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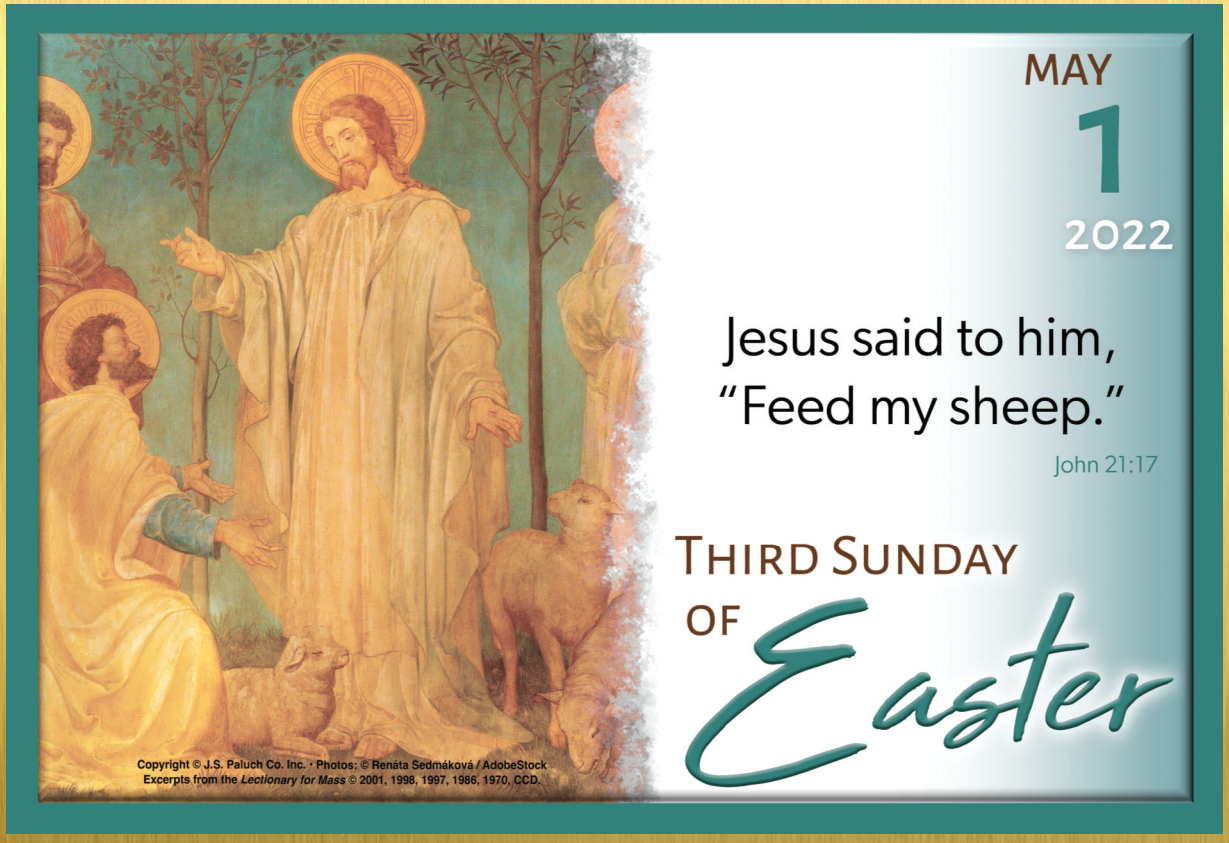

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 8	**Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast**	**Page 4**
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PASTORAL STAFF
Served by Society of Christ Fathers
Rev. Gerald Grupczynski, SChr., Pastor
Rev. Julian Kaczówka, SChr., Parochial Vicar
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MASS TIMES
Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am, 1:00pm (Polish), 5:30pm (Tagalog Music)

Weekday: Monday - Friday 8:00am
Civic & Holidays: Refer to parish bulletin
Holy Days of Obligation: Refer to parish bulletin

ALTERNATIVE MASS OPTIONS
Our Lady of Las Vegas' Online Masses
ollvchurch.org
TV on cox Cable Channel 6
Relevant Radio 970am / KNIH

RECONCILIATION
(Confession)
Saturday: 3:00pm - 4:00pm in the church

FIRST FRIDAY
7:30am: Sacrament of Reconciliation
8:00am: Mass (Eng.)
All Day Adoration to Follow
5:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation
6:00pm: Holy Hour | Mass to Follow

FIRST SATURDAY
8:00am: Mass (Eng.)

