

A mosaic depicting the Ascension of the Lord. Jesus Christ is shown rising into the air, wearing a white robe with a red sash, and a golden halo. He has his arms outstretched. Below him, a group of people, including a woman in a blue cloak and a man in a red and blue robe, are shown in prayerful poses with their hands raised. The background is a vibrant, multi-colored sunburst pattern. The entire scene is framed by a decorative border with geometric patterns.

The
ASCENSION
of the Lord

MAY 17, 2026

La
ASCENSIÓN
del Señor

*He was lifted up,
and a cloud took
Him from their sight.*

- Acts 1:9

*Fue elevado,
y una nube
lo ocultó de su vista.*

- Hechos 1:9

ST. ROSE FAMILY OF PARISHES

*St. Bernard, Springfield
St. Joseph, Springfield
St. Charles Borromeo, South Charleston*

*St. Raphael, Springfield
St. Teresa, Springfield*

St. Rose

FAMILY OF PARISHES



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Must be submitted by Monday of the week **prior to the date of the bulletin** to Communications@strosefamily.org. Please indicate “**bulletin**” in the subject line.

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Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:30 p.m. St. Bernard – 4:30 p.m. St. Charles

Sunday

8:00 a.m. St. Joseph – 8:30 a.m. St. Bernard

10:30 a.m. St. Raphael – 11:00 a.m. St. Teresa

2:00 p.m. St. Teresa (Spanish) – 3:30 p.m. St. Raphael (Haitian Creole)

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday-Saturday

8:00 a.m. St. Teresa

Monday-Tuesday-Friday

9:00 a.m. St. Bernard

Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Rosary St. Teresa (Spanish) – 6:30 p.m. St. Teresa (Spanish)

Wednesday-Thursday

12:10 p.m. St. Raphael

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Teresa:

Confession and Adoration every Thursday from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration from 9:00-Noon

Holy Mass and Adoration 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

First Saturday Holy Rosary and Mass 6:00 a.m. (Spanish)

St. Bernard:

First Sunday from 10:00 a.m.-Noon

St. Raphael:

Every Tuesday from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION

St. Teresa

Thursday, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

St. Bernard

Mon/Tue/Fri, after 9:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, 3:30-4:15 p.m.

St. Raphael

Tuesday, 5:00-5:45 p.m.

Wed/Thurs, 11:30 a.m.-Noon

BAPTISM

Call a Parish Office for an appointment.

MARRIAGES

Call Fr. Chris at 937-870-2865.

Arrangements must be made before you set your date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please go to

www.strosefamily.org/asf

or call the parish office.

COMMUNION TO THE

ILL OR HOMEBOUND

St. Teresa St. Bernard

342-8861 322-5243



From the Pastor
May 17, 2026

In the old pre-Conciliar form of the Mass, there is a small rubric for our liturgical celebration of the Ascension of the Lord, which we celebrate today.

It says that, after the reading of the Gospel, which is the account of the Ascension, the Easter candle is to be extinguished. The simple but impressive symbolism of this action communicates the reality of the feast: that Jesus departed from this world and is not present in the same way.

But how are we to understand this? Didn't Jesus say, "I will not leave you orphans?" Didn't He say in the Gospel that we hear, from the conclusion of the Gospel of Matthew, that "He will be with us always, until the end of the age?"

We can find an aspect of the answer in events which happened yesterday. Yesterday (Saturday, May 16), Archbishop Casey celebrated our ordinations at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains in Cincinnati. Nine men were ordained to the priesthood for our local Church of Cincinnati. "The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus," said the Cure of Ars, St. John Vianney, who is the patron saint of parish priests. It is in a real way through the priest that Jesus is able to accompany you, through the Sacraments and through other means. So we give thanks for the gift of the priesthood this day and pray for those who have been ordained to serve in our Archdiocese.

