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Monday to Friday/Lunes a Viernes: 8:00 am
Wednesday and Friday/Miércoles y Viernes: 12:05 pm
Saturdays/Sábados: 5:30 pm Vigil
Sundays/Domingos: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am,
12:30 pm Español; 5:30 pm Life Teen Mass

Holy Days/Special Observances

Schedule of Holy Days varies.

Confessions

Saturdays/Sábados: 4:00-5:00 pm

Exposition

First Friday of every month, 24 Hours.
Primer viernes del mes, 24 horas.

LifeTeen & Confirmation

John Vasellina	Youth Minister	964-3466 x1
Claudia Renteria	Assoc Youth Minister	964-3466 x2



Fifth Sunday of Easter

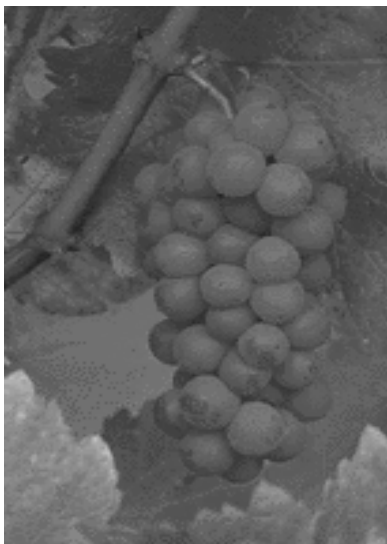
A Stubborn Vine



After moving into my present home ten years ago, I was pleased to find that the back yard's landscaping included a very healthy-looking clematis, a quick-spreading vine that yields large, beautiful, star-shaped flowers. I had always wanted a yard with a clematis vine growing in it. Moving into the house in the summer, I was able to experience the beauty of hundreds of blossoms that covered the vines for most of the season. Since that summer, I have tried, year after year, to tend to this plant. I have read books about these easy-to-grow vines, consulted other gardeners, and searched the Internet for clues. I prune the clematis at the proper time and apply lime to the soil around the vine. Every summer for the last nine years, the total number of blossoms each year barely reaches five. I have been tempted to tear out the vine and plant a new one, yet I always remember those hundreds of blossoms that first summer and I am committed to trying again, year after year.

Faith Blossoms

Our faith lives are sometimes like the reluctant clematis. Even when we try to nourish and tend our spiritual lives, we often experience only a few "blooms." The metaphor Jesus used, the vine and the branches, is a beautiful image and says much about persistence in the faith for today's believer. Sometimes our conversion experiences are slow in coming, and take lots of time and tending. As long as we keep our attention focused on the Lord, there is always hope that deep faith and conversion will blossom within and around us. The words of the Lord that continue to encourage us are embedded within today's Gospel passage: "Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing" (*John 15:5*).



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.

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Today's Readings

First Reading — Barnabas reported to the apostles how Saul had seen the Lord on the way (*Acts 9:26-31*).

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people (*Psalms 22*).

Second Reading — This is God's commandment: that we may believe and love (*1 John 3:18-24*).

Gospel — I am the true vine; whoever remains in me will bear much fruit (*John 15:1-8*).

Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98;

1 Jn 4:7-10 or 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17 or
Jn 17:11b-19

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day

Tuesday: St. Nereus and St. Achilleus; St. Pancras

Wednesday: Our Lady of Fatima

Thursday: St. Matthias

Friday: St. Isidore the Farmer

Parish Community News

Happy Mother's Day! — The Knights of Columbus Council 5300 will continue their longstanding tradition of honoring mothers by distributing orchids to all mothers at all Masses this weekend. In addition, the K of C will also be hosting a special Mother's Day breakfast, open to the entire parish. All mothers will be treated to a free breakfast consisting of scrambled eggs, sausage, pancakes, fruit cocktail, applesauce, fruit juice and coffee, tea or hot chocolate. Breakfast will be served in the Parish Hall from 8:30 am to 11:00 am **today**. The rest of the family can enjoy this "gourmet" breakfast for the bargain price of only \$4 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. Treat Mom to a day away from the kitchen! Join us for this special event honoring all the mothers of our Parish.

