

Mass Intentions and Prayers

Please Keep In Your Prayers:

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| Laura Abbott | Bob Herold | Jennifer Pavon |
| Lucas Abella Jr | Rene Ibarra | Sara Perez |
| Florence Adams | Tony Jiaime | Gertie Petzold |
| David Anthony | Ted Jimenez | MaryAnn Quintero |
| Ramon Arredondo | Victor M. Lagunas, Sr. | Mena Rosales |
| Jovenchio Arute | Tom Lapos | Juan Reyes |
| Ken Barosso | M. Delphine Ledoux | Jeffruy Robinson |
| Susan Bujace | J.M. Lew | Judy Rogers |
| Leny Casquejo | Ireneo Liuanag | Chris Rotas |
| Javier Calderon | Isabel Luna | Rebecca Salazar |
| Raymond Cervantes | Soledad Manang | Margarita Sanchez |
| Ray Cordell | James & Christian Martin | Richard Sanchez |
| MaryAnn Correa | Trini McClinton | Vickie Siba |
| Raul Cruz | Bert Melliza | Daniel Silva |
| Barbara De Silva | Paula Montiero | Gloria Snell |
| Maria Teresa Diaz | Nathan Montoya | Flora Spinella |
| Rose Espinoza | Eddie Munoz | Gina Steele |
| Caroline Flores | Marian Musso | Susan Valenzuela |
| Susana Garcia | Eguoncio Negrete | Nina Vasquez |
| Ma. Dolores Gomez | Norma Negrete | Ida Vaughan |
| Yesenia Gonzales | Josephine Okungbowa | Adolfo Velasco |
| Dolores Gruber | Soledad Olorios | Fely Villanueva |
| Matthew Herbert | Kim Ortiz | Diana Vriend |
| | Maritza Padilla | Marion Wright |

May they receive the love and support of our Community

Tithings from Last Two Weeks

Mailed in Tithings

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| General Collection | \$3,302.00 |
| Development | \$ 634.00 |
| SVdP | \$ 345.00 |
| Online Donations (May 10 - 17, 2020) | \$ 590.00 |
| Total | \$4,871.00 |

Tithings: Thank you for mailing in and your online donations during these difficult times.

Saint Peter-All Hallows' Church
5500 13th Avenue, Sacramento, 95820
www.sp-ah.org/donate

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry



Last week we received only one call for assistance and were able to direct the family to an appropriate helping agency. Thank you for your continuing prayers and financial support.

LIVE STREAMING MASSES:

From St. Peter-All Hallows' Church
Father Jovito celebrates Bilingual Sunday
Mass live for all to celebrate together.

Mass streams live every Sunday at 11:00 a.m with recordings available anytime. Mass can be streamed at www.sp-ah.org/live via our Facebook and YouTube platforms.

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| Saturday | 8:00 am | |
| May 23rd | | |
| Sunday | 11:00 am | |
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| May 24th | Parish Community | |
| Monday | 8:00 am | |
| May 25th | | |
| Tuesday | 8:00 am | |
| May 26th | | |
| Wednesday | 8:00 am | |
| May 27th | | |
| Thursday | 8:00 am | |
| May 28th | | |
| Friday | 8:00 am | |
| May 29th | | |

Weekly Readings & Saints

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| Saturday | ACTS 18:23-28; JN 16:23B-28 | |
| Sunday | ACTS 1:1-11; EPH 1:17-23; MT 28:16-20 | Feast of the Ascension of the Lord |
| Monday | ACTS 19:1-8; JN 16:29-33 | St. Bede, Priest St. Gregory VII, Pope St. Mary Magdalene |
| Tuesday | ACTS 20:17-27; JN 17:1-11A | Saint Philip Neri, Priest |
| Wednesday | ACTS 20:28-38; JN 17:11B-19 | St. Augustine of Canterbury |
| Thursday | ACTS 22:30; 23:6-11; JN 17:20-26 | |
| Friday | ACTS 25:13B-21; JN 21:15-19 | St. Paul VI, Pope |

Closing of Church and Parish Office:

For the safety of our clergy, Parish staff, and parishioners, the Parish Church of Saint Peter-All Hallows' will remain closed at all times until further notice. The Parish Office will also, remain closed until further notice. **We will be available to receive phone calls during our usual business hours Monday -Thursday, from 9am-4pm (except 12pm -1pm for lunch) and Fridays 9am - 1pm.**

Thank you for your understanding!