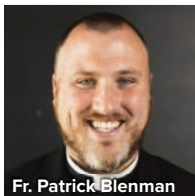
In Christ,
Fr. Komo

St. Rose Family of Parishes – Important Announcement
Parish Leadership Transition



Fr. Robert Hale

As many of you already know, our pastor, Fr. Chris Komoroski, has been chosen for a new assignment. He will be transferring to Miami University, where he will serve as Chaplain to many Catholic students. We are deeply grateful to Fr. Komo for his dedicated service to our family of parishes.



Fr. Patrick Blenman

We are pleased to announce that our new Pastor will be **Fr. Robert Hale**. With Fr. Hale transitioning from Parochial Vicar to Pastor, we will also be welcoming a new Parochial Vicar, **Fr. Patrick Blenman**.

These changes will take place on July 1. Please keep Fr. Komo, Fr. Hale, and Fr. Blenman in your prayers during this time of transition.

Mass Schedule and Intentions:

Saturday, May 16

4:30 p.m. **St. Charles** † Walter Hackett, Elizabeth Sheehan & Joseph Scheetz

4:30 p.m. **St. Bernard** † Helen, Richard, & Debbie Alshire & Gary Turner

Sunday, May 17

8:00 a.m. **St. Joseph** † Jack Nangle

8:30 a.m. **St. Bernard** † Patty Brugger

10:30 a.m. **St. Raphael** † Martin Mahoney, John H. Shanahan

11:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Jim Perry, Jack and Dee Simonton

2:00 p.m. **St. Teresa** Celebrant's Intention

3:30 p.m. **St. Raphael** † Jean Mars

Monday, May 18

8:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Rosemary Digon

9:00 a.m. **St. Bernard** † John Torsell

Tuesday, May 19

8:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Jerrienne Steele

9:00 a.m. **St. Bernard** † Carol Martin Mack

Wednesday, May 20

8:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Deacon Phil Kenzora

12:10 p.m. **St. Raphael** † Carrie Powell

6:30 p.m. **St. Teresa** Celebrant's Intention

Thursday, May 21

8:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Robert E. Schwartz

12:10 p.m. **St. Raphael** † Monaghan Family

Friday, May 22

8:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Michael and Josephine Scheartz

9:00 a.m. **St. Bernard** † Tony Gaier

Saturday, May 23

8:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Eugene B. Kunk

4:30 p.m. **St. Charles** † Joyce Pavelka

4:30 p.m. **St. Bernard** † Frank McLean

Sunday, May 24

8:00 a.m. **St. Joseph** † Chris Pitstick

8:30 a.m. **St. Bernard** † Harold & Helen Logsdon

10:30 a.m. **St. Raphael** † Ellen Shay

11:00 a.m. **St. Teresa** † Deacon Phil Kenzora, Norine Laeaway

2:00 p.m. **St. Teresa** Celebrant's Intention

3:30 p.m. **St. Raphael** Celebrant's Intention

Mass Attendance (English Masses only)

May 2 & 3

Church	Capacity	Attendance Saturday/Sunday	Utilization %
St. Bernard	420	228/170	54%/40%
St. Charles	180	43	23%
St. Joseph	368	164	44%
St. Raphael	511	313	61%
St. Teresa	434	217	50%

Our Gifts to the Lord

May 3, 2026

St. Bernard	St. Charles	St. Joseph	St. Raphael	St. Teresa
\$12,323	\$2,026	\$3,389	\$5,192	\$7,136

Volunteers needed to launder Purificators and Hand Towels

We are in need of one or two volunteers to launder the Purificators and Hand Towels from Masses at St. Raphael Church. You would volunteer for a month about three times a year. Please call Vicki Fourman to volunteer or for more information at 937-631-7901.



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FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Want the latest on church announcements, news, and all the exciting parish happenings?
Follow us on social media to stay in the loop and keep the community spirit alive!




