

MAY 2024

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 28 4th Sunday after Easter | 29 Adult Catechism 7 p.m. | 30 | 1 | 2 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m. | 3 First Friday Homeschooler event after Mass | 4 First Saturday |
| 5 5th Sunday after Easter | 6 Bible Study 7 p.m. | 7 <i>Catecismo para Adultos</i> 7 p.m. | 8 | 9 Ascension of Our Lord | 10 Abortion Prayer Vigil at noon | 11 Young Roses |
| 12 Sunday after Ascension Mother's Day | 13 Adult Catechism 7 p.m. Novena to St. Rita | 14 Novena to St. Rita | 15 Novena to St. Rita | 16 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Novena to St. Rita | 17 Novena to St. Rita | 18 Altar Guild Novena to St. Rita |
| 19 Pentecost Sunday Novena to St. Rita | 20 Bible Study 7 p.m. Novena to St. Rita | 21 <i>Catecismo para Adultos</i> 7 p.m. Novena to St. Rita | 22 Feast Day of St. Rita | 23 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m. | 24 All-Night Adoration begins 7 p.m. | 25 All-Night Adoration til 7:30 a.m. Confessions 4 p.m. |
| 26 Trinity Sunday First Communions | 27 | 28 Daily Mass Cancelled | 29 F.S.S.P. Ordinations Daily Mass Cancelled | 30 No Choir Rehearsal Daily Mass Cancelled | 31 Daily Mass Cancelled | 1 First Saturday Confessions 4 p.m. |

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Please pray for:

The Repose of the Souls of:

- + Eileen Fain
- + Frances Kwitek
- + Rick Peters

Parishioners who serve our nation:

- Sgt. Luis Arvelo-Massari, U.S. Army
- Master Sgt. Chris Biery, U.S. Air Force
- Sgt. Jordan Blanton, U.S. Army
- 1st Lt. Jack Deeney, U.S. Army
- Spec. 2 Victor Follis, U.S. Space Force
- Seaman Paula Gennitti, U.S. Navy
- 1st Lt. Adam Giammattei, U.S. Army
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- 2nd. Lt. Andrew Rodgers, U.S. Army
- Staff Sgt. Marc Snyder, U.S. Marine Corps
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- Spec. James Tupper, U.S. Army
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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter ~ Tridentine Mass

MAY 19, 2024
PENTECOST SUNDAY



"O Mary, through thine Immaculate Conception make my body pure and my soul holy."

Sunday Schedule:
Low Mass: 7 a.m.
9 a.m.
Sung Mass: 11 a.m.

Confessions:
One-half hour before Mass
Saturdays 4 p.m.

Daily Mass Schedule:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 8 a.m.
Thursday: 6 p.m.
Friday, Saturday: 8 a.m.

Holy Hour:
Thursday: 7 p.m.

PASTOR:
FR. JAMES GORDON, F.S.S.P.

ASSISTANT PASTOR:
FR. DENNIS GORDON, F.S.S.P.

GENTLENESS

TOWARDS OURSELVES

From: *An Introduction to the Devout Life*,
by St. Francis de Sales

One of the forms in which we should practice gentleness regards ourselves, in never growing irritable with ourselves on our imperfections; for, although, in reason we must be vexed and angry with ourselves when we commit faults, yet we ought to guard against a bitter, fretful displeasure, or spiteful anger with ourselves. Some make a great mistake in being angry because they have been angry, hurt because they have been hurt, and vexed because they have been vexed. Thus, whilst they fancy that they are ridding their breast of anger, and that their second passion remedies the first, in truth, they are preparing the way for fresh anger on the first occasion. Besides this, all this indignation and vexation and irritation with ourselves tends to foster pride and springs entirely from self-love which is displeased at finding that we are not perfect. We should endeavor then to look upon our faults with a calm, collected, firm displeasure. A judge who passes sentence thoughtfully and calmly, punishes vice more effectually than if he is impetuous and hasty, for in the latter case, he does not punish so much according to the crime committed, as according to his own feeling; and so we correct ourselves more effectually by a quiet persevering repentance than by an irritated, hasty passionate repentance; for such as these are not according to the magnitude of our faults, but according to our

impulse. For instance, a man who especially aims at purity, will be overwhelmed with angry self-reproach from some slight offense against, whilst he will only laugh at some grievous slander of which he has been guilty. On the contrary, one who specially abhors slander will torment himself in consequence of some slight murmuring, whilst he passes unnoticed a gross act of impurity; and so with other sins: and all this is the consequence of judging conscience by passion instead of by reason.

