



San Juan Catholic Community 05/02/21

Saint Joseph
Monte Vista

Tuesday: 5pm
Wednesday: 7am
Thursday: 5pm
Adoration Thurs: 7:00pm
Friday: 7am
Adoration Fri: 9:00 am
Saturday: 5pm
Sunday: 10am

Saint Francis Jerome
Center

Sunday: 10am (English)
12 pm (Spanish)

Holy Name of Mary
Del Norte

Adoration Fri: 7:30 am
Sunday: 8:00 am

Immaculate Conception

Mission Creede
Saturday: 4:00 pm

Holy Family Mission
South Fork

Saturday: 5:30 pm

Office Hours : Tues—Thurs 8:00 am - 4:30pm
Closed for lunch 12:00pm —1:00pm

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(719)852-0644

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monte Vista: Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm or by appointment

Center: Confessions Sunday 11:00 am

Del Norte: Confessions Sunday 7:30 am till 7:50 am

South Fork: Confession Saturday after mass until 6:30 pm

Creede: Confession Saturday 3:30 pm till 3:50 pm

Marriage:

By appt with six months prior to your wedding date.

Baptism:

Please call Office for information on this Sacrament.
On-line Baptism Classes now available

Quinceañera:

Enrolled in Rel. Ed, Quinceañera Classes & fees paid to book date

Sacramental Anointing:

By appointment or upon request.

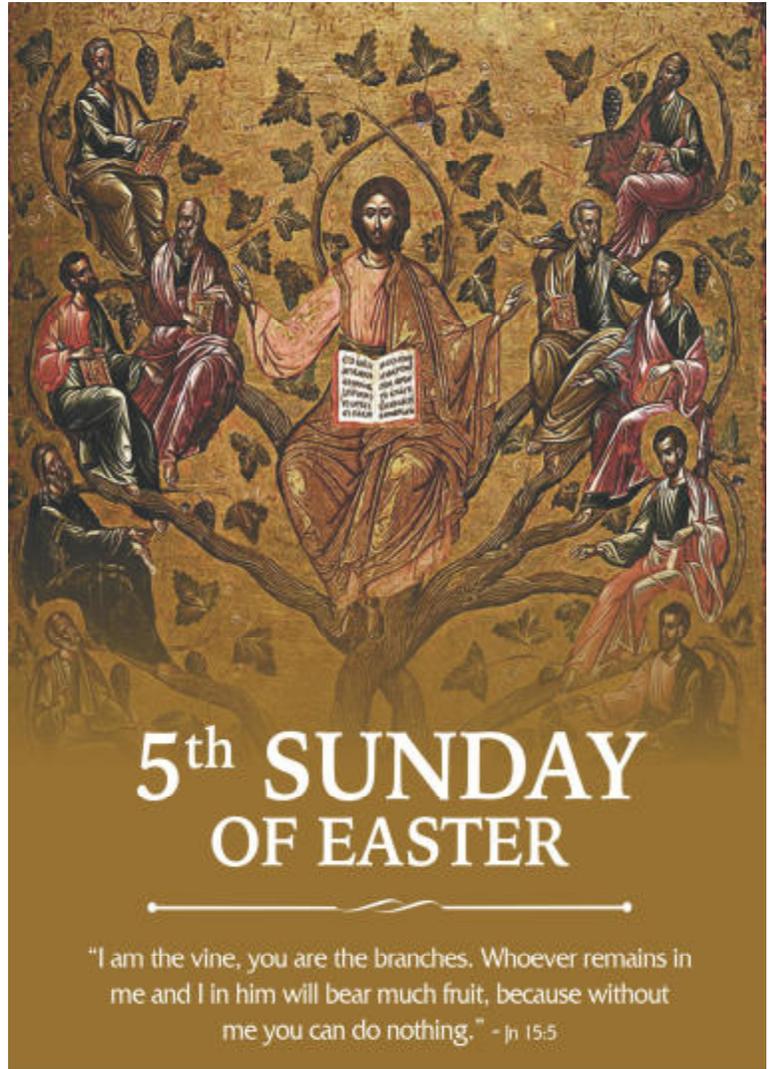
Reminder

All Masses are first come first serve.

