

*St. Mary Catholic Church  
Windthorst, TX*

## St. Mary / St. Boniface Vision Statement

To serve Christ and  
promote  
His teachings  
through Worship,  
Education,  
Training, Service,  
and  
Community



*St. Boniface Catholic Church  
Scotland, TX*

## Father Michael Moloney, O. F. S., PASTOR

"There's no such thing as a bad priest, just priests whose people don't pray enough for them." St. John Vianney

### Mailing Address for Both Churches

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### BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 9:15 A.M.  
contact the office for dates and to register for classes

### Marriage Preparation

contact the office at least nine to 12 months prior  
to wedding date

### RCIA

contact Fr. Michael at 423-6687

### Funerals

in the case of a death in the family, please contact the office as  
soon as possible.

### Ministry to the Sick

contact the office immediately if you know of anyone  
who is sick, hospitalized or home-bound

### Confession

Every Saturday 3:00 – 4:00 pm

At the Church Office

### Hispanic Ministry

Tuesday & Thursday in Convent  
Call Oscar or Alma Contreras at 423-6918 or 940-224-8183

### Protecting Our Children Sessions

Call Sharon Humpert @ 423-6283

### Mass Schedule for the Week

Please practice social

distancing at all Masses. Sunday Masses will be  
live-streamed

**Monday**  
**6:00 pm**

**May 10 – St. Mary's**  
†Andy Berend by Stella & Ron Hoffman

**Tuesday**

**May 11 – St. Mary's**  
Father Michael's Intention

**Wednesday**  
**6:00 pm**

**May 12 – St. Mary's**  
Living & Deceased Members  
of Knights of Columbus #1824  
by Knights of Columbus #1824

**Thursday**  
**6:00 pm**

**May 13 – St. Boniface**  
†Bernard Hilbers by Carol Vacker

**Friday**  
**3:00**

**May 14 – St. Mary's**  
†William & Lena Fleitman  
by Mildred Lindemann

**Saturday**  
**12:00 noon**

**May 15 – St. Mary's**  
†James Wilde by Class of 1967

**5:00 pm**

†Jerry Anderle by Jim Brackett  
Parishioners

**7:00 pm**

**Sunday**  
**8:00 am**

**May 16 – St. Boniface**  
†Dwain Moer  
by Joyce, Grant, Jessica & Families

**Sunday**  
**10:30 am**

**May 16 – St. Mary's**  
First Communicants

**Monday May 10<sup>th</sup> – Sunday May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**SATURDAY MAY 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Lectors** – Gina Wolf

**Ushers** – Roy & Julie Koetter, Doug Wolf, James Vieth Jr.

**Eucharistic Ministers** – Michael & June Schroeder

**Eucharistic Ministers will be required to wear a mask while distributing the Eucharist.**

**SUNDAY MAY 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Lectors** – Brenda Doyal

**Ushers** – Donnie Fleitman, Terry Schroeder, David McCann

**Eucharistic Ministers** – Shelley Schlumpf & Craig Anderle

**Eucharistic Ministers will be required to wear a mask while distributing the Eucharist.**

**SUPPORT** – Envelopes \$6810.00 Loose \$45.00

Children \$2.00 Catholic Home Mission \$100.00

Seminarians \$1101.00

**ST. BONIFACE MINISTERS**

**Monday May 10<sup>th</sup> – Sunday May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**SUNDAY May 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Lector** – Pat Hemmi

**Ushers** – Dan Smith & Brad Wolf

**Eucharistic Ministers** – Robert & Debbie Krah

**Eucharistic Ministers will be required to wear a mask while distributing the Eucharist.**

**SUPPORT** – Envelopes \$1305.00 Loose \$30.00

Seminarians \$215.00

**ST. BONIFACE FATIMA PRAYER HOUR on Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00**

**ST. MARY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK** for all Mothers of St. Mary's Parish.

**BAPTISMAL CLASSES** are offered on the third Sunday of the month at 9:15 a.m. Classes need to be attended by Parents and Godparents. Baptismal classes need to be refreshed every three years. You may attend the class before the baby is born. Please call the office at 423-6687 or Diane Hubbard at 631-1803 to register. Thank you.

Next Baptism will be May 30<sup>th</sup> after 10:30 Mass.

**WINDTHORST SR. CITIZENS** meet every Tuesday at 1pm at the Berend Family Center for bingo & games. All are welcome for an afternoon of fun & socializing.

**THE THIRD DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, KETTLER COUNCIL #1824**, will meet on **Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>** after Mass, Rosary & Novena services

**WINDTHORST FEDERAL CREDIT UNION:** Windthorst FCU Board of Directors postponed the annual meeting originally scheduled for February 21, 2021 to ensure the health and safety of our members. We have rescheduled the meeting for Sunday May 16, 2021, @ 11:30 @ Lawrence & Helen Berend Family Center/Knights of Columbus Hall. Plan now to attend to learn about the elections to the Board of Directors, hear how the credit union fared in 2020, and find out what's planned for 2021. A barbecue meal with all the trimmings will be served and a drawing will be held for door prizes. We look forward to seeing you there!

**WINDTHORST WATER SUPPLY** will be holding its Annual Meeting Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup> @6:30pm at the Lawrence & Helen Berend Family Center/K of C Hall in Windthorst, Texas. A meal will be served and a short meeting will follow. Plan to attend to learn more about election of officers as well as future improvements to our water system. Please contact the office at 423-6685 to RSVP for the meal by May 10<sup>th</sup> or do so by indicating on your bill when you send it in. Thank You!

**THANK YOU:** St. Mary's wishes to thank Barbara Meurer for her generous donation to St. Mary's Improvement Fund in honor of Marie Veitenheimer on her birthday.

**ST. MARY'S PICNIC:** is just around the corner, **Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**. We are in need of **beef for the food booths**. If you would like to donate a beef, please call **Whitney Schreiber @ 940-631-8328**. Thanks to **Scott & Jean Berend** for their generous donation of a beef. We are still in need of at least one more. Please call if you would like to donate.

**The Toy Walk** is in need of toy donations. A box for this purpose will be in the vestibule of St. Mary's Church for your donation or you may bring them by the office.

**The Sweet Stroll** – Parishioners whose last names begin with letters N-Z are asked to donate a baked good for this booth. **Dallas & Krystal Fillingim** are the chairs for the Sweet Stroll. Anyone that would like to donate not in the N-Z category are welcome to do so. Thanks to all for your support.

**Country Store** – Thanks to **Gerald & Sherry Berend & Neil & Barbara Hoff** for taking on the job of chairs for this booth. Everyone is asked to bring in fresh garden vegetables, fruit & homemade items of any kind.

**Games** – chair **James & Deana Vieth** have graciously accepted the leadership for the games. Please volunteer your time & talent if she calls for assistance. There will be several new games. Thanks James & Deana.

**Kickball** – **Jake & Allison Bussey** have agreed to bring kickball back. So, gather up your team & make plans to enter.

**Dairy Derby** – After many years (too numerous to mention) **Diane Conrady & Scotta Schroeder** have decided to be workers this year instead of the chairs for the Dairy Derby. **Jenny Barton & Diane Herndon** will be the chairs for this popular event.

**Corn Hole Tourney** – Another event will be the Corn Hole Tourney chaired by **Brian & Andrea Anderle & Darby & Derek Mankins**. Call them for more information.

**Golf Tournament** – Call **David Veitenheimer** for time and date. Lots of activities & more are being planned. Stay tuned for another update soon. Thanks to everyone who have volunteered to make June 6<sup>th</sup> another successful event for St. Mary's

**Horseshoe Tournament** – contact Robert & Samantha or Trey & Amanda Armstrong for more information.

**Blooperball** – will be determined @ a later time & place.

**Auction** – items are needed. If you would like to donate please contact Walter & Melanie Wolf (423-6766) or Justin & Kenda Wolf (923-3519).

## ST. BONIFACE ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK** for all Mothers living and deceased by the Altar Society.

**7 DAY LIGHTS:** for the safety and a Happy Birthday for my son Grant Moer by Joyce Moer

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR BOTH PARISHES

**THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE** is in the home of Stella & Ron Hoffman the week of May 16<sup>th</sup>. They as well as all of us are asked to pray for world peace, military and vocations.

