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Welcome:

If you are a new parishioner, or visiting for the first time, welcome to Holy Cross Catholic Church! We are glad that you are here and hope you find our parish home to be a warm and welcoming community. If you would like to become a member of our parish, please check with the parish office or give us a call.

Homebound: For Communion to the sick or the homebound, please call the parish office.

St. Vincent de Paul: Food Pantry hours are Tuesday, 10am - noon and Thursday evenings, 5:30 - 7pm.

Funerals: To ensure the availability of a priest and the church, please call the office before you make arrangements with the funeral director.

Baptism Preparation: Classes offered as needed. Please contact the parish staff for more information. Se ofrece una clase cada tercer sábado del mes a las 10 de la mañana.

Senior Luncheon: We are working on re-establishing the Luncheons and will notify everyone when we are ready to offer lunch once a month at 11:30am in the school hall for Seniors and Friends.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday - Friday: 8am Rosary, 8:30am Mass

Saturday: 5pm Vigil, English

Sunday: 9am, English & 12pm, Español

Adoration: Thursdays, 8:30am-8:30pm

Adoración al Santísimo: jueves, 8:30am-8:30pm

Reconciliation: Tuesday and Wednesday, 7pm

Reconciliación: martes y miércoles, 7pm

Anointing of the Sick: Second Wednesday of each month following the 8:30am Mass.
(Anointing is available at all hours in emergency.)

School Mass: Friday, 8:30am (Sept.—June)

April 30th & May 1st, 2022: Third Sunday of Easter

The Church Teaches...



The Church offers us, on this Third Sunday of Easter, St. Peter. John 21, 1-19 is an affirmation that strength and weakness can be found in the same person. That is good news for all of us, isn't it? The *weakness* of St. Peter is there all along and it is

unmistakable, but Christ sees his *strength*, too. Therein lies the good news for all of us.

The Gospels (all four) indicate a pattern to St. Peter's experience with Christ: "Call, Fall, and Re-call." That first call occurred as Jesus was beginning His ministry. The fall happened more than once, but it took place in an important way right before the rooster crowed! The second call, the re-call is the one we hear today. Perhaps about three years passed between those calls, and during that time a lot of things happened to St. Peter. For example, he found out a lot about the one who called Him, about the task to which he was called, and most of all, he found out a lot about himself (much of which was nothing to brag about). When the re-call came, St. Peter was a lot more wise and humble, and so his response was much more mature and enlightened than the first time.

Are we confident that St. Peter's story is a lot like our own, and the pattern of "Call, Fall, and Re-call" is ours as well? It's that middle part that we shouldn't overlook! The fall (our sin) makes us more wise and humble, like him. Sadly, too many people get the first two parts of this experience, but miss the third. When the fall comes, it's just too devastating. They do not stick around and they never hear or respond to the re-call, for one reason or another. And how sad is that?

We are all "re-called" in both our strength and weakness to love and feed God's lost sheep. He has given us His Holy Spirit with all the gifts we need to do so. All we need to do now is "stick around," step out with faith and courage, and let the Holy Spirit take care of the rest.



***Masks are now recommended in the church! We encourage you to keep your masks on while in the church.**

- **Masks are welcome** – in order to protect the more vulnerable in our community, like children *and* those with compromised immunities.
- **On a practical note**, whether you wear a mask or not at Communion, please continue to say "Amen," step aside, consume the Consecrated Host, and then return to your pew.
- **Finally**, now more than ever, if you are sick in any way or even feeling a little "under the weather," please stay home! Our overriding concern is for *your* good health and the good health of others in the pews.

Bulletin Announcements



Holy Cross Parents' Association/ Jog-A-Thon Committee News— Because of your hard work, we shattered our 25K goal! The Holy Cross School Jog-A-Thon raised **\$35,344.14!** Thank you for your support!

All funds will go directly to Holy Cross School to help provide the many wonderful activities and programs our school offers, while also helping to keep tuition affordable.

We also have inter-class competition results to share. Classes were competing (PreK vs. K/1st vs. 2nd/3rd vs. 4th/5th vs. 6th/7th vs. 8th) for most money raised and most laps ran (averaged by # of class runners). And the winners are...

