

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

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MAY 5, 2024 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

REFLECTIONS

My friends, sometimes it's easy for us, as Catholics, to forget the obvious when it comes to following Jesus. It's easy for us to mistake the job description for something it is not, or to scramble the order to such a degree that we place things at the top of the list that should be much further down or in some cases, maybe should not be on the list at all. You see, in a very real sense, there is really only one item on the job description, one thing which --- if it is not at the top of the list, renders the others on the list relatively unimportant. And you know well what that one thing is: love. Love is what we are to be about. Love is really our only responsibility. Love is what God wants and expects and demands --- not because He needs it, but because every single person on this Earth needs it, the whole world needs it, we need it --- both to give it and receive it.

Fr. Peter



THIS WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

Monday

5:00 pm
5:30 pm

St. Anthony's—Lakin

Rosary & Prayers
Mass

Tuesday

9:30 am
10:10 am

HPRV

Mass
Communion/Visiting
Homebound

Wednesday

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

St. Raphael's /Syracuse

Rosary
Mass

Thursday

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

St. Anthony's -Lakin

Confessions
Rosary
Mass

Friday

7:00 am
7:30 am
8—10:00 am

St. Anthony's—Lakin

Rosary & Prayers
Mass
Eucharistic Adoration
& Confessions

Saturday

3—3:50 pm
4:00 pm
5:20 pm
6:00 pm

Lakin, Deerfield

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

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)

COLLECTION FOR 4-28-2024

Envelopes: \$956.00
Loose: \$358.00
Online Giving: \$293.60
Total: \$1,607.60
Average Weekly Expense: \$1,761.17
Income over/under + \$153.57

Office Hours

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

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH—600 SODERBERG STREET

May 5, 2024—SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

DEAR PADRE,

PLEASE CLARIFY FOR ME WHAT THE CHURCH CONSIDERS AS “GOSSIP.” IS IT THAT BAD?

Human beings have the great gift of speech. We continually talk to one another and we talk about one another. Gossip, at its most basic level, is just idle talk. It is neither good nor bad. But it is a tool we can use to build up another human being or tear a person down.



Gossip is sinful when we use our words to unjustly hurt the reputation of another or to judge another person rashly. The two words that the Church uses to describe this evil side of gossip are “detraction” and “calumny.” The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that detraction is “without objectively valid reason, disclosing another’s faults and failings to persons who did not know them.” Calumny occurs when a person, “by remarks contrary to the truth, harms the reputation of others and gives occasion for false judgments concerning them” (CCC 2477).

To judge whether your own gossip is good or evil, simply ask yourself: Do the words I am saying help others or hurt others? Am I building them up or tearing them down? Hopefully, as a Christian, you are committed to the commandment of Jesus we hear in today’s Gospel: “This is my commandment: love one another as I love you” (John 15:12).

The Redemptorists/DearPadre.org

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What sacrifice have I made this past week for someone I love? What sacrifice can I make this coming week? What sacrifice am I willing to make for someone I hardly know?

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

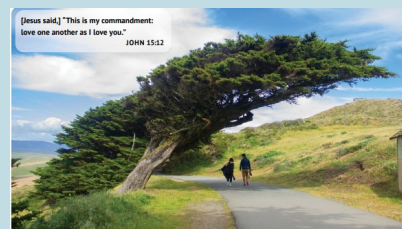
¿Qué sacrificio hice la semana pasada por alguien que amo? ¿Qué sacrificio puedo hacer la semana próxima? ¿Qué sacrificio estoy dispuesto a hacer por alguien a quien apenas

WE’RE LIKE TREES

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

A while back I decided to plant two saplings that were about ten feet tall along the property line of the parish home where I lived. Some time after I planted them, I noticed that one was leaning in one direction and the other a bit in the opposite direction. Strange, I thought, for it seemed that when I planted them they were staked with rope and stood straight. So I bought some six-foot fence posts and tied the trees to them, thinking that as they grew they would straighten themselves. Not so. After three years the trees seemed to insist on growing their own way, one leaning into the wind and the other a bit twisted. It seemed the only solution was to love them the way they were.

It is so with the people in our lives as well. Sooner or later we find ourselves needing to love them with their idiosyncrasies and foibles and perhaps even their sinfulness. We may try to reshape them, but ultimately it is usually to little avail. They have been created by God, after all, and if God has chosen us—as the Gospel suggests—then God also has chosen us to love them as they are, and perhaps to love them into all that they can be. Ultimately though, God does the pruning, the reshaping, not us. We participate in that process by caring for them and bringing good to them, always in the image of Jesus.



‘COME AND SEE. TAKE AND EAT. GO AND MAKE’

REGISTER FOR DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

On the weekend of Sept. 13-15, there will be a major, first-of-its-kind 40 Hours Eucharistic Congress at our Cathedral in Dodge City. Come and hear top Catholic speakers. Spend time in Eucharistic Adoration. Take part in an outdoor Eucharistic Procession. And all of it is free! Jesus invites us to “Come and See. Take and Eat. Go and Make.” Learn more about the top-notch Catholic speakers coming to our diocese and register for the event at dcdiocese.org/40hours.



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Adapted from St. Cyril of Alexandria 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

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

To love as the Lord loves us means to appreciate the people beside us, to respect their freedom, to love them as they are, not as we want them to be; as they are, gratuitously....Not controlling, serving them. Opening our heart to others, this is love, to be trusting, giving ourselves to others.

REGINA CAELI, ROME, MAY 9, 2021



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May 5, 2024—SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

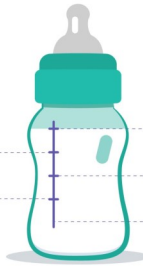


Elevate life.