May 23<sup>rd</sup> Bert & Elizabeth Hoff

May 30<sup>th</sup> Joseph Zotz Family

**Confessions:** Father Michael will be hearing confessions on Saturdays at the Church Office from 3:00 to 4:00pm or by appointment.

**MASS TIMES:** Friday Masses will be at 3:00 pm. Monday Masses will be at 6:00 pm. **PLEASE WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR MASS TIME CHANGES THROUGHOUT THE MONTH.**

**ACTS OF CHARITY:** Please practice social distancing (3 ft. apart) at all Masses. This is an act of charity to our neighbors when we practice social distancing.

**SUNDAY MASSES** will continue to be live-streamed at St. Boniface & St. Mary's. It will be posted on Facebook if unable to live-stream on a particular Sunday Mass

**SCAM ALERT:** There is still a scam going on. Fr. Michael is not texting anyone for gift cards/money etc. Please be aware!

**CCD:** Classes are Mon., Tues., Wed. & Thurs. at 7:25AM. Friday Liturgy of the Word at 7:25AM in Church. Wednesday evening there is a Youth Mass for K-12 at 6PM.

**RCIA CLASS:** Sundays at 7 pm in the parish hall.

**V.F.W. LADIES AUXILIARY** – The Scotland-Windthorst Post #2676 will meet **Monday May 10<sup>th</sup>** 7:00 p.m.

**V. F. W.** will meet **Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**, at 7:00 p.m.

**1<sup>ST</sup> COMMUNION** will be May 16<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30am Mass.

**WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER-** Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers! Allow Jesus to be Lord of your marriage relationship. Enhance your relationship with each other and your family on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. For dates for "virtual" Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends visit our website at: <http://www.dfwme.org>. For more information e-mail [apply@dfwme.org](mailto:apply@dfwme.org) or call Brian and Tina Little 281-773-9014. Feliz Dia de las Madres a todas las madres! Permite a Jesus ser Senor en tu relacion Matrimonial. Refuerza la relacion entre uno y otro y tu familia en el proximo Fin de Semana del Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a [emmddf@gmail.com](mailto:emmddf@gmail.com) o visite <http://www.emmseccion21.org/>

## CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN COLLECTION:

**MAY 15<sup>TH</sup> & 16<sup>TH</sup>:** Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Diocese of Fort Worth to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message.

Nuestra colecta especial en la proxima semana apoya a la Campana Catolica de la Comunicacion. Esta campana conecta a las personas con Cristo y construye comunidades catolicas en los Estados Unidos y en los paises en desarrollo, utilizando la Internet, la television, la radio y los medios impresos. La mitad del dinero recaudado permanece aqui en la Diocesis de Fort Worth para Financiar los esfuerzos locales de comunicacion. Tu apoyo ayuda a difundir el mensaje del Evangelio!

**VFW & VFW AUXILIARY BREAKFAST:** The Scotland-Windthorst VFW & auxiliary are having a breakfast on **May 23<sup>rd</sup>** from 7:30 -12:30 at the Courtyard (old KC Hall) of Windthorst. The menu includes scrambled eggs, German sausage, ham, biscuits, gravy, pancakes, breakfast casserole, coffee, orange juice and milk. There will also be a raffle. The cost is by donation only. You may dine in or take it out. Come help us support our local veterans particularly Camp Lindsay of Wichita Falls. Hope to see you on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Courtyard.

In today's Gospel, Jesus commands his disciples, whom he calls "friends," to love one another as he loves them. Jesus uses the word "love" as a verb or a noun nine times. He also employs the word "command" or "commandment" five times. His command to love one another is explicit. Those who understand the depth of Christ's love for us have reason to be joyful. We are called to be stewards of this loving friendship; to love one another as Jesus loves us. Do we give serious attention to what this love requires of us? What is the price of this friendship with the Lord? Are we willing to pay this price to keep Christ's friendship?

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesus manda a sus discipulos, a quienes llama "amigos," que se amen unos a otros como el los ama. Jesus usa la palabra "amor" como verbo o sustantivo nueve veces. Tambien emplea la palabra "mandato" o "mandamiento" cinco veces. Su mandato de amarse unos a otros es explicito. Aquellos que entienden la profundidad del amor por nosotros tienen razon para estar gozosos. Estamos llamados a ser corresponsables de esta amorosa amistad; de amarnos unos a otros como Jesus nos ama. Prestamos verdadera atencion a lo que este amor requiere de nosotros? Cual es el precio de esta Amistad con el Senor? Estamos dispuestos a pagar este precio para mantener la Amistad de Cristo?

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Union Branch #30 of Windthorst and  
Branch #36 of Scotland

**ST. MARY'S 7-DAY LIGHTS:** Happy Mother's Day Jeanne, Dianne, Myra, Kathy, Dolores, My Granddaughters, My Granddaughters-in-law, My Great Granddaughters, My Great Granddaughters-in-law, My Great Great Granddaughters, My Great Great Granddaughters-in-law, Happy Mother's Day to all Mothers by Francis Hoffman; Happy Mother's Day to all Mothers, Caroline Anderle & Family, Ann Veitenheimer & Family, Ralph & Clara Veitenheimer, Mark & Kristi Veitenheimer by Cordella Berend; Gary Lowery & Nichol, Mark & Crystal Scheffe, Happy Birthday Marie Veitenheimer, Mark & Kristi Veitenheimer, Chad & Heather Veitenheimer, +Kristen Shea, Robert & Gretta Veitenheimer, Ralph & Clara Veitenheimer, Bernard & Pat Scheffe, Kenny & Martha Wolf, Gladys (Scheffe) Wolf, Gerald & Sherry Berend, Francis Essler & Edna Mae by Bobby & Pat Scheffe; Glenda Schroeder, Lexi Hoegger, Danielle Koetter, +Mildred Koetter, +Bertie Nelson, +Lillian Thoele, Lester Anderle, Becky Alexander, Safety for Military, Police & Firefighters, Our Country, +Hildegard Kitten, +Gertie Schroeder, +Marie Koetter, +Catherine Scheffe, Very Special Intention by Russell & Judy Koetter; Aunt Mary Jo Russe, Cole Morrison, Brad Crain by Suzette & Richard Schreiber; Our Mothers, Our Children, Jim & Geneva Simpson, Ralph & Clara Veitenheimer by Gerald & Sherry Berend; Healing for Jim by Mom; Healing for Josh, Ryan, Rick Fleitman by Grandma; Our Sick Members, For an increase in Priestly & Consecrated Life Vocations by CDA #296

**YEARLY LIGHTS:** Terry & Carol Sales by Ray & Dorothy Berend; +Jerry Anderle by Marsha, Victoria & Rachel; +Leroy Anderle by Caroline & Family; +Bill Wolf by Vinie; +Dale Barrett by Family; +Clarence & +Dorothy Wolf by Family; Ed & Alvina Veitenheimer by Family; +Gus Berend, +Nell Vieth by James & Deana Vieth; +Joe & +Magdalena Lindemann by Family; For Fr. Michael, For +Henry & Mildred Pennartz Family by Hillary & Roy; For all battling cancer by Charles & Joyce Vieth; In memory of +Janice, +Ed & +Catherine, +Lois Luig, +Nancy Luig Carr & +Geraldine Lindemann by Eddie Luig Family; For World Peace & safety of our Military, especially for Damian Hoffman (Army), David Ogura (Army), & Zachary Zotz (Army) by Grandmommy; For Jeanne & Family, Ray & Myra & Family, Chuck & Diane Zotz Family, Terry & Kathy & Family, Dolores Sumner & Family by Frances Hoffman; Living & Deceased Members of Catholic Life Insurance Branch #30; Our Family & For The Safety of Our Military by Ralph & Clara; For +Joe Schreiber & +Joseph Schreiber by Agnes Schreiber; For Mom by Johnnie & Alice; For Students of W.I.S.D. & C.D.A. #296 Members by C.D.A. #296; The Holy Spirit's Daily Guidance in Endeavors for each member of my family by Donor; For +Lawrence & +Helen Berend Family by Terry & Carol Sales; For Our Family by Joe & Lugenia Zotz; +Arnold & +Lillian Lindeman by the Family; +Thomas & +Leona Schlumpf by Danny Schlumpf Family; Ben's safety by Mom & Dad; For our Family by Frank & Joyce Wolf; For all our Family by Don & Benita Essler; For Our Family by Bernard & Pat Scheffe; Sick & Hurting of St. Mary's Christian Mother's Society by the Christian Mothers; For my Family & for Bruce by Anna Mae Veitenheimer; Safety of Volunteer Firemen, Safety of Ben Wolf, Gina Loran, Brett Hoff, Kevin Schroeder, Corey George, & Greg Schlumpf, Holly Villa, Sabrina Johnston, Living and Deceased Members of Charles & Mary Lindemann family by Benny Lindeman; Thank you for all the graces & blessings received for our Country, Community & Family by Bert & Elizabeth Hoff; Living & Deceased Members of Alphonse & Caroline Zotz by the Family; For our Family by George & Juanita Martin; My Family by Margaret Beaman; Living & Deceased members of

Himmels Family, For my family & For +Al Veitenheimer by Ann Veitenheimer; Dad & Mom by Nubbin & Angela; +Floyd & Betty Humpert by the Family; For Our Family & In Memory of +Alfred Berend by Cordella; Guidance & Protection for our Military Service Men & Women by V.F.W.

