

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<u>Saturday May 16th</u>	+Ed Ramaekers
<u>May 17th</u>	
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Parish Family
11:30 a.m.	+Francisco Ruiz & +Julia Pizarro
<u>Monday May 18th</u>	NO MASS
<u>Tuesday May 19th</u>	For the sick & caregivers
<u>Wednesday May 20th</u>	Brandy Miller Birthday
<u>Thursday May 21st</u>	Belinda Scott
<u>Friday May 22nd</u>	Delma & Javier Sanchez BD
<u>Saturday May 23rd</u>	Ebenkamp Family
<u>May 24th</u>	
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	+Bruce Martin & +Mary Britten
11:30 a.m.	Parish Family

**Amount needed each week for expenses 5500.00**

Regular Collection 6743.00

Please be mindful of your financial contributions to the church. If at all possible, please do not neglect contributing financially to the church during these troubled times, such as automatic bank draft, by mail or personally delivering them to the office. Our parish cannot operate efficiently without your generous contributions. Thank you!!!

Tenga en cuenta sus contribuciones financieras a la iglesia. Si es posible, no deje de contribuir financieramente a la iglesia durante estos tiempos difíciles, si le es conveniente puede contribuir en línea en [stvincentpampa.com](http://stvincentpampa.com) o enviar un giro bancario automático, por correo a la oficina o entregándolos personalmente a la oficina. Nuestra parroquia no puede operar eficientemente sin sus generosas contribuciones. Gracias!!!



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## Scripture Insights

Our Gospel reading last week offered insight into the relationship between Jesus and the Father. Today's reading, also from Jesus' farewell discourse, develops this relationship further to include their relationship with the Holy Spirit. Here, Jesus is concerned that the disciples not feel alone when he leaves them. He tells them that they will not be "orphans" and that the Father will send another Advocate. In Greek, the word Paraclete means someone whose task is to speak on their behalf. Jesus promises the disciples the Holy Spirit as the Paraclete, to take his place to be with them and act on their behalf. This Spirit will live intimately within the disciples.

Jesus reminds his followers of his call to follow his commandment of love: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." Love is at the heart of every relationship, especially our relationship with God and with our neighbor. We share in the very life of God, a life of love: "Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father."

In the reading from Acts, the life of the early Church flourishes through the power of the Holy Spirit. Hearing that the word of God had been preached to the Samaritans, the Apostles send Peter and John to empower them with the gift of the Holy Spirit as "they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus." As Jesus came "to baptize with the holy Jesus." As Jesus came "to baptize with the holy Spirit" (John 1:33), the Apostles confer the gift of the Holy Spirit by "laying hands on them." Here the foundation for the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation is expressed clearly.

What does Peter mean when he says, "it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God, than for doing evil"?

How do we show love for Jesus by keeping the commandments?

How have you experienced the presence of the Holy Spirit?



## Practice of Hope

The Holy Spirit can be seen alive in the world in the ministry of the pope. The message of love that Jesus instilled in all of us is being amplified through the pope's travels around the world, his communications on the Internet, and his outreach to people in many ways. His humble examples of integrity are inspirational on a global scale, not just to Catholics. Take a step back from your current news sources and purposely search for positive news about how God's Spirit is at work. Tap into sources such as America magazine, news from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, or Dynamic Catholic for starters. As a way to grow your faith, consider becoming part of a parish Bible study or starting one of your own.

**Comuni3n espiritual**

Creo, Jes3s m3o, que est3s real y verdaderamente en el cielo y en el Sant3simo Sacramento del Altar.  
Os amo sobre todas las cosas y deseo vivamente recibirte dentro de mi alma, pero no pudiendo hacerlo ahora sacramentalmente, venid al menos espiritualmente a mi coraz3n.  
Y como si ya os hubiese recibido, os abrazo y me uno del todo a Ti.  
Se3or, no permitas que jams me aparte de Ti. Am3n

**An Act of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

**St. Vincent's Church**

**OFFICE HOURS** 10-12 & 1-3p.m. **CLOSED ON FRIDAYS**  
Church unlocked  
The church will be opened for the public at the South Entrance, for personal prayer, from Tuesday to Friday 10-5  
Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sundays & Mondays closed  
At the entrance of the church, you will find hand sanitizer, please use before entering and when leaving the church.  
Kneelers are available for prayer. Prayer material is available at the entrance of the church. It is yours to keep.  
**Confessions:** Offered only at the church at 4 p.m. through the screen. Hand sanitizer is also available to use entering and exiting the confessional.  
**Offerings:** Your weekend contribution can be brought to the office and put in a special box at the entrance. You can pick up a bulletin also at the entrance of the office and church. You may also, mail, or sign up for Automatic bank draft. Please call Delma to pick up form.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

Maria Luisa Guerrero, Gloria Reyes, Garrett Ely, Mario Quintanilla, Jack Hilton, Christopher Ortega, Jeff Jones, Soledad Rendon, Vaughn Ransom, Diana Garlock, Rachel Rivas Rita Robinson, Earnest Knipp, Alejandro Montelongo, Abby E. Heinrich, Jerry Pope, Betty Johnson, Joe Martinez, Braxton Kincaid, Sylvia Medrano. Gage George, Kaitlin Boyd, Tommy Washington, Mary Martinez, Valorie Unruh, Susan Parrish, Sonny Portillo, Jean Ladd, Mary Ann Ebenkamp,  
*Please note: When we receive a request to place on individual on the prayerline in the bulletin, we will do so for a time period of two weeks. After two weeks, if prayers are still needed for that person, we ask that you call the office and request that their names remain on the list. Thank you for your understating.*  
For all those that are incarcerated, lonely, sick or dying... We pray to the Lord

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY OF  
ORDINATION  
FR. FRANCISCO PEREZ  
20 YEARS!!!!!!**



Drive thru on Wednesday May 20th at 6 p.m.  
& wish him a Happy  
Anniversary by waving, and leaving a special card for him.

**¿DE VERDAD AMAMOS A JESÚS?**

Esta pregunta es fundamental en la vida de todo cristiano, porque para amar a Jes3s primero tenemos que conocerlo, porque "nadie ama lo que no conoce".  
¿Qu3 estamos haciendo para conocerlo cada d3a m3s?

Y no se trata de un conocimiento meramente "intelectual", sino de tener la experiencia de tratar con 3l, de cultivar nuestra amistad con el Resucitado, porque Cristo no es un ser imaginario, no es una teor3a ni un "invento", es alguien -el Verbo de Dios encarnado, el Hijo 3nico de Dios- vivo, real, a quien tenemos que buscar como se busca un tesoro (aunque 3l siempre se hace el "encontradizo", como lo hizo con los disc3pulos de Ema3s).



**Que el Se3or nos conceda crecer en su conocimiento y en su amor.**

**LET ALL THE EARTH CRY OUT TO GOD WITH JOY.**