Believe me, that as the remonstrances of a father will have much greater effect upon his child if they are offered kindly and gently than if they are hot and angry; so when we have erred, if we reprove our heart gently and calmly, rather pitying than reproaching it, and encouraging it to amendment, its repentance will be much deeper and sounder than if we were angry, stormy and irritable.

For instance, if I particularly desired not to yield to the sin of vanity, and, nevertheless, I fell grievously into it, I would not begin to say to my heart, "Art thou not wretched and abominable, to be carried away by vanity after so many good resolutions? Well mayst thou die of shame, and not presume to lift up thine eyes, blind, insolent, faithless traitor, to thy God," or so forth. I would rather seek to correct it by reasoning and compassion thus, "My poor heart,

here we are fallen into the snare, from which we had so often resolved to escape! Come, let us rise up once more and forsake it forever, let us call for God's mercy, and put our trust in it, for it will assist us in standing firmer for the future, so will we return to the path of humility. Let us not be discouraged, but be well on our guard from this time. God will help us and guide us." And by such reproof I would establish a firmly-rooted resolution not to fall again into the same fault, taking such steps as seem advisable, and as my director may point out to prevent it.

If anyone does not find that he can sufficiently touch his heart by this gentle correction, he can make use of a harsher, sharper reprehension in order to bring it to utter confusion. But after using severity and reproach he still should conclude his anger and indignation with a calm, holy confidence in God, imitating that great penitent, who, when his soul was prostrate in affliction, consoled it, saying, "Why art thou sad, O my soul: and why does thou disquiet me? Hope in God, for I will still give praise

to Him, the salvation of my countenance, and my God" (*Psalms 42*).

Therefore when your heart has fallen, raise it gently, humbling yourself greatly before God, and acknowledging your fault, but without marveling at your fall; since it is no marvel that infirmity should be infirm, weakness weak, and frailty frail. But nevertheless heartily detest the offense of which you have been guilty in God's sight, and with hearty courage and confidence in His mercy, begin once more to seek that virtue from which you have fallen away.

The diligence and care with which we ought to attend to our affairs is very different from solicitude, anxiety, and worry. The angels are careful of our salvation, and seek it with diligence, but they are not subject to anxiety and eager solicitude, for though care and diligence are a part of their charity, nevertheless solicitude and anxiety would be wholly opposed to their bliss; since though care and diligence are compatible with tranquility and peace of mind, anxiety and over-carefulness are

Upcoming Parish Events

May 20 ~ Bible Study

Fr. Dennis Gordon continues an in-depth study of the book of Matthew, 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

21 de Mayo ~ Catecismo para Adultos

Catecismo continúa con el curso de Teología Espiritual, 7 p.m. en la sala de la parroquia.

May 24-25 ~ All-Night Adoration

Sign up in the vestibule; times available from 7 p.m. Friday to 7 a.m. Saturday.

† MASS INTENTIONS † FOR THIS WEEK

Monday May 20 ~ Pentecost Monday

8 a.m. — Private Intention

Tuesday, May 21 ~ Pentecost Tuesday

8 a.m. — Itzel Satriano, by Michael Satriano

Wednesday, May 22 ~ Ember Wednesday in Pentecost

8 a.m. — Private Intention

Thursday, May 23 ~ Pentecost Thursday

6 p.m. — Private Intention

Friday, May 24 ~ Ember Friday in Pentecost

8 a.m. — Special Intention of Dennis Murphy

Saturday, May 25 ~ Ember Saturday in Pentecost

8 a.m. — Special Intention

Sunday, May 26 ~ Trinity Sunday

7 a.m. — Private Intention

9 a.m. — Private Intention

11 a.m. — *Pro Populo*

Fr. Dennis Gordon may accept Mass Intentions. Checks for Mass intentions must be made payable to Fr. Dennis Gordon, not to the parish. Limit one Mass intention per family per month.

not so, and much less agitation and eagerness.

Be very careful and diligent in all such business as falls to your share, for God who has allotted it to you, would have you do it well. But if possible avoid solicitude — that is to say, do not undertake your affairs with disquietude, anxiety and worry, and do not hurry and excite yourself about them, for all excitement hinders reason and judgment, and prevents us from doing well that very thing about which we are excited.

When our Lord rebuked St. Martha, He said, "Martha, Mar-

tha, thou art careful and troubled about many things." If she had simply been diligent, she would not have been troubled, but because she was full of care and disquiet, she was hurried and troubled, and for this our Savior rebuked her. The rivers which flow calmly though our plains, bear great barges and much rich merchandise, and the rain which falls gently on the land, fertilizes it and makes it bear fruit; but when the rivers and torrents overflow their bank, they carry devastation with them, and violent tempestuous rains ravage the meadows and fields. † † †