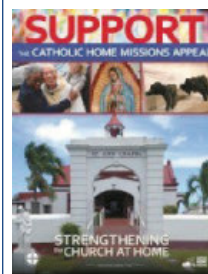
• **Top Fundraiser Grades: Pre-K, 2nd, 4th, 6th & 8th**
These winning classes will be awarded recess gift baskets!

• **Most Laps Ran: K, 2nd, 3rd, 6th & 8th**
These winning classes will get a PE day at the park!

• **Top 3 Fundraising Grades:**
6th: \$4,621.98
5th: \$4,250.00
Pre-K: \$3,702.52

These classes will also be earning a pizza party!

Congratulations and thank you for making this a *fun* and *successful* event!



Catholic Home Missions Appeal— Thank you for your generous support of the Catholic Home Missions Appeal! Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered "mission territories" because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral activities needed in their communities.

Your support will fund religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States.

If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give!
More information can be found at:

<https://www.usccb.org/committees/catholic-home-missions>

The Holy Cross Worship Schedule—

❖ **Daily Mass: Tuesday - Friday, 8:30am**

Confessions: Tues. & Wed., at 7pm. The rules for handwashing and social distancing will be maintained.

***Special note: Appointments for Confession are also available throughout the week.**



Bulletin Announcements: Activities & Opportunities

7TH & 8TH GRADE Hangout

Join us Thursdays
3-4:30pm
in the Parish Center

Holy Cross Teen Programs—
Hello Holy Cross 7th and 8th grade families! We are happy to announce a new program for 7th and 8th graders in the parish.

James Henderson (Youth Ministry Coordinator) and Mary Jane Weber (Director of Evangelization) will be hosting a hangout time after school on Thursdays in the Parish Center from 3pm till 4:30pm. Join us for fellowship and a fun time!

Permission slips will be available at the front entrance of the church, please bring those with you when you join us.



Parish Website—Please view the resources available at the parish website, including continuing education resources for all ages, and more!

Livestreaming our Masses—[We are once again livestreaming the Mass from Holy Cross Church. Join us at 9am on Sundays \(available all week\)!](#)

Our Website Team has made access to our Masses simpler and the site easier to use.

- ❖ Go to: www.holycrosspdx.org/holy-cross-church/
- ❖ Click on: the **English** Mass image

- Bulletins
- Music Issues
- Catholic Sentinels

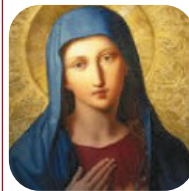
- Missalettes
- Holy Water



...are available in the parish office “treasure chest.”



Homebound Ministry—If you are homebound or know of someone who is homebound who would like to receive Communion at home, please contact Mary Jane at 503.953.8328.



Dedicating the month of May to St. Mary has been a custom in the Church dating back many centuries. It offers us a beautiful chance to associate her with the coming of Spring and the new birth of flowers and plants and crops in the field. In this special month, we are encouraged to deepen our devotion to the Blessed Mother.

In the Acts of the Apostles, we see the hopeful image of the early Church united in prayer around “Mary, the mother of Jesus.” That’s what Jesus wanted. His last wish – some call it His “last will and testament” – was that His mother should become our mother. He told the apostle St. John (and each one of us): “Behold, your mother!”

So, let’s make sure that St. Mary always has an important place in our lives. The Gospel says St. John took Mary into his “own home.” We can do that, too. We can develop a deeper personal relationship with her – one of love, affection, devotion, and trust.

Save the date! The 87th Annual Archbishop’s Seminary Tea—

Mark your calendar and join us **Wednesday, June 1st from 3-6pm at the Portland Golf Club** for this year’s in-person Archbishop’s Seminary Tea.



This treasured tradition, established in 1935, benefits the education of seminarians preparing to serve in our archdiocese. For more information, please email the Seminary Tea Committee at info@seminarytea.org.

Donate now online!
www.seminarytea.org



The St. Vincent de Paul Conference here at Holy Cross is looking to add a monthly opportunity for food delivery from the Food Pantry.

Along with the weekly hours presently scheduled, the Food Pantry will now be “open” on the last Sunday of the month at 1pm (May 29th, for example).

The Conference is hoping to make food available for those who need a helping hand themselves — but they are also going to encourage all of us to reach out to our neighbors, who may not have enough food. If any of us have neighbors “in need,” let’s plan to make a delivery so that “nobody will go hungry.” Thank you!

