## Worship & Meditation

# Readings for the week of May 21, 2023

#### Sunday:

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20 Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 (13)/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

#### Monday:

Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/ Jn 16:29-33

#### Tuesday:

Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

#### Wednesday:

Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

#### Thursday:

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

#### Friday:

Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/ Jn 21:15-19

#### Saturday:

Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

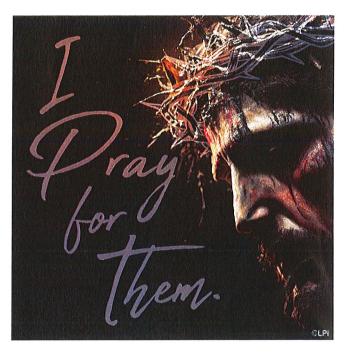
#### **Next Sunday:**

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

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# **Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture**

Traditionally, the four writers of the Gospels are symbolized by four creatures that make their way into Church art and architecture: Matthew, an angel; Mark, a lion; Luke, an ox; and John, an eagle. These images can be found in churches across the world, a nod to those who recorded the stories of Jesus for us, thousands of years ago.

Today's Gospel was written by John. There are a few reasons why John is symbolized by an eagle, but my favorite explanation is that his writings soar like an eagle into the sky with their beautiful, poetic language. The prayer we hear today is no different — Jesus invokes God in a long discourse that might seem mystifying at times, the same way that a poem can be perplexing to understand when we are unfamiliar with the pacing or format.

Consider holding onto the shortest sentence in this prayer: "I pray for them."

Jesus prays for us. For me. For you.

Let that sink deep into your being.

Jesus is on your side. He is aware of what you are holding at this moment. He is aware of your pain, your faith, your mission. And He's rooting for you. This prayer was recorded thousands of years ago, far before you were born. Since before you were born, you were held in prayer. With that certainty, we live.

— Father John Muir



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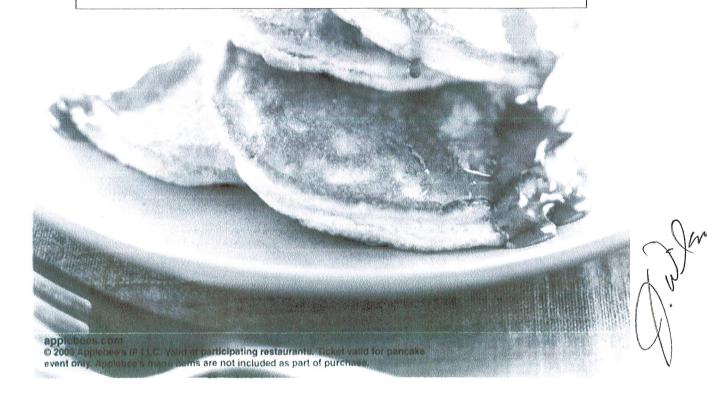
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#### PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Coming on sixty years as a priest, Fr. John Fitzgerald has been a member of All Saints and St. Joseph community for twenty-nine years, pastor for twenty-four. He is much loved and appreciated by everyone. When I was installed pastor five years ago, it was

my hope that he would live out his retirement here at All Saints Parish till the Lord calls him from this life. He would be a mentor to me, sharing meals and praying the Liturgy of the Hours together. Friends from the parish would be looking in on him, ensuring his comfort and care.

Fr. John has always been very generous toward the poor and the homeless. And for this reason, it had been difficult for father to turn people away. With a big heart, he would rather give people the shirt off his back. It has been a real challenge for father to set limits and say "No". Because his residence is large enough to house two or more persons, father was disposed to make certain sacrifices to accommodate the needy. But for several years now, the church community and I have tried to protect Fr. John and other parishioners from a certain individual who kept returning to father's house, bothering him, as live-in(s) for extended days and months. Disrupting father's boundaries, they would invite other visitors, unknown to the community, and father. Historically, this person was known to take advantage, manipulate father and drain father's resources. Being of sound mind, the law could do very little for Fr. John, respecting the rights to his domicile. Still, parishioners would fear for father's safety, and their own. With the bishop's backing, the parish and I are attempting to help Fr. John find and relocate to a smaller, secure and comfortable residence closer to his doctors, markets, other services and still be accessible to his friends at the Parish. Hopefully father would then be left in peace.

For the last few weeks, parishioners had selflessly prepared father to relocate: cleaning and packing essentials. Last week our retired priest and beloved, former pastor, Fr. John, moved from his residence next to the church in Twain Harte, to temporary housing in the valley. Meanwhile, the parish and I are diligently looking for an affordable apartment, large studio or a one-bedroom cottage/cabin somewhere in the areas of Twain Harte, Tuolumne, Jamestown, Columbia, and Sonora. And in doing so, we look forward to his continued availability to substitute for Masses and the sacraments in our extended catholic community. I've been inquiring with local property managers, realtors, and apartment complex owners and managers. I've helped Fr. John submit applications through the internet, and have already shown father some properties, (one this weekend). I expect, within the next couple months, we'll be able to find a place for father that could also accommodate his three chihuahuas.

If anyone knows of a potential place for Fr. John, that fits the above criteria, please let me or the office know by calling (209) 586-3161, as soon as possible and we will follow-up. Meanwhile I ask you to keep Fr. John Fitzgerald in your prayers.

Let us pray the Blessed Virgin Mary keep Fr. John in the mantle of her tender care; that she and St. Michael the Archangel protect him.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Jeff

#### ~REGULAR SCHEDULE ~ FQR WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:30pm Vigil All Saints Sunday 9:00am St. Joseph Sunday 11:00am All Saints

#### ~WEEK DAY MASSES~

Monday – Thursday 8:30am All Saints Friday 8:30am St Joseph

First Friday 8:30am St. Joseph First Saturday 9:00am All Saints

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30pm - 4:15pm at All Saints Sunday: 8:45am at St Joseph

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT EVERY Friday at 4:00pm & Saturday at 3:15pm at All Saints.

