

SANTA CRUZ ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH DISCALCED CARMELITE FRIARS

FIFTH SUNDAY OF



MAY 2, 2021

By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. John 15:8

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May is Mary's Month, and I Muse at that and wonder why: Her feasts follow reason Dated due to season –

Candlemas, Lady Day But the lady month, May Why fasten that upon her, With a feasting in her honor?

Is it only its being brighter Than the most that must delight her? Is it opportunist And flowers find soonest?

Ask of her, the mighty mother Her reply put this other Question: What is Spring? Growth in everything –

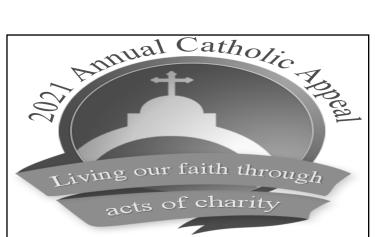
These are the first 4 verses of Gerard Manley Hopkins' 12 verse poem "The May Magnificat", written in 1918, long before the month of May opened with the liturgical feast day of St Joseph the Worker. May and October are 2 months dedicated to Mary, but Joseph must also be remembered in this "Year of St. Joseph". Here at Santa Cruz, we honor St. Joseph every Wednesday with a Votive Mass when the liturgy allows it, and by reciting the Litany of St. Joseph at the end of our community Evening Prayer at 5 pm. Fr. Stephen is also nourishing our trust in St. Joseph with regular reflections on his life.

Mary and Joseph are at the heart of the life of Jesus and consequently at the heart of the life of the Church. Not only do we honor Mary with special devotion in this month of May but she is intimately connected to the other great feasts of the Ascension (Ascension Thursday on May 13th or Ascension Sunday on May 16th) and Pentecost Sunday (May 23rd). Mary's presence with the disciples on that first Novena between Ascension and Pentecost was a special time of encouragement for the apostles gathered in prayer and empowered by the Holy Spirit to become faithful and generous witnesses to Jesus and to His message of salvation. Furthermore, the day after Pentecost we celebrate the feast of Mary, Mother of the Church and end the month with the feast of the Blessed Trinity (May 30th).

Pope St. John Paul II expressed his devotion to Mary in choosing as his motto "Totus Tuus", which is the Latin for "totally thine", and is from the prayer of consecration to Mary given by St. Luis de Montfort in "True Devotion to Mary". The full sentence is "I belong entirely to you, and all that I have is yours", followed by "I take you for my all. O Mary, give me your heart". Whether we express our devotion to Mary, addressing her as Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Immaculate Conception, Our Lady of Knock or Our Lady of Mount Carmel, or any other appropriate title, we know how much she cares about each one of her sons and daughters and is willing to help us in every situation, big or small. She was given to us on Calvary when Jesus spoke those wonderful words from the Cross to John and consequently to each one of us, "Behold your Mother".

Let this month of May be a joyful and genuine renewal of our love for our Blessed Mother.

~Fr. David Costello, O.C.D.



Our parish plays a vital role in the work of the Annual Catholic Appeal. We have an opportunity to act together as a Catholic family and impact the lives of others throughout the Diocese with selfless acts of love and generosity.

Your gifts and pledges impact our community by helping provide meals to the needy, masses and communion services for residents in nursing homes, hospices, and other facilities, by supporting the diocesan programs and services that share the teachings of the Church.

Please make your sacrificial commitment to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. Bishop Weisenburger is counting on the support of every parish family to meet our parish goal.

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Nuestra parroquia juega un papel vital en la Campaña Católica Anual. La Campaña nos brinda la oportunidad de actuar unidos como familia católica, y de tener un impacto positivo en la vida de nuestro prójimo mediante las obras que realizamos desinteresadamente con amor y generosidad.

Sus donaciones y contribuciones benefician a nuestra comunidad ayudando a proveer alimento para los necesitados; misas y servicios de comunión para residentes de hogares de ancianos, hospicios y otros establecimientos; y apoyo a programas y servicios diocesanos que promueven las enseñanzas de la Iglesia.

Por favor, comprométanse en espíritu de sacrificio a donar a la Campaña Católica Anual 2021. El obispo Weisenburger cuenta con que todas las familias de la parroquia contribuirán para alcanzar nuestra meta parroquial.

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Pastor:Rev. Stephen Watson, O.C.D.In Residence:Rev. Jose Luis Ferroni, O.C.D.In Residence:Rev. David Costello, O.C.D.

Mass Intentions

Alex, Lupe & Delfina Gallego/R.I.P. Do Kim Hong/R.I.P.

Santa Cruz Parishioners Catherine Darmer/Improved Health Special Int./Pueblo High School,

Administration & Community Gilbert Shea/R.I.P. Gilbert Tupaq/R.I.P.

Catherine Darmer/Improved Health Holy Souls in Purgatory, most in need of our Prayers/R.I.P.

Catherine Darmer/Improved Health Lucia Gutierrez/R.I.P.

Catherine Darmer/Improved Health Ross & Karen Estavillo/Wedding Anniversary

Holy Souls in Purgatory, most in need of our Prayers/R.I.P. Catherine Darmer/Improved Health

Holy Souls in Purgatory, most in need of our Prayers/R.I.P. Michele Reiner/Happy Birthday

Parish Collection April 25th, 2021

Collection: <u>\$ 3,975.72</u>

Thank you and God bless your generosity! ¡Gracias y que Dios bendiga su generosidad!

Thanking You for Your Service to Our Parish

New Parishioners: Always welcome! Please register by using our forms available in the church. Please note COVID protocols: masks required; distancing in pews Sun. 6:30 am, 10 am, 12 noon,

5 pm school field (Bilingual) & 6 pm Mon. - Fri. 8:00 am, Sat. 8 am & 5:30 pm (Vigil) Confession: Sat. 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Baptisms: Call the parish office for more information / Llame a la oficina parroquial Matrimony: Please call at least six months in advance. Por favor de llamar con seis meses de anticipación.

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