Special Collection Next Weekend — May 16-17, all parishioners throughout our Archdiocese will be asked to give generously to support the Retirement Fund for Archdiocesan Priests via a special collection. Currently, the fund provides for 149 priests who are retired. Over the next ten years, the number of priests who will reach retirement age will number 349. All of these individuals have committed their lives to serve the spiritual needs of our parish communities. We, in turn, owe it to them to assure that they do not have to worry about their retirement years. In past years, the faithful of the Archdiocese have responded generously in support of this important special collection. We are sincerely grateful and appreciate your generosity.

Huge Bake Sale! — Sunday, **May 17**, after all Masses.



This is a fundraiser to help teens pay for the five day LIFE TEEN Retreat put on by our core team.

The cost for one teen to attend for the week is \$230. If you would like to help sponsor a teen for the retreat, please call John at **964-3466 x1**.

Do You Need a VIRTUS Class? — If you volunteer with the parish or parish school and your work involves interacting with children under the age of 18, you need a VIRTUS class. The next class is Wednesday, **May 20**, 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm in Room A/B of the Parish Center. **You must call the Parish Office to register** as spaces are limited. You will **not** be allowed to take the class unless you sign up in advance.

Thank You! — The Knights of Columbus, Council 5300, thank the parish community for their participation in the Lenten Fish Fry Dinners. Because of your great support, the Knights were able to contribute \$5,000 to the Parish Building Fund. We appreciate your continuing support of our fund raising events.

This Week at St. Raphael Church

Sunday, May 10

Mother's Day Breakfast, Parish Hall, 8:30 am to 11:00 am

Life Teen Mass, Church, 5:30 pm, PC afterwards

Monday, May 11

St. Vincent de Paul Mtg., Conf. Rm., 2:00 pm

Tuesday, May 12

Spanish Bible Study, PC, Multipurp. Rm., 7:00 pm

Wednesday, May 13

Adult Bible Study, PC, Rm. A/B, 10:00 am

Religious Education (English), 6:00 pm

St. Joseph's Men's Prayer Group, Church, 6:30 pm

Praise & Worship Group, Conf. Rm., 7:30 pm

Thursday, May 14

Rosary & Divine Mercy Prayer Group, Church, 8:30 am

Friday, May 15

Bereavement Session, PC, Rm. B, 10:00 am

Grupo de Oración, PC, Rm. A/B, 7:00 pm

Saturday, May 16

Religious Education (Bilingual), 9:00 am

Sunday, May 17

Special Collection (Retirement Fund for Archdiocesan Priests)

Bake Sale, after all Masses

Life Teen Mass, Church, 5:30 pm, PC afterwards

PC=Parish Center

See page ten of this bulletin for the names of those who received the Sacrament of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation this Easter Season.

Happy
Mother's
Day!



Prayer for Priestly Vocations

Father, in every generation
you provide ministers of Christ and the Church.
We come before you now, asking that you call forth more
men to serve our Archdiocese
in the ministerial priesthood.
Give us priests who will lead and guide your holy people
gathered by Word and Sacrament.
Bless us with priestly vocations so that we can continue to
be a truly Eucharistic Church,
strengthened in our discipleship of Jesus Christ,
your Only Son.
Raise up, we pray, men who are generous in their service,
willing to offer their lives and all their gifts for your
greater glory and for the good of your people.
We make our prayer in the presence and power of the
Holy Spirit, through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Vocation Information

A Priesthood Discernment Retreat is offered twice a year
for men with a college degree who are
considering the diocesan priesthood. Call
Father James Forsen at (213) 637-7515 or
email: frjrforsen@la-archdiocese.org.

Additionally, a network of 13 discernment
groups throughout the Archdiocese has been
established to give you support and guidance.
For the location of the group meeting in your
area, contact the Office for Vocations at
(213) 637-7248. You can also visit: [www.archdiocese.la/
ministry/vocations/discernment/groups.html](http://www.archdiocese.la/ministry/vocations/discernment/groups.html)



Food Items Needed by Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities provides supplemental food **all year long** to those in need. You can help by donating **non-perishable** items that will provide "Healthy Staple Foods":

Canned peas, corn, string beans, canned mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail, peaches, rice, dried pinto beans, canned pinto beans, boxed macaroni and cheese, bran cereal, bran flake cereal, oatmeal, low-sugar juices i.e. apple, cranberry etc., peanut butter (creamy), light tuna (in water), Top Ramen™, Cup of Noodles™, pasta, pasta sauce.

Thank you!