Seven Sisters Apostolate

There is a need for a woman to commit to praying one hour every Saturday for our parish priests as part of our Seven Sisters Apostolate. The hour can be divided into sections if more convenient, and there will be substitutes available for any Saturday that you would not be available. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Nancy Jones at 614-743-0181



St. Vincent de Paul



Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Bernard Conference have been aiding our neighbors for over 60 years. Conference assistance primarily consists of helping with utility and rent payments. The need is great and it is only thanks to the generosity of our parishioners through 5th Sunday Collections and legacy remembrances that we can continue helping our neighbors through challenging times. Throughout the first half of our fiscal year ending March, 2026 assistance was provided to 102 families averaging \$270.00 per family. The next Fifth Sunday Collection is scheduled for the weekend of May 30 and 31. Please make checks out to St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you for your continued support to our neighbors in need.

Bereavement Needs

We can all probably say that we have experienced the loss of a loved one.



Hopefully, we can also say what comfort it is to have one less thing to plan or think about during your time of grief, such as planning a meal for those attending the funeral.

The St. Rose Family of Parishes would like to bring back and continue to offer a meal for the bereaved family members whose funerals are within our Family of Parishes. As you can imagine, this takes many willing hands and hearts.

We ask you to consider signing up to provide a food item and/or help to host a bereavement lunch at times that would work into your schedules. You would receive a call when there is a need. If you are able to help in any way, great! If you simply can't, that's understood, too. If you are willing to help but worry about delivering your food item to the place for the lunch, arrangements can be made to pick it up for you.

Please pray on this and consider helping in any way that you can.

You may contact one of the coordinators listed, or complete the Funeral Committee form through the QR code (if you haven't done so already)

BEREAVEMENT LUNCH COORDINATORS:

- Marty McHenry 937-206-5734
- Ann Garrity 937-634-7673
- Joanne Neiswinger 937-654-2791
- Teresa Pitstick 937-206-3232




SCRIPTURE SAFARI
VBS **JUNE 8-12**
9-11:30 AM
ST. TERESA CHURCH

ST. ROSE FAMILY OF PARISHES
ARMOR OF GOD

AGES 4 - INCOMING 6TH GRADERS
FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER A CHILD OR TEEN HELPER SCAN THE QR CODE!

Cost is \$10/child and free for teen helpers!
CRAFTS GAMES SNACKS FUN

SCRIPTURE SAFARI VBS

THE ARMOR OF GOD

JUNE 8-12 ST. TERESA CHURCH



Share Your Gifts. Make an Impact.
 The Lord has given each of us unique talents. This summer, we invite you to use yours to help form the faith of our youngest parishioners. You don't need to be a teacher or an expert- just someone willing to serve, encourage, and share the light God has placed within you!

Volunteer Opportunities

- Small Group Leaders
- Adult Helpers
- Snack Team
- Decorations & Setup
- Nurse's Station
- Donations & Support



Get Involved
 Scan the QR code to sign up or contact Jenn Lewis at jenn@strosefamily.org




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Do you want to grow in a greater understanding of the Church's understanding of marriage?

Do you want to learn how to walk with people through the messiness of the state of marriage in the world and the Church?

St. Rose Family of Parishes is offering a chance to be trained to walk with people who have irregular marriage situations, thus providing Christ's healing balm to the troubles related to failed marriages. This would be an opportunity to be trained as a PA (Procurator/Advocate) to present cases to the Tribunal for Declarations of Nullity (Annulments). There is a course starting in May in Dayton this summer, and one next summer (2027) in Cincinnati put on by the Archdiocese.

This is a need in our Springfield community. We would like you to prayerfully consider if the Lord is asking you to enter this ministry.

If you are interested, want to test the call, or are ready to sign up, contact Nic Kovatch at nic@strosefamily.org or 937-714-7673



Prayer and Study Opportunities

- The Schoenstatt Rosary is prayed on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 3:00 p.m. in Metzdorf Hall.
- Rosary Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. (during the school year) at Catholic Central chapel, back entrance.
- Tuesday Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. in Metzdorf Hall. For more information, call: Aileen Dundon at 937-215-0765.
- Rosary at St. Bernard after the Weekday Mass. Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. and before the weekend Masses.
- Exodus 90 meetings will be held at St. Tewresa in the basement Thursday at 8:00 p.m. and Saturday at St. Bernard in Metzdorf Hall at 8:00 a.m.
- Catholic Men's Prayer and Study group. Every first and third Saturday from 9:00-10:30 a.m. at St. Bernard's Metzdorf Hall.

