

May 2, 2021 • Fifth Sunday of Easter



The Roman Catholic Parishes of

Sacred Heart and St. Nicholas

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Through the Intercession of St. Nicholas to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

GOSPEL MEDITATION

May 2, 2021

5th 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.

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5th Sunday
OF EASTER
5° DOMINGO DE PASCUA

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower.” - Jn 15:1A

“Yo soy la verdadera vid y mi Padre es el viñador.” - Jn 15, 1A

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REMINDER: Saturday Mass Location Changes This Weekend

Beginning May 1, the 3:00pm Confessions and 4:00pm Mass will move to Sacred Heart, and continue there until the end of October.

Collection Summary

Sacred Heart

Sunday, April 18, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	48
Checks	\$1,440.00
Cash	573.00
Loose Checks	140.00
Cash	468.00
Candles	74.00
Mass Stipends	30.00
Wed. Prayer Group	319.00
Easter	100.00
Total	\$3,144.00

Sunday, April 25, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	36
Checks	\$465.00
Cash	424.00
Loose Checks	1,120.00
Cash	393.00
Wed. Prayer Group	287.00
Candles	38.25
Mass Stipends	210.00
Little White Books	9.00
Divine Mercy Pictures (Altar Society)	7.00
Total	\$2,953.25

St. Nicholas

Sunday, April 18, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	30
Checks	\$515.00
Cash	338.00
Loose Checks	60.00
Cash	211.90
Mass Stipend	10.00
Easter	30.00
Total	\$1,164.90

Sunday, April 25, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	42
Checks	\$1,350.00
Cash	311.00
Loose Checks	130.00
Cash	164.00
Ascension	25.00
Maintenance	125.00
White Books	22.00
Candles	7.00
Total	\$2,134.00

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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 peace. ©LPi

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

2 de mayo 2021

5º Domingo de Pascua

El domingo pasado, el Señor Jesús se presentaba como el Buen Pastor, y ahora nos da la imagen de la vid y los sarmientos. "Yo soy la vid verdadera y mi Padre es el labrador. Toda rama que no da fruto en mí, la corta. Y todo sarmiento que da fruto, lo limpia para que dé más fruto". (Juan 15:1-2). La vida del cristiano es de un constante cambio de limpieza y permanencia. Todos los días se presentan oportunidades nuevas de crecimiento humano y espiritual. Aquí se trata de crecer en Dios y dar fruto, y darse cuenta que sin Dios no se hace, ni se es nada. Es la prueba del discípulo, dar fruto en las cosas ordinarias, en las cosas sencillas. Haciéndolas extraordinarias por el amor.

¿Cómo estamos vinculados a Jesús en el mundo actual? ¿De qué manera doy fruto en este tiempo? Muchas veces, es difícil permanecer unidos, hay tantas cosas que nos separan de Dios. La frialdad hacia el que sufre, el enfermo, el pobre y desamparado. Nos urge un cambio radical en el amor y en la confianza, de que unidos podemos movernos hacia el amor cristiano. Debemos esforzarnos día a día en hacer el bien, especialmente para dejar algo provechoso a las generaciones venideras. Jesús lo afirmó claramente, al permanecer en él podremos pedir lo que queramos y sea de provecho para la salvación, y se cumplirá. Ese es el testamento. No hay vuelta de hoja. ¡Padre Santo, ayúdanos a permanecer muy cerca de Jesús siempre! Especialmente, en tiempos de prueba. Te pedimos fe y esperanza. ©LPi

Welcome to All Who Enter Our Doors

We delight in seeing and greeting everyone during this joyous Easter Season. To those of you who have been unable to be part of this community for whatever reason, we are happy that you have chosen to celebrate with us. If you ever have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to call the office or ask one of the helpers you see assisting.

Bienvenidos a todos los que entran por nuestras puertas

Nos deleitamos en ver y saludar a todos durante esta alegre temporada de Pascua. Para aquellos de ustedes que no han podido ser parte de esta comunidad por cualquier motivo, nos alegra que hayan elegido celebrar con nosotros. Si alguna vez tiene alguna pregunta o inquietud, no dude en llamar a la oficina o preguntarle a uno de los ayudantes que vea.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Saturday at Sacred Heart

Silent Adoration from 8:30pm to Midnight.

Beginning at Midnight is the **Sociedad de Adoración Nocturna de la ciudad de Imlay** with prayers and hymns.

Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento

Todos los sábados en Sacred Heart

Adoración Silenciosa de 8:30 pm a Medianoche. A medianoche comienza la **Sociedad de Adoración Nocturna de la ciudad de Imlay** con oraciones e himnos.

Word of Life - Palabra de Vida

"Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect."

"Incluso los más débiles y vulnerables, los enfermos, los ancianos, los que están en el vientre y los pobres, son obras maestras de la creación de Dios, hechos a su imagen, destinados a vivir para siempre, y merecedores de la máxima reverencia y respeto."

USCCB Respect Life flyer quoting Pope Francis' "Day for Life Greeting" © 2013

LAST WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 24, 2021

(St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen)

4:00pm at St. Nicholas

For †Vera Bolday

Req. by Jim & Veronica Stanley

For †Richard Donald Kloc

(21st Anniversary)

Req. by Family

7:00pm (Spanish) at Sacred Heart

For Our SH & SN Communities

Sunday, April 25, 2021

(Fourth Sunday of Easter)

9:00am at Sacred Heart

For †Evan Battani

Req. by Family

For †Margaret Jurn

Req. by Al & Nancy Parsch

For MaryAnn & Richard Niksa

(50th Wedding Anniversary)

Req. by Family

11:00am at St. Nicholas

For †Patricia Sowden

Req. by Jim & Veronica Stanley

Monday, April 26, 2021 - No Mass

Tuesday, April 27, 2021 - No Mass

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

(St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort)

10:00am at Sacred Heart

For Al & Rita

Req. by Family

Thursday, April 29, 2021

(St. Catherine of Siena)

8:30am at St. Nicholas

For John Mullally & Family

Friday, April 30, 2021 - No Mass

(St. Pius V)

The Pope's Prayer Intention

May 2021—The World of Finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

Sacred Heart Spring Planting

May 22, 2021 beginning at 9am

We are asking for volunteers to help plant flowers to beautify the church grounds. Donations of petunias, marigolds, impatiens, geraniums and red mulch are needed and can be dropped off before Masses on May 8/9 and May 15/16.

