

# Annunciation Catholic Parish

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | QUINTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA

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## Holy Masses:

Daily Mass: Monday to Saturday - 8:15 AM

Saturday - 5:30 PM (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday English Mass - 7:30 & 11:00 AM

Sunday Spanish Mass - 1:00 PM

The Holy Rosary is prayed before every Mass.

Confessions:

Saturday 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM (Anytime upon request)

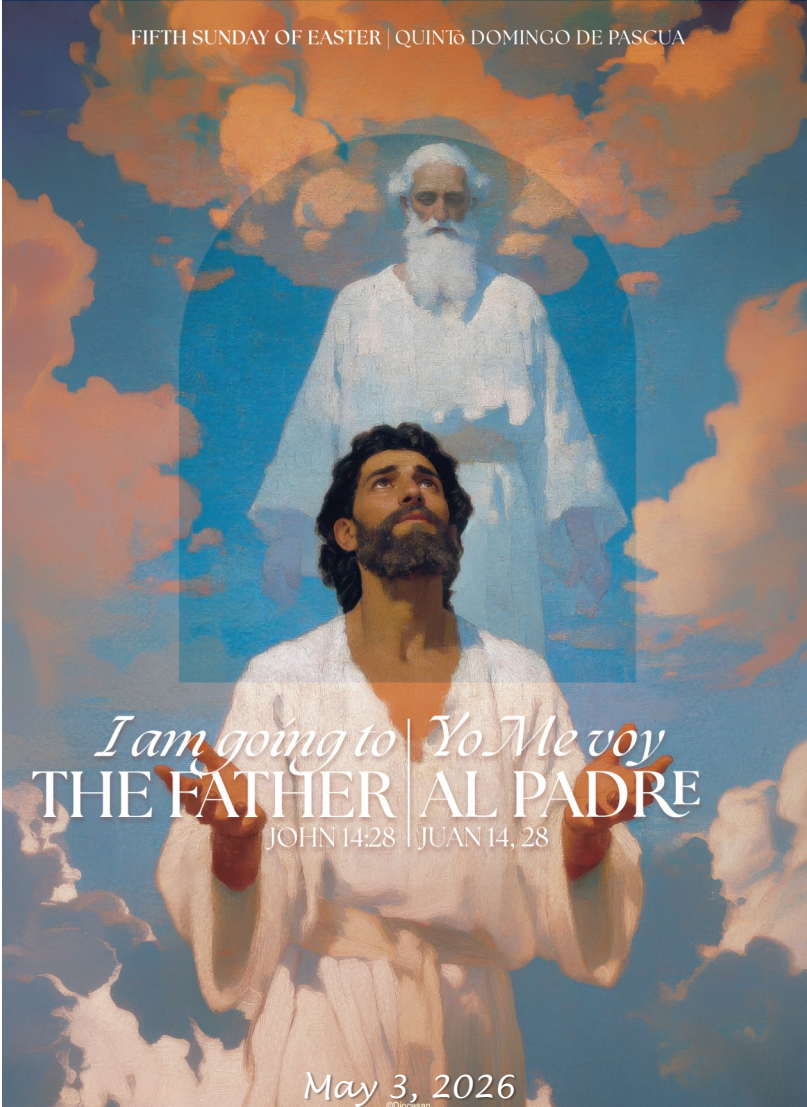
Baptism: Second Saturday of every month.

Arrangements must be made at least one month in advance and complete Baptismal Class.

Marriage: Arrangements must be six months in advance.

Religious Education (C.C.D.)

Sundays - Sept. to May, 9:30 am to 10:45 am



## 5th Sunday of Easter

I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.

- John 14:6

## 5to Domingo de Pascua

Yo soy el camino, la verdad y la vida; nadie va al Padre si no es por mí, dice el Señor.

- Juan 14,6

May 3, 2026

Of all the promises Jesus made to his disciples, I sometimes find the one at the end of today's Gospel to be the most amazing of all. Jesus tells his disciples that they would do greater works than he did. What could be greater than walking on water, curing a blind man, raising the dead, or feeding five thousand people with only a few loaves of bread?