Catholic Synod 2021—2023



Last weekend, our parish participated in the worldwide Synod discussions, contributing to the preparation for next year’s Synod.

We would like to offer a huge THANK YOU to all parishioners who took part in these discussions, both in person and in writing.

Your participation was incredibly important!

Sunday, May 1st is the last day to turn in any written responses.

Thank you!



FIRST COMMUNION SEASON HAS BEGUN!

This year, Holy Cross Parish has a large group of children who are receiving their First Communion this month. We have children who have prepared in several classes, both in English and in Spanish.

For our English-speaking program, these are our children who will have the Eucharist for the first time:

- Kailey Culligan
- Harper Fadden
- Michelle Gallegos
- Arleth Gomez
- Dominic Kiltow
- Carson Leahy
- Petrona Lopez
- Alexander Nieves
- Siobhan O'Regan
- Ruby Prenguber
- Jack Ridenour
- Josie Stolle
- Autumn Troxell
- Yazmin Vega-Alvez

Please keep all the children of the parish in your prayers, especially those who are preparing for their First Communion this month!



Do You Love Me?

Simon, son of John, do you love Me?



In today's Gospel reading, Jesus asked Peter three times if he loved Him. Peter was a bit offended that Jesus asked him the same thing three times. After all, Jesus knew everything- so He knew that Peter loved Him.

But think back to a few weeks ago: on Holy Thursday night some people asked Peter if he even knew Jesus, and he said "No!" three times! Maybe Jesus was trying to show Peter that it's easy to say "I love you," but it's harder to really love Him.

Lord, You know I love You!



If Jesus asked you today, "Do you love me?" what would you say to Him? What would you do to show Him that you really do love Him? The best ways to love Jesus are talking to Him every day in prayer, and being good to the people around you- they are taking Jesus' place for you. Are you ready to show your love for Jesus?



The third time that the Apostles saw Jesus after He rose from the dead was at the Sea of Tiberias. After they were out fishing all night without catching anything, Jesus told them to put out the net on the other side of the boat. Then they caught 153 big fish!

Can you find the way through the maze for the Apostles to come to shore?

Saint Peregrine May 1

PEREGRINE WAS BORN TO A WEALTHY FAMILY IN FORLI, ITALY, IN 1260. HE HAD AN EASY CHILDHOOD AND WAS NOT CONCERNED ABOUT THE FAITH.

I'll go to Mass if my parents make me go.

IN FACT, HE EVEN JOINED HIS FAMILY IN FIGHTING AGAINST THE POPE'S RULE.

We don't need anyone to tell us what to do!

BUT WHEN HE STRUCK A PRIEST AND THE PRIEST FORGAVE HIM, HE CONVERTED.

What have I done?

HE JOINED A RELIGIOUS ORDER AND WAS ORDAINED.

HE WAS SENT BACK TO HIS HOMETOWN TO START A RELIGIOUS HOUSE THERE.

HE PREACHED WELL AND HELPED MANY PEOPLE IN CONFESSION.

Forgive me, Father. My last confession was 20 years ago...

Lord, please cure me! But if it is not Your will I accept it.

WHEN SAINT PEREGRINE GOT CANCER IN HIS LEG AND WAS GOING TO HAVE IT AMPUTATED, HE PRAYED TO JESUS, WHO APPEARED TO HIM AND HEALED IT.

SAINT PEREGRINE DIED WHEN HE WAS IN HIS 80'S. BECAUSE HE HAD CANCER AND WAS CURED, HE IS THE PATRON SAINT OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE CANCER. DO YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO HAS CANCER OR SOME OTHER BAD SICKNESS? YOU CAN PRAY TO SAINT PEREGRINE THAT GOD WILL MAKE THEM BETTER.

