

Fifth Sunday of Easter May 15, 2022 Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church San Francisco, California



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Daily Mass: M - F 8am

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5pm

Sunday Masses: 8am, 10am & 6:30pm

Holy Days: 8am & 7pm

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:45pm - 4:30pm

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Daily Mass

Monday - Friday 8:00am

Monday, May 16

Centering Prayer 7pm in the Church & via Zoom

Wednesday, May 18

Wednesday Night Supper: 5pm - 7pm

Saturday, May 21

Vigil Mass 5pm

Sunday, May 22

Masses: 8am, 10am & 6:30pm

Coffee hour after the 8am & 10am Masses

FACE COVERINGS ARE HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

Livestream the 10am Sunday Mass on our MHR Facebook page: www.facebook.com/mhrsf



Collection - Week of May 8

5pm -	\$182.00	
8am -	\$638.00	
10am -	\$1,725.00	
6:30pm -	\$155.00	
Misc	\$130.00	
Online giving -	\$1,498.95	
Total -	\$4,328.95	
Budgeted -	\$4500.00	
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Next weekend there is a second collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign.



MAY 16 - 22

Monday: Acts 14:5-18, Jn. 14:21-26 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28, Jn. 14:27-31a Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6, Jn. 15:1-8 Thursday: Acts 15:7-21, Jn. 15:9-11 Friday: Acts 15:22-31, Jn. 15:12-17 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10, Jn. 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29, Rev. 21:10-14,

22-23. Jn. 14:23-29

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"God will wipe away every tear, there shall be no more death, mourning or weeping."

After all its extravagant symbolism, the Book of Revelation ends with this dangerously comforting vision of God's new heaven and earth. It's dangerous, not because of what it promises, but because we are so sorely tempted to skip the process that leads to this conclusion. We'd like to enjoy the comfort of the new without abandoning the luxury and splendid isolationism of "the old order" it replaces.

Paul and Barnabas caution us about this in today's selection from Acts, warning that hardships pave the road toward the reign of God. This reiterates Jesus' message in today's Gospel where, just as Judas has gone off to set the Passion in motion, Jesus announces that his glory is about to be revealed.

As we revel in spring, we might prefer to take a pass on the difficult character of the Easter messages and simply enjoy the weather as we anticipate the graduations, weddings and other events that mark this time of year. That's precisely what John wants to prevent. It's not that John wants us to mope around dwelling on the worst. Rather, he wants us to believe that, like Jesus, we enter most profoundly into the realm of grace when we confront the powers of evil.

What are these readings saying to us today, particularly in the U.S.? What is the "old order" that needs to be replaced?

When we are honest, we admit that our culture has schooled us in security — seasoned with a good dose of obliviousness. We can obtain emergency health care, security cameras, good locks, metal detectors and insurance for everything from our bank accounts to our pets. For those for whom that is not enough, we protect gun rights and assure the ironic combination of the freedom to refuse vaccinations while we are required to wear seat belts.

Our entertainment industry helps us avoid vulnerability with sports and comedy. It presents "reality" as a cut-throat, zero-sum game or it keeps alive a fairytale world through which we can vicariously face danger for 42 minutes and then live happily ever after.

In <u>Fratelli Tutti</u>, Pope Francis sums this up with almost apocalyptic language as he warns that we have "fed ourselves on dreams of splendor and grandeur, and ended up consuming distraction, insularity and solitude. We gorged ourselves on networking, and lost the taste of *familiality*." (*Familiality* offers a nongendered, inclusive alternative to the word *fraternity*.)

How in this world can we hope to understand the paschal mystery? What does the "new order" offer us in exchange for our splendid contentment? Francis answers the question with the word "hope." In Francis' vocabulary, the virtue of hope is as costly as was Jesus' glory. Francis says that hope is "a thirst," a desire "for things that fill our heart." He explains that hope is bold enough to "look beyond personal convenience, the petty securities and compensations which limit our horizon."

Francis encourages us to broaden our vision and recognize that we "cannot live, develop and find fulfillment except in the sincere gift of self to others." That calls us to reevaluate cultural virtues like progress and hard work in the light of how they "foster openness and union with others."