Weekly Scripture Readings

Mon, May 18.....Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
 Tues, May 19..... Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
 Wed, May 20..... Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
 Thurs, May 21..... Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Jn 17:20-26
 Fri, May 22... Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
 Sat, May 23 Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5 and 7; Jn 21:20-25
 Sun, May 24.....Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

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ADORATION

Sunday* 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
 at St. Bernard

Tuesday 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM
 at St. Raphael

Thursday 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM
 at St. Teresa

Friday* 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
 at St. Teresa
 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM
 at St. Teresa (Spanish)

*First Sunday/Friday of the month



He was lifted up, and a cloud took Him from their sight.
 -Acts 1:9



2026-2027
LITTLE IRISH
CYO GOLF REGISTRATION

REGISTER NOW!

OPEN TO BOYS AND GIRLS IN GRADES 4-8!

COST: \$50 + COST OF UNIFORM

PRACTICES WILL BEGIN IN EARLY AUGUST AND MATCHES WILL BEGIN IN LATE AUGUST

REGISTRATION SITE: 

REGISTRATION CLOSES JUNE 12TH!



2026-2027
LITTLE IRISH
CYO SOCCER REGISTRATION

REGISTER NOW!

OPEN TO BOYS AND GIRLS IN GRADES K-8!


COST: \$50 + COST OF UNIFORM

PRACTICES WILL BEGIN IN LATE JULY AND GAMES WILL BEGIN IN LATE AUGUST

REGISTRATION SITE: 


REGISTRATION CLOSES JUNE 12TH!

ANOINTING OF THE SICK



Anointing of the Sick is a Sacrament established by Jesus for the consolation of those “who, having reached the age of reason, begins to be in danger due to sickness or old age” (Canon Law 1004).

For more information or to request Anointing of the Sick visit www.strosefamily.org/asf or scan the QR code. For assistance in filling out this form, please call the office.



UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS



La Unción de los Enfermos es un sacramento establecido por Jesús para el consuelo de aquellos “que, habiendo alcanzado la edad de razón, comienzan a estar en peligro debido a la enfermedad o la vejez” (Canon de Derecho 1004).

Para más información sobre el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos visite la pagina www.strosefamily.org/asf O llame al teléfono (937) 340-1127



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ADORACIÓN

Domingo* de 10:00 a 12:00
en San Bernardo

Martes de 16:00 a 18:00.
en San Rafael

Jueves de 19:00 a 20:00.
en Santa Teresa

Viernes* de 9:00 a 12:00.
en Santa Teresa
De 18:30 a 19:00 horas.
en Santa Teresa (español)

*Primer domingo/viernes del mes





Del Pastor 17 de mayo de 2026

En la antigua forma preconiliar de la Misa, existe una pequeña rúbrica para nuestra celebración litúrgica de la Ascensión del Señor, que celebramos hoy. En ella se indica que, tras la lectura del Evangelio, que narra la Ascensión, se debe apagar el cirio pascual. El sencillo pero profundo simbolismo de este acto comunica la realidad de la fiesta: que Jesús partió de este mundo y ya no está presente de la misma manera.

Pero ¿cómo debemos entender esto? ¿Acaso Jesús no dijo: “No los dejaré huérfanos?” ¿No dijo en el Evangelio que escuchamos al final del Evangelio de Mateo: “Él estará con nosotros siempre, hasta el fin del mundo?”

Podemos encontrar una parte de la respuesta en los acontecimientos de ayer. Ayer (sábado 16 de mayo), el arzobispo Casey celebró nuestras ordenaciones en la Catedral Basílica de San Pedro Encadenado en Cincinnati. Nueve hombres fueron ordenados sacerdotes para nuestra iglesia local de Cincinnati. “El sacerdocio es el amor del corazón de Jesús,” dijo el Cura de Ars, San Juan Vianney, patrono de los párrocos. Es a través del sacerdote que Jesús puede acompañarnos, mediante los sacramentos y otros medios. Por eso, hoy damos gracias por el don del sacerdocio y oramos por quienes han sido ordenados para servir en nuestra Arquidiócesis.

