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Sunday, May 2, 2021 — Fifth Sunday of Easter

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FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED

INDOOR MASSES:

Monday—Saturday: Morning Prayer 7:30 AM.

Monday—Saturday: Mass 8:00 AM (English)

Saturday: 5:30 PM (English)

OUTDOOR MASSES:

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, (English),

11:30 AM (English) 1:30 PM (Spanish).

5:30 PM (CANCEL)

Holy Days: The schedule will be announced

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION :

Saturday, 4:30 PM in the Parking Lot

SACRAMENTS: Contact the Parish Office

Tuesdays, 5:00 - 6:00 PM: Prayer Hour for Peace.

First Fridays, 8:30-10:00 AM: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Holy Hour for Vocations, Benediction.

Fridays, 7:00-8:00 PM (Spanish): Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Holy Hour, Benediction.

First Saturdays, 8:30-9:15 AM: Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima (Rosary and meditation on the mysteries).

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Winding Down

When I announced back in December the news of my new assignment as director of novices in Philadelphia, the Summer seemed so far away. I have been asked by a number of people when my last official day is. As pastor, my last official day will be May 31st. Fr. Flores will be the official pastor beginning on June 1st. However, my last day presiding at Masses will be on Sunday June 6th, and we're planning a Mass of Thanksgiving the day before on Saturday, June 5th at 12:00 PM --with a simple reception to follow.

Although Fr Flores will be the official pastor beginning June 1st, due to longer than expected time in the processing of his visa, the earliest he could be here might be the end of September. During the Summer, Fr Safraz and other Augustinians will continue taking care of Masses and other sacramental needs. Please be patient during this transition, and continue to pray that the processing of the visa for Fr. Flores will not be delayed further.

I am grateful to everyone who has expressed good wishes as well as gratitude for my time of service here at St Patrick's. Thank you to everyone who has developed a personal connection with me: I am most grateful to anyone who invited me to their home (prior to the pandemic of course), who prayed for me, who took the time to bake or cook something for the other priests and myself, who gave me something to deal with my ankle issues, or thought of me in some other way. Although my service is a response to the love of God who called me to share that love through priestly service, your appreciation has meant so much. Thank you! You are and will continue to be in my prayers.

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When I first arrived to San Diego, it was my second time living in America's finest city, and since I already had made friends from my first time living here, the transition was easy for me. Fr. Flores on the other hand, will be coming to another country, and although he visited our parish about 10 years ago, it will be his first time living in San Diego. He will be blessed to have your support. He is such a good priest, that it is worth the wait with the processing of his visa.

Fr Flores will also be blessed to work in the parish office with our two lay people on staff who work full time: Barb Mossinghoff and Aida Rodriguez. Barb answers the phone and the door, and assists with requests from baptisms to funerals, she also helps families in planning of liturgies, works on pulpit announcements and Mass intentions, orders supplies, makes certificates for the various sacraments, managing various church calendars, marriage files for engaged couples, and many other tasks. Aida Rodriguez keeps us in line with human resources laws, and keeps the accounting of the church, pays all our bills including property taxes, edits and formats the bulletin, manages the registration process for religious education, tracks giving and prepares tax letters for you, and many other tasks. I am grateful for their professionalism, their hard-work, the good attitude they bring, and for doing so much for our parish. We are all blessed to have them, and Fr Carlos Flores, OSA will find in them the great support I have had.

God bless,

Fr Carlos, OSA

Masses Resume:

5:30 PM Saturday Vigil Mass Resumes Inside of the Church

Fr Tom Verber, OSA will be the regular presider at this Mass until Fr Flores arrives.

1:30 PM Sunday Spanish Mass Resumes Outside

Legion of Mary Will Resume Home Visitations

If you would like to have the traveling statue of the Virgin Mary in your home to pray the rosary as a family, please call the parish office to leave a message for the Legion.

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**ST. PATRICK'S
CENTENNIAL COUNTDOWN: # 25
YOUR STORY.....OUR HISTORY**

The year-long St. Patrick Centennial begins in less than six months. You can help kick-off our celebration by sharing copies of any photos and memorabilia that capture your family's "moments in time" that are part of the history of St. Pat. Anything that shows you or your family members participating in liturgies, the sacraments, parish events or activities over the past 100 years would be sincerely appreciated. These items will be compiled and displayed, with your permission, at a History Fair on **October 23 and 24**. To learn more contact Barb at the Parish Office or send an email to parishsecretary@stpatsd.org.

*La celebracion del centenario de San Patricio que durara todo un año comenzara en menos de seis meses. Tu puedes ayudar a empezar nuestra celebracion compartiendo copias de fotos y memorias familiares que capturen "el momento en tiempo" que incluyan St. Pat. Cualquier evento o actividad que muestre la participacion de nuestros miembros en liturgias, sacramentos, eventos de la parroquia o actividades en los pasados cien años seran muy apreaciados. Todas estas fotografias y memorias seran mostradas, con su permiso, en la Feria Historica en **Octubre 23 y 24**. Para mas informacion por favor llame a la Parroquia.*

**School Finance Committee and
Marketing Committee Met**

Both committees met separately and reviewed the budget for next year, and discussed plans to continue sharing how happy parents are with our school.



**Readings for the Week:
May 3 – 9**

Sundays: Year B — Weekdays: Year III

Monday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-3,4-5;
Jn 14:6-14

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28;
Ps 145:10-11,12-13ab,21; Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6;
Ps 122:1-2,3-4ab,4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a,2b-3,10;
Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9,10&12;
Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2,3,5;
Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48;
Ps 98:1,2-3,3-4; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17

ACA

Thank you to those of you who have pledged/given to the Annual Catholic Appeal, which is the annual tax from our Diocese which supports many programs. We are at \$10,000 already! Our assessment is \$14,000. If you have not participated yet, you can help us reach our assessment. Any amount counts toward our assessed goal. Please visit:

<https://giving.diocese-sdiego.org/>.