First, we have to ask what Jesus would think is greater. The apostles performed many miracles because of their faith in the Lord. They cured the sick, and Peter even brought a dead woman back to life (Acts 9:40). Paul resuscitated a young man after practically boring him to death (Acts 20:7-12). But even these signs are not greater than what Jesus did.

I think Jesus meant greater in the sense of the true work of a disciple. When he sent the disciples out to cure the sick and cast out demons, his main purpose was to have them preach the Good News. Getting people to change their hearts and follow him was more important than impressing them with his miracles or amusing them with his parables. The disciples started right after Pentecost, when they received the power of the Holy Spirit. Peter went outside and began preaching to the people—not just any crowd, but those who called for Jesus to be crucified (Acts 2:14-41). The story ends with three thousand people getting baptized.

I wonder if we have the same kind of trust in Jesus that the apostles had. Would we be able to speak to a large crowd of non-believers and get them to all be baptized? Maybe we have to start like the apostles did. They talked about their experience of finding the empty tomb. They prayed, they discussed what had happened, and they looked for Jesus to appear to them. We can do those same things. We can talk about our faith with our families, in a parish discussion group, or helping with the OCIA. We can pray to be filled with the gifts of the Spirit and to see Jesus in other people. And we can look for God to act in our lives so that we can share God's love, which has been given to us, with those who do not know the Lord.

Tom Schmidt

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

If there is such a thing as a Catholic "trademark" it is the sign of the cross, first traced on the senses of catechumens as they begin the journey to baptism, or on the forehead of an infant who is brought to the doors of the church at baptism.

As early as the third century, Christians were tracing the sign of the cross on their bodies. At first, the cross was traced on the forehead during times of prayer and daily occupations. We use a similar small cross today as we trace the cross over on the forehead, lips, and heart at the Gospel during Mass. Much later, the full-body sign traced from forehead to heart to shoulders took shape, perhaps copying the priest's gesture of blessing with the consecrated host during Mass. Today, this superb baptismal gift is a sign of belonging to Christ and the community, a way of focusing our attention, of asking for God's blessing, of tracing on our shoulders a willingness to find meaning in life's burdens. In the sign of the cross, we have an ever-available means of expressing gratitude for our baptism.

—Rev. James Field

3 de mayo de 2026

De todas las promesas que Jesús hizo a sus discípulos, a veces me parece que la que hizo al final del Evangelio de hoy es la más asombrosa de todas. Jesús les dice a sus discípulos que harían obras mayores que las que él hizo. ¿Qué podría ser mayor que caminar sobre el agua, curar a un ciego, resucitar a los muertos o alimentar a cinco mil personas con solo unos cuantos panes?

Primero, debemos preguntarnos qué consideraría Jesús como algo mayor. Los apóstoles realizaron muchos milagros gracias a su fe en el Señor. Curaron a los enfermos, e incluso Pedro resucitó a una mujer (Hechos 9,40). Pablo resucitó a un joven después de aburrirlo profundamente durante su sermón (Hechos 20,7-12). Pero ni siquiera estas señales son mayores que las que hizo Jesús.

Creo que Jesús se refería a algo mayor en el sentido de la verdadera labor de un discípulo. Cuando envió a los discípulos a curar a los enfermos y expulsar demonios, su propósito principal era que predicaran la Buena Nueva. Lograr que las personas cambiaran de corazón y lo siguieran era más importante que impresionarlas con sus milagros o entretenerlas con sus parábolas. Los discípulos comenzaron justo después de Pentecostés, cuando recibieron el poder del Espíritu Santo. Pedro salió y comenzó a predicar a la gente, no a cualquier multitud, sino a la misma que había pedido la crucifixión de Jesús (Hechos 2,14-41). El cuento termina con tres mil personas bautizadas.

Me pregunto si tenemos el mismo tipo de confianza en Jesús que tenían los apóstoles. ¿Seríamos capaces de hablar a una gran multitud de no creyentes y lograr que todos se bautizaran? Quizás debemos empezar como lo hicieron los apóstoles.