Important Dates

May 1: Third Sunday of Easter

May 3 & 4: Confessions, 6-8pm (an extra hour each night)

May 5: Adoration, 8:30am-8:30pm

May 8: Fourth Sunday of Easter & Mother's Day ♥

May 9: No School, Easter Holiday

May 10: Confessions, 6-8pm (an extra hour this evening)

May 11: *No Evening Confessions, Holy Cross Catholic School Annual Fund Drive Dinner—University of Portland, Bauccio Commons, 6pm

May 12: Adoration, 8:30am-8:30pm

May 14: Community of Hope's Raise Hope Gala—University of Portland, Bauccio Commons, 5pm

May 15: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Next Week's Readings – May 8th

Fourth Sunday of Easter—

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 13, 14, 43-52

Psalm: 100 **2nd Reading:** Revelation 7, 9, 14b-17

Gospel: John 10, 27-30



Congratulations to the young people of our parish who recently celebrated the Rite of Confirmation with Bishop Peter Smith. As Bishop Peter mentioned at the Mass, there is a fundamental connection of this Sacrament with all of Christian “initiation.” In fact, Christian “initiation” reaches its culmination in the Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ. Despite what many think, Confirmation is not the culmination of “initiation” – it is the Eucharist which completes it!

Bishop Peter prayed this prayer over our “*confirmandi*”: “All-powerful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by water and the Holy Spirit you freed your sons and daughters from sin and gave them new life. Send your Holy Spirit upon them to be their Helper and Guide. Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence. Fill them with the spirit of wonder and awe in your presence. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.”

Thank you to Bridget Fadden, RJ Tagorda, James Henderson, and all who helped with Confirmation preparation this year.

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Mass Intentions for May 2nd—8th, 2022:

Monday Morning Prayer ~ No Mass

Tues. +Mary Se Bui by Nga Tran

Wed. +Jim Wilson by Theresa Lang

Thurs. +Isabel Sablan by family

Friday Int. of Bernardine Niece by Bridget Fadden

Sat. (5pm) Int. of the Nguyen Family by Nga Tran

Sun. (9am) +Betty Bell by Glenda Bell

(12pm) People of the Parish

*To arrange for a Mass intention, please contact the parish office.
Please plan ahead if you are requesting a specific date.*



In our prayers, let us remember all those who have died, including: Frances Keagbine and Betty Olheiser

Let us pray for all those who are ill or homebound, including: Darlene Thayer, Shayna Ramirez,

Joyce McNichols, Sue Anne Boettcher, Sandy Barrera,

Mary McNamara, Mary Ragland, Irene Heaverin,

Tomasa Moreno, Bob Hungerford, Steve Unger,

Bernie Verbout, Ernie Marbott, Jim Graiff,

Amanda Holmberg, Erma Faoro, John Bachmeier,

Helen Shamrell, Luise Ritter, Christina Gardener,

Yvonne Clendenin, Pat Schaeffer, Eleanor Archerd,

Joe Schweitzer, and Harry Clark

Stewardship

April 23rd & 24th, 2022

Weekend Offertory: \$7,104.55

Online Giving: \$1,260.00

Total: \$8,364.55



Stewardship: In the month of May, because of our growing numbers, we will celebrate three different First Communion Masses here in our parish. Please pray for the young people who are actively preparing for their First Communion.

Nourished with the Eucharist, all of us (young and old) are called to more fully love God, family, ourselves, and others. We are called to strengthen this love and deepen our resolve to live according to the Gospel. We do this by practicing prayer, humility, trust, patience, responsibility, gratitude, generosity, simplicity, mercy, and perseverance. In order to be good stewards of the gifts God has given us, we need to be committed to all of these – which is no half-hearted commitment. It means a day-by-day, moment-by-moment living out of all of these things.

Good stewardship, as “a way of life,” teaches that we are capable of nothing on our own; and that is true especially when it comes to fulfilling our commitment to being a “Eucharistic People.” Everything is made possible, however, through the gift of God’s grace which, in His love, He makes ever-present for us, so long as we ask for it and respond to it.

EL EVANGELIO



Según capítulo 21 del Evangelio de San Juan, “la noche” no es sino el escenario de la ausencia de Jesús, Luz del mundo. Simbólicamente, y como notan los maestros de la Escrituras, “la luz” de la mañana coincide con la presencia de Jesús. En la noche, misión sin fruto, no habían cogido nada. Pero tampoco la presencia de Jesús significa que les sustituya en su tarea de la pesca.

