

MAY 4 & 5, 2024
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



By: The Word Among Us

God is love. (1 John 4: 8)

A statement like “*God is love*” can sound so abstract! But in today’s Second Reading, John follows up this revelation with a second one: God’s love is revealed to us in Jesus, who offered himself on the cross “*so that we might have life through him*” (1 John 4: 9). And as Jesus tells us in today’s Gospel, we, too, are called to lay down our lives for one another out of love (John 15: 13).

But unlike Jesus, we usually aren’t called to literally die for someone. So, what does it actually look like to lay down our lives for another person?

Today’s First Reading from Acts gives us a model. A Roman centurion named Cornelius invites Peter to come to his home in Caesarea, about a thirty-five mile walk. Peter knows it is “*unlawful for a Jewish man to associate with, or visit, a Gentile,*” yet he goes anyway (Acts 10: 28). When he begins preaching the good news to them, the Holy Spirit falls in Cornelius and the rest of the people gathered there, and they are “*baptized in the name of Jesus Christ*” (10: 48).

Peter was doing what Jesus had commanded when he said, “*Love one another as I love you*” (John 15: 12). He was laying down his life for these former enemies by listening to the Spirit’s leading, taking the time to journey to Caesarea, entering the centurion’s house, and then going out on a limb to baptize Gentiles.

Each day we are presented with opportunities to lay down our lives for one another out of love. It might cost us our time or our energy. It might require courage, patience, or forbearance. We might have to step up in faith. But as we do these things—even those that seem routine or mundane—we are making the abstract truth that “*God is love*” into a living reality. We are revealing God’s love to the world.

“Holy Spirit, open my eyes to those times today when I can love someone as you have loved me.”

FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK

Dear parishioners,

The Blessed Mother constantly invites us to find rest and refuge in Her Immaculate Heart. In this month dedicated to Her honor, I would like to bring to your attention the beautiful meditation below. May we use these days to grow closer to Jesus, through Mary!

Blessings,

Fr. Pacheco

The Month of Mary

It is often said that May is the most beautiful month of the year. The flowers are in full bloom, the weather is mild, and the first fruits of the soil are beginning to reward man's labor. It is fitting that we should dedicate to Mary the most beautiful month of the year, for she is the most beautiful of God's creatures. We should offer this month to Mary by increasing our love for her. We should love her with a filial love, for she loves us with the heart of a mother. If we contemplate her beauty and goodness, we shall be inflamed with love for her. It will be a tender love such as we have for our earthly mother, and at the same time a respectful and worshipful love such as we ought to have for the Mother of God. Our offering of the month of May to Mary should result in a twofold resolution:—the resolution to make good our failings and to advance in holiness. This is the only way in which we can prove the sincerity of our affection, by deeds rather than by words. It is certain that we have many faults of character. Let us examine ourselves in front of Our Lady's altar by comparing our weakness with her magnificence of soul. When we have discovered our failings, let us be courageous in eradicating them. We can offer this sacrifice to Mary with love and generosity, no matter how hard it may be. We can spend every day of this month digging out those weeds in the garden of our soul, which our passions and the influence of the devil have helped to flourish. Let us plant and bring to perfection in their place the flowers of Christian virtue. In this way we shall make the month of May very pleasing to Mary. -*Meditations for Each Day*, Antonio Cardinal Bacci



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
SEMI ANNUAL TRI TIP ROAST SALE
FATHER'S DAY WEEKEND**

SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 2024
PICK UP TIME: 12PM - 4PM.
OLGC'S PARKING LOT.

ROASTS ARE MARINATED, BBQ'D, AND READY TO EAT.

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DAVE SWENSEN: 707-489-3028, STEVE BEEMAN: 707-480-4614,
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SUPPORTS ON GOING EDUCATIONAL GRANT PROGRAM.

NEWS FOR SJSDR CATHOLIC SCHOOL

SJSDR Catholic School Now Enrolling

Do you worry about your children getting bullied at school?
Do you wish the schools would respect your family's
values and Faith?

Do you worry about the negative effect of social media on
your children?

Do your kids come home from school depressed, sad
or upset way too often?