Mass Intentions

May 9, 2009 — May 15, 2009

May 09 Sat Vigil 5:30 pm Mary Jo Durenberger (D)
May 10 Sun 7:30 am All Mothers
9:30 am Our Parish Community
11:00 am Alice Chua (D)
12:30 pm Delfina Arias (D) and
Brigida Arias (D)
5:30 pm Justine and Cheryl Bosio (L)
May 11 Mon 8:00 am Juan de la Cruz (D)
May 12 Tues 8:00 am Tom Quinn (D)
May 13 Wed 8:00 am All Mothers
12:05 pm Cyril Parker (D)
May 14 Thu 8:00 am Quirina Navarrete (D)
May 15 Fri 8:00 am Jack Smith (D)
12:05 pm All Mothers

Devotions

Circle of St. Therese Women's Apostolate —

Monthly fellowship and prayer. Contact Lisa at **967-2152**.

Disalced Carmelites Secular Order — Usually meets the second Saturday of the month at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 9:30 am. Call Reid or Nancy at **681-7150**.

Divine Mercy Group — Meets monthly at 7:00 pm in the church. Next meeting is **Tuesday, May 19** (May meeting originally scheduled for Monday is now Tuesday). Contact Martha at **964-4945**.

Grupo de Oración — Fridays in the Parish Center, Rm. B, 7:00 pm.

"Intercessors of the Lamb" Prayer Group —

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center Lounge. Contact Cecilia Marks at **968-6008** for more information.

Lay Apostle Prayer Group — Monthly "Hour of Holiness" (silence and rosary). Contact Cindy at **967-4511**.

Praise & Worship — Wednesdays in the Conference Room, 7:30 pm.

Rosary Group — Thursdays in the Crying Room, after 8:00 am Mass.

St. Joseph Men's Prayer Group — Wednesdays, in the church, 6:30 pm.

Sister Mina's Bible Study

We are studying the Gospel According to John. Class usually meets on Wednesdays (except for the third Wednesday of the month), 10:00 am to 11:30 am, in Room A/B of the Parish Center. New members welcome. Next meeting is **May 13**.



Saint Raphael School

"From The Principal's Desk"

Every Day in May — The Lauren Ashley Herrera memorial tradition of families taking home the statue of Mary to pray the rosary. Every day in May, our Religion Commissioner Allison Malone, leads the student body in saying a decade of the rosary for World Peace.

Wednesday, May 13 — We will be having the crowning of Mary at 10:00 am in the church. Our entire student body will be present. The student council members and our First Communion class will be part of the procession. Parishioners are invited to this beautiful tribute to Mary.

Friday, May 15 — Students in all grades will participate in our annual Talent Show at 1:15 pm in the Parish Hall.

Thursday, May 21 — Our Junior High students will present the play "Mary Poppins" in the Parish Hall for our school parents. Grades KK-6 will be involved in our "Spring Sing" preceding the play. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Attention! Parish Volunteers Working with Children!

If your volunteer position here at the parish or parish school involves interacting with minors (anyone under age 18), you need to complete the following: **1)** A Volunteer Application; **2)** A Signed Acknowledgement of "Guidelines for Interacting with Minors"; **3)** A VIRTUS Class; **4)** Fingerprinting done by the Archdiocese.

You should obtain a Volunteer Application and "Guidelines for Interacting with Minors" from the group with whom you are volunteering. If you need a VIRTUS class, you can call the Parish Office to find out the date of the next class (one is scheduled for **May 20** and you **must sign up in advance**). Fingerprinting is done occasionally in our area and is announced by the Archdiocese. If you have questions or are not sure if your position requires these steps, you can call Jenny Lafferty at **967-5566**.

Eucharistic Adoration

Please join us on **Friday, June 5** (and every first Friday of the month). The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 8:00 am on Friday, **June 5** until Solemn Benediction at 8:00 am on Saturday, June 6. We will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy together at 3:00 pm on Friday. If you sign up for a Holy Hour, it is important that you come at your committed time. For info, call **967-7391**.



Sociable Seniors

Sociable Seniors wish to thank the fifteen individuals shared their reminiscences of World War II at our April meeting. You touched our hearts.

There will be **no** Sociable Seniors meeting in May. Our next meeting will be on **June 17**. Please check upcoming bulletins for details. Questions? Call Bea at **964-2431**.

The Senior Travelers

PCPA Santa Maria:

July 29: Music Man. Pay in full by June 10.

