

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

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APRIL 28, 2024 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

REFLECTIONS

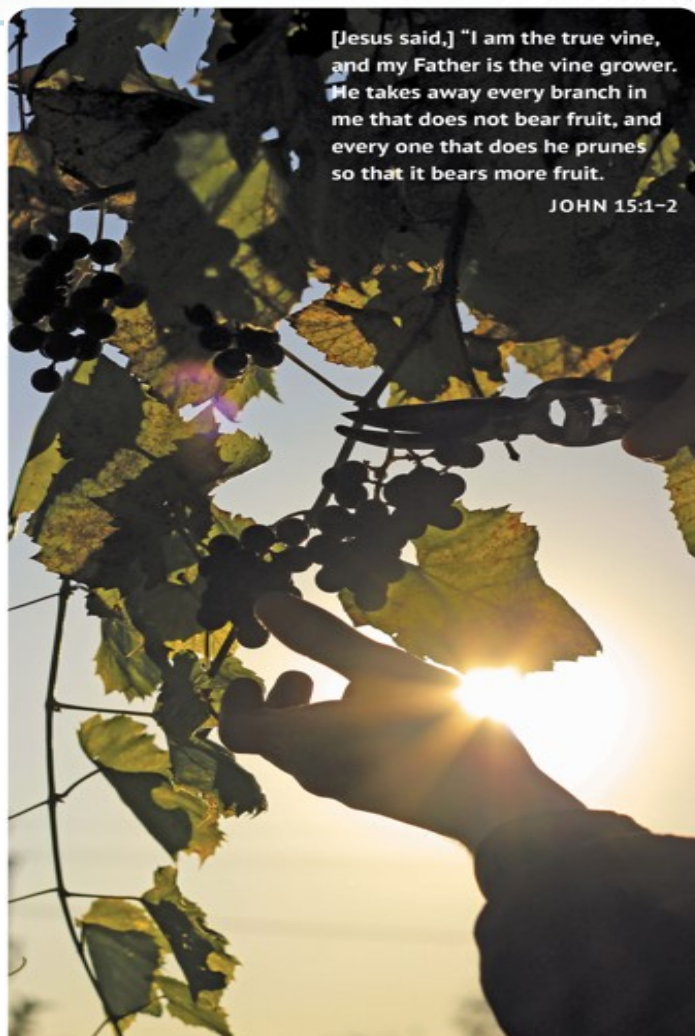
My friends, this Sunday's Gospel passage is all about a connection --- a sacred connection between us and Jesus.

Our Lord uses a beautiful metaphor to talk about this connection, describing himself as the vine and his followers as the branches. Those hearing him would have known exactly what he was talking about since wine-making was an essential part of the culture in which they lived.

This would not have been an easy image for them to forget. And we still remember it to this day, still use it to reflect on the most important relationship we will ever be a part of.

And so my friends, let's not simply wait around idly for God to do what God wants to do, wait around for a relationship with him to materialize out of thin air. Rather, let's seek out the Vine and use everything at our disposal to graft ourselves securely to him. If we do that, if we do our part, if we work on the only relationship that ultimately matters, we can be sure that the fruit we will produce will feed, and enrich, and beautify, and transform a world in need of every single thing our God wants to provide.

Fr. Peter



[Jesus said.] "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit."

JOHN 15:1-2

THIS WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

Monday

5:00 pm
5:30 pm

St. Anthony's—Lakin

Rosary & Prayers
Mass

Friday

7:00 am
7:30 am

St. Anthony's—Lakin

Rosary & Prayers
Mass

Tuesday

9:30 am
10:10 am

HPRV

Mass
Communion/Visiting
Homebound

Saturday

3:00—3:50 pm
4:00 pm
5:20 pm
6:00 pm

Lakin & Deerfield

Confessions
Mass (St. Anthony)
Confession (Deerfield)
Mass (Christ the King)

Wednesday

7:30 am (MT)
8:00 am (MT)

