



A Can a Week!

Please keep bringing your canned goods and boxes for the Food Basket. The basket is brought up to the altar with the offering every Sunday to be blessed.

As always, we want to thank Bob and Sharon Neller for all their hard work and dedication with this important ministry. They bag up the cans and boxes every week and bring them into Interfaith Ministry.

Thank you for your faithful giving!

+ Christian Symbols +

Shield of the Trinity



This symbol consists of a triangle with a circle at each point, labeled in Latin with the three Persons of the Trinity; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. A circle in the center is labeled God. Six lines show the relationships formed, with inner lines marked "is" and outer lines marked "is not." The resulting sign declares that God is Father, God is Son and God is Spirit, yet the three Persons are not the same.

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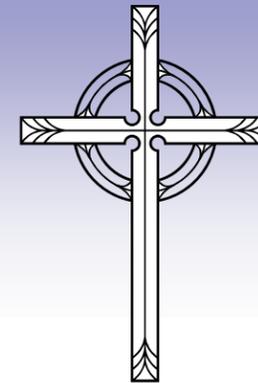
Answer to Bible Quiz: A
(See Luke 24:51 and Acts 1:9.)

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*"We are not here to be successful.
We are here to be faithful."*

—*Mother Teresa*

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Diocesan Legal Fund

At the April Bishop's Committee meeting, the members voted to approve sending 2% of our monthly pledges and open plates offerings. We hope this helps with filing fees for the lawsuit. The Diocesan attorneys will only be paid if we win the lawsuit. Please keep this in your prayers.

Ruth — a Pentecost story?



The disciples were celebrating Pentecost, originally a Jewish festival, when the Holy Spirit descended on them and birthed the church. Pentecost, which began as a harvest festival, had come to commemorate the giving of the law. The book of Ruth became integral to festival worship.

Why Ruth? This short story doesn't mention the law, let alone God giving it to Moses. Yet in Ruth's devotion to her mother-in-law ("Where you go I will go Your people will be my people ... " [Ruth 1:16, NIV]), she fulfills not just the letter but the spirit of the law: loving kindness — all the more remarkable because she's a foreigner. Boaz, too, demonstrates exorbitant kindness to Ruth.

As Christians celebrate the Spirit bridging differences in Jerusalem, uniting all nationalities by making the gospel message intelligible to all people, we too can remember Ruth's story. For in it, God unites two enemy peoples for his grand purpose: Boaz and Ruth's marriage leads to King David and, ultimately, to King Jesus. Today, the Holy Spirit continues to unite all categories of people under Christ's reign for the good of the world.

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The Bishop's Committee meets the second Sunday of every month following the Sunday service.

- ✚ Sunday School - Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
- ✚ Nursery - Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
- ✚ Church Service - Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

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Welcome to Jesus, Our Savior

I move forward through change.

While change is inevitable, my response or reaction to change is up to me. How can I best prepare myself for change and how can I make the most of it?

Change is a transition from one state of mind to another. I am evolving from what was to what is. I am becoming more than I was before. Just as my view changes and transitioned from childhood to adulthood, I now see that I am gaining a new perspective during this transition.

I may be stepping into unfamiliar territory, but this step is an opportunity to grow in spiritual awareness. With each shift or change in my life, I am moving forward.

*"When I was a child, I spoke like a child.
 I thought like a child... when I became an adult,
 I put an end to childish ways."
 1 Corinthians 13:11*

Great blessings to all our parish,

*Sincerely with love,
 Beverly Burke
 Welcoming Committee*

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2nd Chance Computer Program Update

May 7th will be the last Computer Give-Away of the school year.

Almost fifty computers will be given to the students from the junior high and high schools on our list. These students are selected by teachers and counselors for their high achievement and economic status. Come and see how excited the students are to receive their own computer.

If you have an old computer or know of a business or friend who has an old computer or monitor, please let us know.

We appreciate your continued support and prayers for this ministry. To donate, call Terry at 402-8586 or the church at 551-5279. Thank you!

Answers to Kid's Page

"But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart."
Luke 2:19 NIV

Dates to remember

- Ascension of the Lord May 5
- National Day of Prayer May 5
- Mother's Day May 8
- Pentecost May 15
- Armed Forces Day May 21
- Trinity Sunday May 22
- Victoria Day (Canada) May 23
- Memorial Day May 30



Bible Quiz

Which books of the Bible include an account of Jesus' ascension?