Make checks payable to *St. Raphael Sociable Seniors*.

Branson. September 1-9. 25 people required. Call Joan for more information.

Important! — Two waivers per person are required for all participants on trips. This is an Archdiocesan requirement. **These waivers must be submitted at the time of payment.** No checks or reservations will be accepted unless the two signed waivers are included.

It is the Sociable Seniors policy to offer these trips to active members. Additional space, when available, can be offered to family members and friends.

If you have suggestions for trips, need info, or to request a newsletter, please call **Joan Magenheimer, 967-5444**. Leave your name and phone number; please speak slowly and clearly! Thank you.

Protecting Our Children

A hallmark of the Catholic Church is the protection of life and the dignity of the human person. Through Scripture and Catholic teachings we are called to protect the life and dignity of all human persons no matter how young or old. Working to prevent child abuse is an important response of what we are called to do as Church. For information on how you can become more informed and involved in keeping our children safe, please call the Parish Office or visit: <http://archdiocese.la/protecting>.

For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at **(213) 637-7650**.

St. Raphael Preschool: Fall 2009 — We welcome parishioners with children ages 2.9 to 5 years of age for Fall of 2009. For more information about this program, please call Jo Bittner at **967-4435**.

Parish Office and Catholic Community News

Parish Staff and Office Hours — The Parish Staff is usually available to serve you during the following hours: Monday-Thursday: 8:30-11:30 am/12:30-7:30 pm, Friday: 8:30-11:30 am/12:30-5:00 pm, Saturday: 9:00 am-2:00 pm; Sunday: 8:30 am-2:00 pm. After hours **emergency** pager: 897-6371.

Room Scheduling Procedure — Requests for room space at St. Raphael are accepted **in writing** on the forms available in the Parish Office. Requests are processed one day a week (on Mondays).

Together In Mission 2009

Together in Mission provides substantial financial support to 35 parishes and 48 schools in our Archdiocese. These parishes and schools provide education, ministry and a Catholic presence for tens of thousands of people. *Together in Mission* provides an opportunity to show our concern for those served by the parishes and schools that need your financial support. Our 2009 goal is \$84,097.69.

As always, what you give should be given in gratitude for what God has given to you. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

Catholic Community News

"Life in the Spirit" Seminar — The Santa Barbara Area Catholic Prayer Groups and the Saint Raphael Prayer Group invite you to attend the final session of the "Life in the Spirit" seminar on Sunday, **May 17**, 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm at Saint Raphael Church Parish Hall. There will be speakers, videos and small group discussions on the theme of "Thy Kingdom Come". Refreshments will be provided. Love offering will be taken. For information, call Phil or Chris Luna, **962-1438**.

"Spirituality of Struggle and Hope" — As a follow-up to Sr. Joan Chittister's talk in Santa Barbara in April, "Voice of the Faithful" invites you to a video and discussion on Monday, **May 11**, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at Our Lady of Sorrows Church Parish Hall, 21 E. Sola St. For more info, please call **687-0357** or visit www.votfsba.org.

Need help? Call St. Vincent de Paul: **683-8535**.

Hospice and Visiting Nurses — You are invited to hear speakers from Hospice and the Santa Barbara Visiting Nurse Association who will explain all the services they provide for the community. Monday, **May 11**, 7:30 pm (in **Spanish**) and Wednesday, **May 13**, 7:30 pm (in **English**), at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in the Fr. Brewer Center.

"If Only I Had More Time" — A one-act play written and produced by Marion Scherer. Sunday, **May 17**, 7:00 pm, at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Ojai. Sponsored by the St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Bereavement Ministry Committee, the play examines the spiritual connection between physical disease and one's mental state. It also explores the doctor/patient relationship and end of life issues. All are invited to attend.

2009 Days of Recollection — The Mission Renewal Center at Old Mission Santa Barbara is offering "Days of Recollection" throughout 2009. Call **(805) 682-4713, x133**, email: retreats@sboldmission.org, or visit the website www.santabarbaramission.org

Marriage Encounter — For more info or to sign up, call **(805) 648-4244**, email info@wwme-la-north.org, or visit www.wwme-la-north.org.

Catholic Counseling — Sliding scale fee based on family income. For more information, call **965-7045 x102** (English) and **extension 114** for Bilingual-Spanish.