El mar representa el mundo en el que se ejerce la misión. Jesús se queda en tierra firme. Su misión se ejercerá por medio de sus discípulos – con su cercanía y aliento, aunque ellos no lo reconozcan. Eso sí: cuando ellos vuelven a la “orilla,” término profundamente simbólico, cuando se vuelve a constituir la comunidad tras la misión, en la playa ya está preparada la acogida, el fuego y la comida. Y allí se funden los alimentos que Jesús había preparado y los que ellos traen. La misión termina en la Eucaristía. En ella está presente el don de Jesús a los suyos y el don de unos a otros.

Jesús pide que aportemos el pan “fruto de nuestro trabajo” para unirlo indisolublemente al don que nos hace de sí mismo, y constituirse en un alimento en que no se puede separar ya el don de Jesús y el don de nosotros.

Mayo: El Mes de la Virgen María

Mayo es el mes que la Iglesia Universal dedica a la Madre de Dios, la Bienaventurada Virgen María. Este tiempo es una oportunidad para renovar el amor de todos los Bautizados hacia la Mujer que Dios, desde la eternidad, escogió para darlo a luz y cuidarlo. La Santísima Virgen María es por siempre la Reina del Cielo y de la Tierra, no hay santidad sin María porque toda Ella lleva a Cristo.



Debemos darle un lugar especial a María no porque sea una tradición de larga data en la Iglesia o por las gracias especiales que se pueden obtener, sino porque María es nuestra Madre, la Madre de todo el mundo y porque se preocupa por todos nosotros, intercediendo incluso en los asuntos más pequeños. Por eso se merece todo un mes en su honor.



Nuestra fe católica nace y se nutre en el corazón de la familia. Y en el corazón de cada familia está el amante corazón de la madre. ¡Nosotros debemos dar gracias a Dios cada día por nuestras madres! Por todos sus sacrificios y su amor. Debemos dar gracias especialmente el segundo domingo de mayo, unidos a en la celebración del Día de la Madre.

Tenemos la oportunidad de anticipar esa “fiesta civil,” pidiendo por todas madres durante de la semana que viene. Que nuestra oración sea para que crezcamos en nuestro amor por nuestras madres — nuestras madres naturales en la tierra, y nuestra Santísima Madre en el cielo.

Así como nuestras madres nos enseñaron a caminar, María nos enseña cómo seguir a Jesús: “Hagan los que Él les diga.”

PARA REFLEJAR



“¡En verdad, Cristo ha resucitado! ¡Aleluya!”

También hoy la Iglesia sigue proponiendo el mismo anuncio gozoso. Estas palabras son un grito de alegría y una invitación a la esperanza.

“¿Me amas...?” Esta pregunta (Juan 21, 1-19) que el Resucitado dirige a San Pedro nos recuerda a todos los que nos decimos creyentes que la vitalidad de la fe no es un asunto de comprensión intelectual, sino de amor a Jesucristo.

Es el amor lo que permite a San Pedro entrar en una relación viva con Cristo y lo que nos puede introducir también a nosotros en el misterio cristiano. El que no ama, apenas puede “entender” algo acerca de la fe cristiana. No hemos de olvidar que el amor brota en nosotros cuando comenzamos a abrirnos a otra persona en una actitud de confianza y entrega — que va siempre más allá de razones, pruebas, y demostraciones. De alguna manera, “amar” es siempre “aventurarse” en el otro (especialmente en Jesús).

Las Primeras Comuniones...

El 7 y el 14 de mayo vamos a celebrar las Misas de Primera Comunión aquí en nuestra parroquia. Todos los miembros de la parroquia están invitados a participar en estas Misas. Y todos queremos que sean unos días especiales para los niños y jóvenes que reciben el Sacramento de la Eucaristía por primera vez. Para ayudar a que esas Misas sean memorables para los niños y jóvenes y sus familias, considere la siguiente sugerencia: “lo más importante no son los regalos.”



Por supuesto, a los niños y jóvenes les encanta recibir regalos de los invitados al evento. Pero lo más importante es lo que ocurre: el regalo de la Eucaristía. Podemos ayudar a los niños y jóvenes a entenderlo mediante nuestra presencia en el templo, nuestras oraciones ofrecidas por ellos, los mensajes que incluimos en la tarjeta que acompaña a los regalos, y en las palabras que les decimos. **Oremos: “Por todos los niños y jóvenes que pronto hacen la Primera Comunión: para que, cada día amen más a Dios. Amén.”**

MINISTERIO HISPANO

Ana Carmina Pérez 503.289.7188
Por ahora la oficina no esta abierta
Si tiene preguntas o necesita algo llámenos
o mande un correo electrónico.

