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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the
Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” - Mt 28:19-20

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21 May 2023



Pastor's Page

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This upcoming Saturday, May 27th, our Deacon Binh Ha will be ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Michael Barber. The ordination will take place at 11 am at the Cathedral of Christ the Light in Oakland. Everyone is very welcome to attend. He will celebrate his first Mass as a priest here at St. Isidore's at 4 pm the same day. Please keep him in your prayers as he prepares for ordination.

Many of us priests in the Diocese of Oakland were ordained around this time. Witnessing the grace of ordination to the priesthood reminds me of my own six years ago. I remember the day of my ordination well. A few days prior I was invited to have dinner with the Bishop, in keeping with a custom he continues to this day. At that dinner, as he does with all ordinands, the Bishop gives them a small purple and white stole typically used for visits to the sick or other "surprise" opportunities to celebrate the sacraments. I used that same stole to give blessings on the day of ordination. I still have it to this day. It reminds me that I am always a priest, consecrated for the service of God and the people He loves so much. It is a constant invitation to love with the Heart of the Good Shepherd at every moment.

My ordination anniversary is May 26. Fr. Candelario's is May 22. Toss up a prayer for us, that we be holy. That's all we really need.

On another note, parishes in our Diocese will begin distributing the Precious Blood at Mass. In the next few weeks, we will resume the practice of receiving from the chalice here in our parish when our ministers are again properly trained to prepare for it.

Have a blessed week,
Fr. Matthew

Mass Celebrant Schedule (subject to change when necessary):

May 27, Saturday	4 pm:	Fr. Binh Ha (with guest preacher)
May 28, Sunday	7:30 am:	Fr. Candelario
	9 am:	Fr. Matthew
	11 am:	Fr. Candelario
	5 pm:	Fr. Matthew



Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 20th

8:30 AM Mother's Day Novena
4:00 PM Mother's Day Novena

Sunday, May 21st

7:30 AM Mother's Day Novena
9:00 AM Mother's Day Novena
11:00 AM Mother's Day Novena
5:00 PM Mother's Day Novena

Monday, May 22nd

8:10 AM Mother's Day Novena

Tuesday, May 23rd

8:10 AM ☩ Sergio Fanucchi

Wednesday, May 24th

8:10 AM ☩ Marilyn Pearson

Thursday, May 25th

8:10 AM ☩ Zenaida Enriquez

Friday, May 26th

8:10 AM ☩ Carl Oberbauer, Sr.
7:00 PM ☩ Glendia Goodwin

Saturday, May 27th

8:30 AM Intentions of Deacon Binh Ha
4:00 PM ☩ Dave Leone

Sunday, May 28th

7:30 AM St. Isidore Parishioners
9:00 AM ☩ Vivien Stein
11:00 AM ☩ Delia Dizon
5:00 PM ☩ Lucy Reyes

Regular Church Schedule

Saturday (Vigil):

3:00 PM, Conf.
4:00 PM, Mass

Sunday:

7:00 AM, Conf.
7:30 AM, Mass
8:30 AM, Conf.
9:00 AM, Mass
10:30 AM, Conf.
11:00 AM, Mass
4:30 PM, Conf
5:00 PM, Mass

Weekday, Monday-Friday

7:30 AM, Conf.
8:10 AM, Mass followed by the Rosary in the Sacred Heart Room

Saturday:

8:00 AM, Conf.
8:30 AM, Mass followed by the Rosary in the Sacred Heart Room

1st Thursdays:

Blessing of Sacramentals, water and Salt.

1st Friday-1st Saturday

Overnight Adoration after First Friday's 7:00 pm Mass to 8:30am, Saturday

Friday:

8:10 AM and 7:00 PM, Masses
7:30 AM & 7 - 9 PM, Confession

10 AM - 7 PM, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in The Sacred Heart Room

9 PM, Benediction

Readings of the Week

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7,8-9(6)/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-1

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Lord's Ascension 7th Sunday of Easter;

Monday: St. Rita of Cascia

Thursday: St. Bede & St. Pope Gregory VII; St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin

Friday: St. Philip Neri

Saturday: St. Augustine

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To build the parish into a living and growing Christian community carrying out the work of Christ in the world.

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Sacraments

Baptism, Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for your baby's baptism. Baptisms are Saturdays at 11:00 AM or 12:00 noon. Both parents and godparents are required to attend the two-part baptism classes.

*First Communion * / Confirmation **

Please call the Faith Formation Office, 362-1900



*These sacraments require completion of a two-year program.

