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PENTECOST SUNDAY YEAR A | MAY 28, 2023

In St. Oscar Romero's final homily on Pentecost, given on June 3, 1979, he exhorts the young people of El Salvador with these words:

"[...] we are celebrating this feast of the Spirit who renews the world and that our country should not despair. On this day when the gates of heaven open up to send down on us that breath of God, let us open our hearts to hope, and let each of us be a collaborator with God in bringing about peace, love, and justice."

These young people would need strength to face over a decade of intense fighting after they heard the Archbishop's words (or, as was the case for so many, the trials of displacement and migration to a new life in another land). The seeds of hope ring loudly in this homily; it speaks of the true hope and joy that God's Spirit promises us on this day of Pentecost.

I am also struck by his choice of the word "collaborator." Earlier in his homily, he remarks that he is accused by both leftists and right-wing militants of partisan action on behalf of one side or another. He knew these charges could bring deadly consequences, and an accusation of collaboration with an enemy group was often enough to detain or jail an individual. In a prophetic anticipation of his martyrdom less than a year later, St. Romero models the boldness of Spirit-filled hope and speaks directly to rebuke these accusations.

"I am trying to be faithful to the word that the Lord sends me to preach, faithful to the unchangeable message that tells both sides the good they do and the injustices they commit. And I think we've given very clear testimony about the gift of the Spirit to which I try to be faithful."

This testimony involves both a necessary rejection of partisanship and also a prophetic witness to Christ's Reign. He invites the young people of his country to "collaborate" with God in the Church's mission of peace, love, and justice. As we hear in the Scripture readings today, the Spirit breaks down the barriers that apportion people into nations, states, and parties, bringing allegiance to Christ's Kingdom through the powerful working of the Spirit. What does such collaboration look like for us?

Some of us in the parish are working with local community groups such as IAF and a local teacher's union, FTA, whose demonstration we joined this past Wednesday. For others, service at Friday Night Food Recovery Dinner is a way to connect on a personal level with the neighborhood and share the labor of service in a material way. The leaders of Newman Center Young Adults are busy creating more opportunities for young professionals to meet each other along the journey with events like an upcoming June Retreat, pub trivia hangouts, and other options. For me, I remain connected to the urban ministers and neighborhood advocates in Downtown Fresno who welcomed me when I first came to this city in 2014. Most of them are not Catholic and some are not Christians, and so I continue to collaborate across lines of faith. Downtown Fresno and I mourn the death of one major activist, H Spees, without whose work I probably wouldn't be where I am today.

This summer, there are many ways you can support this work, whether with IAF, contributing to the resources that keep the Young Adult ministry active, or helping send some of our students and recent grads to World Youth Day in Portugal. On this day that we herald the Spirit's renewal, I am grateful to share in this work with all of you.

-Karl A. Gurney, M.A., Director of Liturgy

Mission Statement

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WEEK OF MAY 27 - JUNE 3

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Our session is canceled this Monday, May 29th. We will resume next week, June 5th at 6:00 PM in the Student Lounge.



Picture of the Week: Graduation Mass

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Our young adult ministry targets young professionals, young couples, and college students. We're planning an eventful summer so be sure to take note of our activities in June. Email ncya@csufnewman.com with any questions.

SAVE THE DATES:

June 7th @ 7pm - Trivia Night at Tioga-Sequoia Beer Garden

June 24th @ 10am - Young Adult Retreat at Newman Center

CAMPUS MINISTRY CONTACTS

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PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE UPDATE

For the week of May 28 - June 3, 2023

May is Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

• **Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May 2023:** "We pray that the Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world." https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=kZwUcuP1BPk

• Sunday, May 28

Pope Francis' Homily from Pentecost, 6/5/2022: https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/ homilies/2022/documents/20220605-omeliapentecoste.html

June is LGBTQIA Pride Month

• **Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for June 2023:** "We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families"

• Friday, June 2

National Gun Violence Awareness Day: Wear orange! https://everytownsupportfund.org/how-to-participatein-wear-orange/

5:30pm Food Recovery Dinner in the Newman Cafeteria. All are welcome!