#### **REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS!**

Lester Anderle, Conner Berardi, Chuck Berend, Gerald Berend, Nellie Berend, Patience Blake, J.C. Birkenfield, Teresa Lindeman Birkenfield, Mabel Bowlden, Al Cabrera, David Carcaño, Jesús Colchado, Don Defoor, Brandy Evans, Danielle Mueller Fontenot, Emily Foster, Jeanne Fischer, Annette Fleitman, Rick Fleitman, Cindy Frerich, Kimberly Fulford, Tootsie Gardner, Jerry Green, Louise Green, Sister Marie Green, Jerry Gibson, Artie Hallenbeck, Stan Hammack, Betty Hilbers, Melissa Hogan, Gary Humpert, Pat Humpert, Billie Hoff, Debbie Hoff, Ernie Hoff, JoAnn Hoff, Marvin Hoff Sr., Pauline Hoff, Willie L. Hoff, Myra Hoffman, Libby Ingram, Donnie Johnson, Gary Julian, C.D. Knobloch, Elsie Koetter, Misty Lindley, Agnes Loran, Karen Lowe, Louis Lowe, Brian Lucore, Kyler Marlar, Annette Meurer, Jess Meurer, Hans Meyer, Madi Scogin, Skylar Mueller, Kim Nelson, Travis Nelson, Jerry Ostermann, Rita Pearson, Nancy Pennartz, Colby Peterson, Gina Phillips, Phillip Rafferty, Dawson Reynolds, Bradley Rodgers, Carol Sales, Cassey Schenk, Frank Schenk, Grady Schenk, Sr., Paul Schenk, Roch Schenk, Rosalie Schenk, Agnes Schreiber, Fern Schreiber, Gerald Schreiber, Nelda Schreiber, Roxanne Schreiber, Alex Schroeder, Hans Schroeder, Lauren Schroeder, Linda Schroeder, Mary Lou Schroeder, Rosalee Schroeder, Ryan Schroeder, Helen Seigler, Henri Seto, Debbie Shifflett, Geneva Simpson, Jim Simpson, Lisa Smith, Yvette Smith, Weldon Snyder, Kelly Summitt, Kate Talley, **Donna Tettleton**, Margaret Green Tift, Trent Tipton, Randy Townsend, Ann Veitenheimer, Anna Mae Veitenheimer, John Veitenheimer, Ralph Veitenheimer, James Vieth, Tim Vieth, David Williams, Debbie Williams, Charles Winkles, Joe Witten, Sarah Witten, Jim Wolf, Kenny Wolf, Martha Wolf, Pauline Wolf, Alphonse Zotz Jr., Bruce Zotz, Chuck Zotz, Harola Zotz.

**Prayer of the Faithful:** Lord Jesus, we lift those on our weekly list to you; You are the healer of the sick and we keep praying and hoping for those who are ill. May we continue to pray for all who are sick and hurting and may your peace come to each and every one of us. Amen

**MILITARY PRAYER LIST** -Charles Berend, Jr. (Navy), Fermin Estrada Jr., (Army), Sgt. Bill Foster, Capt. Sean Fuhrmann (Marines), Lt. Colonel Tony Garcia (Navy), Cpl. Kellen Green (Marine), Luke Grotelueschen (Army), Captain Brian Hoff (Marine), Tracey Hoff (Navy), Damian Hoffman (Army), Master Sgt. Nicholas Klein (Army), Stephen Koetter (Army), Adam Lambert (Army), James Devon Lindeman (Army), PVT Miguel Luna Jr., Jess Martinez (Army), Joshua Millican (Navy), Sgt. Kenneth (K.J.) Nichols (Army), Major David Ogura (Army), Kyle Page (Marine), Frank Prokop, (Colorado Air National Guard), Sgt. Robert Rhinehart, Private Trey Schenk (Marine), Tracy Hoff Schmitt (Army), 1<sup>st</sup> Class Craig Slaten (Air Force), Staff Sgt. Ricky Smith (Air Force), Judy Solorio (Navy), Staff Sgt. Matthew Tubbs, Sgt. Ann Schreiber Turner (Air Force), Cpl. Logan Veitenheimer (Marine) Josh Winter (Army), Major Audrey Wolf (Army), Zachary Zotz (Army). (If there are any changes or additions please call the office.) Dear Heavenly Father, please protect our troops as they protect us. Bless them and their families for all that they are doing for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus. AMEN

# St. Mary's



In honor of Anna Mae Veitenheimer, In memory of Lucille Schroeder,  
In honor of Carrie Bloom, In honor of Sandra Gresham, In honor of Erica West, In honor of Paige  
Schroeder, In honor of Brittany Barbosa by Joey, Gail & Bruce  
In memory of Mrs. Frank Wachsman, In memory of Mrs. L. A. Berend, In memory of Geraldine Lindemann,  
In memory of Carol Hudak, In honor of Carol Sales, In honor of Ann Veitenheimer,  
In honor of Mabel Bowlden, In honor of Annette Fleitman by Richard Wachsman Family  
In loving memory of Mom Roewe, In loving memory of Mom Ostermann By Raymond & Doreen  
In honor of our Mom (Doreen) By Klint, Dana, Cheryl & Lance  
In honor of Mom (Rosalee Schroeder), In memory of Louise Cooper,  
In memory of Grandma Lucille Schroeder, In memory of Grandma Helen Steinberger,  
In honor of Geneva Schroeder, In honor of Tammy Schroeder, In honor of Linette Fleitman,  
In honor of Margaret Beaman, In honor of Clara Veitenheimer, In honor of Gloria Schroeder  
By Denise & Cooper  
In honor of Jana Vieth by Mom & Cooper  
In honor of Christy Moody by Dad & Denise  
In loving memory of Veronica Vieth by Charlie & Joyce  
In memory of Ida Mae Hoff, In memory of Josefa Maglalang, In memory of Charlotte Hoff Jenkins,  
In memory of Kathleen Hoff Donovan by Bert & Elizabeth Hoff  
In honor of Elizabeth M. Hoff, In honor of Beverly Hoff, In honor of Ernestine Pavelka Marth  
by Bert, Kevin & Brian  
In memory of Rose Mary Schroeder, In memory of Lucy Humpert In memory of Margaret Schroeder,  
In honor of Ann Hertel, In honor of Cathy Anderle, In honor of Vicki Neeb, In honor of Jeanne Lowe,  
In honor of Sherry Schroeder, In honor of Diane Schroeder by Donnie & Cindy Frerich  
In honor of Ann Veitenheimer, In honor of Our Daughters-in-Law Hilary, Stephany & Kaley,  
In memory of Lorine Wolf, In Memory of Aunt Margie by Frank & Joyce Wolf  
In memory of Our Moms Loretta Meurer & Mildred Koetter, In memory of Our Grandmothers,  
In memory of My Godmother Marie Koetter, In honor of My Godmother Shirly Williams,  
In honor of Our Daughter & Daughters-in-Law, In honor of Margaret Beaman, In honor of Our Sisters &  
Sisters-in-Law, In honor of Forgotten Mothers by Roy & Julie  
In honor of Nancy Schreiber, In honor of Michaela, In honor of Michenna, In honor of Wilma Hoagland  
by Mike  
In memory of Mom by Mike, Mike Jr. & Matt  
In honor of Our Moms – Angie Berend & Ann Veitenheimer, In memory of Aunt Margie Himmels,  
In honor of the Moms in Our Family – Jean, Traci, Trina, Kasye & Jordyn by Jean & Scott  
In memory of Nell Vieth, In honor of Nellie Berend, In honor of Harlee Lambert  
By James & Deana Vieth Family