A Mask, Parish Event Sign Up Sheet and a temperature check will need to be completed before entry into the Church

Please do not attend if you are filling ill or have come in contact with someone who tested positive for COVID

All Church Attendance is subject to change do to updated County COVID Regulations



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Upcoming Events and Observances

Every Thur: Exposicion del Santisimo on FB 7:00 pm

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter

Monday: Sts. Phillip and James, Apostles

Wednesday: Cinco de Mayo

Thursday: National Day of Prayer

Next Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

Fifth Sunday of Easter

“Spiraling out of control,” is a phrase that can easily describe the current display of human existence. In addition to the violence, unrest, uneasiness and turmoil that are common elements of our daily news, other essential pieces are misplaced or missing. Many lack an objective center around which to order and structure their lives or a clear set of definable goals or mores to act as guideposts and life directives. It appears that “feelings” have become a “new god” and traditional structures and ideals set aside. It is almost as if history only shows that we got this whole thing wrong and many are determined to finally set things right. The real truth, however, is that while wrongs and errors are certainly a part of our often-checked past, it is hardly the case that all was wrong. It is not our task to rewrite the history of our lives, but to learn from mistakes that were made, and preserve the perennial wisdom at the root of our successes. Learning is an essential part of being human.

The question becomes, however, from whom do we learn? Some have such a hard time placing God in that position, but that is precisely where God needs to be. God is the Master Teacher from whom all of humanity learns and gets its cues. It is in and through this relationship with the Gardener of Life that we are fashioned and pruned into the people we are intended to be and can be. It is only in God that we are able to find our best selves. Sadly, many think that religion too, as well as history in general, has also gotten all this wrong. Yet, our resurrection faith tells us differently. We are reminded, today especially, that we are meant to remain in Christ as Christ remains in us. We are also reminded that Jesus, the Incarnate God, is the vine upon which we grow, the branches that flow from the source of God’s life.

Giving up our will to God’s can be a painful endeavor. It is not easy to set our own desires and wants aside and allow God to step in and direct and guide our growth. But this is the only way to prevent deadly weeds from overtaking us and bringing us to a place of self-destruction. God’s commandments are the very guideposts and benchmarks we need, yet many seek to remove them from all public view because they appear to limit self-expression and suppress what is considered by many to be “human freedom.” They are the only way we can find freedom, however. And, until we learn this fundamental lesson, we will continue to spiral out of control, never really knowing who we are, what our potential can be or how life really can be lived.

We will not know



April 11th

St. Joseph 2269.58

Budget Needs 2592.00 per week

Holy Name of Mary 626.15

Crede 385.00

Holy Family 35.00

Budget Needs 2228.00 per week

St. Francis Jerome 3271.73

Budget Needs 1897.00 per week



**SUNDAY & HOLY DAY
OBLIGATION RESTORED**



UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTIONS

May 9: Solidarity Fund for Church in Africa

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The San Juan Catholic Community with charity name in the memo. The San Juan Catholic Community sends one check for each collection to the Diocese. Any checks made out to a National Collection Name will not be accepted for deposit.



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States and other countries, however, the day has come to be known as a celebration of Mexican heritage and pride.

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Cinco de Mayo - "The fifth of May" in Spanish. When we hear those words it is usually related to a party involving Margaritas and exciting Mexican foods.

But, where did it begin?

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During the time of the Civil War in the United States, Mexico had problems of its own. The country had borrowed a great deal of money from three European nations: England, Spain and France.

With debt continuing to accumulate, Mexican President Benito Juarez decided to suspend payments of interest to all three.

While negotiations with England and Spain were successful, France, under Napoleon III, decided to invade and occupy Mexico to get their money back. His idea was to install Austrian Archduke Maximillian as the new leader of the country.

On May 5, 1862 the smaller Mexican army, with older, more inferior weapons and equipment, defeated the French at Puebla, southwest of Mexico City. The Battle of Puebla was the first battle the French had lost in 50 years, especially since they outnumbered the Mexicans 8,000 to 4,000 soldiers.

Unfortunately, the French reinforced their numbers and, in 1864, Maximillian took the the throne. Under pressure from the U.S., French forces began to withdraw in 1866 and, in 1867, Maximillian was deposed and executed.

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So, Happy Cinco de Mayo!