• Saturday, June 3

1963 St. John XXIII dies
Last words: "Lord, You know I love You".
10:00am 33rd Annual Pride Parade in Fresno's
Tower District

For so much more on all things "Social Justice" visit our website or contact Jim Grant at jim@csufnewman.com



There will be no Mass celebrated at the Newman Center on Monday in observance of Memorial Day.

Current... MINISTRY PROGRAMS

Family Life Ministry

Joy of Love Moms: The Joy of Love Moms Group invites families to the west playground after 9:30am Mass for an opportunity for children and families to meet, socialize and play together. Please join us!

Men's Ministry

Men's Weekly Scripture Reflection and Discussion Group: This ministry meets on Monday mornings at 8:30am in the Library after 8:00am morning Mass.

Men's Saturday Coffee Group will meet Saturday, June 3rd, 7:30 – 9:00am in the Cafeteria to reflect on Scripture, share our collective spiritual wisdom, and form friendship bonds with other men. Please join us!

Prayer Ministry

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle meets Wednesdays at 10:00am in Cardinal Newman Hall. We pray for vocations, seminarians, world peace, and our own intentions; we invite all to join us.

Special Collection:

Bishop's Annual Appeal

2022-2023 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL "ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE WITH GOD"

All things are possible with God is the theme of this year's Annual Appeal. This scripture, like all scripture, rings true; without the love and mercy of our Father, life would be challenging beyond belief. What is also true is that so many things would be impossible without you, the people of God. It is you who comprise our Church. I thank you today for all the generosity you have shown your parish and our diocese, whether that be by leading a ministry, helping the disenfranchised or bringing your family to Mass. I pray that this year you, the faithful of our diocese, continue to be the backbone of our Church as you make so many wonderful things possible with your generosity.

-Bishop Joseph V. Brennan

What does the BAA fund?



MISSIONARY APPEAL AT ALL MASSES JUNE 3 – 4 WEEKEND



Next weekend we will host Missionaries of the Augustinians of the Assumption (Assumptionists). We hope to listen and learn from them in the important work that God is doing throughout the world. Here is some information they shared with us to help us get to know them ahead of their visit:

From the very beginning, the Assumptionists have been engaged in a wide variety of apostolic works. All that advances the coming of the Reign of God has always been deemed worthy of our apostolic energy.

It's a preference for poor, in response to the Gospel and to the Church calling us today to be on their side. For us too it's a consequence of our own vow to live as poor men. Some will dedicate themselves full-time to this work: with marginalized people of every kind, in hospitals and in prisons, "worker priests" or volunteers in different organizations ... But all of us try to live in union with the poor, because "the poor will always be with us", because the poor are too often neglected even within the Church. This is a bias that the Assumption encourages.

Our Province of North America and the Philippines is specifically responsible for the missions in East Africa (Kenya and Tanzania), Mexico and the Philippines.

We provide personnel and financial assistance that is indispensable in order to maintain our charitable works (schools and nurseries) and formation programs for both laity and clergy in these countries.

Many of our apostolates in these countries specifically work to better the living conditions of the impoverished brothers and sisters we live with and minister to. In the Philippines, we sponsor education and aid programs for underprivileged villages both in the Manilla area and in other mission centers. Our newly founded parish in Orizaba, Veracruz Mexico ministers to an underserved indigenous community.