St. Raphael's /Syracuse

Rosary
Mass

Sunday

8:00 -8:50 am
9:00 am
9:50-10:25 am
10:30 am (MT)

Lakin & Syracuse

Confessions
Mass (St. Anthony)
Confessions
Mass (St. Raphael)

Thursday

11:00 am
11:45 am
12:15 pm

St. Anthony's -Lakin

Confessions
Rosary
Mass

COLLECTION FOR 4-20-2024

Envelopes: \$415.00

Loose: \$715.00

Online Giving: \$293.60

Total: \$1,423.60

Average Weekly Expense: \$1,761.17

Income over/under - \$337.57

Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8:30 am - 4:30 pm

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CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to extend our congratulations to our newly Baptized, Elian Alarcon-Aguilar, Cristian Magallanes, Sebastian Magallanes



Welcome to God's family in the Church!

May our Loving God continue to pour down His abundant blessings upon you and your families.

EUCCHARISTIC REVERENCE

Our Bishop John has emphasized for Parishes to not lose sight of their Reverence for the Eucharist and the Presence of the Lord in the Tabernacle.

Genuflecting when entering into the Church;

Profound bow if not able to Genuflect;

No gum or foods an hour before Holy Communion;

If married outside of The Church to refrain until the civil Marriage has been blessed in the Church.



REFLECT

HOW HAVE YOU BEEN PRUNED AND HAS THIS PRUNING LED TO NEW GROWTH, NEW LIFE?

THIRD MEMORIAL OF CATHERINE OF SIENA, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH (APRIL 29)

FOLLOW THE DOCTOR'S ADVICE

Catherine of Siena transcended the narrow roles to which Medieval laypeople—and women in particular—were subject. She gave wise counsel to popes, negotiated settlements, kept a continuous correspondence with her followers throughout Italy, and composed *The Dialogue*, an account of her conversation with God, which is widely considered a masterpiece of spiritual literature and contributed to her being named a **doctor of the church**. Amazingly she accomplished all this despite being almost completely illiterate! How? She dictated everything.

MEMORIA DE SANTA CATALINA DE SIENA, DOCTORA DE LA IGLESIA (29 ABRIL)

Sigue los consejos del medico

Catalina de Siena trascendió los estrechos roles a los que estaban sujetos los laicos medievales, y las mujeres en particular. Dio sabios consejos a los papas, negoció acuerdos y mantuvo una correspondencia continua con sus seguidores en toda Italia. También compuso *El Diálogo*, un relato de su conversación con Dios, considerado ampliamente una obra maestra de la literatura espiritual y que contribuyó a que fuera nombrada **doctora de la iglesia**. ¡Sorprendentemente logró todo esto a pesar de ser casi completamente analfabeta! ¿Cómo? Ella dictó todo.

CONGRATULATIONS

JOANNA ALTAMIANO -VARELA, GUS GANNETT, BRISA IBARRA, LYNELLE VILLA, CARLY MADDUX, ISABELLA MAGALLANES, KEVIN CONTRERAS- CALDERON, XAVI ALBA-IBARRA, KATHERINE MEZA, JAZIEL ORNELAS-BELTRAN, AMBAR SOTO- FIERRO, AXEL VASQUEZ

We are grateful to their parents, our catechist Jessica Lohman-Fuller & aids who together worked hard to prepare them for this very special day on their journey of faith! May the love of Jesus forever remain close to you as you receive Him in the Eucharist!



CONFIRMATION APRIL 30 –6:00 PM

Please pray for our 23 young men and women who are going to be confirmed on April 30 at 6:00 pm.

