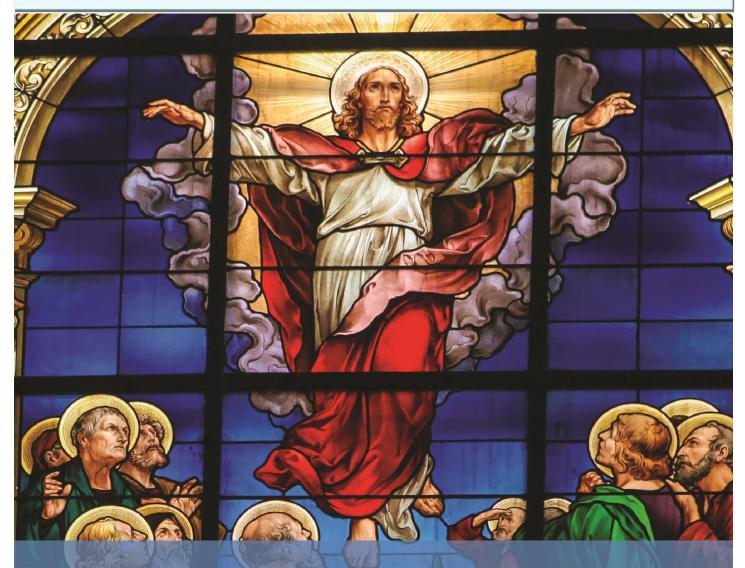


SANTA CRUZ ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH DISCALCED CARMELITE FRIARS





AS HE BLESSED THEM
HE PARTED FROM THEM
AND WAS TAKEN UP TO HEAVEN.

LUKE 24:51

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MAY 29, 2022



God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord. Psalm 47

Dear Parishioners and friends of Santa Cruz Parish,

Peace and all good!

It has been three years since I addressed a thank you letter to you regarding the Fiesta de la Familia. Our last parish fiesta was 2019. After missing 2020 and 2021, our 65th Annual Parish Fiesta took place on the weekend of May 14-15, 2022. The Parish Fiesta was a great morale booster and plain fun. Over the course of two days, parishioners were able to hang-out and enjoy the entertainment and food. People who hadn't seen each other for a long time due to the conditions of the pandemic were once again able to socialize. I enjoyed seeing the children running around, excited to be with their friends. The Parish Fiesta is one way we experience our community. That alone would make the fiesta an important parish event.

However, as we all know, the Fiesta de Familia is the biggest fund-raising event of the year for the parish and a significant item in the parish's annual budget, usually estimated to bring in \$30,000 before expenses. It may be a few weeks before I can give you the exact income and expenses of this year's Fiesta. Don't expect it to raise as much money as in previous years. I am happy we are back in the saddle again (out where a friend is a friend.) While the parish fiesta is an important fund-raiser, it is an equally important social event in the life of the parish.

I want to thank the people who made the Fiesta possible with their time, talent and treasure, beginning with the fiesta chairperson, Becky Lujan. You can't imagine how much time and work she puts into the fiesta. She has a marvelous crew of volunteers- Monica Brown and her sons Alex and Demarco, Claudia Teran, Sabastian Paz, Cozmo Rodriguez, Melissa Rivera and her husband Anthony Acuna, Raul Flores, Ernie Lujan Jr., Maria Lujan, and Lupita Lujan.

We thank Rick and Estella for the program of entertainment and advertising the Fiesta. They did such an excellent job.

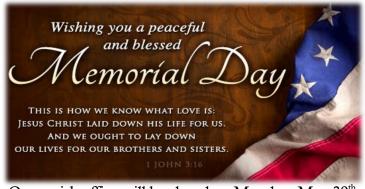
Once again, the Durazo Family did a wonderful job handling the beer booth and the monitoring what goes with it. Danny and Denise Figueroa Family sold a lot of tacos at their booth. The Knights of Columbus cooked a lot of carne asada. Brian Flagg and Casa Maria were super- busy selling their delicious hamburgers, Garcia and Paz Family for Nanas Cottage/snow-cones and the Guadalupanos who operated the Snack and Aguas Bar.

We are so grateful for all the time our parish secretary Hada Reyes and her family devoted to the Fiesta. Also, our parish business manager Karen Estavillo puts in lots of time managing the business of the fiesta. A special thanks to Patricia Garcia, Penny Green, Marcia Gutierrez, Elva Carbajal, Martha Tadlock and Rosemary Serrano for their generous help where needed. We thank Ernie Lujan Sr. for running the financial room.

We received much appreciated donations from the parishioners. We are grateful for the families of Santa Cruz School especially by buying raffle tickets. We thank Ms. Angelina Schmidt and her staff.

Please remember the following Sponsors who we heartedly thank for lending us their support - Linda's Meat Market, Villa Ice, Santa Rosa Restaurant, and American Eat Market. And finally, we applaud and thank all the performers for the whole weekend. Let us journey together in faith!

~ Fr. Stephen F. Watson, O.C.D.



Our parish office will be closed on Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day.

La Oficina Parroquial estará cerrada el lunes, 30 de mayo en observación del Día Memorial.



Please take note: The 8:00 am Spanish **Mass on Pentecost** Sunday, June 5th, will be celebrated at Santa Cruz Church. Pentecost is the concluding Solemnity of

the Easter season. Please join us for this Mass by wearing red to Mass to honor the Holy Spirit!

Por favor tome nota:

La misa en español de las 8:00 am el domingo de Pentecostés, 5 de junio, se celebrará en la iglesia de Santa Cruz. Pentecostés es la solemnidad final del tiempo pascual. Acompáñenos para esta Misa y por favor vístanse en ropa de color rojo para la misa en honor al **Espíritu Santo!**

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s Intention

Saturday, May 28th

8:00am George & Virginia Arevalo/

68th Wedding Anniversary

5:30pm Hernan Alonso Gamez/Happy 6th Birthday

Sunday, May 29th

6:30am Santa Cruz Parishioners

8:00am Ross Estavillo/Happy Birthday

10:00am Richard Garcia & Ana Luisa Pagan/R.I.P.

12:00pm Adan Garcia/R.I.P. 6:00pm Ernie Lizardi/R.I.P.

Monday, May 30th

Kim Tran/R.I.P.

8:00am Antonio & Manuel Amado & Deceased Family Members of the Armenta Family/R.I.P.

Tuesday, May 31st

Beatriz Leal Aguirre/R.I.P.

8:00am Fr. Narciso Santesmases, O.C.D./R.I.P.

Wednesday, June 1st

In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Guadalupe 8:00am Joshua Lyssard/R.I.P.

Thursday, June 2nd

In Thanksgiving to Saint Joseph 8:00am Ramiro Loza/R.I.P.

Friday, June 3rd

Mary Helen Cassidy/R.I.P.

8:00am Deceased Family Members of the Ayala & Casanova Families/R.I.P.

> Parish Collection May 22nd, 2022 Collection: \$ 4,055.63

Service to Our Parish

New Parishioners: Always welcome!

Please register by using our forms available in the church. *Please note that the 12 noon Mass is following full COVID protocols: social distancing, masks required and distancing in pews

Masses: Sun. 6:30 am, 10 am, *12 noon & 6 pm 8 am Spanish at Capilla de Guadalupe (409 E. 31st Street) Mon. - Fri. 8:00 am, Sat. 8 am & 5:30 pm (Vigil)

Confessions: 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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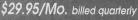
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