> Personal Prayer every Saturday 10am—12pm at St. Joseph

#### **Office Hours:**

Monday—Friday 9:00am to 4:00pm Phone 586-3161 Outdoor drop-box available

#### **Council Members**

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Lina Marion
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#### May-Devotion to Our Lady



The month of May is "the month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," After 8:30am daily Mass, every Wednesdays in May we will pray the rosary. Please come join us at All Saints!

#### **Summer Mass Schedule Changes**

Sunday Mass Schedules will change on May 27th—Memorial Day Weekend 5:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass—All Saints 8:00 am Sunday Mass—St. Joseph's

8:00 am Sunday Mass—St. Joseph's 9:30 am Sunday Mass—All Saints

11:30 am Sunday Mass—Pinecrest Amphitheater

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord. Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9

#### **Parish Pantry**

Currently the following items are greatly needed:

Egg cartons; canned mixed vegies or green beans, kidney/black/garbonzo beans, canned chicken and chicken broth, TopRamen/Rice-a-Roni/Pasta Roni,



DONATIONS

and jams & jellies. Please, NO SOUPS or MACnBEEF.

Food donation drop-off is during office hours M-F 9:00am-4:00pm at the Parish Hall Kitchen or Parish Office. Location: 23260 Joaquin Gully Rd #C, Twain Harte

Food Distribution: Tuesdays 9:30-11:45 am

#### RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults: For anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or those who are interested in becoming Catholic. Meets on **Sunday mornings at 9:30 am.** More information call coordinator, Mary Leamy at 209-352-3907.

#### FORMED

FORMED, The Catholic Faith On Demand is a video series on catechism, the saints, Church history, commentaries & documentaries. Meets on Wednesdays after daily Mass, at 9:15 am in the Parish Hall at All Saints.



### CHILDREN'S CATECHISM & SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Religious Education classes for Kindergarten through Confirmation are on vacation until the Fall. Please contact CRE, Lisa Byrum

at 707-639-6776 or e-mail her at lisablo@vahoo.com.

#### SCRIPTURE STUDIES VIA ZOOM

Meets *Mondays 3pm*. For more information and Zoom link please contact Mary Learny at (209) 352-3907. Zoom is accessible thru email, smartphone, ipad, and landline!

#### **GET INVOLVED**

Order of Franciscan Seculars / Blessed Giles of Assisi Meets First Saturdays at 10:30am. June 3 rd

**Coffee Klatch -** every 1st Sundays after First Saturdays after 11am Mass at All Saints. June 4 th

**All Saints' Ladies Guild** - New members welcome! Call Carolyn Blackmore at 209-288-8463 for more information. June 20 th

**St. Joseph's Guild** general monthly meeting—First Sundays after Mass at St. Joseph's Church. June 4 th

St. Joseph's Coffee Sundays—every 3rd Sundays after 9am Mass. June 18th

**Newman Book Circle** meets in-person last Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm. Contact Martha Golay at (209) 630-1058 for meeting times. June 29 th

#### Pray for the repose of the souls of the following:

Recently Deceased: Russell Morales, Loraine Ochsner, Fr. Lonachan Arouje, Antonio Quaranta, John Garza, Ronnie Hanf, Augie Soares, Louise Smith

**Pray for in Memoriam:** Fr. George Lacey, Msgr. Thomas Hayes, Fr. Eshai Joseph, Fr. E. Donohoe, Dcn. Eddie Zoma, Don & Trudy

Please Note: Requests for insertion of bulletin information must be submitted in writing to the parish office by noon on Wednesday prior to distribution.

#### PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL the ARCHANGEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander the earth seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Daily Mass Intentions Week of May 21st– May 27th

SUNDAY
Jose Zuluaga
George Johnson
Louise Smith
MONDAY
Gonzalo Viracacha
TUESDAY
Davina Gomez
WEDNESDAY

Zuluaga Family THURSDAY Viracacha Family FRIDAY

Please pray for the Sick in our Parish, and their family members.

Roger Karels Susan Escallier Linda Kelley Liam Cuellar Aaron Goodrich **Bob Farwell** Barbara Volpi Gloria Escallier McKenzie Munsel Leon Heinen **Dwayne Prill** Madonna Cote Ann Marie Walker **Ken Shortt Brent Cadagan** Steven Whylidko Dennis Armstrong Estela Rodrigues Janice Kennedy Paul Gazzano Michael Brager George Wilson **Bill Torrence Kelly Devlin** Carol Crilly Margie Hoskin

To add or remove or add a name to the list, please contact the parish office at 586-3161. For a home visit contact Deacon Joe Gomes.

#### Parish Offertory

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PARISH OFFERTORY Weekend of May 14h	2023 Offertory	No Second Collection	2022 Offertory
All Saints	\$1,215		\$1,648
St. Joseph	\$600		\$520

#### **Bishops Ministry Appeal 2023**

\$23,330 80% 60% 40% 20% 10% As of 5/03/23: 22 families have made pledges and gifts of \$6,424 that has been collected by the BMA. We are at 27% of our goal total \$23,330. Pledge envelopes are in the pews. Thank you for your generous gifts!

Pastoral Council—meets Second Monday of each month. June 12 th



Liturgy Committee—meets one Friday per month.

**Communion Care Givers**— by appt. only. Contact parish office.

Choir Practice—contact Lina in the Parish Office for practice times & schedule. Fridays

N.A.—meets Weds. At 6:30pm in cottage #3. All are welcome to an open meeting at Narcotics Anonymous.

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