Reconciliation, Saturday, 3:00 - 4:00 P.M. and 30 minutes before Sunday and daily Masses.

Marriage, call Parish Office at least six months in advance.



Pray for the Deceased

Mary Ann Fox, Billo McCarthy, Sarah Meyers, Mila Stabulis, Frank Quattro, Jr., Walter, Rodrigues, Marjorie Dougherty, Barbara Martin, Daniel J. Carrozz, Filomena Paoli, Anita Gatti, Gladyce Stamates, Jo Anne Theobald, Myra Cummins, Robert Petralia, Julie Roberts, Steve Brady, Robert John Brennan, Elaine Franke, Joan Nelson, Estela Purvis, Carroll E. Labarthe, and Isidro Gines.





Please welcome
our recently baptized babies

Henry Joseph Martellaro

Francis Cortez Calvao

NEXT BAPTISM CLASS

2023 Baptism Zoom Class (Part II)

Wednesday, May 24th, 5:30 PM

*(please register by
Monday, May 22nd)*

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Pray for the Sick

Nada Badran, Sherry Bake, Bill Barrett, Margery Baty, Alice Beaton, Mrs. Bello, Ella Bustos, Vickie Callahan, Jerry Cerruti, Barbara Choate, Don and Paula Coloppy, Brittany Connor, Sherol Corimer, Susan Cowell, Nancy Curley, Susan De Marco, Rudy Fruscella, Nanci Dias, James Gebhardt, Jean Gemono, Trent Goostie, Caitlyn & Jack Gore, Ed Hilko, Paul Kelsch, Judi Allan Kremer, Ella Land, Lydia Violeta Leon, Jane McCarthy, Sheldon McNamee, Kim McQueen, Joseph Mercado, Kathleen Meredith, Michelle and Virginia Morgan, Gary Petsuch, and Audrey Yandell.

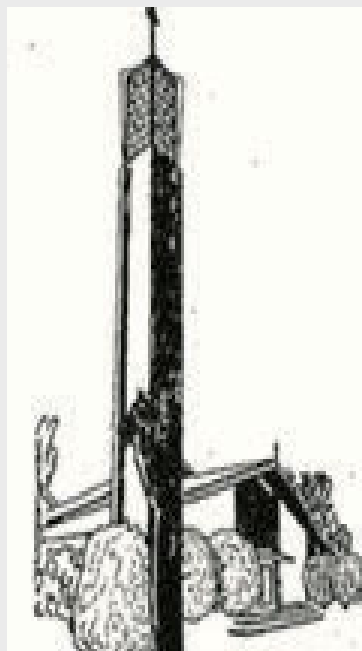




Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity?

St. Isidore's St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Conference is looking for new member volunteers to support our operations (*Treasurer, Secretary*) and services (*home visiting, pantry, and Bundle Sunday activities*) to help our neighbors in need.

Our Mission is to help feed, clothe, shelter and heal the poor, the suffering, and the deprived. Last year, SVdP Conferences across the United States helped more than five million people and families in need. If you are interested in these rewarding volunteer opportunities, please contact *Jose Yanes at jlyanes@msn.com* or (925) 899-9444 for more information. Thank you!



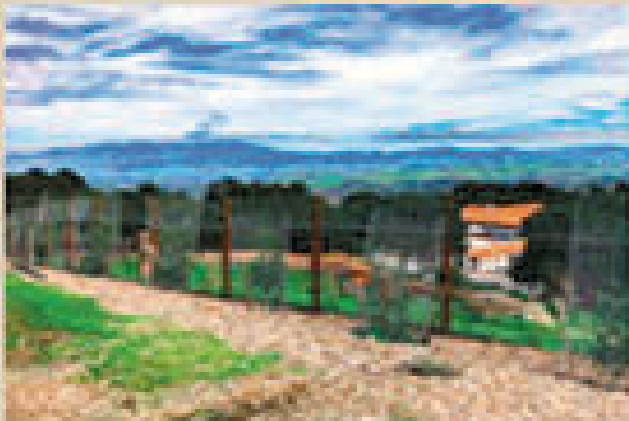
**The Ministry of Consolation
is in dire need of volunteers to help
with funerals here in the parish which
are held weekdays at 10:30 am and are
usually done in 1-1/2 hours.**

**For more info, please contact
Paul Cowell
Director of the Ministry of Consolation
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To make a reservation, please let us know what date(s) are of interest by submitting a request form. We will contact you within 24 hours to finalize your booking for the dates that you requested or alternate dates if first choice is unavailable.