In honor of Sarah Hoff, In honor of Debbie Hoff, In honor of Stephanie Hoff Pickle, In honor of Cindy Hoff,  
 In honor of Vinie Wolf by Sean Hoff  
 Happy Mother's Day to Our Moms Ann Veitenheimer & Debbie Schroeder – Love you both!  
 By Michael, June, Coby, Caleb, Conner & Chloe  
 Happy Mother's Day to one of the Sweetest Grandma/Great Grandma's We Know – Gladys Wolf. Love you,  
 Michael & June Schroeder Family  
 In memory of Mother Berend & Mom Veitenheimer, In honor of Caroline, Francie, Adelaide & Ann,  
 In honor of Diane Walker, In honor of Stella, Clara, Gloria, Karen & Elaine by Cordella Berend  
 In memory of My Mother – Theresa Himmels, In memory of Elizabeth Veitenheimer,  
 In memory of My Sisters – Helen, Ida Mae, Juanita, Pauline, Margie & Betty, In honor of Mabel,  
 In honor of Annette, In honor of Daughters – Jean, Joyce, Elaine & June, In honor of Granddaughters -  
 Traci, Trina, Trissa, Abby, Brianne, Brooklyn & Chloe, In honor of Granddaughters-in-Law – Kasye, Jordyn,  
 Katy, Hilary, Stephany & Kaley by Ann Veitenheimer  
 In memory of My Mother (Anna Moer), In memory of My Mother-in-law (Amelia), In honor of Sandy Hoff,  
 In honor of Terri Hoff, In honor of Laura Hoff, In honor of Dorcyle Hoff, In honor of Leann Hoff,  
 In honor of Donna Hoff, In honor of Pauline Hoff, In honor of Frances Hoffman by JoAnn Hoff  
 In loving memory of Janice Luig, In loving memory of Catherine Luig, In loving memory of Lois Luig,  
 In loving memory of Nancy Luig Carr, In loving memory of Mrs. C.J. (Edna) Green,  
 In loving memory of Geraldine Lindemann, In memory of Luig & Green Deceased Relatives,  
 In memory of Luig & Green Living Relatives, In honor of Carla, In honor of Micki, In honor of Lauren,  
 In honor of Missy by Eddie Luig Family  
 In memory of Nellie Veitenheimer, Dorothy Beaman & Bertha Veitenheimer, In honor of Terry, Carol, Diane,  
 Michelle, Karen, Jill & Megan, In honor of Clara Veitenheimer, In honor of Mildred Lindemann,  
 In honor of Ann Veitenheimer, In honor of Cindy Frerich, In honor of Denise Cooper,  
 In honor of Shirley Litteken, In honor of Glenda Schroeder, In honor of Cordella Berend,  
 In honor of Julie Koetter, In honor of Melanie Beisch by Margaret Beaman  
 In memory of Lena Fleitman, In memory of Josephine Lindemann, In honor of Barbara Hanson,  
 In honor of Sally Mroczkowski, In honor of Kathy Riley, In honor of Margie Reeves,  
 In honor of Virginia Krahll, In honor of Clara Fleitman, In honor of Margaret Beaman,  
 In honor of Annette Fleitman by Mildred Lindemann,  
 In memory of Pauline Berend, In honor of Elaine Berend, In honor of Rhonda Baumer,  
 In honor of Mary Galloway, In honor of Rosalie Schenk, In honor of Mary Baumer,  
 In honor of Jeanette Galloway by Robert & Sam Baumer  
 In memory of Helen Berend, In memory of Josephine Lindemann, In honor of Anna Mae Veitenheimer,  
 In honor of Carol Sales, In honor of Mildred Lindemann by Ray & Dorothy Berend  
 In honor of Gladys Wolf, In honor of Bernadine Berend, In honor of Erin Green, In honor of Julie Berend,  
 In honor of Renee Berend, In honor of Meegan Weaver, In honor of Sam Bryant,  
 In honor of Margaret Beaman, In honor of Gloria Schroeder, In honor of Lillie Rife  
 by Gerald & Sherry Berend  
 In honor of Lois Wolf, In honor of Marie Veitenheimer, In honor of Kenda Wolf, In honor of Amy Wolf,  
 In honor of Anna Mae Veitenheimer by Doug & Betty Wolf  
 In honor of Betty Wolf by Doug  
 In memory of Lois Luig, In memory of Dorothy Schreiber by Doug & Betty Wolf  
 In memory of Pauline Berend, In memory of Roberta Schroeder, In memory of Ana Berend,  
 In honor of Dorothy, In honor of Barbara, In honor of Karen, In honor of Laura, In honor of Brittany,  
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## Sunday, May 09, 2021

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### See through God's eye

God does not see as we see, the prophet Isaiah reminds us. To harness the divine perspective, native peoples of western Mexico wove yarn on crossed sticks to represent the eye of God (*ojo de Dios*), which sees in four directions and in all elemental mediums: earth, wind, fire, and water. A God's eye became the portal through which God views the supplicant, or through which those who pray might share the divine vision. Sharing a God's-eye perspective on the world remains the goal of every believer. Practice seeing others as our compassionate God sees them.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17 (56). *"In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever . . . acts uprightly is acceptable to him."*

## Monday, May 10, 2021

MEMORIAL OF DAMIEN DE VEUSTER, PRIEST

### Pray for those who heal

The story of Saint Damien de Veuster, a Belgian priest who missioned to quarantined lepers in Hawaii and died of the disease, is extraordinary—although often echoed these days as legions of medical professionals all over the world put themselves in harm's way to treat the sick and dying of COVID. Father Damian is a "martyr of charity," and we've been blessed with multitudes of fearless, generous heroes like him who've expended themselves physically and emotionally to get us through this pandemic. Give thanks to God for our modern martyrs of charity and ask for Father Damian's intercession to keep them safe and send them spiritual strength.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4a (291). *"And you also testify, because you have been with me from the beginning."*

## Tuesday, May 11, 2021

EASTER WEEKDAY

### Cultivate an appreciation of rural traditions

Though they've disappeared from most modern calendars, two older Catholic observances converge today. One is the petitioning of the "Ice Saints"—Boniface of Tarsus, Pancras, and Servatius—so named because their feasts fall during what were believed in some northern nations to be the last days of spring when a cold snap might damage spring plantings. The other observance, beginning on the Tuesday before Ascension Thursday, is known as the Minor Rogation Days. These two, along with the Catholic observance of Ember Days, are religious celebrations more commonly tied to the rhythms of rural life. They include the blessing of fields for a good harvest and prayers for good weather. Learn more at [CatholicRuralLife.org](http://CatholicRuralLife.org).

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11 (292). *"His household rejoiced at having come to faith in God."*

## Wednesday, May 12, 2021

MEMORIALS OF NEREUS AND ACHILLEUS, MARTYRS; PANCRAS, MARTYR

### Religious freedom is a timeless concern

Sometimes it is difficult to relate to the martyrs of the early church because their lives are so different from our own. Nereus and Achilles were Roman soldiers who had participated in carrying out persecutions of Christians. In a "miracle of faith," they were converted and died their own martyred deaths in the late first

century. Pancras was a 14-year-old martyr of the same era who was beheaded because he publicly affirmed his faith in Jesus Christ. On this Easter weekday, give thanks for the ability to freely worship and pray for those around the world who do not enjoy such freedom.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; John 16:12-15 (293). *"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth . . . will guide you to all truth."*

## Thursday, May 13, 2021

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

### Rise to the occasion

Today's Feast of the Ascension gives wide recognition to a rather complex idea—that Christ both ascended to heaven *and* remains with us. In fact, we get a taste of heaven when we unify ourselves with Jesus in spirit and action. Saint Augustine taught "although he ascended alone, we also ascend, because we are in him by grace." From attending Mass to aiding the needy, on this feast day we can all take a step toward unity with Christ.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 4:1-13 or Ephesians 1:17-23; Mark 16:15-20 (58). *"So then the Lord Jesus . . . was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God."*

## Friday, May 14, 2021

FEAST OF MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

### Abstinence makes the faith grow stronger

Although self-denial is celebrated in all major religions as a virtue, the value isn't so much in the practice as in the motivation. For Christians the virtuous motivation for abstinence of food, drink, or particular desires comes from love. We deny ourselves for God's sake and for the sake of others. Saint Matthias, patron of alcoholics, encouraged abstinence as a way to grow closer to God. He kept his focus on his vocation to spread the gospel and let little distract him from his purpose. What can you do today to keep your focus on love?