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 02, 2021

- SUN** Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8
- MON** 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Jn 14:6-14
- TUE** Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/Jn 14:27-31a
- WED** Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8
- THR** Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 [3]/Jn 15:9-11
- FRI** Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/Jn 15:12-17
- SAT** Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
- SUN** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

Mass intentions

May 04 - May 09, 2021

Tuesday May 04:

St. Joseph 5:00 pm

+Evelyn Ciardella by Denise M. Gomez

Saturday May 08:

St. Joseph 5:00 pm

Health & Healing of Will Medina & Diego Servantez
by Esther Espinosa

Sunday May 09:

Holy Name of Mary 8:00 am

+Ricardo Velasquez by Velasquez Family
+Victor (Kiki) Sanchez by Eli & Alice Sanchez

St. Joseph 10:00 am

+Pauline Kurys by Linda Carroll
+Ida Martinez by Martinez & Atencio Family

St. Francis Jerome 10:00 pm

+Margarie Sanchez by Tom Sanchez

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Branching Out

Isn't Always What It's Cracked Up to Be

"That's a really beautiful tree branch. Man, would you look at the bark on that thing? The others are real duds, but that low-hanging branch has really got it all together."

I've never heard anyone say this. Maybe I just need to hang out with more arborists, but I can't recall ever hearing someone admire the particular beauty of a single branch. When someone comments on a tree, it's usually the whole tree — perhaps a visual element of it, like the color of the leaves or its height. But people don't usually zero in on one branch.

Maybe that's because usually, if one branch is looking a little weak, chances are every other branch is, too.

The Bible tells us that when we bear fruit as good everyday stewards, it is for the Father's glory. We are the branch on His magnificent tree. What we have is from Him, and what we do likewise points back to Him. We also tend to reflect how well the other branches around us are incorporating the nutrients coming their way. That's all fine and good in theory. In practice, it can be an arduous exercise in humility.

When I do something virtuous or charitable or kind, there is a part of me that wants to stand out for it. I think that's true for all of us. We've given of ourselves in some way or overcome some human temptation to accomplish a little bit of good in this world, and even though we know God sees us, we'd really love for everyone else to see it, too.

It's a struggle, for sure. But we need to remember that our fruit belongs to the whole tree.

Tracy Earl Welliver

LIVE THE LITURGY

Anyone familiar with gardening knows that proper and timely pruning is essential. The health of the plant depends upon it. An unpruned tree can quickly produce suckers that zap many of the essential nutrients from its body. Pruning requires patience and vision. Studies reveal that plants often respond defensively to being pruned, displaying reactions that are similar to hurt or discomfort. Pruning is not easy but necessary. A hard lesson for us to learn is that we also need to be pruned. We become far healthier when we allow God to stretch, refine, and form us into the best version of ourselves. The fruit that then comes from our vines will be more abundant, nutritious, and robust. Left to our own devices we can easily find ourselves running amuck and spiraling out of control. Without a proper vision and trust in the Master Pruner, we will never find the contentment we desperately desire. Nor will the work of the Gospel stand a chance of succeeding.



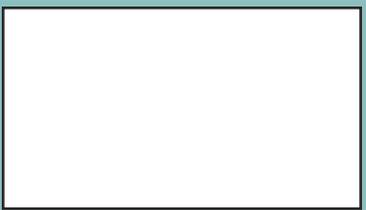
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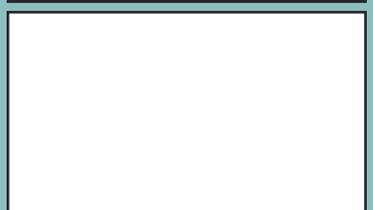
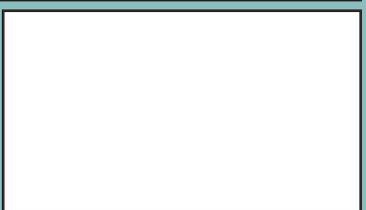


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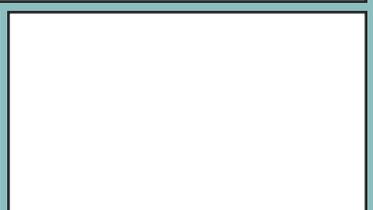
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