How YOUR gift changes lives:

\$100 Provides one life-saving ultrasound and medical assessment.

\$25 Provides a supply of brochures to give to abortion-vulnerable women to let them know of our services.



\$200 Provides counseling sessions for 2 different families (pregnant teen mother or father and their family).

\$50 Provides one life-affirming professional counseling session.

\$10 Provides a pregnancy test and verification for a woman in need.

KANSANS FOR LIFE BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

Our parish will have empty baby bottles in the vestibule on Mother's Day and collect them again on Father's Day. We ask that you use them to collect your change or any other monetary donation that you would like to make to our Pro Life Causes.

Reflect

Think of everyone with whom you have some difficulty and name a good quality of each one.

SOLEMNITY TO THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (MAY 12)

Unlimited energy supply

All is not lost when Jesus leaves the disciples. In fact, nothing is lost because his Spirit remains—his essence, his energy, the fullness of his love for God and for us. Jesus is with us always through the power of the Holy Spirit. Each day, in every moment no matter what the circumstance, that power is yours to draw on. You are never alone. Nothing can separate you from the love—or the power—of God.

LA SOLEMNIDAD DE LA ASCENSIÓN DEL SEÑOR (12 MAYO) Suministro de energía ilimitado

No todo está perdido cuando Jesús deja a los discípulos. De hecho, nada se pierde porque su Espíritu permanece: su esencia, su energía, la plenitud de su amor por Dios y por nosotros. Jesús está con nosotros siempre a través del poder del Espíritu Santo. Cada día, en cada momento, sin importar las circunstancias, ese poder es suyo para aprovecharlo. Nunca estás solo. Nada puede separarte del



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, Adreis Owens, Diego Perez, Astrid Gardea-Varela, Drevyn Vasquez, Lileah Villa, Aubrielle Yakel

We are grateful to their parents, sponsors, catechist who 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.

KNIGHTS NEWS

Knights of Columbus May Meeting

Sunday - May, 12—Breakfast after Mass—Parish Hall



AN INVITATION TO ALL CATHOLIC MEN

Please take some to consider joining the Knights of Columbus. Your decision to join the Knights could define your year. Join Catholic men just like you striving to strengthen their faith, their families, and their communities as members of the Knights of Columbus. Every Knight makes a difference. Each man bring a unique story, a particular set of skills, and a heart that is ready to serve. We invite you to take this exciting step and join us. It's an opportunity that could define your year and change your life. Please contact Tom Bachman—640-8259 or any Knight.

St. Anthony Church— 600 Soderberg Street

May 5, 2024 - Sixth Sunday of Easter



PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Peter Tran 355-6405
Rel.Edu. Committee: Karen Burden, 355-6388
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
Youth Director: Hannah Schauf

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, May 6 No Mass † Liz Lang Baier
Tue, May 7 No Mass Charles Schrufer
Wed, May 8 No Mass † Rebecca Burden
Thurs, May 9 No Mass † Gary Sac k
Fri, May 10 No Mass † Harold Smith
Sat, May 11 4:00 pm † Dennis Flax
Sun, May 12 9:00 am Emily Hughes

MINISTERS FOR THIS/NEXT WEEK

6th Sunday of Easter

5/4/2024 - Saturday, 8: 00 pm

Servers: Jason Velasco, Jonathan & Nathan Gannett

Reader: Karen Burden

E.O.HC: Tino Rasales Jr., Karen Burden

5/5/2024 - Sunday, 9:00 am

Servers: Haley & Jace Berning, Luke Woodrow

Reader: Mike Broedckelman

E.O. HC: Alvin Bergkamp, Bob Woodrow

Ascension of the Lord

5/11/2024 - Saturday, 4: 00 pm

Servers: Ryann & Brecken Bamberger, Rowen Simon

Reader: Tom Bachman

EO.HC: Rosemary & Tom Bachman

5/12/2024 - Sunday, 9:00 am

Servers: Kirbe & Kipton Koons, Joleigh Lohman-Fuller

Reader: Hannah Schauf

E.O. HC: Mike & Cindy Broeckelman

What is Christ's Ascension?

Ascension seems like a feast designed to resolve a mystery: after Easter, where did Jesus go? Answer: back to his Father. Yet **Ascension** stories don't exactly provide a snapshot of Jesus leaving town. Luke says Jesus was removed to heaven from Bethany on the day of his Resurrection. Acts of the Apostles reports this event 40 days later, from the Mount of Olives. Mark agrees that it happened on Easter—but while Jesus was at table with his disciples. Houston, we have a problem.

Or maybe not. Saint John Chrysostom insisted **Ascension** simply conveys the final exaltation of Christ after the humiliation of the cross. Saint Augustine viewed the **Ascension** as the glorification of us all: where Jesus went, we too might go. Theologians distinguish between "passive" assumptions and the active **Ascension** of Jesus. Another unique element of the **Ascension** is that while Jesus is physically gone, he remains present in a new way. The church becomes the visible Body of Christ on Earth, bearing his Spirit and sharing his Eucharist. In short, Jesus lifts up the church to where he is.

(Alice Camille)

Reconciliation:

Confessions are heard every Saturday at 3:00 pm and every Sunday at 8:00

Baptism:

Parents who have children to be baptized must be registered. Please call the parish office for an appointment.

Marriage:

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

Anointing the sick:

Celebrated anytime by

Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Ascension of the Lord
Acts 16:11-15	Acts 16:22-34	Acts 17:15,	Acts 18:1-8	Acts 18:9-18	Acts 18:23-28	Acts 1:1-11
In 15:26-16:4a	In 16:5-11	22-18:1	In 16:16-20	In 16:20-23	In 16:23b-28	Eph 1:17-23 or
		In 16:12-15				Eph 4:1-13 or