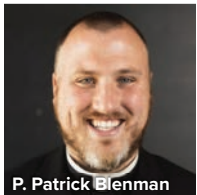
En Cristo,
Padre Komo

**Familia de Parroquias de Santa Rosa –
Anuncio Importante
Transición del liderazgo parroquial**



P. Robert Hale

Como muchos de ustedes ya saben, nuestro párroco, el padre Chris Komoroski, ha sido elegido para un nuevo destino. Se trasladará a la Universidad de Miami, donde servirá como capellán de numerosos estudiantes católicos. Estamos profundamente agradecidos al padre Komo por su dedicada labor al servicio de nuestra comunidad parroquial.



P. Patrick Blenman

Nos complace anunciar que nuestro nuevo pastor será el Padre Robert Hale. Con la transición del Padre Hale de Vicario Parroquial a Párroco, también daremos la bienvenida a un nuevo Vicario Parroquial, Padre Patrick Blenman.

Estos cambios entrarán en vigor el 1 de julio. Les pedimos que tengan presentes en sus oraciones a los padres Komo, Hale y Blenman durante este periodo de transición.

**Porque el Señor Altísimo
es temible, el gran Rey
sobre toda la tierra.**

- Salmos 47:2

SAGRADA ESCRITURA SAFARI
VBS DEL 8 AL 12 DE JUNIO
9:00-11:30 AM
IGLESIA DE SANTATERESA

FAMILIA DE PARROQUIAS DE SANTA ROSA
ARMADURA DE DIOS

EDADES DE 4 AÑOS HASTA ALUMNOS QUE INGRESAN A SEXTO GRADO
PARA OBTENER MÁS INFORMACIÓN O PARA REGISTRAR A UN NIÑO O ADOLESCENTE COMO VOLUNTARIO, ¡ESCANEE EL CÓDIGO QR!

El precio es de 10 dólares por niño y es gratis para los adolescentes que ayuden.
MANUALIDADES JUEGOS APERITIVOS DIVERSIÓN

Sagrada Escritura Safari VBS
LA ARMADURA DE DIOS
8-12 DE JUNIO IGLESIA DE SANTA TERESA

Comparte tus talentos. Genera un impacto.
El Señor nos ha dado a cada uno talentos únicos. Este verano, les invitamos a que utilicen su experiencia para ayudar a formar la fe de nuestros feligreses más jóvenes. No necesitas ser profesor ni experto; solo alguien dispuesto a servir, animar y compartir la luz que Dios ha puesto dentro de ti.

Oportunidades de voluntariado

- Líderes de grupos pequeños
- Ayudantes adultos
- Equipo de refrigerios
- Decoración y montaje
- Estación de enfermería
- Donaciones y apoyo

FAMILIA DE PARROQUIAS DE SANTA ROSA
ARMADURA DE DIOS

Complicarse
Escanee el código QR para registrarse o contactarnos.
Jenn Lewis en
jenn@strosefamily.org

Oportunidades de Oración y Estudio

- El Rosario de Schoenstatt se reza el tercer domingo de cada mes a las 15:00 horas en el Salón Metzdorf. (San Bernardo)
- El rosario se reza los martes a las 2:00 p.m. (durante el curso escolar) en la capilla de Catholic Central, por la entrada trasera. (Escuela Católica)
- Estudio bíblico los martes a las 10:00 h en el Salón Metzdorf. Para más información, llame a Aileen Dundon al 937-215-0765. (San Bernardo)
- Rosario en San Bernardo después de la misa entre semana. Los jueves a las 6:30 p.m. y antes de las misas de fin de semana.
- Las reuniones de Éxodo 90 se celebrarán en St. Teresa, en el sótano, los jueves a las 8:00 p.m. y los sábados en St. Bernards, en Metzdorf Hall, a las 8:00 a.m.
- Grupo católico de oración y estudio para hombres. Todos los primeros y terceros sábados de 9:00 am a 10:30 am en el Salón Metzdorf de San Bernardo.
- Santo Rosario y confesiones todos los miércoles a las 6:30 p.m. en Santa Teresa.
- Adoración al Santísimo u Hora Santa todos los Jueves de 7:00 p.m. a 8:00 p.m.

