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Fifth Sunday of Easter ~May 2, 2021



"I am the true vine" Jesus, John 15:1

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SAINT ANNE MASSES

Daily Masses (In Church): 8:45am Mon.—Sat.

Sunday Masses (In Church): Sat. Vigil at 5pm,
 Sundays at 8am, 10am, and Noon (*Chinese*)

Confessions: Sat. @ 4pm
All Masses Livestreamed except Sunday 8am

Office Hours: Mon. & Tues. 1-4p,
 Thurs. & Fri. 9a—12p

Baptisms: 2nd Sat. of month, 12:30pm
Baptismal Prep: 3rd Sat. of month, 10:00am



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[The church] was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

—*Acts of the Apostles 9:31*

Catholic Social Justice Reflections

Here follows a special message from **CEO Msgr. John Enzler** of Catholic Charities in the Archdiocese of Washington on the verdict in the trial of Derek Chauvin:

The first principle of social justice is respect and dignity for all human life. We at Catholic Charities do all we can every day to make sure that every person — no matter their color, religion or ethnic background — enjoys the God-given gift of life. For the last year, we have struggled publicly and privately over the death of George Floyd and systemic racism. I could not watch the video of his mistreatment by police without the feeling that we were continuing down a road of death rather than life.

But Tuesday brought the verdict. It was the decision we were waiting for and the decision we needed. In the words of George Floyd's brother, "I feel like I can breathe again."

I am so proud of the 12 jurors who made such an important decision, not just for George Floyd, but for equality and the protection of every life. George Floyd was somebody. His life mattered.

Let us recognize this moment for the hope that it is. And then let us continue the dialogue and the drive for true justice for all, while remembering and praying for all those who have lived with injustice in the past.

Yesterday's decision gives me hope and faith in our system.

And here is a statement by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops:

Today, a jury found Derek Chauvin guilty of the murder of George Floyd. As we receive this result, we recall that God is the source of all justice, love, and mercy. The death of George Floyd highlighted and amplified the deep need to see the sacredness in all people, but especially those who have been historically oppressed. Whatever the stage of human life, it not only matters, it is sacred.

The events following George Floyd's death also highlighted the urgent need for racial healing and reconciliation. As we have seen so plainly this past year, social injustices still exist in our country, and the nation remains deeply divided on how to right those wrongs. We join our voices and prayers in support of Archbishop Bernard Hebda of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, and the entire [Minnesota Catholic Conference which said today](#):

"As a diverse community, the Catholic Church is committed to changing hearts and minds and to moving the conversation about race in this country beyond accusations and recriminations toward practical, nonviolent solutions to the everyday problems that are encountered in these communities.'

"Let us pray that through the revelation of so much pain and sadness, that God strengthens us to cleanse our land of the evil of racism which also manifests in ways that are hardly ever spoken, ways that never reach the headlines. Let us then join in the hard work of peacefully rebuilding what hatred and frustration have torn down. This is the true call of a disciple and the real work of restorative justice. Let us not lose the opportunity to pray that the Holy Spirit falls like a flood on our land again, as at Pentecost, providing us with spiritual, emotional, and physical healing, as well as new ways to teach, preach, and model the Gospel message in how we treat each other.

BEARING FRUIT

Few of us, even when we meditate on the image of the vine and branches, stop to really think about how God "prunes" us. For some there is the danger of thinking that we are already producing fruit for the kingdom, in deed and truth as John says, perhaps raising a family, being active in our parish, and so on. But even those branches which are bearing fruit, the Gospel tells us, can be pruned to produce still more. Today Saul, freshly "pruned" by his conversion, arrives in Jerusalem and meets resistance. Since he had been persecuting Christians, this was only natural. But even after he is accepted and begins to bear fruit, he meets further adversity, and his letters are filled with many accounts of how his trials "pruned" him to produce greater fruit for the kingdom. Like him, as long as we remain in Christ we will continue to bear fruit and, when the will of the Father determines it is time to prune us, the strength of the true vine must enable us to endure it.