DEVOTIONS
St. Jude: Every Tuesday morning following the 8:00am Mass
Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Every Wednesday morning after the 8:00am Mass

We are now into the month of **May**. Throughout most of the northern hemisphere of the world, May is considered one of the most beautiful months of the year as it signals the blooming of spring and the bursting forth of life. Even the little rhyme we used to say as children, "April showers bring May flowers," reflects this truth. It is in this lovely setting of warmth and flowers that the Church honors the Blessed Mother.

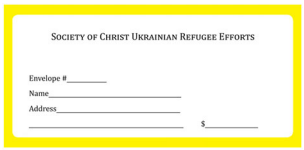
During May, Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. This Christian custom of dedicating the month of May to the Blessed Virgin arose at the end of the 13th century.

The Popes have recommended the honoring of Mary during the month of May. Pope Pius XII made frequent reference to it. In his great Encyclical on the Sacred Liturgy *Mediator Dei* he characterized it as being of great piety and dignity. Pope Paul VI wrote a short encyclical in 1965 using May devotion as a means of obtaining prayers for peace. He urged the faithful to make use of this practice by which the Blessed Virgin Mary is honored and the Christian people are enriched with spiritual gifts. In May of 2002, Pope John Paul II said, "Today we begin the month dedicated to Our Lady. In accord with a long-standing tradition of devotion, parishes and families continue to make the month of May a **Marian** month, celebrating it with special honor to our Blessed Mother."

The Blessed Virgin Mary is the Mother of the Church. She is the example, the guide and the inspiration of everyone who seeks to be the servant of God and mankind, and the obedient agent of the promptings of the Holy Spirit. In our observance of the Marian month, we must also take into account the season of the Liturgical Year which corresponds with the fifty days of Easter. Our prayers in honor of Mary should emphasize her participation in the Paschal Mystery of her Son and in Pentecost, which marks the beginning of the apostolic mission of the Church. Our Marian devotions connected with the month of May readily highlights the earthly role filled by the glorified Queen of Heaven, here and now, in the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

One of the foremost devotions to Mary in May is the praying of the **Litany of Loreto.** In many places this litany is sung by the faithful together every evening in the presence of the image of the Blessed Mother. I have very fond memories of my seminary years in Poland, when in May, we would gather each evening at the grotto of Our Lady and sing the litany together. The fifty-one titles of Mary in the Litany, which include newer titles "Mother of the Church" and "Mother of Mercy" are invocations set before us exalting Mary's privileges, her holiness of life, her amiability and power, her motherly spirit and queenly majesty. Reflection on these titles of Mary in the litany unfolds before us a magnificent picture of Mary, our Queen and Mother.

During this month of May, let us remember that Jesus gave Mary to us as our heavenly mother. Let us honor her each day, especially in the beautiful prayer of the Litany of Loreto.



Next Sunday, May 8, we will be taking up a second collection to help with the relief effort in Ukraine. The Society of Christ, the religious order to which Fr. Julian, Fr. Rich and I belong, has parishes in Ukraine and other countries of Eastern Europe. The funds that we collect next weekend will be sent directly to our headquarters in Poznan, Poland so that they can be used to help the parishes that have been affected by the war. Our religious houses in Poland have also opened their doors to many Ukrainian immigrants who have come into Poland seeking protection from the dangerous conditions in Ukraine.

Special envelopes have been printed up for the **Society of Christ Ukrainian Relief Efforts.** The envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church this weekend and next. Please use the envelopes for your donations next weekend. Thank you for your concern and generosity.