ESCRITURA SEMANAL

Domingo, 17 de mayo de 2026

Ascensión del Señor
Hechos 1:1-11
Salmo 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
Efesios 1:17-23
Mateo 28:16-20

Jueves, 21 de mayo de 2026

Día de semana de Pascua
Hechos 22:30; 23:6-11
Salmo 16:1-2a y 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11
Juan 17:20-26

Lunes, 18 de mayo de 2026

Día de semana de Pascua
Hechos 19:1-8
Salmo 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab
Juan 16:29-33

Viernes, 22 de mayo de 2026

Día de semana de Pascua
Hechos 25:13b-21
Salmo 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab
Juan 21:15-19

Martes, 19 de mayo de 2026

Día de semana de Pascua
Hechos 20:17-27
Salmo 68:10-11, 20-21
Juan 17:1-11a

Sábado, 23 de mayo de 2026

Día de semana de Pascua
Hechos 28:16-20, 30-31
Salmo 11:4, 5 y 7
Juan 21:20-25

Miércoles, 20 de mayo de 2026

Día de semana de Pascua
Hechos 20:28-38
Salmo 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab
Juan 17:11b-19

Acceda a las lecturas diarias de
la Nueva Biblia Americana,
Edición Revisada (NABRE) en línea en
<https://bible.usccb.org>



**Fue elevado, y una nube
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- Hechos 1:9

San Bernardino de Siena

Santo del día: 20 de mayo

Patrono de la publicidad, los juegos de azar, Italia y las relaciones públicas

San Bernardino de Siena fue el predicador más destacado de su época; recorrió Italia, pacificó ciudades devastadas por los conflictos, combatió el paganismo que encontraba generalizado y atrajo a multitudes de hasta 30,000 personas, siguiendo la exhortación de San Francisco de Asís de predicar sobre “el vicio y la virtud, el castigo y la gloria.”

Cuando tenía 20 años, la peste estaba en su apogeo en su ciudad natal, Siena. A veces morían hasta 20 personas en un solo día en el hospital. Bernardino se ofreció a dirigir el hospital y cuidó a los pacientes allí durante cuatro meses.

A los 22 años, ingresó en la Orden Franciscana y fue ordenado dos años más tarde. Durante casi doce años vivió en soledad y oración, pero sus dones finalmente hicieron que lo enviaran a predicar. Siempre viajaba a pie, a veces hablando durante horas en un lugar, y luego haciendo lo mismo en otra ciudad.

Conocido especialmente por su devoción al Santo Nombre de Jesús, San Bernardino de Siena ideó un símbolo – IHS, las tres primeras letras del nombre de Jesús en griego – escrito en letras góticas sobre un sol resplandeciente. Su objetivo era sustituir los símbolos supersticiosos de la época, así como las insignias de las facciones: por ejemplo, los güelfos y los gibelinos. La devoción se extendió y el símbolo comenzó a aparecer en iglesias, hogares y edificios públicos. Surgió la oposición de quienes consideraban que se trataba de una innovación peligrosa. Se hicieron tres intentos para que el papa tomara medidas en su contra, pero la santidad, la ortodoxia y la inteligencia de Bernardino eran prueba de su fidelidad.

Como general de los Frailes de la Estricta Observancia, una rama de la Orden Franciscana, San Bernardino de Siena hizo gran hincapié en la erudición y el estudio más profundo de la teología y el derecho canónico. Cuando comenzó, había 300 frailes en la comunidad; cuando murió, había 4,000. Volvió a la predicación en los dos últimos años de su vida, y murió mientras viajaba.

Lea el artículo completo en inglés: “Saint Bernardine of Siena Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars,
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