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17 (564). *"This I command you: love one another."*

## Saturday, May 15, 2021

EASTER WEEKDAY

### Honor the forces of reconciliation

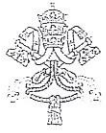
Pope Saint John XXIII taught that wars are never justified. Pope Saint John Paul II wrote to President George W. Bush that the Iraq War was unjust. Pope Benedict XVI questioned whether any war could be called just. Pope Francis, speaking in Hiroshima during his 2019 visit, repeated the positions of the previous popes. Christians face a dilemma, wanting world peace but also needing some protection from those who don't think the same way. The church recognizes a need for the military. But the task of the military should be to maintain peace and set the conditions for reconciliation. On this Armed Forces Day, pray for all our military service members. They have a difficult job.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23b-28 (296). *"For the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have come to believe that I came from God."*

*Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time*



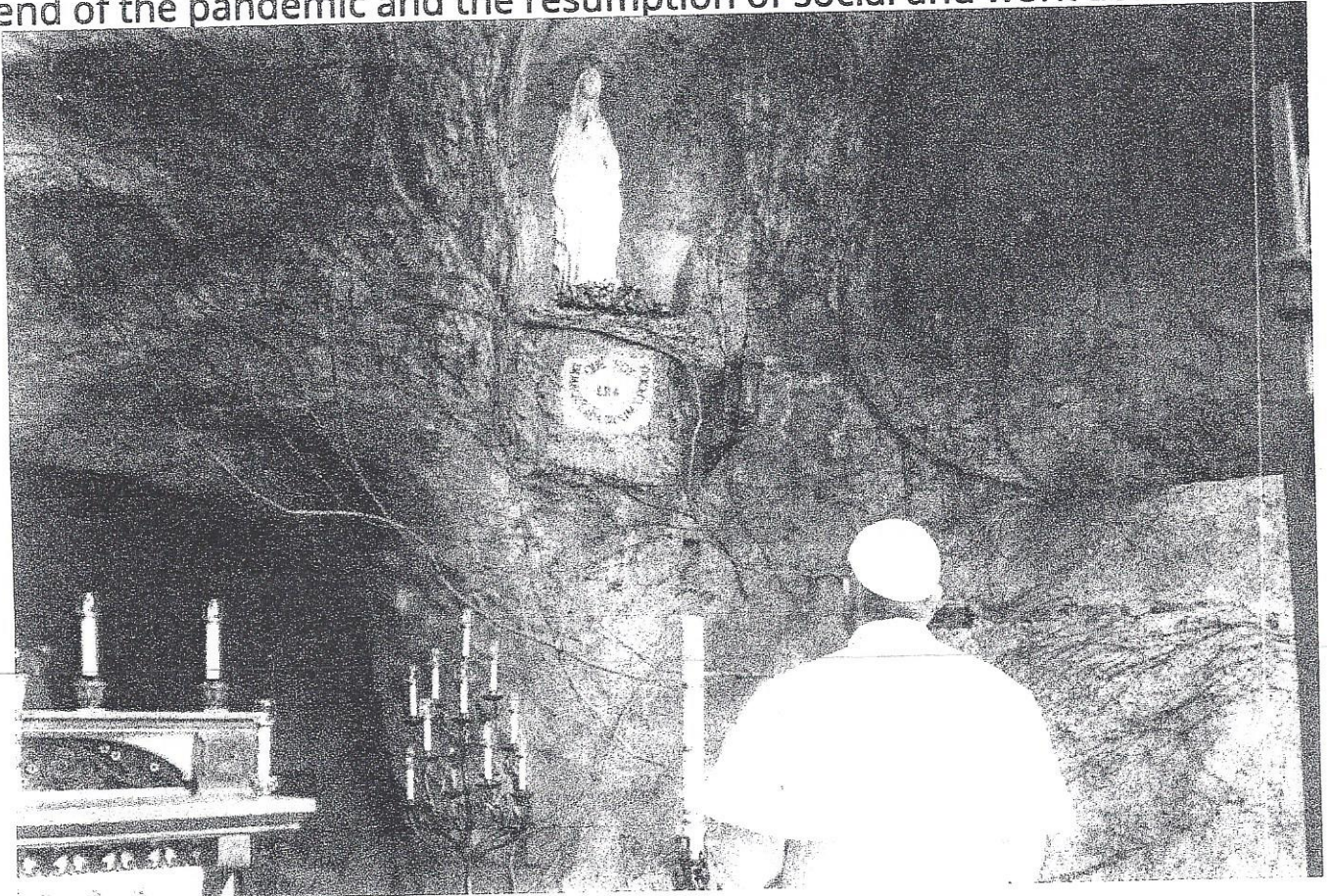
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#### Press release

In response to the Holy Father's heartfelt wish, the month of May will be dedicated to a "marathon" of prayer, to ask for the end of the pandemic, which has afflicted the world for more than a year now, and to ask for the resumption of social and work activities. Pope Francis wishes to involve all the Shrines around the world in this initiative, so that they may become vehicles of the prayer of the entire Church. The initiative is being conducted in the light of the biblical expression: "Prayer by the Church was fervently being made to God" (Acts 12:5).

The Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization, entrusted by the Holy Father with the task of organizing the event, has extended this invitation to all the Shrines around the world, in order to promote the diffusion of the initiative in the relevant Regions, so as to reach priests, families, and all the faithful, inviting them to join in this prayer of intercession and hope to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Together with the prayer of the Holy Rosary, each day of

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the month is characterized by a prayer intention for the various categories of people most affected by the plight of the pandemic: *for those who have not been able to say goodbye to their loved ones, for all health care personnel, for the poor, the homeless and those in economic difficulty and for all the deceased.* These are some of the intentions that will punctuate our prayer to Our Lady.

Every Shrine around the world is invited to pray, in the language and manner used locally, asking for the resumption of social life, work and the many human activities that were suspended during the pandemic. This common appeal seeks to create an unceasing intercession, dispersed over the meridians of the world, which rises continuously from the entire Church to the Father through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary. For this reason, the Shrines are called to promote and solicit as much as possible the participation of the faithful, so that everyone can devote a moment to daily prayer, in the car, on the street, and thanks to communication technologies, with the *smartphone*, requesting the end of the pandemic and the resumption of social and work activities.

The Holy Father will open and close the prayer, along with the faithful around the world, from two significant locations within the Vatican City State. On May 1, Pope Francis will pray at Our Lady of Succor (*or Our Lady of Help*), an icon venerated as early as the seventh century depicted in a fresco above the altar of Saint Leo, near the southern transept of the primitive Vatican Basilica, afterwards placed, where it still stands today, inside the new Saint Peter's Basilica erected by Pope Gregory XIII in 1578, at the Gregorian Chapel, where, the relics of Saint Gregory of Nazianzus, Doctor and Father of the Church, are also kept. In 2013, during the Year of Faith, the icon underwent a new restoration. Since it was the first restoration carried out in the pontificate of Pope Francis, at that time newly elected, the words *SVCCVRRE NOS* and *FRANCISCVS PP. A. I.*, were engraved below the icon, thus entrusting the Pope to Our Lady of Succor.

On this occasion, the Holy Father will bless special Rosaries used particularly for this event, which will then be sent to the thirty Shrines directly involved. A number of families from parishes in Rome and Lazio will take part by reading and leading the recitation of the Holy Rosary, along with young people representing some of the New Evangelization Movements. Instead, on May 31, Pope Francis will conclude this prayer marathon from a significant place in the Vatican Gardens, of which further information will be given. Both of these moments will be accessible to persons with deafness and hearing difficulties through LIS sign language translation.