Fr Jerry

PARISH NEWS

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 30 ~ Saint Pius V
4:00pm: ††Dr. Aaron & Terry Zivot

Sunday, May 1 ~ Third Sunday of Easter
7:30am: †Felipe Regis
9:30am: †Darel Ray Blum
11:30am: †Dyana McCullough
1:00pm: For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Las Vegas; †Alina Radziszewska; ††Mieczyslaw & Irena Domagala; †Kazia Dziurewicz; †Marta Lucia Pabon & Souls in Purgatory
5:30pm: †Florencia Sofronio Masilungan

Monday, May 2 ~ Saint Athanasius
8:00am: †Lonnie Stephens

Tuesday, May 3 ~ Saints Philip and James, Apostles
8:00am: *Mary Tran

Wednesday, May 4
8:00am: †Christine M. Zenchak

Thursday, May 5
8:00am: †Waldo De Castroverde

Friday, May 6 ~ First Friday
8:00am: ††Edelmira Sanchez
6:00pm: *Raquel Aguirre

Saturday, May 7 ~ First Saturday
8:00am: †Michael Zenchak, Sr.
4:00pm: Mother's Day Intentions

† Repose of the Soul (Deceased) ***For the Intentions of** (Living)

COMMUNICATION

If you would like to receive updated communication from Fr. Gerry & the Parish Staff, please provide us with your email address at ollvparish@ollv.org. You will receive only important periodic information via email.

If you are attending the 9:30am Mass on Sundays, you are welcome to join us in praying the rosary following the Liturgy. Praying for Peace & Life.

COMMUNITY BOOK OF PRAYER

We have established a "Community Book of Prayer" which will allow parishioners to enter the names of those who are in need of our prayers. These names will not be announced at the Mass or published in the bulletin. However, at each weekend Mass, the following will be prayed within the Mass petitions: ...for all those names listed in our Community Book of Prayer…

The Community Book of Prayer is located behind the last pew in the church.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Brought before the Sanhedrin, the apostles give witness to Jesus Christ. (Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41).
Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).
Second Reading — In his vision John sees all in heaven and on earth give honor and glory to the one on the throne and to the Lamb (Revelation 5:11-14).
Gospel — Jesus appears to the disciples by the sea of Tiberias (John 21:1-19 [1-14]).

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MAY 1 - 7, 2022

This week the **Sanctuary Lamp** is for
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PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

MAY 2022

For faith-filled 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.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION
MAY 6, 2022

7:30am: Sacrament of Reconciliation
8:00am: Mass | All Day Adoration to follow
5:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliaton
6:00pm: Holy Hour | Mass to follow

Office of Victim's Assistance

Help is available to you or anyone who has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Roman Catholic Church. Contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 702-235-7723.

PARISH NEWS

Sunday Offering Totals

APRIL 23 & 24, 2022

Weekly Offertory	$ 6,096.00
Black & Indian & Catholic Home Missions	$ 2,338.00
Easter Flowers	$ 355.00
Online Giving | April 21 - 27	$ 2,906.45

THANK YOU for your continued support!

CSA UPDATE as of APRIL 24, 2022

2022 CSA GOAL	$138,723.00
Total Received	$ 32,577.67
Total Needed to Reach Goal	$106,145.33

Green CSA Envelope

The green CSA envelopes that are being mailed to our registered parishioners, along with the regular offertory envelopes, are to be used by those parishioners who have not pledged a donation amount through the Diocese.

If you have already filled out a CSA pledge card and mailed it to the Diocese, you have completed your CSA obligation. Use the green envelope only if you have not completed a pledge card and would like to donate to the CSA program on a periodic basis.

Place the names of your mother, grandmother, godmother, stepmother or other special women (living or deceased) on the special Mother's Day envelope found in your monthly envelope packet or in the vestibule of the church. You may return it to the church or the parish office on or before Thursday, May 5. Any free-will offering may be me made. Your mother's name and those who you wish to be remembered will be kept on the altar and remembered at each Mass on Mother's Day weekend, May 7 & 8.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. JUDE COUNCIL 9102

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

for the State Convention | May 12 - 15

Activities include, but not limited to:

- Help with Golf Tournament Registration
- Car Show registration or concession
- Decorating the Gym for the Gala
- Stuffing Welcome Bags

If you are able to volunteer, please contact
Gigi Villardi at 310-218-9600
or email gigi@TVtransport.com

Welcome to Our Christian Family

The following children were recently baptized into our faith:

VIVIENNE KONSTANCJA GALAS
GIDEON ZION LACANLALE AGATON

Live completely at peace because there will be light.
- Padre Pio, letter, 1915 -