Monday, May 25th is a holiday. No one will be available in the office to receive phone calls.

Parish News (continued)

Message from Bishop Soto, May 20, 2020

My brother priests and I are preparing to resume the public celebration of the Sacrifice of the Mass. The date for lifting the suspension of public Masses has not been set but there are reasonable hopes that it will be soon. Much depends on the prudent, practical, personal measures each of us takes to maintain physical-distancing and other hygienic precautions. Returning to the Table of the Lord will incorporate these measures so that both the health as well as the holiness of the faithful can be nurtured. The Eucharist is an essential part of the life of every baptized Catholic, and the Church has the obligation to properly administer the sacrament to the faithful. Ensuring the health of each person in our Church is a collective responsibility, we all need to make prudent and practical actions in coming back together, mindful of the role we play in preventing the further spread of COVID-19. It is important to give serious consideration to the safety recommendations given by medical experts, local, county, and state officials. At this time, **the public celebration of the Sacrifice of the Mass is still suspended until further notice.** When the public celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass resumes, we should all expect changes that reflect the needs of the current situation. All of these are held together with a three-fold approach: oneself, our church buildings, and the actual celebration of Holy Mass. All are called to greater patience, charity and understanding during the transition.

Each should consider his or her own health. Those over 65 or with a vulnerable condition should shelter-in-place. Each person must make a prudent decision, for this reason the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass issued by Bishop Soto remains in force. While understanding the prominence of the Sunday Mass, the faithful are encouraged to attend Mass during the week as these usually have smaller crowds. Observance of the Third Commandment of keeping the Lord's Day Holy is to be kept in mind always. The faithful should incorporate pious practices which help to sanctify the Lord's Day. For example: the recitation of the rosary, reading of scripture, praying the Liturgy of the Hours, and communal family meals. The use of PPE (e.g. gloves and masks) are strongly encouraged for all attending Mass. Prepare ahead of time by checking your parish schedule, the maximum number of people allowed for Mass and the system in place to control the attendance at each Mass.

Lourdes Live Stream Spend time before Our Lady and implore her intercession by visiting her at Lourdes! This is also a great resource for your Sunday family rosary! Visit www.directfromlourdes.com/lourdes_

Confessions CANCELLED!

Confessions remain cancelled until further notice!

Reflection on The Ascension of the Lord

Like us, the followers of Jesus mentioned in today's Mass readings are sheltering in place, fearful of the dangers without, and missing the physical presence of Christ following his ascension. We should be doing what they did; stick together, include everyone, and pray. We, as a nation and a church, need to stay united in the face of division. Our divisions, whether by race, income, political ideology, or any of the other forces that pull us apart, are dangerous. But they pale in comparison to the hostility that would have existed between Matthew and Simon the Zealot both listed in our first reading from Acts. Zealots typically murdered tax collectors. What was it that brought them together peacefully in that upper room? Their faith in Christ united them in prayer. The other names from that reading are also worth noting. Only ten percent of the names listed in the bible are female. In our first reading, eleven males are named and only one female. Women were often excluded. But in today's reading, Mary, the mother of Jesus, is named, and the presence of other women is acknowledged. The passage points out that even those excluded by their culture were included in the community of faith. Everyone prayed together. So what's the take away from all this?

We are all in this upper room together; white and of color, rich and poor, male and female, gay and straight, citizen and undocumented, Democrat and Republican. We are all subject to the same challenges and fears. The people sheltering in place in today's readings banded together, put their faith in Christ, prayed, and then went out and evangelized the world. So can we.

Chuck Zannetti

Saint Vincent de Paul Society Member

St. Teresa of Avila, Nada Turbe

Let nothing disturb you.
Let nothing frighten you.
All things are passing away.
God never changes.
Patient endurance obtains all things.
Whoever has God lacks nothing.
God alone suffices.

Act of Spiritual Communion:

O my Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and desire to receive you in the Eucharist. Since I cannot receive you sacramentally at this time, I beg you, dear Lord, come into my heart spiritually and refresh my soul. I adore you with profound reverence; I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.

**May 24, 2020
Ascension of the Lord**