# Fifth Sunday of Easter



Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church May 18, 2025



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#### OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00AM - 5:00PM

#### MASS SCHEDULE

MON, WED, FRI 7:00AM TUES & THUR 5:30PM SATURDAY 5:30PM

\*1st Saturdays - 8:00am

SUNDAY 8:30 A M 10:30AM 12:00PM

#### CONFESSION/ RECONCILIATION

TUES, THURS, SAT 4:30PM-5:15PM

SUNDAY \*Please see weekly schedule

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210-239-1322

#### BAPTISMS

Call the office six weeks in advance to prepare registration documents

#### WEDDINGS

Please email us at office@olgsa.org to begin the wedding inquiry process

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH Susan Auquet, Neomi Balderas,, Mary Blake, Rosa Becnel, Castaneda, Michael Castro, Juliana Cavazos, Theresa Connolly, Esther

Contreras, Ashley Cuellar, Emiliano Cuellar, David Davis, Kate DeWein, Theresa Ellie, Vangie Gallardo, Juan Garza, Danny Gusme, Don Harz, Eric Hawbecker, Josephine Janczar, Mary Margaret Janosek, Steve Janosek, Joann Lamb, Helga Mayo, Kathy McCoy, Sally McDuffee, Joseph McKinley, Al Medina, Gracie Miller, Jim O'Brien, George Perez, Rina Pollack, Jose Sanchez, Jeanie Sanders, Carlos Saucedo, Edward Laurie Seligman, Carolyn Smith, Dora Urrutia, Henry Wolff, Stephen Wyrick, Cheryl Wolf.



#### **MONDAY, MAY 19**

- 10:00 am Mondays with Mary Children's Hour
- 6:00 pm Encounter School of Ministry

#### **TUESDAY, MAY 20**

• 6:30 pm - Rosary Prayer Group & Potluck

#### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 21**

7:00 pm-Choir Practice

#### **THURSDAY, MAY 15**

- 6:30 pm Grief Ministry Meeting
- 7:00 pm Young Adult Group Meeting

#### **SATURDAY, MAY 24**

 8:00 am Women's Spirituality Book Study



Sunday Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Rev 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16;

Jn 14:21-26

**Tuesday** Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab,

21; Jn 14:27-31a

**Wednesday** Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5;

Jn 15:1-8

**Thursday** Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn

15:9-11

**Friday** Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12;

Jn 15:12-17

**Saturday** Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn

15:18-21

Sunday Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

All are welcome to join the Rosary Prayer Group

Every third *Tuesday of the month.* 

Please join us from *6:30-8:00 pm* in the Madonna Room. For more information, contact Greg Clary at 903-714-0232.



All are welcome to the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition begins on Tuesday in the Adoration Chapel at 8am and ends on Friday morning at 7am. For more information please contact Becky

Prieto at 210-725-2383.



The Parish Office will be COLSED on Monday, May 26th for Memorial Day. Monday morning Mass will be at 8 am.

BLESS THE MEN AND WOMEN
OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES

#### MASS, CONFESSION & INTENTION SCHEDULE

Monday, May 19 7:00 AM Fr. Jorge

Linda Rose Hidalgo (d) - Macom Family

Tuesday, May 20

*4:30 PM Confessions -* Fr. Abe 5:30 PM *Mass -* Fr. Abe

Richard Rabel (d) - John & Christiane Scheel

Wednesday, May 21 7:00AM Fr. Jorge

Judy Villarreal (d) - Macom Family

Thursday, May 22

4:30 PM Confessions - Fr. Abe

5:30 PM *Mass* - Fr. Abe

Corazon Thomson (d) - Ministry to the Sick

Friday, May 23 7:00 AM Fr. Jorge

In Thanksgiving

Saturday, May 24

4:30 PM Confessions - Fr. Jorge

5:30 PM Mass - Fr. Jorge

Marino DeLeon - Dolores Beardsely

Sunday, May 25

8:30 AM Fr. Fr. Jorge

Dr. Deborah Mueller (d)

10:30 AM Fr. Fr. Jorge

Vivienne Rettinger - Grandparents

12:00 PM Fr. Jorge

Mary Lou Prieto (d) - Aida & Adolfo Puig



At the Easter Vigil this year we welcomed with great joy twelve new members into the Catholic Church.

#### **Fully Initiated:**

Michael Anthony Goddard, Taeh Alayna Macias, Hannah Josephine Olpinski

#### Received Into Full Communion:

Jaime Todd Bazil. Grace Caroline Etzel, Nolan Roe Fields, Margaret Rose Garcia, Jared Joseph Hatch, Matthew Robert Rydell, Cydney Michelle Uzzell, Jonathan Andre West, Shannon Elizabeth West

We thank God for each one of them and pray that they continue growing in discipleship, in their personal encounter with Christ, and in their membership of our Parish faith community.



# Congratulations

to the students who received Our Lord in Eucharist for the first time on May 4, 2024.

Timothy Joseph Abotsi
Mary Claire Chaudoir
William Roe Fields
Savina Alessandra Garcia
Holly Joan Hart
Mary Alice Hogan
Natalie Marie Kilpela
Annie Barry Kingman
Molly Elizabeth McLellan
Gabriel Whitman Motta

Theodore Alexander Olivarez
Joaquin Antonio Ortiz
Ethan James Perez
Gabriel Romero
Henry James Ellis Roof
Laurie Marie Russ
Sage Murphy Sawtelle
Armani James Sobotka
Zoe Josefina Velesiotis
Opal Simone West

Special thanks to the Catechists that faithfully prepared the students and the parents that prayerfully supported them for this Sacrament of Initiation.