Francis describes the goal of our humanity as *agathosyne*, "a striving for excellence and what is best for others," a yearning and "desire to fill the lives of others with what is beautiful, sublime and edifying." That sounds like a perfect description of what things look like on the streets of the new holy city John describes in today's vision from Revelation.

How are we to get to this new order, the reign of God where we understand the glory of the son of man?

Paul and Barnabas tell us that we will need to pass through many hardships. Here we are not called to deprivation, but the challenge of growing, of developing what Francis calls a "culture of encounter" through which we learn to appreciate the values of others, and particularly the poor. People on the margins can best reveal how our societies are structured to grant privilege to some at the expense of others and, on the personal level, they can help us discern the difference between what we need and what we love to hoard.

When we listen deeply to people who suffer, we become one family; their struggles become our own and we will be impelled to join them in confronting the evil that foments such suffering. Only then, after knowing the hope and pain of solidarity, will we know what it means for God to wipe away every tear that flows from our own and others' eyes.—*Sr. Mary M McGlone, National Catholic Reporter*



Our Mass celebrants will remember the following intentions during the celebration of the Eucharist:

Saturday, May 14

8pm David Johnson †

Sunday, May 15

8am MHR Parishioner

10am Fran & Al Marcial †

6:30pm James & Madeline Lonergan †

Monday, May 16

8am Matthew & Joanie

Tuesday, May 17

8am Bill Mathews †

Wednesday, May 18

8am Wednesday Night Suppers

Thursday, May 19

8am

Friday May 20

8am

Mass Intentions are celebrated for those to remember a loved one, honor someone on an important date or celebrate a special occasion. To schedule a Mass Intention or sponsor the weekend altar flowers, please call the parish office at 415-863-6259 or email secretary@mhr.org.



Jerry Anderson, Mona Armstrong, Thomas Balderramos, Bob Barcewski, Sue Bessmer, Jim Cathcart, Sr. Juliana Casey, Becky Caylor, Shirley DeWan, Tom Farmer, Barbara Golding, Wallace Greene, Deborah Hardy, Serge Hubert, Florence Kaloquin, Kenny Kehoe, Joanna Kennedy, Jim & Lisa Kunzer, Sr. LaSallette Fuselier, Michael Leonard, Rita Ludeman, Warren Lubich, Bernie Maddox, Barb Mandernach, Nancy McCann, Anna McKenzie, Jack McDermott, Maria Mendoza, Ramona Michaels, Lou Montoya, Doris Nassal, Michal Offutt, Maureen O'Sullivan, Olga Penagos, Bobby Schulte, Bob Schultz, Gregory Dake Schultz, Joe Schwartz, Annie & Nok Sojka, Mary Stevens, Michael Nicholas Taylor, Jim Teddar, Randy Tichenal, John Ventura, Kim Vetter, Joseph & Mary Vouglas, David Washington, Louis Washington, Jane Yung and Ryan Zuniga, and †Patricia Greeley†.

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Centering Prayer is meeting both in the church and via Zoom on Monday evenings @ 7:00pm. Email centering@mhr.org for Zoom login details.

Bible Study on upcoming Sunday readings meets via Zoom on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. Email biblestudy@mhr.org for login and for more information.

Young Adults Meeting in the church: Tuesday, May 17 at 7:30pm. Email yag@mhr.org for information.

An Auto External Defibrillator is located in hallway next to the Ellard Hall women's restroom.



We are once again looking for fully vaccinated volunteers to visit and/or help our fully vaccinated clients. If you are interested in volunteering, please call the rectory (415-863-6259).

MHR HIV/AIDS SUPPORT GROUP

<u>Client in Park Merced:</u> We have a client who uses a wheelchair and greatly enjoys going to the movies. He would like someone with access to a car that could accommodate the wheelchair, and who would like to accompany him to the movies every month or so; in addition to just visiting, going for

walks, and playing video games.

<u>A Couple in the Fillmore.</u> Two men, one of whom is bedbound, would like a someone to visit for conversation and watching movies on TV; also, to help them in walking their small dog.