Here are the dates that available for the months of May and June and July 2023. All these available dates, you can come for one or two or three nights or more nights. If you prefer a Day Private Retreat, we can take day only between Monday to Thursday or Saturday.

MAY 2023:

Monday, May 15 to Saturday, May 20.
Monday, May 22 to Thursday, May 25.
Tuesday, May 30 to Sunday, June 4.

JUNE 2023:

Monday, June 5 to Thursday, June 8.
Monday, June 12 to Thursday, June 15.
Monday, June 19 to Thursday, June 22.
Friday, June 30 to Sunday, July 2.

JULY 2023:

Monday, July 10 to Thursday, July 13.
Monday, July 17 to Saturday, July 22.
Monday, July 24 to Sunday, July 30.





Couples in Cana

Pan de Vida Retreat

June 2 - 4, 2023

What is the Couples in Cana Retreat?

A retreat for couples to grow deeper in their relationship to each other to Christ.

The retreat is Eucharist-centered with time for:

- Conference talks about marriage and growing deeper in your vocation as a couple.
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- Confession
- Workshops to improve communications and deepen your understanding of Sacramental love
- Prayer



The mission of Pan de Vida retreats is to bring together couples, young adults & youth for an opportunity to experience Christ's grace through the Sacraments He established.

For more information about Pan de Vida Retreats for couples, young adults, and youth please visit www.pandevidearetreat.com or contact us at pandevidearetreat@gmail.com or (925)297-7282



HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

From June 16 - June 26, Fr. Matthew will lead a group of 18 youth and young adults from St. Isidore to serve the sick and suffering in Lourdes.

Let us know how we can pray for you as we prepare for the journey. We will hand carry your prayer intentions and place them in the petition box in the Grotto when we arrive in Lourdes. We are also accepting requests for Lourdes water.

To submit your prayer intentions and requests for Lourdes water, visit the [St. Isidore website](#) or complete this [form](#) at <https://forms.gle/aUJ9LZQBZhNVJdBK9>

We are excited to represent our parish in Lourdes this June! If you have questions about the St. Isidore Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes, contact Lesli Gee Rivera at lesliqee@comcast.net

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.
Saint Bernadette, pray for us.

7th Sunday of Easter Meditation

Traditionally, the four writers of the Gospels are symbolized by four creatures that make their way into Church art and architecture: Matthew, an angel; Mark, a lion; Luke, an ox; and John, an eagle. These images can be found in churches across the world, a nod to those who recorded the stories of Jesus for us, thousands of years ago.

Today's Gospel was written by John. There are a few reasons why John is symbolized by an eagle, but my favorite explanation is that his writings soar like an eagle into the sky with their beautiful, poetic language. The prayer we hear today is no different — Jesus invokes God in a long discourse that might seem mystifying at times, the same way that a poem can be perplexing to understand when we are unfamiliar with the pacing or format.

Consider holding onto the shortest sentence in this prayer: "I pray for them."

Jesus prays for us. For me. For you.

Let that sink deep into your being.

Jesus is on your side. He is aware of what you are holding at this moment. He is aware of your pain, your faith, your mission. And He's rooting for you. This prayer was recorded thousands of years ago, far before you were born. Since before you were born, you were held in prayer. With that certainty, we live.

— Father John Muir



Do you enjoy helping people & making them feel welcome?

Then we need you! Currently, we are recruiting parishioners to assist with ushering at our Parish Masses.

We especially need help with the 5pm Mass.

If you would like to volunteer or like more information, please contact **Mike Walsh, Head Usher, at 640-8440 or email him at mike.walsh75@yahoo.com**



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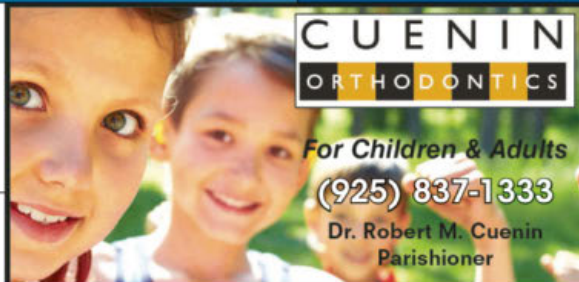
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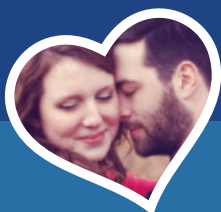
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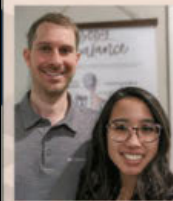


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