Hablaron de su experiencia al encontrar la tumba vacía. Oraron y hablaron sobre lo que había sucedido y esperaron que Jesús se les apareciera. Nosotros podemos hacer lo mismo. Podemos hablar de nuestra fe con nuestras familias, en un grupo de discusión parroquial o ayudar en el OICA (Orden de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos). Podemos orar para ser llenos de los dones del Espíritu y para ver a Jesús en otras personas. Y podemos esperar que Dios actúe en nuestras vidas para que podamos compartir el amor de Dios, que nos ha sido dado, con los que no conocen al Señor.

Tom Schmidt



Month of May  
Month of Mary

Join the Legion of Mary to pray the Holy Rosary at 5:00 PM Monday through Friday in the Grotto during the month of May

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, May 4 - 8:15 AM

+ Abraham Michelem & Lucia de Michelem

### Tuesday, May 5 - 8:15 AM

- Birthday Blessings for Edgar Whelan Jr.

### Wednesday, May 6 - 8:15 AM

- Healing for Carlos Puentes - Friends

### Thursday, May 7 - 8:15 AM

- Healing for Mimi Garcia Prieto

### Friday, May 8 - 8:15 AM

- Thanksgiving for Araceli Y Flores - Family

### Saturday, May 9 - 8:15 AM

- Thanksgiving for Leah and Abigail Flores

### Saturday, May 9 - 5:30 PM

+ Severiana Padilla

### Sunday, May 10

#### 7:30 AM

+ Hermelinda Gonzalez

#### 11:00 AM

+ Ivor Pais & Richard Witkowski

+ Marie Paulonne Saint-Louis - Leroy Family

#### 1:00 PM

+ Susana Fantini & Maggie Fantini

+ Irene Gates

+ Andy W. Espinal

+ Martha Valtierra

## **Please Pray For The Sick**

Tom Mosley	Fr. Quilligan	Gina Whelan
Ann Sullivan	Beckie Walsh Almodovar	Lester Pais
Larry Sweeney	Chris Romanik	Nikki Williams
Socra Antenor	Carmel Edouard	Annette Fanning
John Fernandez	Mary Ann Torelli	Martha Montalvan
Alexander Godinez	Mary De Crane	Janemarie Moore
Kayode Aremu	Henry Gockenbach	Cira Debenedetti
Antonia Rodriguez	Gladys Venturi	Carlos Puentes
Juan Carlos Frias Lizama	Adolfo Ayala	Martha Fanning-O'Connor
Nuria Finch	Patty Velasco	Ligia Sciarrillo
Nancy Cino	Mimi Garcia Prieto	Carmen Mejia
Roger Cino	Debbie Starnes	Nick Tisi
Liana Cortada	Frida & Ken Ellis	Claudette Morison
Maria Yazmin Rodriguez	Chantal Virgille	Fernando Zavaleta
Dorothy Velasco	Chryl Richardson	Joan Vega

## *My First Communion Prayer*



I clasp my hands, then kneel and pray  
on this, my first Communion Day.

I ask you, Jesus, to watch me grow,  
and teach me all that I need to know.

Protect me, daily, from all things bad,  
and fill my heart with all things glad.

And if I ever lose my way,  
please guide me back  
when I kneel and pray.

"NO ONE COMES TO  
THE FATHER  
EXCEPT THROUGH ME."

### **\*\*\*WEEKLY SCHEDULE\*\*\***

#### Monday:

\*Spanish Legion of Mary at 7:00 pm, Chapel.

#### Wednesday:

\*English Legion of Mary at 5:00 pm, Chapel

\*Spanish Bible Study at 7:30 pm, Chapel.

#### Thursday:

\*Living Water Charismatic Prayer Group 7:00 pm, Music Room

\*Cenáculo a la Virgen Maria 7:00 pm delante de la Iglesia

\*Cursillos de Cristiandad 8:00 pm, Capilla

\*English Bible Study (zoom only) at 7:30 pm.

#### Saturday: (Third Saturday only)

\*Novena to our Lady of Peñafrancia 9:30 am.

Please keep in your prayers our school and CCD students who will be receiving their First Holy Communion this Saturday, May 9. May this special day deepen their faith and bring them closer to Christ.

**Thank you for your hard-earned donation:**



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**Our weekly goal - \$5,000**

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