

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 29, 2018

Living Branches

The Gospel and second reading for this Fifth Sunday of Easter emphasize the need for us to remain in Christ, and he in us. This shared life finds expression in the image of the one vine and many



branches. We become living branches of the vine, members of the Body of Christ through baptism, Eucharist, and confirmation, sacraments of sharing God's own life. The First Letter of John describes the fruit of this vine as active love of neighbor: "And his commandment is this: we should believe . . . and love one another" (1 John 3:23).

Our first reading from Acts shows us an example of someone who shares in Christ's life in the person of Saint Paul. Paul's fearless witness, even at the risk of his life, is proof to everyone that the risen Lord's Spirit truly fills him with life and is bearing fruit in him. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Saints and Special Observances

- Monday: St. Pius V
- Tuesday: St. Joseph the Worker
- Wednesday: St. Athanasius
- Thursday: Ss. Philip and James;
National Day of Prayer
- Saturday: Cinco de Mayo

Mexican Dinner/Dance Thank You!

A big THANK YOU to those who organized and those who attended last Sunday's dinner and dance. The proceeds from the dinner/dance and raffle were \$1,935. This goes toward our parish solar project.

Women's Club News

The Women's Club will meet for a pot-luck salad bar luncheon on Tues., May 8th, at 11:30 am in the hall. A sign-up sheet is located on the table at the church entrance. Hope to see you there as we gather with familiar faces, as well as new members of the parish.

First Holy Communion

- May 5th– 5:00 pm
- May 6th– 9:00 am
- May 12th– 5:00 pm
- May 13th– 6:00 pm



In Need of Prayer...

Tommye Brennan, Alice Blankenship, John Pollock, Gloria Villalvazo, Karen Gallagher, Nancy Green, Carol Bader, Irene Hammond, Brad Goforth, Julie Victorino, Victoria Martinez, Althea Soto, Bishop Richard Garcia, Harvey Smith. May they know Christ's healing.

MASS INTENTIONS

(April 28-May 4)

- Sat., 5:00 pm- +Tony & Kathryn Williams
+Melissa Arbegast Engleman
+Betty Jean Dick
- Sun., 9:00 am- Marlo Family- Living &
Deceased Members
Int. Mike Mulligan
- Sun., 6:00 pm- +Pennie Povero
- Mon., 9:00 am- Communion Service
- Tues., 9:00 am- Communion Service
- Wed., 9:00 am- Sick of the Parish
- Thur., 9:00 am- Int. Barb Beane
- Fri., 9:00 am- Our Nation

Parish Offerings

Plate Collection (April 21/22): \$2,824.00
Catholic Home Missions: \$ 975.00

God Bless You for Your Support!

Pray for Bishop Garcia

In recent weeks, Bishop Garcia expressed that he has not been feeling well and decided to clear his calendar to take time off to rest. It was confirmed last week that he has the onset of Alzheimer's Disease. His family is working with the diocesan staff for his care. This news has taken some time for the Bishop to adjust to, as it has been in the last few weeks that signs of this disease have become more pronounced and evident to him. No further decisions have been made, but we want you to know. If you would like to send him a note, please address it to: Bishop Richard Garcia, C/O Diocese of Monterey, P.O. Box 2048, Monterey, CA 93942.

St Joseph the Worker

May 1st, Although popular devotion to Joseph, husband of Mary, began in the West as early as the eighth century, it was not until the fifteenth century that his name was entered in the Church calendar, with his primary feast on March 19th. Since that time, devotion to Joseph has been marked by growing enthusiasm and, in 1955, Pope Pius XII proclaimed a second feast day in his honor: May 1, Labor Day in many countries. A skilled craftsman or carpenter, Joseph is a model for all working people who are dignified by their labor as they provide for their households and bring Christ into their workplace. *(Living with Christ, May 2018)*



Parish Council

The Council will meet next Sun., May 6th, at 10:30 am in the hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Remembering Mom



Beginning Mother's Day weekend a series of Masses will be offered for our mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, etc. living and deceased. Cards and offering envelopes are on the tables in back of the church. What better "bouquet" to give than the spiritual gift of Masses.

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