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Saint Anne Parish MASS INTENTIONS WEEK of May 2, 2021

Sunday, May 2

8:00 am Mary Petrovich (D)

Presider

To Be Determined

10:00 am Fr. Carl Schipper (D)

Noon Parishioners of Saint Anne

Monday, May 3

8:45 am thanksgiving, Tessie Solanqy

Tuesday, May 4

8:45 am Rev. Wilton Smith (D)
Thanksgiving, Herminia Salgalang

Wednesday, May 5

8:45 am Graciano Aligado (D)

Thursday, May 6

8:45 am Mrs. Flora Lucas (D)

Friday, May 7

8:45 am Daniel Iannitelli (D)

Saturday, May 8

8:45 am Confraternity of Saint Anne

5:00 pm Isidro Ignacio (D)

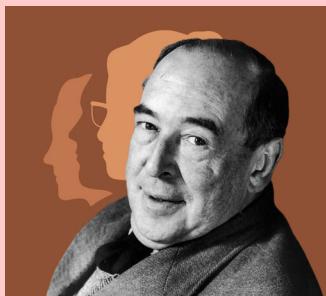
Short Course on C.S. Lewis with Dr. Peter Kreeft

Tuesdays, May 4 – June 8, 7:00-8:30 pm PDT

online sfarch.org/cslewis

The School of Pastoral Ministry at the Archdiocese of San Francisco is excited to share that Dr. Peter Kreeft will be teaching a 5-part online course on some of C.S. Lewis's lesser known works of fiction and non-fiction. C. S. Lewis is probably most famous in the United States for his series *The Chronicles of Narnia*, which was turned into a 1.5 billion dollar film franchise. Lesser known is the fact that C.S. Lewis was also one of the greatest Christian apologists to have ever lived. This course will explore six of his most powerful and life-changing books: *Surprised by Joy*, *Mere Christianity*, *The Problem of Pain*, *A Grief Observed*, *Till We Have Faces*, and *The Great Divorce*. Register now at the link above. A \$25 donation is requested, but no one will be turned down for inability to pay.

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C. S. LEWIS

FEAST OF FAITH — The Homily

The ambo, or pulpit, is a special place—it is the place for God's word. That is why it is not used for all the spoken words of the Mass, even important words like the collects and the blessing. The ambo is only used for the scripture readings, and for the homily and the prayer of the faithful.

The homily is part of the Liturgy of the Word. It flows from the readings we have just heard, and helps us to understand the way in which God is speaking to us today. The homily is not a lecture, a catechism lesson, or a speech. It is more like an exhortation; it has an urgency about it, for it calls us to find ourselves in the scripture, to live the faith we profess, to see our world by the light of the Gospel. The homily, in itself a response to God's word, demands a response from us. There are many styles of preaching and many ways to respond to the scriptures. But whether the homily is weak or strong, an open ear and an open heart can find in it an abundance of spiritual nourishment.

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MAY 9th is CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUNDAY. This second collection is an annual opportunity for parishioners in the Archdiocese of San Francisco to personally invest in the lives of thousands of marginalized and vulnerable residents in San Francisco, San Mateo and Marin counties. Over the past 14 months Catholic Charities' dedicated staff has been on the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic serving nearly 60,000 individuals – more than double the number normally assisted annually, including an increase in families experiencing homelessness and hunger, many for the first time. With diverse programs designed to help homeless families and individuals, children and youth, HIV/AIDS patients, low-income families, isolated seniors, adults with disabilities, and immigrants, Catholic Charities needs your support now more than ever before. You can text CCSunday at 76278 or visit CatholicCharitiesSF.org/CC Sunday to donate or give online. For more info, contact Jane Ferguson Flout at 415.972.1227 or jfergusonflout@CatholicCharitiesSF.org

Last Week's Collections

April 18, 2021 — \$2,933.12

Catholic Home Missions — \$453.00

Late Easter Donations — \$ 250.00

2/16—3/15 Lifeline Parish Offertory —\$220.00

This Week's 2nd Collection

School Earthquake Retrofit Fund

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2021 — Goal: \$53,983

Donations Received as of 4/13: \$5,005.00

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