Parish Special Groups & Masses

Sunday, May 1
SANTO NIÑO
5:30pm Mass | Prayers before Mass

Thursday, May 5
WOMEN'S GUILD
6:30pm | McFarland Room

Tuesday, May 10
PRO-LIFE / DIVINE MERCY GROUP
6:00pm | Kenny Room

Friday, May 13
OUR LADY OF FATIMA
5:00pm Prayer | 5:30pm Mass

Sunday, May 22
FLORES DE MAYO / SAN PEDRO COLUNGSOD
5:00pm Prayer & Procession | 5:30pm Mass

The heart which is preparing to receive the Holy Eucharist should be like a crystal vase, filled with the purest and most limpid water. We should not allow the slightest impure atom to make its appearance.

— *Elizabeth Seton, Collected Writings.*

UPDATED MASK PROTOCOLS

The current mask mandates for all Diocesan buildings and schools have been rescinded. However, masks remain a useful tool and are encouraged in times of high transmission for people with underlying health conditions, and for those who make a personal decision for the added protection of wearing a mask. Visitors may continue to wear a mask if they choose to do so. Please continue to take all the necessary precautions. If you feel sick, please remain at home and contact your health care provider.

PARISH NEWS

PLEASE PRAY for THOSE WHO ARE ILL

If you have the sick person's permission, you may request that their name be printed in the bulletin for prayers. This is strictly for the sick only. Their name will remain for four consecutive Sundays.

Raul Aguirre Sr.	05/15	Patty Brown	05/22	Mary Shultz	05/29
Leonardo Soriano	05/15	Charlotte & Buck Kimball	05/22	Jim, Kay, Mary & Doug Schmitz	05/29
Raul & Perlita Matute	05/15	Liz Reed	05/22	John Blas	05/29
Jack Youree	05/15	Karen Cummings	05/22	Vicki Bierstedt	05/29
Rosalio Matute Jr.	05/15	Shannon Boyd	05/22	John Winterfeld	05/29
Gerry Bibit	05/15	Jennifer Vokral	05/22	Ashley Wheeler	05/29
Reynaldo Aguilar	05/15	Dr. Arti Lakhani	05/22	Shannon Rapp	05/29
William Gaffney	05/22	Judy Moore	05/22	Latisha Sawyer	05/29
Fr. Tom Montelaro	05/22	Linda White	05/22	Stormy Knight	05/29
Steve & Jami Grant	05/22	Lance Gemette, Sr.	05/22	Casey Penney	05/29
Margo & Bill Turner	05/22	Fr. Richard Philiposki, SChr.	05/22		
Vic Schneider	05/22	Mary Diluciano	05/29		
Tatjana Chavez	05/22	Dominic Diluciano	05/29		

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FAITH FORMATION

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FIRST COMMUNION

SECOND YEAR
May 4 - FHC Practice | 10:00am | In the Church
May 7 - FHC Mass | Be at the church by 9:30am

For class assignments and other detailed information,
go to www.ollvchurch.org/faith-formation, refer to your handouts, or go to the remind app.

CONFIRMATION

CONFIRMATION I
May 1 - Last Class | 9:45am-11:15am | School Campus

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go to www.**ollvchurch.org/faith-formation**, refer to your handouts, or go to the remind app.

STAND AND BE COUNTED
Become members of Our Lady of Las Vegas Church

Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community and a commitment to the life of the parish family. To clearly state your Catholic commitment in all its dimensions brings you advantages, recognition and responsibilities of many kinds.

Being a registered parishioner makes things much easier when it is time for Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Weddings, School Registration, when asked to be a baptism or confirmation sponsor and even funerals. *We will also be able to provide you with a financial statement for your taxes at the end of the year.*

We are often asked to provide affidavits for Baptism and Confirmation sponsors. We can only do this if a person is a registered, active and contributing member in our parish. How do you know if you are already registered? A registered parishioner receives all parish mailings. So, are you a registered parishioner? If not, please consider registering. Registration forms are available in the parish office or you may register on our parish website at *www.ollvchurch.org*.