These thirty representative Shrines, scattered throughout the world, have been chosen to lead the Marian prayer each during one day of the month. These shrines are: Our Lady of Walsingham in England; Jesus the Saviour and Mother Mary in Nigeria; Our Lady of Częstochowa in Poland; Basilica of the Annunciation in Nazareth; Blessed Virgin of the Rosary in South Korea; Our Lady Aparecida in Brazil; Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage in the Philippines; Our Lady of Lujan in Argentina; Holy House of Loreto in Italy; Our Lady of Knock in Ireland; Virgin of the Poor at Banneux in Belgium; Notre Dame d'Afrique in Algeria; Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima in Portugal; Our Lady of Health in India; Our Lady Queen of Peace at Medjugorje in Bosnia; St. Mary's Cathedral in Australia; Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in the United States; Our Lady of Lourdes in France; Meryem Ana in Turkey; Nuestra Señora de la Caridad del Cobre in Cuba; Our Lady of Nagasaki in Japan; Nuestra Señora de Montserrat in Spain; Notre Dame du Cap in Canada; National Shrine Our Lady Ta' Pinu in Malta; Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe in Mexico; Mother of God in Zarvantysia in Ukraine; Black Madonna of Altötting in Germany; Our Lady of Lebanon – in Lebanon; Blessed Virgin of the Holy Rosary of Pompeii in Italy.

The official channels of the Holy See will broadcast the prayer said each day in each of these thirty Shrines at 6:00 p.m., according to time scheduled in Rome. A short liturgical guide has been prepared that provides some useful suggestions for sharing this moment in one's own community. The guide in Italian, English and Spanish can be downloaded from the website of the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization

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## SHRINE LIST AND DAILY PRAYER INTENTIONS

	<b>Shrine</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Continent</b>	<b>Prayer Intention</b>
	Basilica Vaticana (Madonna del Soccorso)	The Vatican	Europe	For the entire world wounded by this pandemic
1	Our Lady of Walsingham	England	Europe	For all the deceased
2	Jesus the Saviour and Mother Mary (Elele)	Nigeria	Africa	For all those who have not been able to say goodbye to their deceased loved ones
3	Our Lady of Czestochowa	Poland	Europe	For all those infected with the corona virus and all the sick
4	Basilica of the Annunciation (in Nazareth)	Israel	Asia	For all expectant women and their unborn babies
5	Blessed Virgin of the Rosary (in Namyang)	South Korea	Asia	For all children and adolescents
6	Our Lady Aparecida (San Paolo)	Brazil	America	For all young people
7	Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage (Antipolo)	Philippines	Asia	For all families
8	Our Lady of Luján	Argentina	America	For all communication workers
9	Holy House of Loreto	Italia	Europe	For all seniors
10	Our Lady of Knock	Ireland	Europe	For all people with disabilities
11	The Virgin of the Poor (Banneux)	Belgium	Europe	For all the poor, the homeless, and the economically distressed
12	Our Lady of Africa (Algiers)	Algeria	Africa	For all people who live alone and those who have lost hope
13	Our Lady of the Rosary (Fatima)	Portugal	Europe	For all prisoners
14	Our Lady of Health (Vailankanni)	India	Asia	For all scientists and medical research institutions

15	Our Lady Queen of Peace (Medjugorje)	Bosnia	Europe	For all migrants
16	Saint Mary's Cathedral (Sydney)	Australia	Oceania	For all victims of violence and human trafficking
17	Immaculate Conception (Washington, D.C.)	USA	America	For all world leaders and for all heads of international organizations
18	Our Lady of Lourdes	France	Europe	For all doctors and nurses
19	Mother Mary's House - <i>Meryem Ana Evi</i> (Ephesus)	Turkey	Asia	For all people at war and for world peace
20	Nuestra Señora de la Caridad del Cobre	Cuba	America	For all pharmacists and health care personnel
21	Our Lady of Nagasaki	Japan	Asia	For all social workers
22	Nuestra Señora de Montserrat	Spain	Europe	For all volunteers
23	Notre Dame du Cap (Trois Rivières)	Canada	America	For all law enforcement and military personnel and for all firefighters
24	Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Nyaunglebin	Myanmar	Asia	For all those who provide essential services
25	Basilica of the Blessed Virgin of Ta' Pinu	Malta	Europe	For all teachers, students and educators
26	Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe	Mexico	America	For all workers and entrepreneurs
27	Mother of God (Zarvanytsia)	Ukraine	Europe	For all the unemployed
28	Black Madonna of Altötting	Germany	Europe	For the Holy Father, bishops, presbyters, and deacons
29	Our Lady of Lebanon (Harissa)	Lebanon	Asia	For all consecrated men and women
30	Blessed Virgin of the Holy Rosary of Pompeii	Italia	Europe	For the Church
31	Vatican Gardens	The Vatican	Europe	For the end of the pandemic and the resumption of our social and economic life

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## One Minute Meditations

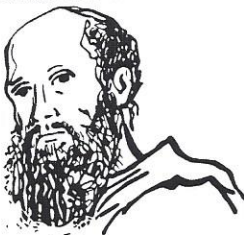
### God is our strength

Life can be exhausting and we can become overwhelmed by what it takes to be good. It is important to remember that we don't struggle alone. "If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, will he not also give us all things with him?" (Romans 8:31-32).

### A new approach

St. Paul said the whole law is summed up in love. While he was talking about Mosaic law, laws are given to preserve order. Jesus presented a new fresh approach. Out of love, He came not to abolish the Law, but to bring it to perfection. The relationship between heaven and earth is love.

"Whatever you ask in my name, I will do it, that the Father may be glorified in the Son; if you ask anything in my name, I will do it" (John 14:13-14).



## Who do you say that Jesus is?

Jesus said to his Apostles, "But who do you say that I am?" (Matthew 16:15). In *Mere Christianity*, C.S. Lewis wrote that there are three ways to answer this question. Perhaps Jesus was a liar, deliberately misleading others by claiming to be God. Or, was He insane, deluded into thinking He was God? Finally, perhaps He was what He said He was – God.

**Liar:** If Jesus deliberately misled others, He would have been evil. Yet, his friends wrote that He did incredible acts of good, was honest, kind, and compassionate. No one experienced Jesus as a bad man.

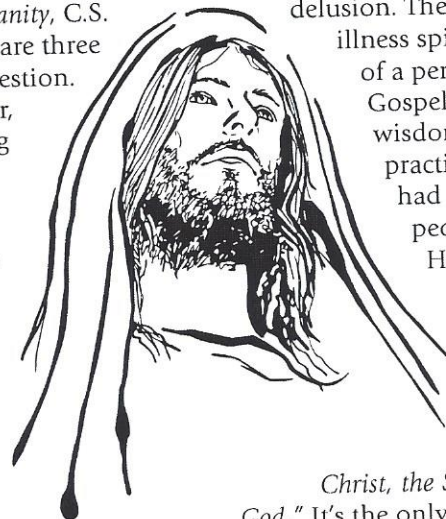
**Lunatic:** What if Jesus were insane and deluded when believing He was

God? Being out of touch with reality wouldn't have been confined to one delusion. The effects of mental illness spill into many areas of a person's life. Yet, the Gospels describe Jesus' wisdom, intelligence, and practical good sense. He had an ability to attract people who respected His authority.

**Lord:** When Jesus asked, "But who do YOU say that I am?", Peter responded, "You are the

Christ, the Son of the living God." It's the only answer that makes sense.

Ultimately, we all have to answer the question of who Jesus is for ourselves. We can pray for the faith of Peter to declare Jesus our Lord and our God.



## Why Do Catholics Do That?

Popes, saints, and Catholics over the centuries have turned to the Rosary for miraculous help in seemingly impossible situations. The mysteries of the Rosary describe the events of Jesus' life, death and



Resurrection. As we pray the Rosary, we revisit these events.

The Rosary is deeply ingrained in our Catholic identity. The rhythm of the Rosary is meant to still our minds and direct our hearts to communion with God, placing our focus on God and not on the world.

## Why do Catholics pray the Rosary?

## Mary brings us to the heart of her Son

Jesus so loved his mother that his last thoughts on the Cross were of her. He gave her to us as our own mother, and wants us to honor her. "Since Mary is rightly to be regarded as the way by which we are led to Christ, the person who encounters Mary cannot help but encounter Christ likewise" (*Mense Maio*, Blessed Pope Paul VI).



For her "yes." Without fully understanding what God intended, she unhesitatingly agreed to become his mother. Her "yes" made it possible for God to become

human and be crucified for our salvation. Following her example means saying "yes" to whatever God asks.