Bishop Garcia Diego High School — Learn more about your Catholic High School. Call Debbie Herrera at **967-1266 x118** or visit the website www.bishopdiego.org.

Life Network — Pregnancy options, counseling, post-abortion support groups, parenting and adoption support. All information is free and confidential. Call **967-9096**.

Bulletin Deadline Information

Submissions for the bulletin must be received no later than Noon on Fridays, **nine days** prior to the bulletin date.

Bulletin Date/Deadline

May 24/ Submit by: Noon, Friday, May 15
 May 31/ Submit by: Noon, Friday, May 22
 June 7/ Submit by: Noon, Friday, May 29
 June 14/ Submit by: Noon, Friday, June 5
 June 21/ Submit by: Noon, Friday, June 12
 June 28/ Submit by: Noon, Friday, June 19

Early deadline for July 5 bulletin:

Submit by Noon, **Tuesday, June 23**

Saint Raphael Youth Ministry

St. Raphael's "Teen" Confirmation Program

This program takes two years to complete. Both years, the candidates meet in small groups taught by adult and peer leaders. This approach teaches the candidates more about their faith while letting them explore their own spirituality. Classes meet monthly from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Candidates are also required to attend "Large Group Gathering" nights with their sponsor. These are held four times a year, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. For information, call John, **964-3466 x1**, or email: srym12@yahoo.com.



The EDGE — 7th and 8th Grade Youth Ministry — Junior High students are perched on the edge of many changes in their lives. We want every Junior High student to have the opportunity to be "plugged-in" to a solid Catholic Church program that supports and fosters their spiritual, social and emotional growth. The EDGE usually meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 7:00 pm to 8:45 pm. The EDGE starts in October and is open to all 7th and 8th grade students. Call **964-3466 x1**.

The Youth Ministry is looking for adult and young adult leaders to help with our Jr. High (7th and 8th grade) program, "The EDGE" which meets twice a month, typically on the first and third Thursday of the month from October to May. To volunteer, call John at **964-3466 x1**.

XLT — We are all searching for truth. We are all searching for love. We are all searching for Jesus! **XLT** is a powerful "praise experience" attended by high school teens and adults from parishes all around Santa Barbara. Encounter the living Christ through praise, fellowship, inspiring talks, and His True Presence in Eucharistic Adoration. Parish Center, Rm. A/B, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, after 5:30 pm LIFE TEEN® Mass. **Dates will be announced in advance.**

Young Adult Ministry (ages 18-26)

For info about the Young Adults Group, contact Phyllis at **692-1546**.



Leading Teens Closer to Christ

LIFE TEEN® Mass — All High School teens are invited to celebrate the Eucharist in this special Liturgy geared toward young people. The goal is to bring teens closer to Christ through Jesus in the Eucharist. People of all ages are invited to join us at 5:15 pm for Praise and Worship. LIFE TEEN® Mass is every Sunday evening, 5:30 pm. High School Life Night immediately follows.

Life Nights for High School Teens grades 9-12 — This group meets every Sunday evening, 7:15 pm to 9:00 pm after the LIFE TEEN® Mass. It gives teens an environment in which to explore their faith and nurture their relationship with God. A typical session includes ice-breaker games, activities, discussions centered on the night's topic, and prayer. For info, call John at the Youth Ministry Office, **964-3466 x1**, or email srym12@yahoo.com.

Bass and Flute Player Needed — The 5:30 pm Sunday Evening LIFE TEEN Band is looking for a bass and flute player. Commitment is Sunday evenings from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm (Mass is at 5:30 pm) We are also looking for teens and young adults who have singing experience to sing in the choir. Call John at **964-3466 x1**.

You Can Help Our Teens! — "Friends of Life Teen" is a group of people who have become donors for the High School LIFE TEEN® and Youth Ministry programs. These individuals have chosen our LIFE TEEN® program as an organization worth donating to (above and beyond their regular contribution to the church). If you are interested in finding out more about "Friends of Life Teen" or would like to become a donor, call Mike Murphy at **453-7242**.