Religious Ed. Retreat

Same day: May 22, 2021 from 9am - 3pm

Children will be getting Community Service hours by helping with the flower planting. We will be making cards at the retreat that will be delivered to Senior Centers at a later date. Bring garden gloves and trowels. Pizza and beverages provided. RSVP with call or text to Jacque King at 810-449-1048 or call the parish office.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 1, 2021

(St. Joseph the Worker)

4:00pm at Sacred Heart

For †Tom McCoy

Req. by Angie McCoy

7:00pm (Spanish) at Sacred Heart

For Our SH & SN Communities

Sunday, May 2, 2021

(Fifth Sunday of Easter)

9:00am at Sacred Heart

For †Esther Guerrero

Req. by the Calianno Family

For †Atancio Lopez

Req. by Angie McCoy

For Al & Cris Bieling

Req. by Linda Blaszczyk & Angie McCoy

11:00am at St. Nicholas

For †Patricia Sowden

Req. by Jim & Veronica Stanley

For †Marge Huston

Req. by Family

1:00pm (Spanish) at St. Nicholas

For Our SH & SN Communities

Monday, May 3, 2021 - No Mass

(Sts. Philip & James)

Tuesday, May 4, 2021 - No Mass

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

10:00am at Sacred Heart

For Kevin & Chen

Req. by Friends

Thursday, May 6, 2021

8:30am at St. Nicholas

For John Mullally & Family

Friday, May 7, 2021 - First Friday

10:00am at Sacred Heart

For Our SH & SN Communities

Saturday, May 8, 2021

4:00pm at Sacred Heart

For †Jean-Marie Shene

Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Battani

7:00pm (Spanish) at Sacred Heart

For Our SH & SN Communities

Sunday, May 9, 2021

(Sixth Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day)

9:00am at Sacred Heart

For †Jean-Marie Shene

Req. by Bob & Arlene Novak

11:00am at St. Nicholas

For †Patricia Sowden

Req. by Jim & Veronica Stanley

In Sympathy

Sacred Heart and St. Nicholas Parishes wish to extend their condolences to the family and friends of:

†Samuel Ruiz

Eternal rest, grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

First Friday Adoration at Sacred Heart (May 7th)

Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 9 - 10am (before the 10am Mass)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Dear God, we place our worries in Your hands and our sick under Your care and humbly ask that You restore Your servants to good health once more...

Marilyn Adler	Guido Mattiacci
Rosa Aguinaga	Joann Mattiacci
Tommy Balish	John McGann
Emily Baron	Sylvia McGann
Raymond Behnke	Sonja McLeod
Emilia Betts	Bruce Metz
Charles Bligh	Sheri Miller
Judy Bligh	Monica
Sr. Evelyn Boom	Steve Owsen
Pat Brozowski	Judy Palmari
Martha Cadwell	Chris Petersen
Cecilia Clark	John Pytleski
Dave Cole	Juan Rios
Cressy Cook	Sue Rivard
Bob Ebner	Joel Rivera
Glenn Edgerton	John Rodriguez
Rick Felker	Linda Sampson
Marsha Freeze	Carlos Sanchez
Steve Glombowski	Brandon Schutz
Jim Goodine	John Schutz
Theresa Gormley	Mary Schutz
Patricia Gott	Tom Schutz
Diane Haskin	Hodges Smith
Gene Haskin	Tim Spiller
Marisa Hintz	Lori Susick
Joel Holland	Josie Tencza
Debbie James	Bill Van Erp
Laura Jordan	Anna Wagner
Sally Jordan	Greg Wasilco
Kinah Marie	Hope Wassenaar
Lynn Kloc	JoAnn Weigand
Charron Kmetz	Christoph Weinchester
Janice Laskowski	Ed Weingartz
Erin Lauwers	Mike Wennberg
Richard Lauwers	Noah Whitney
Sally Lewandowski	Dolores Willard
Desiree Lombardo	Tobey Willard
Barbara Malburg	Finn Woodworth
	Michaela Wolford

*Please pray for the
men and women
serving in our
armed forces.*



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Capac Parish Office: (810) 395-7572
Web: imlaysacredheart.org
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Sunday Holy Mass Times
Saturday (Vigil): 4:00pm
May - October at Sacred Heart
November - April at St. Nicholas
Saturday: 7:00pm (Spanish) - Sacred Heart
Sunday: 9:00am - Sacred Heart
11:00am - St. Nicholas
First Sunday: 1:00pm (Spanish) - St. Nicholas of the Month ONLY
Reconciliation
Saturday: 1 hour before Mass
Wednesday: 9:30am at Sacred Heart
By appointment also. Call the parish office.

Weekday Holy Mass Times
Wednesday: 10:00am - Sacred Heart
7:00pm (Spanish) - Sacred Heart
Thursday: 8:30am - St. Nicholas
First Friday: 10:00am - Sacred Heart
Baptism
By appointment; a preparation class is required.
Matrimony
By appointment; a 6 month preparation period is required.
Anointing of the Sick Please call the office.

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