For her sacrifice. Wouldn't you be forever grateful to someone who gave up her child so that you and your loved ones might live? Mary loved her amazing child and she experienced unspeakable heartache as he was sacrificed for us. Praying the Rosary regularly reminds us of the life of Jesus and the desire of his Mother to bring us close to his heart.

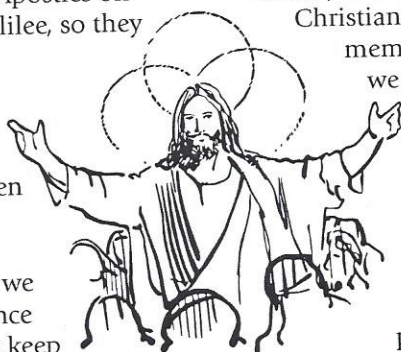
### from Scripture

#### Matthew 28:16-20, The Holy Trinity

Jesus appeared to the Apostles on the mountain top in Galilee, so they could receive their final instructions. They were to go forth, baptize, make disciples, and to teach what they had been taught.

These are our instructions, too. Once we meet Jesus and experience his love for us, we can't keep him to ourselves. We must share him.

Jesus also revealed to the Apostles, and to the crowd gathered with them, that God is a Trinity — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit — three Divine Persons united in love. The belief that God is



three, yet one, is distinct to Christianity. When we became members of the Church, we were baptized in the name of the Trinity.

The Trinity is a mystery we may not fully understand, but we can still live in its love and power. We proclaim our faith in it

whenever we make the Sign of the Cross: "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Our ultimate goal is to follow Christ into the eternal life of the Trinity.

### Q & A Why are Catholics urged to pray?

St. Therese of Lisieux said, "For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy."



Practically speaking, prayer is how we connect with God.

Prayer helps us to hear God's voice. By praying, we learn about Him, come to understand what He wants for us, and how

we reap the blessings He wants to give us. The more we pray, the closer to Him we become. "Christian prayer is a covenant relationship between God and man in Christ" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #2564).

Through our Baptism, we are united with Jesus. When we pray often and regularly, we create the habit of being in His presence and in communion with Him. And, we tap into our Baptismal connection. Through a healthy prayer life, we enjoy a personal and living relationship with God.

God seeks to draw us each to Himself. Prayer is our answer to Him.

### Feasts & Celebrations

**May 1 – St. Joseph the Worker.** Entrusted with the care of the Blessed Mother and Jesus, Joseph was a carpenter dedicated to his family and obedient to God.

**May 13 – Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord (1st Century).** This solemnity marks the completion of Jesus' mission of salvation and his triumphant entry into Heaven. *Note: In many dioceses, observance of Ascension has been moved to the following Sunday.*

**May 18 – St. Felix of Cantalice (1587).** Born to poor, pious parents in

Italy, St. Felix was called "Brother Deogratias" because he was always thanking God. As a young man, he joined the Capuchins, who sent him to Rome to be the friary's official beggar. He was also friends with Saints Philip Neri and Charles Borromeo.

**May 23 – Pentecost (1st century).** After the Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus, the Holy Spirit was given to the Church at the first Pentecost. When the apostles received the Holy Spirit, the "new age" of the Church was born.



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## Meditaciones breves

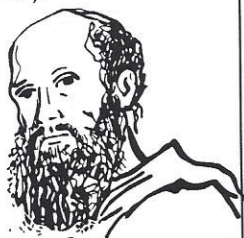
### Dios es nuestra fuerza

La vida puede ser agotadora y podemos sentirnos abrumados por lo que debemos hacer para ser buenos. Es importante recordar que no estamos solos en la lucha. "Si Dios está con nosotros, ¿quién estará contra nosotros? El que no escatimó a su propio Hijo, sino que lo entregó por todos nosotros, ¿no nos concederá toda clase de favores?" (Romanos 8:31-32).

### Un nuevo enfoque

San Pablo dijo que toda la ley se resume en el amor. Aunque hablaba de la ley mosaica, las leyes se dan para conservar el orden. Jesús presentó un nuevo enfoque. Por amor vino no para abolir la ley, sino para perfeccionarla. La conexión entre el cielo y la tierra es el amor.

"Y yo haré todo lo que ustedes pidan en mi nombre, para que el Padre sea glorificado en el Hijo. Si ustedes me piden algo en mi nombre, yo lo haré" (Juan 14:13-14).



## ¿Quién dice usted que es Jesús?

Jesús preguntó a sus apóstoles, "Y ustedes, ¿quién dicen que soy yo?" En *Cristianismo y Nada Más*, C. S. Lewis escribió que hay tres formas de contestar esta pregunta. Puede que Jesús fuera un mentiroso que engañaba a propósito a la gente diciendo que era Dios. ¿O es que estaba loco y equivocado sosteniendo que era Dios? Finalmente, tal vez era quien decía que era: Dios.

Mentiroso: Si Jesús engañó a propósito a los demás, habría sido perverso. Pero sus amigos escribieron que realizó increíbles actos de bondad y que era honrado, amable y compasivo. Nadie vio a Jesús como un hombre malo.

Loco: ¿Y si Jesús estaba loco y equivocado creyendo que era Dios? Perder el contacto

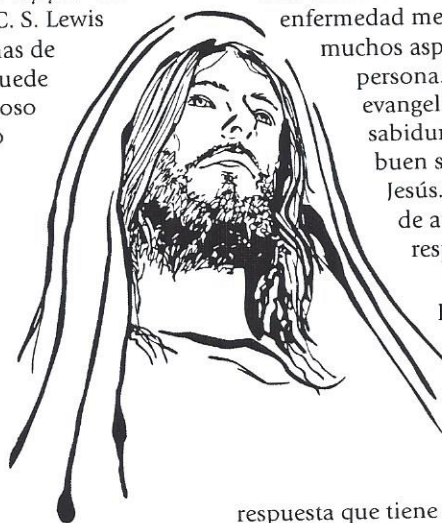
con la realidad no se habría limitado a un solo delirio. Los efectos de una enfermedad mental se extienden a muchos aspectos de la vida de una

persona. Sin embargo los evangelios describen la sabiduría, la inteligencia y el buen sentido práctico de Jesús. Tenía la habilidad de atraer a gente que respetaba su autoridad.

Señor: Cuando Jesús preguntó "Y ustedes ¿quién dicen que soy yo?", Pedro contestó: "Tú eres el Mesías, el Hijo del Dios vivo". Es la única

respuesta que tiene sentido.

Básicamente todos tenemos que contestar la pregunta de quién es Jesús para nosotros. Podemos pedir la fe de Pedro para declarar que Jesús es nuestro Dios y Señor.



## ¿Por qué hacen eso los católicos?

Los papas, los santos y los católicos a través de los siglos se han dirigido al Rosario pidiendo ayuda milagrosa en situaciones en apariencia imposibles. Los misterios del Rosario describen eventos de la vida, la muerte y la resurrección de Jesús.



## ¿Por qué rezan el Rosario los católicos?

Al rezar el Rosario repasamos estos eventos.

El Rosario está profundamente arraigado en nuestra identidad católica. El ritmo del Rosario está pensado para calmar nuestras mentes y dirigir nuestros corazones a la comunión con Dios, centrándonos en Dios y no en el mundo.

## María nos lleva al corazón de su Hijo

Jesús amó tanto a su madre que sus últimos pensamientos en la Cruz fueron para ella. Nos la dio como madre nuestra y quiere que la honremos. "Como María es por derecho la vía por la que llegamos a Cristo, la persona que encuentra a María encuentra también a Cristo" (*Mense Maio*, Pablo VI, Santo).

Por su "sí". Sin entender plenamente la intención de Dios, aceptó ser su madre sin dudar. Su "sí" hizo posible que Dios se hiciera



hombre y fuera crucificado por nuestra salvación. Seguir el ejemplo de María implica decir "sí" a todo lo que Dios pida.

Por su sacrificio. ¿No estaría eternamente agradecido a alguien que cediera a su hijo para que usted y sus seres queridos pudieran vivir? María amaba a su maravilloso hijo y sufrió indeciblemente cuando él fue sacrificado por nosotros. Rezar el Rosario con regularidad nos recuerda la vida de Jesús y el deseo de su Madre de acercarnos a su corazón.