Come see the difference at SJSDR Catholic School where
the children are happy and learning every day!

We are enrolling now! Call or text 707-513-5672. Visit our
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Common concerns and our answers:

1. We can't afford to send our kids to private school. Answer: Most parents pay only \$250/month. Sponsors help families who are unable to pay even that much for tuition.
2. I don't see a playground for the children. Answer: At SJSDR the students spend long recesses playing soccer, baseball, pickleball, tag, jump rope, exploring in the school garden, building forts and so much more. They go on many field trips too!
3. I can't pick my child up at 3:00pm because of work. Answer: SJSDR offers after-school care for students until 5:00pm.

MASS INTENTIONS

MAY 4 - 10, 2024

Saturday (04)	9:00am	Open Intention
	5:00pm	Fred & Clara White † Thomas Galemba †
	6:30pm	María Trinidad Mojarro † Maria & Josefa Ramírez † Salud Olvera † Victor Martín & Raquel Dzul † Alfonso y Maria Bran † Eleuterio y Manuel Gaona † Beatriz Valencia † Belén Mandujano †
Sunday (05)	8:00am	María Esther Ramos †
	10:00am	Missa pro populo
Monday (06)	12:05pm	NO MASS
Tuesday (07)	5:30pm	Edward & Barbara Graves †
Wednesday (08)	12:05pm	Open Intention
Thursday (09)	12:05pm	Open Intention
Friday (10)	12:05pm	Carmen Cuevas † Soledad Mota † Angelina Alcalá † Toñita García †

WEEKLY COLLECTION

APRIL 27 & 28, 2024...\$1,830.00
ANNUAL MINISTRY APPEAL...\$725.00

**THIS WEEKEND OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR
LIABILITY INSURANCE
NEXT WEEKEND OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR
MAINTENANCE FUND**

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT & CHRISTIAN GENEROSITY!!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Audrey George, Ron Sousa, Esperanza Barba,
Bertha Valenzuela, Carole Shoptaw, Gina Pivrotto,
Angie Gómez, Rose Cortez, Fidela Jara, Felix Santillán,
Martha Sánchez, Gerardo Escobedo, Angie Freitas,
Russel Bryant, Derrick Heater, Ann Gallagher, Brianna
Lopez, Margaret Milliken, Nick Quin, Mary Servis,
Matty Walker, Ofelia Ybarra.

**LET'S PRAY FOR ALL OUR FAMILY MEMBERS
AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY**

Jovany Baez, Justin Mertle, María de la Luz Ramírez,
Rebeca Sánchez, Marina González, Alondra Jara, Sonia
Jara, Matt Mills & Jared Schroeder.



**WE WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU THAT:
Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish now provides
“ParishSOFT Giving,” an online giving software!**

To get started, you can go to olgcinfb.org.

From this link you will be allowed to manage your own account online, set up gifts on a schedule that you choose or a one-time donation, and can be set up with a credit card, debit card, checking or savings account!

If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office at 964-0229.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

When a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized and would like Father Pacheco to pay them a visit to receive Holy Communion and/or Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office at 707-964-0229 ext. 1 and after office hours, please call 707-813-4188.



**EVERY THURSDAY @ 11:00AM,
WE HAVE THE EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION OF
THE BLESSED SACRAMENT,
FOLLOWED BY MASS AT 12:05PM.**



IN THE VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH, ON THE SOUTHERN WALL IS A BEAUTIFUL MEMORIAL TREE. ITS BRIGHT LEAVES REPRESENT PERMANENT MEMORIALS TO THE DEPARTED OF OUR PARISH. FOR THE SUM OF \$200.00, YOU CAN GIVE TO THE PARISH SECRETARY, THE CORRECT SPELLING AND DATES OF THE DEPARTED AND IN DUE TIME THE LEAF IS PRINTED AND ATTACHED TO THE TREE AS A PERMANENT REMINDER OF A LOVED ONE WHO IS GONE.
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~UPDATE YOUR RECORDS ~

Have you changed your address? Phone number? Email address? If so, please contact the parish office and let us know your changes so that we can update your parishioner record. Email changes to olgcinfb@gmail.com or call at 707-964-0229 ext. 1.