Today's first and second readings seem to contradict each other. In the Acts of the Apostles, Paul and Barnabas remind the other disciples that they would "undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God" (Acts 14:22). But in the second reading from Revelation, John says there will be "no more . . . mourning, wailing or pain" (Revelation 21:4). These two sides of the Kingdom show how real our faith is. Life is frequently contradictory. A woman in labor moves from pain to joy in seconds after her child is born. She doesn't forget the pain, but knows it is necessary for the joy of new birth. Only the artist knows how much effort and pain went into the creation of a painting, sculpture, or symphony. Married couples know that their love is measured as much by the sacrifices they make as by the joy they receive.

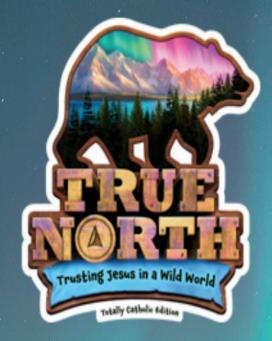
This also explains how difficult it is for the wealthy to get into the kingdom of God. If everything comes easily to you, if you never have to work for anything, you may not be capable of the sacrifices that true love entails. Some may have had life so easy, they don't know how to make the effort it takes to love God or people. And some who worked hard to acquire wealth don't understand the deeper joy that comes from sharing with others.

That's why Jesus in the Gospel talks of his coming death on the cross as the way that God will glorify him. Even God does not do things the easy way. Jesus didn't send a stunt man to take his place on the cross. The cushy jobs went to the angels who announced the birth of the Savior (Luke 1:26–

32), or told the women at the tomb that he was risen (Luke 24:4–7). It was God who was born in poverty, in a time of high infant mortality (even higher when Herod tried to kill the Child). It was God who suffered, from the Agony in the Garden through the Crucifixion.

So when Jesus tells us to love one another as he has loved us, he knows what it cost. And he also knew that his death on the cross would be the beginning of a way of love that will eventually lead to "no more death or mourning, wailing or pain." We're not there yet, but we know we are not alone in our suffering for "God himself will always be with them" (Revelation 21:3).

IT IS NECESSARY
FOR US TO UNDERGO
MANY HARDSHIPS
TO ENTER THE
KINGDOM OF GOD
ACTS 14:22



## VBS REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

JUNE 9<sup>TH</sup> - 13<sup>TH</sup>
10 AM - 1 PM
\$50 PER CHILD / \$100 PER FAMILY
\*VOLUNTERRS \$15 EACH



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REGISTRATION FORM AND PAYMENT DEADLINE IS SUNDAY, JUNE 1ST

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#### Our Lady of Grace Maternity Clothing Drive

May 1 - May 31

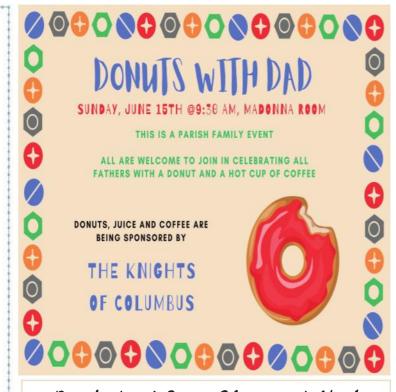


Collecting new and gently used maternity clothing to benefit expecting moms receiving support from A Woman's Haven and Allied Women's Center.



Collection box located in the Church foyer or please contact Sarah Barlow at 318-455-5458.





### Our Lady of Grace Choir needs You!

Rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7pm in the Church. The Choir sings regularly at the 10:30 Mass and for High Feasts of the Church such as Christmas and Holy Week. You needn't have prior experience, we welcome all voices!

Interested? Want to know more? Want to sign up?
Contact 'Mr. Rick' McLaughlin, Director of Music
210-887-7425(call or text) ~ RICKMCL100@gmail.com

Our Lady of Grace and St. Peter Prince of the Apostles

## Teen ACTS Retreat

"I wait for the Lord. My whole being waits. And in His word I put my hope."

Psalm 130:5

Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors please sign up . Come worship Jesus with other teens.

June 26-29

Please pick up a form from the Narthex or call the office to have one sent to you.



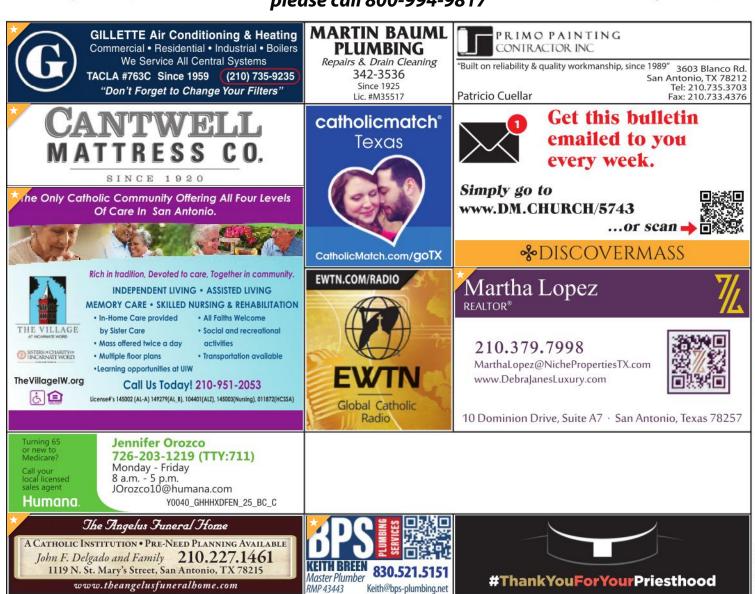


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