foundation of this new kingdom of God.

The glory of this kingdom isn't in church buildings or organizations, but it's the glory that Jesus mentions in today's Gospel. "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him" (John 13:31). It's the glory that comes from Jesus' faithful love toward the Father and his disciples, leading him to be enthroned on the cross and rule as the Lamb that was slain yet still



For Reflection

Do I believe that the essence of real, lasting power is found in love?

Old forms of hate and division are destined to pass away. Am I hastening the arrival of the new kingdom by the love with which I live?

stands. It is the new commandment of love that is their glory. Thus the bride that is the Church will be great to the degree that it loves like Jesus, its husband and King.

-Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

[Jesus said,] "I give you a new commandment: love one another."

As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."

John 13:34

PARISH STAFF (Contact: 398-3821 • Parish, ext. 3100 • School, ext. 3108)

Worship Team

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St. Susanna Parish Organizations

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Knights of Columbus: George Denman, 939-9022 Men's Prayer Group: Bill Bross, 518-9594

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