Quinto Domingo de Pascua

Una Enredadera Testaruda

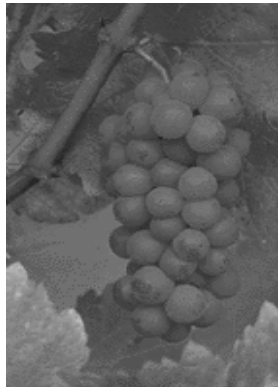


Luego de mudarme hace diez años a la casa donde ahora vivo, me sentí complacido de encontrar que en el jardín trasero había una muy saludable clemátide, que es una enredadera que se extiende rápidamente y produce grandes y hermosas flores en forma de estrella. Siempre había querido tener una clemátide en mi jardín. Debido a que me mudé en el verano, por casi toda la estación tuve la oportunidad de disfrutar de la belleza de cientos de flores que cubrían la enredadera. Desde ese verano he tratado, año tras año, de cuidar la enredadera. He leído libros sobre esta enredadera fácil de cultivar, he consultado con otros jardineros y buscado recomendaciones en Internet. He podado la clemátide en el tiempo apropiado y he abonado la tierra a su alrededor. En los últimos nueve años, el número total de flores cada verano ha llegado apenas a cinco. Me he sentido tentado a cortar la enredadera y cultivar una nueva, pero siempre recuerdo las cientos de flores del primer verano y año tras año me siento comprometido a intentar de nuevo.

Flores de Fe

Algunas veces nuestra fe es como esta clemátide renuente. A pesar de que tratamos de alimentar y cuidar nuestra vida espiritual, muchas veces solamente producimos unas cuantas "flores". La metáfora usada por Jesús, la vid y las ramas, es un imagen hermosa y dice mucho de la persistencia en la vida de fe del creyente de hoy. Algunas veces nuestras experiencias de conversión llegan lentamente, y requieren de mucho tiempo y cuidado. Mientras mantengamos nuestra atención enfocada en el Señor, siempre habrá esperanza para que la fe profunda y la conversión florezcan dentro y alrededor de nosotros.

Las palabras del Señor que continúan animándonos están cimentadas en el Evangelio de hoy: "El que permanece en mí y yo en él, ése da fruto abundante, porque sin mí nada pueden hacer".



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Santos y Días Especiales de Observancia

domingo: Quinto Domingo de Pascua; Día de las Madres
 martes: San Nereo y San Aquiles; San Pancracio
 miércoles: Nuestra Señora de Fátima
 jueves: San Matías
 viernes: San Isidro, labrador

Sarmientos Vivos

El Evangelio y la segunda lectura para este Quinto Domingo de Pascua hacen hincapié en la necesidad de que permanezcamos en Cristo y él permanecerá en nosotros. Esta vida compartida está representada en la imagen de la vid que tiene muchos sarmientos. Nos convertimos en sarmientos vivos de la vid, en miembros del Cuerpo de Cristo por el Bautismo, la Eucaristía y la Confirmación, por los sacramentos que nos hacen compartir la vida de Dios. La primera carta del apóstol san Juan describe el fruto de esta vid como el amor activo al prójimo: "Y este es su mandamiento: que creamos...y que nos amemos unos a otros" (1 Juan 3:23).

En la primera lectura de los Hechos contamos con un ejemplo de una persona que participa de la vida de Cristo en la persona de san Pablo. El audaz testimonio de Pablo, incluso a riesgo de perder su propia vida, es prueba para todos de que el Espíritu del Señor resucitado verdaderamente lo llena de vida y da fruto en él.

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Lecturas De Hoy

Primera lectura — Bernabé explica a los discípulos en Jerusalén la conversión de Pablo (*Hechos 9:26-31*).

Salmo — Bendito sea el Señor. Aleluya (*Salmo 22 [21]*).

Segunda lectura — Dios nos ordena que creamos en el nombre de Jesucristo y que nos amemos como él nos ama (*1 Juan 3:18-24*).

Evangelio — Los que viven en Jesús y Jesús vive en ellos producen mucho fruto (*Juan 15:1-8*).

Lecturas De La Semana

lunes: Hch 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26

martes: Hch 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a

miércoles: Hch 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8

jueves: Hch 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

viernes: Hch 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17

sábado: Hch 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

domingo: Hch 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Sal 98 (97);
 1 Jn 4:7-10 o 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17 o Jn 17:11b-19

¿Necesita Ayuda?

Recuerde llamar al **683-8535**, San Vicente de Paul.

Noticias de la Parroquia

Honrando a las Madres — Hoy, 10 de mayo, celebramos el Día de la Madre. Los Caballeros de Colón, Consejo 5300, continuarán su antigua tradición, honrando a las madres con la distribución de orquídeas para todas las madres presentes en las misas del próximo fin de semana.