- A. Luke and Acts
- B. Matthew and Luke
- C. Mark and John
- D. All four gospels

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| ✚ Karen T. | ✚ Jan L. |
| ✚ Maxine M. | ✚ Margie M. |
| ✚ Shirley E. | ✚ Corrie |
| ✚ Lori & family | ✚ Bonnie |
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| ✚ JoAnne & Neal M. | ✚ Deanna H. |
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| ✚ Jay Marie & family | ✚ Rita & family |
| ✚ Richard & Jacki T. | ✚ Sue C. |
| ✚ Ruth C. | |

If you have a name to add to the prayer list, please fill out a Prayer Request card, located at the entrance table and also on the parish hall table and give to Fr. Jack.



- ❖ Gabriel Pine May 1
- ❖ Kyle Simas May 8
- ❖ Ruby Louis May 9
- ❖ Tom Jebb May 11
- ❖ Gina Neller May 13
- ❖ Kay Knighten May 14
- ❖ Eva Breshears May 19
- ❖ JoAnne Mitchell May 27

✚ Fr. Woodrow & Ruth Gubuan ...May 21...37 yrs
 ✚ Fr Jack & Joan Faucett May 26...20 yrs

*If you are not on the Birthday & Anniversary Chart,
 please let Mary Scott know.*

The Kid's Page

A heartfelt felt heart

On Mother's Day, express your love for your mom or another special woman by giving her this gift from the heart.



What you need:

- Red felt (8" x 11" sheet)
- Dark pen
- Fabric scissors
- Pillow stuffing
- Straight pins
- Embroidery thread (pink, red or black)
- Needle
- An adult to help

What you do:

1. Fold the felt in half and draw a heart on it. Cut out the heart so you have two of the same size.
2. Place the hearts on top of each other, add stuffing and pin the hearts together.
3. Thread the needle with a long piece of thread. Knot the end.
4. Sew the hearts together. Knot the thread and trim the ends. Remove pins.
5. Give the gift — and a hug!

A mother's love

At age 12, Jesus was left behind in Jerusalem. His parents later found him in the temple, discussing Scripture. What did Mary, Jesus' mother, think about this?

Directions: Fill in the blanks with the correct vowels to complete the Bible verse.

A E I O U Y

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 L _ k _ 2:19, NIV

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The Vicar's Voice

Our Father,

Since God is our Father, we are the sons and daughters. Yet we may not feel like it, and we may not appear to be such. Others may look at us and question (either silently or quite loudly) our relationship to God. But we manifest our witness through, and for the Holy Spirit. The gifts that are given from him to our benefit is the cornerstone of faith.

We are God's Children, because he has called us such. His word is powerful and we are lifted to the accomplishment of that word. The image we cast is of love, in and through the works we produce by faith. How great is the love that the Father has shown to us! We are his own, called by him. And the Godless world continues to attack us because of the threat they perceive from that love. Satan's jealousy and fear to the unbeliever.

Let us pray Eternal God Heavenly Father, You have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his body and blood. Amen.

Fr. Jack

Don't forget...



to put your name on your offering envelope.

We want to make sure you receive credit for your offering.

Always with us



Forty days after Easter, we celebrate Jesus' ascension into heaven. This occurred 10 days before Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus' followers, as he had promised.

Jesus' ascension reminds Christians that although his body couldn't remain present everywhere, we can universally experience his spiritual presence. In fact, Jesus' final words to his disciples — and to us — contain this key promise: "I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20, ESV).

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The Next Brunch



is scheduled for Saturday, May 14th.

We will meet at the church at 11:00 a.m. for Bible study, reflection and fellowship. The restaurant for breakfast is always selected by consensus.

Come join us for prayer, reflection and a good brunch!



Bishop's Note April 28, 2016

A New Commandment

In KAIROS Prison Ministry they have a saying: “God is good all the time. All the time, God is good!” What a blessing it was for me to assist with retreats at Donovan State Prison, in the Maximum Security Unit, to hear forty men serving their time proclaiming in full voice, “God is good all the time. All the time God is good!”