MAY CONTRIBUTIONS

2022		2023	
May 1	\$18,412.75	May 7	\$27,332.94
May 8 ACH	\$24,558.88	May 14	\$12,039.19
May 15	\$11,321.29	May 21	\$12,689.80
May 22 ACH	\$18,229.63	May 28	
May 29	\$12,847.94		
MAY 2022 TOTAL	\$85,370.49	MAY 2023 TOTAL	\$52,061.93



Parish Information

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm Sunday: 7:30am | 9:30am | 11:30am | 7:00pm

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WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday / Wednesday | 8:00am First Friday (of the month) | 8:00am Thursday | 6:00pm

COMMUNION SERVICES: Tuesday / Thursday | 8:00am Friday (Except First Friday) | 8:00am

RECONCILIATION: Thursday | 4:00pm to 5:45pm Saturday | 3:30pm to 4:30pm or call for an appointment

OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Thursday | 9:00am to 3:00pm Friday | 9:00am to 12:00 noon

MAIN PHONE LINE: 559.436.3434

FOR ANY MEETINGS OR APPOINTMENTS, PLEASE CALL TO SCHEDULE.

For any after hour emergency, please listen for telephone prompts to leave a message.

PRAYERS:

Please pray for those who have requested special intentions and prayers:

Barbara Barrows Tony Williams Tom McFerson Ryan Inclan Ramona Egan JoAnn Myers Jacob Silva Jasmin Boyd Dan Dungy Lana Xiong Kathy Xiong Diane Hooker Luis Dalogdog Luna Gumayot Viktor Tom Castelazo Catherine Semione Kathy Sheer Joe Koontz

♥ And we pray for those who have died, especially:

Adrian Alvarado Dorothy Dahl Monica Lucido Baker

To better serve our Faith Community we try to update our list of prayers regularly. Therefore, we have the following policy: Names for the sick / special intentions will be published in the bulletin for four weeks, and then removed unless otherwise notified or requested. Names of the deceased are published the week after death.

If you have someone in need of prayers please contact the office go on our website and fill out the form under the "<u>Prayer Requests</u>" tab.

Join Bishop Brennan and the Diocese of Fresno's Catholic Cemeteries in celebration of the Annual Outdoor



MONDAY, MAY 29, 2023 AT 10:00 AM

ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC CEMETERY 264 N. Blythe Ave., Fresno, CA 93706

For any questions, please contact Diocese of Fresno's Catholic Cemeteries at 559-488-7449

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, MAY 28

PENTECOST SUNDAY

MEMORIAL DAY

Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7/ Jn 20:19-23 Special Collection: Bishop's Annual Appeal Knights Burrito Breakfast

7:30am	Mass for Art Ruiz	Chapel
9:30am	Mass for John Cook	Chapel
11:30am	Mass Int. Claretian Missionaries and Vocations	Chapel
12:45pm	Baptisms	Chapel
7:00pm	Mass for needs and intentions of Parishioners	Chapel

MONDAY, MAY 29 Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Jn 19:25-34

OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, MAY 30 Sir 35:1-12/Mk 10:28-31

8:00am	Communion Service	Chapel
5:00pm	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Chapel

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31 Zep 3:14-18a/Lk 1:39-56

8:00am	Mass Int. Beau Nicholson	Chapel
10:00am	Marian Mov't of Priests	Cardinal Newman Hall 104
7:00pm	RCIA Inquiry	Community Room

THURSDAY, JUNE 1 Sir 42:15-25/Mk 10:46-52

8:00am	Communion Service	Chapel
4:00pm	Confessions	Chapel
6:00pm	Mass Int. Newman Staff	Chapel

FRIDAY, JUNE 2 Sir 44:1, 9-13/Mk 11:11-26

 Communion Service Sacred Heart Devotion for Families	Chapel Chapel
 Adoration Food Recovery Network	Chapel Cafeteria

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Jn 3:16-18 (Day)

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18 (Vigil Mass) Assumptionist Missionary Appeal

10:00am	First Communion Mass	Chapel
3:30pm	Confessions	Chapel
5:00pm	Mass Int. Claretian Missionaries & Vocations	Chapel

SUNDAY, JUNE 4 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18 Assumptionist Missionary Appeal

	Mass for Needs & Int. of Parishioners Mass for John Godburn	Chapel Chapel
10:00am	RCIA Inquiry Mass for Lai Pham	Library
	Mass for Joann Schilling	Chapel Chapel





POR FAVOR APOYE A ESTOS ANUNCIANTES



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