Colecta Especial — El próximo fin de semana, 16-17 de mayo, se les pedirá a todos los feligreses que contribuyan generosamente al Fondo de Jubilación para los Sacerdotes Arquidiocesanos por medio de una colecta especial. Actualmente, el fondo proporciona ayuda a 149 sacerdotes jubilados. En los próximos 10 años, el número de sacerdotes que estarán en edad de retirarse llegará a los 349. Todos ellos han dedicado sus vidas a servir, atendiendo las necesidades espirituales de nuestras comunidades parroquiales. Nosotros a cambio, debemos asegurarnos que ellos no tengan que preocuparse por su años de retiro. Los fieles de la Arquidiócesis han respondido en gran medida y muy generosamente en apoyo a esta colecta especial. Deseamos expresar nuestra mas sincera gratitud y aprecio a todos aquellos que han sido tan generosos en esta colecta especial.

Gran Venta de Pasteles — El domingo 17 de mayo tendremos una Gran Venta de Pasteles para reunir fondos para el Retiro, LIFE TEEN, de cinco días al que asistirán nuestros jóvenes. El costo por cada joven es de \$230 por la semana. Si usted quisiera ayudar con el financiamiento de este Retiro para uno de estos jóvenes, por favor llame a John al 964-3466 anexo 1. ¡Gracias por su ayuda!

Anuncio — Grupo de estudio de Biblia. Se reúne todos los martes de 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm en el salón de usos múltiples. Nuevo curso incluye apologética, evangelización, consejería, compromiso y espiritualidad. Todos son bienvenidos.

Unidos en Misión 2009 — Unidos en Misión provee un apoyo económico muy importante a 35 parroquias y 48 escuelas parroquiales en nuestra Arquidiócesis. Estas parroquias y escuelas proporcionan educación, ministerios y una presencia católica para decenas de miles de personas. El lema de la campaña es "Señor, Tú eres mi refugio" (*Salmo 32 (7)*). Unidos en Misión da una oportunidad para mostrar nuestro interés por quienes reciben los servicios de las parroquias y escuelas que necesitan ayuda económica.

Nuestra meta para el Programa "Unidos en Misión" es \$84,097.69. Como siempre, lo que usted dé debe ser dado en agradecimiento por lo que Dios le ha dado a usted. Gracias por su consideración en oración a esta petición y por su generosa respuesta.

Grupo de Oración — Se juntan todo los viernes en el Centro Parroquial, Salón B, a las 7:00 de la noche. Todos están bienvenidos.

Adoración de la Eucaristía — Invitamos a todos ustedes a unirse a nosotros **el viernes 5 de junio (y el Primer Viernes** de cada Mes) para la Adoración de la Eucaristía. El Santísimo Sacramento estará expuesto ese día viernes **5 de junio**, desde las 8 de la mañana hasta la Bendición Solemne, a las 8 de la mañana del sábado 6 de junio. El viernes 5 de junio, a las tres de la tarde, rezaremos la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia. Si usted se registró para una Hora Santa, es importante que esté presente a la hora señalada. Se requiere que por lo menos dos personas estén presentes en la Adoración. Si necesita más información, por favor llame al teléfono **967-7391**.

Hospicio y Enfermeras Visitantes — Invitamos a todos ustedes a escuchar a oradores del Hospicio y de la Asociación de Enfermeras Visitantes, de Santa Barbara, quienes nos darán a conocer los servicios que ellos otorgan a la comunidad, el lunes **11 de mayo** a las 7:30 pm (**en español**) y el miércoles 13 de mayo, a las 7:30 pm (**en inglés**), en la Iglesia de Nuestra Señora de los Dolores, en el Centro Padre Brewer.

Consejero de Caridades Católicas — Los honorarios dependen de los ingresos de las familia. Para más información, llame al teléfono **(805) 965-7045 x114**.