Camden Bergkamp, Cade Berning, Cristian Botello, Maleigha Budd, Bryan Contreras, Taybree Lohman-Fuller, Emmanuel Gonzalez, Nevaeh Guzman, Ruben Guzman, Ellyanna Hernandez, Yazline Lujan, Sol Oropeza Meza, Megan Garcia, Karina Mijangos, Yareli Morales, Brian Moreno, Juan Rutiaga-Oropeza, Ad-dreis Owens, Diego Perez, Astrid Gardea-Varela,



KNIGHTS NEWS

Knights of Columbus May Meeting

Wednesday - May, 1 7::30 pm - Parish Hall
Sunday—May 12—Breakfast, Parish Hall

Any Catholic men who would like to be a K of C member please contact Tom Bachman—640-8259.

We held meeting on every first Wednesday, except during Summer to build up brotherhood and help each other to grow in Catholic faith.

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DEAR PADRE,

Several months ago my son died in a tragic car accident. Life, work, family, and even religion seem so meaningless now. How can I find my way back?

Several months ago my son died in a tragic car accident. Life, work, family, and even religion seem so meaningless now. How can I find my way back? You have suffered a great loss. When you are able, you can choose to live in a way that will respect both your son's memory and your own ongoing life. Here are a few gentle steps that might help.



- Expect to feel numb at first. This is nature's way of helping you deal with your loss. Keep following the normal patterns of your life and, eventually, meaning will return.
- Allow your friends to help. "Sorrows shared are sorrows lessened."
- If you are sad, let the tears come! Even Jesus cried at the death of his friend Lazarus (John 11:32–35).
- If you are angry, look for a healthy release. Focus the energy of your anger into productive work, even if it's just doing dishes or yard work.
- Use your experience to help others. While helping others, the Lord often reveals to us the meaning of our own losses.
- Don't be afraid to seek professional help. A therapist has the expertise to help you talk about your loss and cope with your grief.
- Pray for yourself, for your son, for all whose lives he touched, for all those who are grieving.
- After you have done everything you can, leave your loss in God's hands. The Lord will do for you what you cannot do for yourself. **The Redemptorist/DearPadre.org**

THE PRUNING PROCESS

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The common myth is that we receive a new body every seven years as cells die and are replaced. However, stomach cells are renewed every two days or so because of acids and enzymes. Skin cells are replaced every two to three weeks. Bone cells last about ten years, and our brain cells stay with us for our entire lives. In a sense, then, we might say that our bodies are pruned, part of us remaining long-term to nurture and sustain like the trunk of a tree, and part of us severed so that life may be renewed and continue on.

If so with our bodies, are not our spirits also pruned? There is a core part of who we are that wends its way throughout our lives. Yet that "who" has rough edges in need of being smoothed; barbs need to be dulled; and certain inclinations simply need to be severed. Spouses tend to prune one another, the grace of a loving marriage. Children sometimes keep parents honest. Life events may grind down our independence and self-sufficiency. Illnesses, aging, job loss, the death of loved ones—all forcing us to recognize that we are not in control of life. We are thus pruned, forced to surrender much of what we once thought we could control.

Where is God in all of this? If God is woven into the warp and woof of all life, then all the events and rhythms of life can draw us closer to God, pruning us into goodness and fruitfulness.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

In How will I bear fruit this week . . . at home, at work or school, and in my community?

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

¿Cómo daré fruto esta semana . . . en el hogar, en el trabajo, en la escuela, en mi comunidad?

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

God our Father, we are the branches growing from the vine that is Jesus. We draw life from your Son. We cling to your living Word. Eager to safeguard our new birth, we welcome the holy Spirit who dwells within us, who unites us to your Son, and through your Son, to you.

Through your Spirit in us help us grow in love and faithfulness.

Teach us to discern right from wrong and to act with integrity. Only in you will our lives bear fruit. Amen (Adapted from St. Cyril of Alexandria)



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Jesus needs us, like the vine with the branches.

Perhaps to say this may seem bold to us, and so let us ask ourselves: in what sense does Jesus need us?

He needs our witness. The fruit that as branches we must bear, is the witness of our lives as Christians.