Grant Them Eternal Rest, O Lord

Funeral Mass was celebrated here this past week for Joseph Bianchi. The Funeral for **Michael DiAmbrosio** was indefinitely postponed. Please keep their families in your prayers.

Book Club: Mere Christianity by C.S. Lewis

The Book Club met last Saturday on Zoom and discussion ensued on the basic tents of the Christian faith as explained in The book will be Mere Christianity by CS Lewis. Please contact **Elisa Ambre** to join in:

mrselisaambre@gmail.com.

FB Report

MASS AND FEASTS

Mass continues to be live streamed on Saturday and Sunday. Holy Hour is streamed on Fridays at 7 p.m. These videos are available on the Parish Facebook page.

MISSIONARY SISTERS

Weekday mass videos by the monastery in Tlaxcala, Mexico are available to view.



May 3 — 8

Mon. 8:00 AM	Norma Gimber HB Sylvia Hughes McArdele †
Tues. 8:00 AM	Monica Luquin †
Wed. 8:00 AM	Kathleen Wilson † Iren Sambo, Gregorio & Pacito Tenorio Urrea †
Thurs. 8:00 AM	Peggy McGrath † Wally Gonzalez
Fri. 8:00 AM	Rev. Harry Neely, OSA † Kay Whalen † & Joe McDonald
Sat. 8:00 AM	Olive Kohmescher & Lucille Lovett † Fulham Family L & †

† Rest In Peace **HB** Happy Birthday **HA** Happy Anniversar

Philosophical Underpinnings of Woke Ideology

The advocates of the so-called “woke” ideology today have not been shy about articulating the philosophical underpinnings of their perspective. They do indeed find inspiration in Marx, Nietzsche, Sartre, Derrida, and Foucault, among others.

From these modern and postmodern thinkers, they derive a number of principles. First, they advocate a deeply antagonistic social theory, whereby the world is divided sharply into the two classes of oppressors and oppressed. Second, they relativize moral value and see classical morality as an attempt by the ruling class to maintain itself in power. Third, they focus, not so much on the individual, as on racial and ethnic categories and hence they endorse the idea of collective guilt and recommend a sort of reverse discrimination to address the injustices of the past. Fourth, they tend to demonize the market economy and the institutions of democracy as part of a superstructure defending the privileged. Fifth, they push toward equity of outcome throughout the society, rather than equality of opportunity. And finally, “wokeism” employs divisive and aggressive strategies of accusation that are contrary to the Gospel demand to love our enemies.

Suffice it to say that Catholic Social Teaching stands athwart all of this. It wants social justice, of course, but not on “woke” terms. Its heroes are not Marx, Nietzsche, and Foucault, but rather Isaiah, Amos, Jeremiah, Jesus the Lord, Ambrose, Aquinas, and Teresa of Calcutta.

I fear that a lot of Catholics, legitimately concerned about societal injustice and eager to do something about it, will turn, not to our biblically based and deeply wise social teaching tradition, but rather to the philosophy that’s currently in the air.

As Pope John Paul II often reminded us, the Church never imposes, only proposes. So, even as we acknowledge the difficulty of persuading people of our point of view, we are obliged to make cogent public arguments about all of the great life issues: abortion, capital punishment, euthanasia, racism, etc.

Depending on the question, of course, we will be more popular with the left or the right within our American context. So be it. Our job is not to please any political party. It is to speak for Gospel values in the public square.

Bishop Robert Barron

No Amor de Palabras, Sino de Hechos

"Dar fruto", según enseña el Evangelio, es algo como lo que pide la segunda lectura de hoy: "no amemos solamente de palabra, sino con hechos y de verdad". Santa Catalina de Siena decía que las palabras son como hojas y que un árbol de sólo hojas no satisface al agricultor: se necesitan obras, frutos, hechos.

Pero esta misma segunda lectura trae otro tema que nos edifica: el papel de la conciencia. Por un lado es verdad que la conciencia sirve de señal cuando no nos reprocha, pues "si nuestra conciencia no nos condena, podemos acercarnos a Dios con confianza, y lo que le pidamos lo recibiremos de él, porque cumplimos sus mandamientos y hacemos lo que le agrada".

Por otra parte, la condenación que proviene de la conciencia no puede tomarse como un absoluto, "porque si ella nos condena, Dios es más grande que nuestra conciencia y conoce todas las cosas".

Es, por decir lo menos, extraña esta enseñanza, porque parece contradecir la doctrina más común, que desconfía de las aprobaciones del propio parecer y más bien se fía de los reproches de la propia conciencia.

Sin embargo, téngase en cuenta que esto que predica el apóstol tiene un prerequisite, que "no amemos solamente de palabra, sino con hechos y de verdad", pues "en esto sabremos que pertenecemos a la verdad y tendremos la conciencia tranquila ante Dios". Es decir: aquel que realiza en su vida el mensaje de amor del Evangelio tiene en esas obras una señal que le permite atenerse a un criterio que es incluso más fuerte que su propia percepción sobre el estado de su alma ante Dios. El alma no debe fiarse de un juicio al margen de las obras que ve que está realizando, pues obrando así estaría tomando el lugar de Dios. Lo que debe hacer es obrar el bien y luego dejar todo juicio a Dios, "que es más grande que nuestra conciencia".

Fray Nelson Medina, OP

First Communion Mass in Spanish celebrated
Congratulations to our students and their families, and many thanks to our Catechists!

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