Vocaciones — Dos veces al año, se ofrece un Retiro de Discernimiento Sacerdotal para varones con grado universitario, que estén considerando el sacerdocio diocesano. Los interesados pueden llegar el día anterior y asistir a las clases y ver cómo se desarrolla un día normal en el Seminario. Para más información, póngase en contacto con Padre James Forsen, vía correo electrónico: frjrforsen@la-archdiocese.org o telefónicamente al **(213) 637-7515**. Adicionalmente, se ha establecido una red de 13 grupos de discernimiento a través de la Arquidiócesis, para darles apoyo y orientación vocacional. Para saber dónde exactamente, en su área, estos grupos se reunirán, por favor visite: www.archdiocese.la/ministry/vocations/discernment/groups.html o llame a la Oficina para Vocaciones: **(213) 637-7248**.

Protegiendo a los Niños — Un sello de la Iglesia Católica es la protección de la vida y la dignidad de la persona humana. Por medio de las escrituras y las enseñanzas somos llamados a proteger la vida y la dignidad de todas las personas humanas no importa sean joven o mayores. El trabajo para prevenir el abuso de menores es una respuesta importante de lo que somos llamados a hacer como Iglesia. Para más información sobre como puede informarse e involucrarse en como mantener a nuestros niños seguros, por favor llame a su parroquia o visite la página de Internet: <http://archdiocese.la/protecting/espanol>.

Para obtener ayuda, llame a la Oficina del Ministerio de Ayuda al **(213) 637-7650**.

Congratulations to Those Who Received Sacraments ~ Easter Season 2009 ~

Baptism

Vicente Baltadano, Jr.
Christian Baltadano
Jonathan Fisher
Athiana Gutierrez
Sammy Hernandez
Briana Hinojosa
Mark Rodriguez Jose
Alexia Castro Limon
Pedro Lopez
Toribio Lopez
Miguel Maya
David Mercado
Alexa Sandoval
Araceli Rodriguez

First Communion

Jessica Badilla
Christian Baltadano
Alexa Castro Limon
Gabriel Molina
Reyna Murillo
Tanner Nuno
Alec Nuno
Walter de Jesus Perez
Forrest Stiles, Jr.
Kevin Valencia

Received a Blessing:

Vicente Baltadano, Jr.

(check **upcoming bulletin** for list of children who received
First Communion this Easter Season)

Confirmation

Linda Ardian	Alicia Fennell	Ana Leyva	Cody Roberts
Tommie Arias	Edgardo Flores	Mackenzie Lopez	Lionel Rodriguez
Dalma Arreola	Oscar Flores	Maria Lopez	Jeanette Rodriguez
Sonia Arreola	Bruce Garcia	Dulce Lopez	Tyler Rogers
Joanna Avila	Jose Gil	Eduardo Lopez	Emilio Ruggiero
Nikki Bagaw	Annette Gonzales	Jose Loza	Michael Saldana
Hannah Bangs	Daniel Gutierrez	Ivan Luna	Thomas Schiferl
Jessica Beltran	Kaila Hayes	Johnny Manzo	Spencer Shull
Sheldon Bosio	Chris Helky	Stephanie Marquez	Shannon Slaughter
Katherine Bottoms	Nicole Hernandez	Nick McFarland	Steven Soto
Chris Breton	Jorge Hernandez	Jackie McGuan	Irvin Soto
Allison Breuer	Diana Herrera	Jorge Medina	Kaelynn Stiles
Angky Budiardjono	Karissa Herrera	Nathalia Melendez	Kelsey Stimson
Arlene Budiardjono	Patrick Holmes	Amber Mendez	Shannon Sweeney
Hilary Baggao Cadiz	Cody Inda	Leah Miller	Angelica Taboada
Devon Carr	Conner Jacobson	Tania Morales	Christian Terpening
Allison Carr	Esther Jara	Nicole Morelos	Candido Tolis
Tyler Casper	Rafael Jara	Miguel Munoz	Christopher Torrez
Mireya Castillo	D.J. Javier	Kristen Ontjes	Si Tran
Kyle Clarke	Ely Jimenez	Alan Pacheco	Monique Vargas
Roy Clipper	Kristen Kolegraff	Nicole Perez	Alex Vasquez
Kyle Colton	Kelly Kosmo	Collin Powell	Rachel Venturino
Lauren Dobis	Jade Lamas	Gio Reyes	Joey Vitalari
Brandon Droese	P.J. Lannon	Evelin Reyes	Austin Webb
Martin Estrada	Andrew Leicht	Jessica Rice	Anna Xanthakis
Jessie Faass	Bri Leos	Jorge Rico	Kristen Zumdahl
Natalie Facio-Leon	Amanda Lewis	Juan Rivera	