

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

GOSPEL MEDITATION

I've always found it amazing that Jesus never says to his disciples the straightforward and bumper stickery words "I love you" or "I will always love you" (a la Dolly Parton's song). Why doesn't Jesus say, "I love you"?

Well, actually he does, but in particular ways. He says, "As the Father loves me, so I love you" (John 15:9) thereby rooting his love for us in the space of the Holy Trinity. This week he commands, "Love another as I have loved you" (John 13:34). He presents his love for us as a completed action which continues into the present moment. How has he loved us? By becoming one of us, one with us, and finally giving his life for us in his suffering on the cross. We weren't there when he did that, but neither were his Apostles (except one). Still, that action is his great "I love you" to us.

His love is also hedged in a command: "Love one another." So how can we practically follow it? The great St. John XXIII wrote in his diary that each day he followed this rule: "Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it." The hidden nature of a good deed is a sign that it is truly loving. This week, take on St. John XXIII's practical method of following Jesus' great commandment of love. It's a splendid way to say, "I love you."

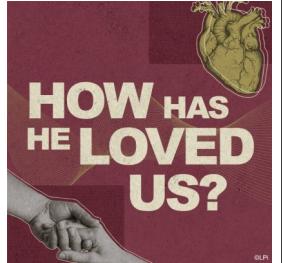
— Father John Muir ©LPi

First Reading: And when they arrived, they called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles. (Acts 14:27)

Psalm: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. (Ps 145)

Second Reading: I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God." (Rv 21:4)

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



Mass Intentions May 17-23

- Sat., 5:00pm - + Peggy Licina
Int Jennifer Smith
- Sun., 10:00am - Int Carol Ashe
Int Roberto Olmos Arreola
+Adela Marin Ramirez
- Sun., 12:30 pm - +Ramon Espinoza
+Teresa Nuñez
+Anita Serrano
- Mon., 9:00 am - + Peggy Licina
- Tues., 9:00 am - +Donna Burgess
+Robert Somano
- Wed., 9:00 am - +Harvey Smith
Int Jennifer Smith
- Thur., 9:00 am - +Peggy Licina
- Thur., 7:00 pm - People of the Parish
- Fri., 9:00 am - - Communion Service

Pray for Our Sick-

John Cartwright,
Evelyn Morales,
June Ellis, Alfred Fiscalini,
Carol Ashe, Josue
Figueroa, Barbara Evans,
Bud Hotchkiss, Mike
Mulligan, Roberto Olmos, Dennis Rightmer,
Isabel Medina, Sue Nash



Parish Life

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| 1st Monday | 6:00p Baptism Class |
| Tuesday | 10:00 Soulcore |
| 3rd Tuesday | 11:30 Women's Club |
| 3rd Tuesday | 6:00p Men's Club |
| Thursday | 10:00 Bible Study |
| Thursday | 11:00 RCIA/OCIA Studies |
| 1st Friday | 9:30 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament |

Prayer of Christian Love-Fill our hearts, O Lord, with Your love, the deepest, richest, purest love any of us has ever known. May Your love be our standard for love. May Your love be what we bring and communicate to the world. May Your love define us as Christians, made in Your image and likeness. Amen.

SANTA ROSA NEWS...



Handcrafted Pickets-We have a limited selection of decorative handcrafted pickets made by our talented students. If you're interested in taking one home, we kindly ask for a donation to Santa Rosa Church. Pickets are located in the church office.



Volunteer Opportunity: Hospitality Support After 10 AM Mass
We are currently seeking volunteers to assist with preparing, setting up, and serving coffee following our 10:00 AM Mass. Your help in creating a welcoming environment for fellowship is greatly appreciated. If you're available to lend a hand, please let us know!

V Domingo De Pascua

Mayo 18, 2025

MEDITACION DEL EVANGELIO

La palabra amor está muy trillada, es usada con mucha facilidad en nuestro lenguaje. Al decirla, quizá no pensamos en lo profundo de esta palabra. Hacemos tantas promesas de amor falsas. A la esposa, al esposo, a los hijos, a los amigos y a tanta gente le decimos que la amamos cuando en realidad no es cierto. En este Domingo de Pascua, Jesús nuevamente lanza su invitación al amor, a dar la vida por el ser amado. "Les doy un mandamiento nuevo: que se amen los unos a los otros. Ustedes deben amarse unos a otros como yo los he amado" (Juan 13:34). Y agrega una frase más para que quede bien cimentado en nuestros corazones el significado de la palabra amor: "En esto reconocerán todos que son mis discípulos: en que se aman unos a otros" (Juan 13:35).

Esto es el amor evangélico; esto distingue mucho el significado de decir simplemente la palabra amor. El amor evangélico se vive en las dificultades más difíciles de la vida. Cuando los percances nos obligan a hacer cosas, aunque no queramos. Para así glorificarte en el sufrimiento de cualquier índole. Esta es la entrega que sublima tu Evangelio. Así es como se va aprendiendo a amar: la vida nos enseña a girar el corazón al amor. Reflexiona en lo siguiente: ¿En qué área de tu vida has experimentado el amor de Jesús? Si Jesús te dijera: "ama como yo te he amado", ¿cuál sería tu respuesta? En concreto, solo Jesús puede ayudarnos a renovar nuestra forma de amar a los demás. ©LPi

Oración por amor Cristiano

Llena nuestros corazones, oh Señor,
con tu amor, el amor más profundo,
rico y puro que cualquiera de nosotros
haya conocido. Que tu amor sea nues-
tro modelo para amar. Que tu amor
sea lo que traigamos y comuniquemos
al mundo. Que tu amor nos defina
como cristianos, hechos a tu imagen y
semejanza. Amén.



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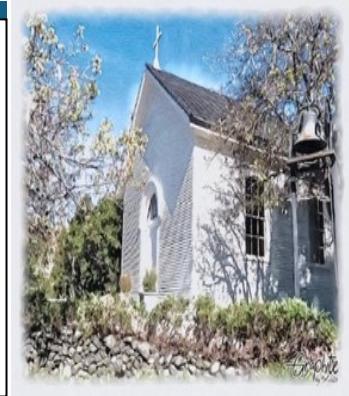
Se Solicitan Voluntarios
Estamos buscando voluntarios para ayudar con la limpieza de los envases de las velas pequeñas. Si está interesado en colaborar, por favor comuníquese con la oficina o deje su nombre para que podamos ponernos en contacto. ¡Agradecemos de antemano su generosidad y apoyo!



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Our Mission Statement

Santa Rosa Catholic Church and Chapel bring together all of God's people to celebrate His love for everyone. Two locations: one people of faith, service , love and outreach.
All are welcome!

La Iglesia Católica y Capilla de Santa Rosa reunen a todo el pueblo de Dios para celebrar su amor a todos. Dos lugares, llamados en una misma fe, servicio, amor, y evangelización.
Todos son bienvenidos!

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday—5 pm (English)
Sunday—10 am (English) and 12:30 pm (Spanish)
Thursday 7 pm (Spanish) Weekdays—9 am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 4-4:30 pm

Pastor

Very Rev. Miguel Grajeda

Deacon

Robert Ashe

Office Manager

Patty Chavez

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Esther De Alba

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