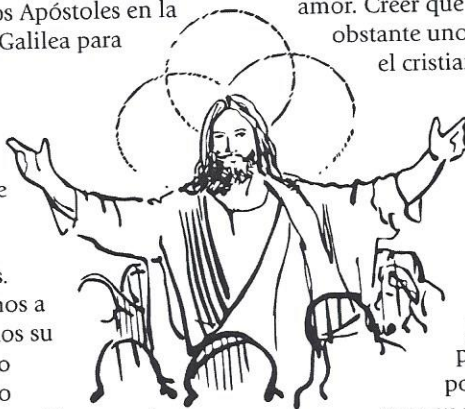
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#### Mateo 28:16-20, la Santísima Trinidad

Jesús se apareció a los Apóstoles en la cima de un monte en Galilea para darles sus últimas instrucciones. Tenían que partir, bautizar y hacer discípulos y enseñar todo lo que se les había enseñado.

Éstas son también nuestras instrucciones. Una vez que conocemos a Jesús y experimentamos su amor por nosotros, no podemos quedárnoslo solamente para nosotros. Tenemos de compartirlo.

Jesús también reveló a los Apóstoles, y a la multitud congregada con ellos, que Dios es una Trinidad—Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo—tres personas divinas unidas en



amor. Creer que Dios es trino, y no obstante uno, es algo muy claro en el cristianismo. Cuando nos

convertimos en miembros de la Iglesia somos bautizados en nombre de la Trinidad.

La Trinidad es un misterio que no podemos entender plenamente, pero podemos vivir en su amor

y en su poder. Proclamamos

nuestra fe en ella cada vez que nos santiguamos: "En el nombre del Padre, del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo". Nuestra meta final es seguir a Cristo hasta la vida eterna de la Trinidad.

### **P & R** ¿Por qué se insta a los católicos a que recen?

Santa Teresa de Lisieux dijo: "Para mí, la oración es un impulso del corazón, una simple mirada lanzada al cielo, un grito de reconocimiento y de amor, tanto desde



dentro de la prueba como desde dentro de la alegría". En términos prácticos, la oración es como conectamos con Dios.

La oración nos ayuda a escuchar la voz de Dios. Al rezar aprendemos sobre él,

conseguimos entender lo que él quiere para nosotros y cómo recogemos las bendiciones que quiere darnos. Cuanto más rezamos, más nos acercamos a él. "La oración cristiana es una relación de alianza entre Dios y el hombre en Cristo" (*Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica*, #2564).

Nos unimos a Jesús mediante el Bautismo. Cuando rezamos a menudo y con regularidad, nos habituamos a estar en su presencia y en comunión con él.

Y accedemos a nuestra conexión bautismal. Disfrutamos de una relación personal y viva con Dios gracias a una sólida vida de oración.

Dios quiere llevarnos hacia él. La oración es la respuesta que nosotros le damos.

### Fiestas y celebraciones

1 de mayo – San José Obrero.

Encargado del cuidado de la Bendita Madre y de Jesús, José era un carpintero que se dedicó a su familia y obedeció a Dios.

13 de mayo – La Ascensión del Señor (siglo I). Esta solemnidad señala el término de la misión de salvación de Jesús y su entrada triunfal en el cielo. *Nota: En muchas diócesis, la celebración de la Ascensión ha sido trasladada al domingo siguiente.*

18 de mayo – San Félix de Cantalice (1587). Hijo de padres pobres y piadosos

italianos, san Félix fue llamado "Hermano Deogratias" porque daba gracias a Dios constantemente. De joven ingresó en los capuchinos quienes lo enviaron a Roma a que fuera el limosnero oficial del convento. Fue amigo de san Felipe Neri y de san Carlos Borromeo.

23 de mayo – Pentecostés (siglo I). Después de la Ascensión de Jesús, la Iglesia recibió al Espíritu Santo el primer Pentecostés. Cuando los Apóstoles recibieron al Espíritu Santo, nació la "nueva era" de la Iglesia.



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## **Infanticide Logically Follows Abortion in our Culture of Death**

In the February 2012 issue of the Journal of Medical Ethics an article flatly argues in favor of infanticide.

In case you doubt that anyone would openly espouse the killing of babies after birth, let us quote from the article itself. "Merely being human is a reason for not in itself ascribing someone a right to life," the authors assert. Killing a newborn "should be permissible in all the cases where abortion is, including cases where the newborn is not disabled."

The authors argue that newborns lack the "level of mental development" necessary to be considered human. In other words, say the authors, what a baby doesn't know — its impending death, in this case — can't hurt it.

A few short years ago no medical journal would have accepted an article purporting to justify infanticide. Now, after human life has been devalued by over 46 years of legalized abortion, such a proposition creates barely a stir. The Catholic Church has been continuously warning us for years about the ramifications of the culture of death.

We must get involved in making a stand for innocent human life, otherwise our culture will only get worse!

*Pro-Life Articles*

## **El Infanticidio sigue Lógicamente al Aborto en nuestra Cultura de Muerte**

En febrero del 2012 un artículo de la revista Journal of Medical Ethics (Revista de Éticas Médicas) llanamente argumenta a favor del infanticidio.

En caso de que usted dude que alguien pudiera abiertamente proponer el asesinato de niños después de su nacimiento, permítanos citar el mismo artículo. "El ser simplemente humano no es en sí una razón para no permitir a alguien el derecho a la vida," dice el autor. Matar a un niño recién nacido "debe ser permisible en todos los casos donde haya un aborto, incluyendo casos donde el recién nacido no es incapacitado.

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Los autores argumentan que los recién nacidos no tienen el "nivel mental de desarrollo" necesario para ser considerados humanos. En otras palabras, dicen los autores, lo que el bebe no sabe — su muerte inmediata, en este caso — no puede dolerle.

Hace pocos años ninguna revista médica habría aceptado un artículo proponiendo justificar el infanticidio. Ahora, después de que la vida humana por más de 46 años ha sido desvalorizada por los abortos legalizados, estas proposiciones casi no crean ninguna conmoción.

Todos tenemos que involucrarnos para salir en defensa de una inocente vida humana, de lo contrario, nuestra cultura se volverá aún peor.

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<b>SATURDAY MAY 15</b> St. Mary's Mass 12:00 noon Confessions 3:00 – 4:00 At the Church office St. Mary's' Mass 5:00PM Spanish Mass 7:00PM Please practice social distancing Catholic Communication Campaign Collection	<b>SUNDAY MAY 16</b> <b>THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD</b> St. Boniface Mass 8:00 AM St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM 1 <sup>st</sup> Communion @10:30 Mass Please practice social distancing. RCIA Class 7PM Parish Hall Catholic Communication Campaign Collection. WFCU @11:30 @Berend Hall Windthorst Water Board @6:30	<b>MONDAY MAY 17</b> CCD 7:25AM Mass St. Mary's 6:00 pm Please practice social distancing	<b>TUESDAY MAY 18</b> CCD 7:25AM Mass St. Mary's <b>Church Office closed</b> Sr. Citizens 1pm	<b>WEDNESDAY MAY 19</b> CCD 7:25AM K-12 Youth Mass St. Mary's 6:00pm Novena 7:00pm Please practice social distancing CDA meeting after Mass & Novena	<b>THURSDAY MAY 20</b> CCD 7:25AM Mass St. Boniface 6:00pm Please practice social distancing.	<b>FRIDAY MAY 21</b> Mass St. Mary's 3:00pm Please practice social distancing.
<b>SATURDAY MAY 22</b> Ordination in Ft. Worth St. Mary's' Mass 5:00PM Spanish Mass 7:00PM Please practice social distancing	<b>SUNDAY MAY 23</b> <b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b> St. Boniface Mass 8:00 AM St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM Please practice social distancing. RCIA Class 7PM Parish Hall	<b>MONDAY MAY 24</b> Mass St. Mary's 6:00 pm Please practice social distancing	<b>TUESDAY MAY 25</b> Mass St. Mary's <b>Church Office closed</b> Sr. Citizens 1pm	<b>WEDNESDAY MAY 26</b> K-12 Youth Mass St. Mary's 6:00pm Novena 7:00pm Please practice social distancing	<b>THURSDAY MAY 27</b> Mass St. Boniface 6:00pm Please practice social distancing.	<b>FRIDAY MAY 28</b> Mass St. Mary's 3:00pm Please practice social distancing.
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