En estos momentos sin precedente que estamos viviendo a consecuencia del **Covid-19**, aunado a la salud de nuestro Párroco, el Padre Mark, *gracias por su comprensión...*

Platicas Pre-Bautismales:

pronto

Bautismos:

pronto

Preparación Sacramental para:
Iniciación Católica para Adultos (RICA)
y Bodas
por favor llame a la oficina.

Confesiones:
cada martes y miércoles a las 7pm

¡Gracias por su paciencia y comprensión!

En nuestras oraciones recordemos:

...a todos los que están enfermos, incluyendo: Darlene Thayer, Shayna Ramirez, Joyce McNichols, Sue Anne Boettcher, Sandy Barrera, Mary McNamara, Mary Ragland, Irene Heaverin, Tomasa Moreno, Steve Unger, Bob Hungerford, Michael Fitzgerald, Bernie Verbout, Ernie Marbott, Jim Graiff, Amanda Holmberg, Erma Faoro, Luise Ritter, Yvonne Clendenin, Armando De Los Reyes, Eleanor Archerd, Pat Schaeffer, Harry Clark, Joe Schweitzer, y John Bachmeier



...y a todos los que han muerto, especialmente Frances Keagbine, Betty Olheiser, y todos los que han fallecido a causa del Covid-19.

“Te pedimos, Señor, que tus siervos que han muerto ya para este mundo, vivan ahora para ti y que tu amor misericordioso borre los pecados que cometieron por fragilidad humana. Por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor.”

HORARIO PARROQUIAL

1 de mayo: Tercer Domingo de la Pascua

2-3 de mayo: Confesiones, 7pm

4 de mayo: Adoración, 8:30am — 8:30pm

8 de mayo: Cuarto Domingo de la Pascua (Dia de la Madre)

7-8 de mayo: Congreso San Juan Diego



Corresponsabilidad Parroquial: **23-24 de abril: 8,364.55**

Con inmensa alegría celebramos hoy el tercer domingo de la Pascua. En la Misa, como siempre, vamos a presentar a Dios todo lo que somos, todo lo que esperamos, y todo lo que vivimos. Y sabemos que Él, porque nos ama, lo transforma todo y lo llena de vida.

“Es el Señor.” Según el Evangelio, después de una larga noche de soledad y fatiga, llega el alba: la luz vence a la oscuridad, el trabajo infructuoso se convierte en pesca fácil y abundante, el cansancio y la soledad se transforman en alegría y paz. Desde entonces, esos mismos sentimientos animan a la Iglesia.

Aunque pueda parecer a veces que triunfan las tinieblas del mal y la fatiga de la vida diaria, la Iglesia sabe con certeza que sobre quienes siguen a Cristo resplandece ahora la luz inextinguible de la Pascua.

LA LITURGIA — LECTURAS

IV DOMINGO DE PASCUA

Primera Lectura: Hechos de los Apóstoles 13, 14. 43-52

Salmo: 99

Segunda Lectura: Apocalipsis 7, 9. 14-17

Evangelio: Juan 10, 27-30

CINCUENTA DIAS DE LA PASCUA



Quizás sintamos envidia de los Apóstoles, porque vieron y experimentaron a Jesús después de que resucitó de entre los muertos. No hay ninguna razón para tenerles envidia.

Si tenemos fe, nosotros también le experimentamos como Resucitado, vivo, presente, y compartiendo nuestra vida.

Si tenemos fe, sabemos que Él está entre nosotros, especialmente cuando sufrimos contratiempos y fracasos, o cuando nos regocijamos por cosas bellas de la vida.

Si tenemos fe, sabemos que Jesús está ahí cuando nos fortalecemos y animamos unos a otros.

Si tenemos fe, sabemos que Jesús está con nosotros cuando compartimos una comida de amistad, y, especial y profundamente, cuando participamos y comemos juntos en el banquete de la Eucaristía.

Alcemos nuestras cabezas y sintámonos felices:
¡El Señor Resucitado está con nosotros en nuestra vida!

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