

### Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2025

May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you!

-- Psalm 67:6



Week of May 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>

Monday:	8:00 Andria Szykier+
Tuesday:	8:00 Jack Robert Nelson+
Wednesday:	8:00 Scott MacPherson Stapleton+
Thursday:	8:00 Special Intentions
Friday:	8:00 Owen & Zelda Burns+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Sarah Wren, Marian Flandick, James Breen, Janet Laurent, Mike Abell, Michael wests Carter, Anil Siu, Peggy Delson-Rini, Frank Rini and Cecilia Uyeda.



The Parish Family of Corpus Christi has been increased and enriched through the recent baptism of:

**Baptisms** 

Rani Mei Gresset, daughter of Martina Pillay and Anthony Gresset.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!



## **Today's Readings**

First Reading -- The question of whether circumcision is necessary for salvation (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29).

Psalm -- Oh God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

Second Reading -- John envisions the holy city, the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23).

Gospel -- Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you (John 14:23-29).



*Memorial Day Holiday!* 

The Parish Office will be closed tomorrow, May 26<sup>th</sup>, in  $\overset{\frown}{\mathcal{T}}$ honor of Memorial Day! We 🖄 will re-open on Tuesday, May 🛠 27<sup>th</sup>. Have a wonderful and 🕁 safe holiday weekend!  $\mathcal{L}$ 

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First Communion at Corpus Christi was celebrated on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. We rejoice as they take this important step in their faith journey. May the love of Jesus touch their hearts with unforgettable and First Communion lasting joy.

First Communion Class of 2025:

## Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>:

Sebastian Eduardo Axtle Ellora Lily Rebekah Berger Vincenzo Philip Lino Guslani Lena Caterina Kelley Maeve Ryan Kiphart-Padgen Leo Cyrus Kolodny Maximo Alexander Martinez Orlin Michael Alagar Ross Connor William Rusteen Noelle Elizabeth Schroeder Kallie Theresa Selor Noah Anthony Sison Matthew Sebastiano Torres

Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>:

Eden Sophia Allessio Evelyn Culver Bitting Everly Ruth Brignano Declan Joseph Čawley Elena Grace Endress **Emerson Clare Flannery** Gio Barrino Freccero Naomi Marie Gur Kevin Patrick Gustaf Larson Frances Katherine MacMichael William Li McCarthy Mason James Mitzelfelt Anthony Oliver Moglia Mila Lillian Moglia Frances Sophia Pauly Lorea Mattin Rogan Khalil Saverio Scott Otylia Genevieve Simmons Marcus David Tarver **Richard Olazar Young** 

#### Winged Faith!

Faith furnishes prayer with wings, without which it cannot soar into Heaven.

-- St. John Climacus

# Grief Support Meeting!

The Grief Support Ministry invites you to a gathering on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Gibson Center to provide support during times of sorrow, whether from a recent loss of any kind or one that continues to cause heartache. It will be an opportunity to share stories in a safe environment, offer comfort to one another and provide ways to cope. All parishioners and their friends are welcome! If you have any questions, please contact Helen Merkle at (510) 459-0690.

# The Working of the Spirit!

 $\mathcal H$ nyone who has seen a loved one off to a new adventure knows how difficult it is to rejoice, even when we are reasonably optimistic about their future. So, we can imagine how difficult it must have been for the disciples to rejoice in Jesus' announced departure. Today's Gospel is part of Jesus' Last Supper discourse, recorded only by John. Jesus announces shocking news. He must go to the Father and they should rejoice in this. To help them through this, Jesus gives his disciples his gift of peace and promises an Advocate. From our privileged position in history, we can see that all that Jesus promises comes to pass. The Church has grown and still exists on this earth because of the abiding Spirit. But living by the Spirit and entering into the peace of Christ is no small task. Jesus doesn't promise the apostles a rose garden. He is realistic about the costs of discipleship. And, mercifully, he is also clear about its rewards.

# **Treasures From Our Tradition!**

is it still Easter? The lilies have long since faded. The roots of our tradition of fifty days of rejoicing from Easter to Pentecost lie in the seven-day rhythm of the Jewish week, drawn from the six days of creation plus a Sabbath day. A favorite name for the Lord's Day among our ancestors in the faith was "The Eighth Day," meaning that in Christ a breakthrough to a new humanity was achieved. With that inner architecture, it makes sense to see Pentecost as a week of weeks, forty-nine days plus one, again signaling that a new age has begun in Christ and the outpouring of his Spirit. The Jewish appreciation for Pentecost gave rise to the Jubilee year, the fiftieth year, when debts were released and prisoners set free. Today, the character of our Easter Sundays is conveyed by joyful Alleluias and the rite of sprinkling at Mass. Long ago, people expressed this joy by suspending all rules of fasting and by never kneeling at liturgy. These customs all point to our conviction that time is holy. There is an elegant balance to the Christian year: forty days of Lenten fast and discipline give way to fifty days of unrestrained rejoicing. That's why it is still Easter!

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## Readings For The Week May 26<sup>th</sup> -- 31<sup>st</sup>

- Monday: First Reading Acts 16:11-15; Psalm 149; Gospel John 15:26-16:4a
- Tuesday: First Reading Acts 16:22-34; Psalm 138; Gospel John 16:5-11
- Wednesday: First Reading Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Psalm 148; Gospel John 16:12-15
- Thursday: First Reading Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47; Second Reading Ephesians 1:17-23; Gospel Luke 24:46-53
- Friday: First Reading Acts 18:9-18; Psalm 47; Gospel John 16:20-23
- Saturday: First Reading Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Psalm Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Gospel Luke 1:39-56



# The History of Memorial Day!

The observance of Memorial Day began shortly after the American Civil War. Its purpose was to honor the war dead of both North and South. As time passed and the United States fought other wars, Memorial

Day began commemorating lives lost in all military conflicts. Let us remember those who have died for our Country!

# Catholic Communications/Social Concerns

Next weekend, May 31<sup>st</sup> & June 1<sup>st</sup>, a special collection will be taken up for Catholic Communications/Social Concerns. The Catholic Communications National collection effort helps spread God's word to millions of people across America. Please make checks payable to *Corpus Christi Church*. Thank You!