MINISTRY TO SENIORS

<u>Male Parishioner in SOMA/Mid-Market:</u> A senior, living on Mission Street, Mid-Market, would appreciate a weekly visitor for conversation. He would feel more comfortable with a gay man. For more information, please call the rectory.

Happy Birthday!

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY BIRTHDAYS

Peter Flanders, David O'Connor, Jason Pinost, Freddy Chavez, Walter Fernandes, Joan McNicholl, Allie Sanchez-Thompson, Victor Espinoza, and Jenn Liang-Chaboud.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Friendship Line, the warmline devoted to those 60+ years of age, is looking for volunteers. If you're interested, contact **Jaime Iñiguez** at 415-748-9409 or jiniguez@ioaging.org.



A History of the Cathedral complete with vintage black and white photos of its groundbreaking and construction

Several congratulatory notes from parishes and Catholic ministries from across the archdiocese

The Second Vatican

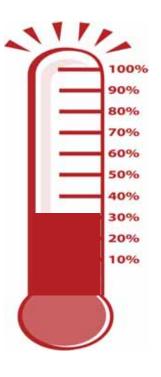
Council's influence on the architecture

Other uplifting articles on faith and spirituality

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We have collected \$17,695: 35% of our goal of \$50,461!

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Thank you for your amazing support!

The challenge that awaits us, then, is to communicate by encountering people, where they are and as they are.

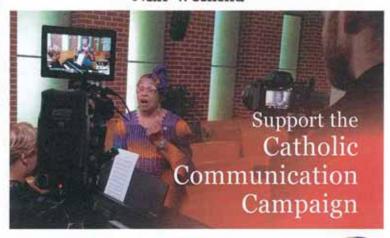
> -Pope Francis, World Communications Day, 2021

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In his encyclical Centesimus Annus, Pope St. John Paul II wrote, "God has imprinted his own image and likeness on man, conferring upon him an incomparable dignity" (no. 11). It is with this view of human dignity that Centisimus Annus Pro Pontifice, a lay-led organization founded by John Paul II and based at the Vatican, works to promote Catholic social teaching (CST). CAPP-USA, the U.S. arm of Centesimus Annus Pro Pontifice, does this through digital communications such as its website and social media channels. These digital resources include informative video presentations with engaging graphics to illustrate the principles of human dignity, solidarity, and subsidiarity that work at the heart of the Church's teachings.

With support from the CCC, CAPP-USA produced ten videos and six infographics explaining core concepts of CST and how they apply to current social issues. CAPP-USA engaged thousands of Americans on social media and continued to build its website as a platform for instructing and engaging visitors through a first-of-its-kind CST content library. Your contributions to the Catholic Communication Campaign make possible initiatives that engage audiences with appealing and compelling content that brings the richness of Catholic teaching to life.

Next Weekend



2020 DISTRIBUTION OF GRANTS: \$4,011,320

■ News & Information Services*	\$1,343,527	33.49%
Media Evangelization**	\$985,834	24.58%
■ Web-Based Communications Resources	\$533,401	13,30%
■ Building Media Capacity Grants	\$457,096	11.40%
■ Developing Nations Grants	\$241,372	6.02%
Documentaries and Videos	\$210,000	5.24%
Preserving Church History	\$200,090	4.99%
■ Media Training	\$40,000	1.00%

EXPENSES

Allocations-Internal Grants	1213%
Grants and Donations	24.23%
Promotion and Fundraising Expenses	2.29%
■ Program Costs	1.35%
Total Expenses	\$4,198,919
Total Grants & Donations Including Internal Grants	\$4,046,228



- News and Information Services includes funding to support Catholic News Services' coverage of Pope Francis and news of the Church in the United States and around the world.
- ** Media Evangelization includes funding to support the graphic design and distribution of print and electronic media from the national bishops' conference.

WHERE DO YOUR DONATIONS GO?

Half of the collected funds remain in your diocese to support local communications projects. The other half support national projects in the United States and around the world.

To learn more about the CCC and the projects it supports, visit www.usccb.org/ccc.



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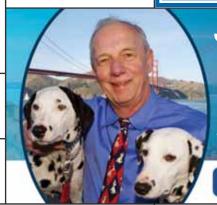
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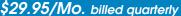
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