REGINA CAELI, ROME, MAY 2, 2021

St. Anthony Church— 600 Soderberg Street

April 28, 2024 - Fifth Sunday of Easter



PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Peter Tran	355-6405
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DRE: Lisa Gannett	355-6611
Parish C. Chair: Gwen Waechter	272-1030
Finance C. Chair: Tressa Powers	355-6206
Altar S. President: Nanette Rice	355-7676
Grand Knight: Tom Bachman	640-8259
Prayer Line Starters: Allison Bushek	355-1696
& Nanette Rice	355-7676
Vocation Team: Nanette & Sandra	355-7676

What's an Evangelist?

Evangelist translates from Greek as "messenger of good tidings." All baptized persons are called to be such messengers. Isaiah speaks of the "beautiful feet" of those who bring Good News. Ephesians describes apostles, prophets, and evangelists as central players in the church. Biblically, evangelist is not an exclusive term.

By the third century, the formal list of evangelists is reduced to the four gospel writers, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. They concretized the Good News the church would proclaim going forward.

By the fourth century, the symbology of the four evangelists became standardized as man, lion, ox, and eagle. Facing the four directions, these extraordinary creatures are four and yet unified in movement. They also burn like hot coals. Matthew, whose gospel emphasizes Jesus' humanity, is represented by the man. Mark highlights Jesus' divinity and kingship, so is identified as the lion. Luke holds up the sacrificial role of Jesus and so becomes the ox. John is the eagle as his gospel soars with a transcendent perspective on Jesus as the Christ.

(Alice Camille)

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, April 29	5:30 pm	† Liz Lang Baier
Tue, April 30	9:30 am	† David Hoang
	6:00 pm	Confirmation
Wed, May 1	8:00 am	Held at Syracuse
Thurs, May 2	12:15pm	† Edwin Darnell
Fri, May 3	7:30 am	Mary Margaret Schrufer
Sat, May 4	4:00 pm	Phyliss Sullivan
Sun, May 5	9:00 am	Gary Sack Family

MINISTERS FOR THIS/NEXT WEEK

5th Sunday of Easter

4/27/2024 - Saturday, 8: 00 p.m.

Servers: Ryann & Brecken Bamberger, Rowen Simon

Reader: Gwen Waechter

E.O.HC: Debbie Frederick, Gwen Waechter

4/28/2024 - Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Haley & Jace & Cade Berning

Reader: Kyle Berning

E.O. HC: Teresa Beltran, Karen Burden

6th Sunday of Easter

5/4/2024 - Saturday, 4: 00 p.m.

Servers: Jason Velasco, Jonathan & Nathan Gannett

Reader: Karen Burden

EO.HC: Tino Rosales Jr., Karen Burden

5/5/2024 - Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Haley & Jace Berning, Luke Woodrow

Reader: Mike Broeckelman

E.O. HC: Alvin Bergkamp, Bob Woodrow

Reconciliation:

Confessions are heard every Saturday at 3:00 pm and every Sunday at 8:00. Parents who have children to be baptized must be registered. Please call the parish office for an appointment.

Baptism:

Please contact parish priest at least four months before the wedding. Celebrate anytime

Marriage:

Anointing the sick:

MONDAY

April 29
St. Catherine
of Siena, Virgin
and Doctor of
the Church
Acts 14:5-18
Jn 14:21-26

TUESDAY

April 30
Easter Weekday
Acts 14:19-28
Jn 14:27-31a

WEDNESDAY

May 1
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:1-6
Jn 15:1-8

THURSDAY

May 2
St. Athanasius,
Bishop and
Doctor of the
Church
Acts 15:7-21
Jn 15:9-11

FRIDAY

May 3
Sts. Philip and
James, Apostles
1 Cor 15:1-8
Jn 14:6-14

SATURDAY

May 4
Easter Weekday
Acts 16:1-10
Jn 15:18-21

SUNDAY

May 5
Sixth Sunday
of Easter
Acts 10:25-26,
34-35, 44-48
1 Jn 4:7-10
Jn 15:9-17