NEWS AROUND the DIOCESE & CHURCH UNIVERSAL

We welcome the faithful from every parish of the Diocese. Together let us celebrate Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament– *"My Flesh for the Life of the World" (John 6:51)*

SAVE THE DATE

The Diocese of Las Vegas
Opening Celebration of the
'Diocesan Year of Eucharistic Revival'

Saturday, 18 June 2022

Shrine of the Most Holy Redeemer
55 E. Reno Avenue, Las Vegas

6:30 PM - Preludes in honor of the Eucharistic Lord
7:00 PM - Concelebrated *Corpus Christi* Vigil Mass
Principal Celebrant - Bishop George Leo Thomas, Ph.D.
8:30 PM - Outdoor Eucharistic Procession and Benediction with sacred music and hymns of praise

SAVE THE DATE • SEPTEMBER 9 & 10, 2022

Annual Diocesan Conference — The Orleans Conference Center

Blessed Chosen Poured Out Broken
BECOMING...
"Behold what we are: may we become what we receive." St. Augustine

Bendecidos Eligidos Ungidos Eligidos
SEREMOS...
"Contempla lo que somos: que nos convertamos en lo que recibimos." San Agustín

PRAYER OF THE WEEK - Third Sunday of Easter

May your people exult for ever, O God,
in renewed youthfulness of spirit,
so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption,
we may look forward in confident hope
to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

VIRTUAL WEEKEND

May 19-22, 2022

Las Vegas, NV

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For more information contact Mario and Irene@ (702)812-8873 or visit our website:

HELPOURMARRIAGE.ORG

Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Los Angeles

We are receiving an enormous number of inquiries regarding the possibility of helping refugees from Ukraine who seek in Poland refuge from the unprovoked aggression of the Russian Federation. Thank you for every kind word and willingness to help. The Polish government has launched an official website to coordinate humanitarian relief. It is the first place of information for people that want to aid the humanitarian relief at the Polish-Ukrainian border.

On March 6, European Union consular corps in Los Angeles took part in the special event to show solidarity with Ukraine. Thank you for a very warm welcome at the Ukrainian Cultural Center in Los Angeles.

From the beginning of the war, Poland admitted over 1 million refugees from the territory of Ukraine. The new law was introduced to allow for 18 months of legal stay for all refugees regardless the nationality, origin, and citizenship. They will have immediate access to the labor market as well as to public health, and education.

For more information, or if you would like to help, go to:

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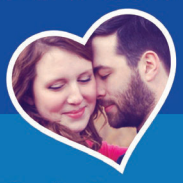
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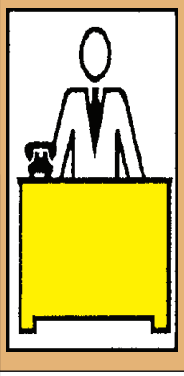
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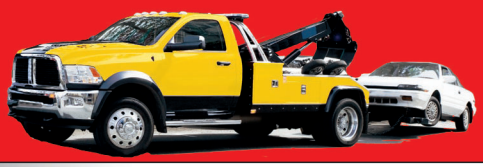

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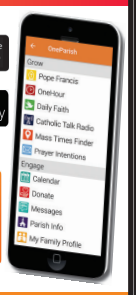

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Deacon Thomas A. Roberts
President & Chief Executive Officer

Thank you to the Women's Guild for preparing the Easter Baskets!

April 19, 2022

Rev. Gerald Grupczynski, SChr
Our Lady of Las Vegas Catholic Church
3050 Alta Dr.
Las Vegas, NV 89107

Dear Father Gerry,

My sincere gratitude to you and the parishioners of Our Lady for the generous donation of Easter baskets. This support meant so much to the hundreds of children in our WIC (Women, Infant and Children) and MRS (Migration and Refugee Services) programs. While these families have access to wraparound services during the year, your donations allow us to continue to focus on ways we can bring joy, comfort, and lift the spirits of our brothers and sisters in need.

These gifts that your parish provided reinforces a mission of caring for the needs of the individuals and families we serve while also delivering the type of love and kind-heartedness that elevates the souls of our those in need here in our community. This is evident in the smiles of the children that were blessed to receive these baskets.

Thank you for continuing to extend this compassion to Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada and our clients. With your support, St. Thomas More parish community is ensuring that the families in our community are served with dignity and compassion while receiving both help and hope for the future.

Fraternally,

So grateful for your support!

Deacon Thomas A. Roberts
President & Chief Executive Officer

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