This past Sunday’s Gospel gave us a wonderful biblical example of the Kairos Proclamation. Jesus had gathered with his disciples in the Upper Room. It had been a chaotic week. Jesus had entered Jerusalem hailed as a king, with shouts of, “Hosanna in the highest, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” However, shortly afterwards, the people of Jerusalem were turning on Jesus. “When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him.” (John 13:36-37)

Into this hectic and difficult situation, Jesus welcomed the disciples with a simple and profound act of service – the washing of feet. As the disciples gathered at the table for the Passover Supper, Jesus told them that he was about to be betrayed by one of them. And, of course, we know that Judas soon left the table to make his deal with the religious authorities to turn Jesus over for thirty pieces of silver. Jesus then said that he would soon glorify God by giving his life, but that where he was going the disciples could not follow. Then what Jesus said was absolutely phenomenal – in essence he says: “If you want to glo-

rify God and glorify me, then you must live out a New Commandment.” “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.” (John 13:34)

Admittedly, our lives in the Diocese of San Joaquin are uncertain at the moment, and a bit chaotic. Now, more than ever, we need to dedicate ourselves to living out the New Commandment of Christ! It is in the divine witness of sacrificial love that new people will be attracted to our churches. It is in a divine love that welcomes the stranger – not leaving them, or us, in our sin, but rather, in the power of the Holy Spirit, transforming and sanctifying lives – it is that kind of love that will preserve us and cause us to grow.

My prayer for the Diocese of San Joaquin is that the transforming love of Jesus Christ, which we have received, will be the same love that we will give to others. Our reputation should not be based on our stuff – the external signs of our lives – but on the inner Grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

“God is good all the time. All the time God is good!”

I pray you all a truly blessed week!

Bishop Menees

Diocesan Calendar



- † May 10 - Rural Dean’s Meeting
 - † May 14 - Deacons' Day @ St. James' Cathedral
 - † May 21 - Diocesan Council Meeting
 - † May 30 - Diocesan Office CLOSED for Memorial Day
 - † June 5 - Bishop @ Jesus Our Savior
- Summer Camps**
- † June 26-28 - Elem. Camp @ Camp San Joaquin
 - † July 17-22 - Jr. High School @ Camp San Joaquin
 - † July 24-29 - High School Camp @ Camp San Joaquin



'Just Keep Swimming ...'



In Athens, the apostle Paul responded to the people’s worship of “an unknown god” by declaring, “[God] is not far from any one of us. ‘For in him we live and move and have our being’” (Acts 17:23, 27-28, NIV).

Author Diana Butler Bass echoes that sentiment: “If the water is invisible to the fish, is God, as the One in whom we swim, also invisible?” (Grounded: Finding God in the World, HarperOne).

I, in turn, am reminded of Dory, the blue tang fish in Finding Nemo. Feeling overwhelmed and alone, she chants to herself, “Just keep swimming, just keep swimming.” When we feel alone and can’t see God, it’s not that he doesn’t exist or can’t be known; rather, he surrounds us so closely that sometimes we miss the fact. God is the Living Water in which we swim. Sometimes we need to just keep swimming until we become aware of that again.

—Heidi Mann

from the Newsletter Newsletter



For the righteous...
enter into peace.
ISAIAH 57:1-2, NRSV

Daughters of the Holy Cross



by Joan Faucett, President

The May meeting will be held on Friday, May 6 at the church at 10:00 a.m.

All women are invited and welcome!

“I Love You Enough”



by Linda York

Someday, when my children are old enough to understand the logic that motivates a mother, I will tell them:

I loved you enough to ask you about where you were going, with whom and what time you would get home.

I loved you enough to insist that you buy a bike that we could afford to give you with your own money.

I loved you enough to be silent and let you discover that your hand-picked friend was a creep.

I loved you enough to make you return a Milky Way with a bite out of it—and to confess “I stole this.”

I loved you enough to stand over you for two hours while you cleaned your room, a job that would have taken me fifteen minutes.

I loved you enough to let you see anger, disappointment, disgust and tears in my eyes.

I loved you enough to admit I was wrong and ask for your forgiveness.

I loved you enough to let you stumble, fall and hurt.

I loved you enough to let you assume the responsibility for your actions at 6, 10, or 16.

But most of all, I loved you enough to say NO when you hated me for it. That was the hardest part of all.