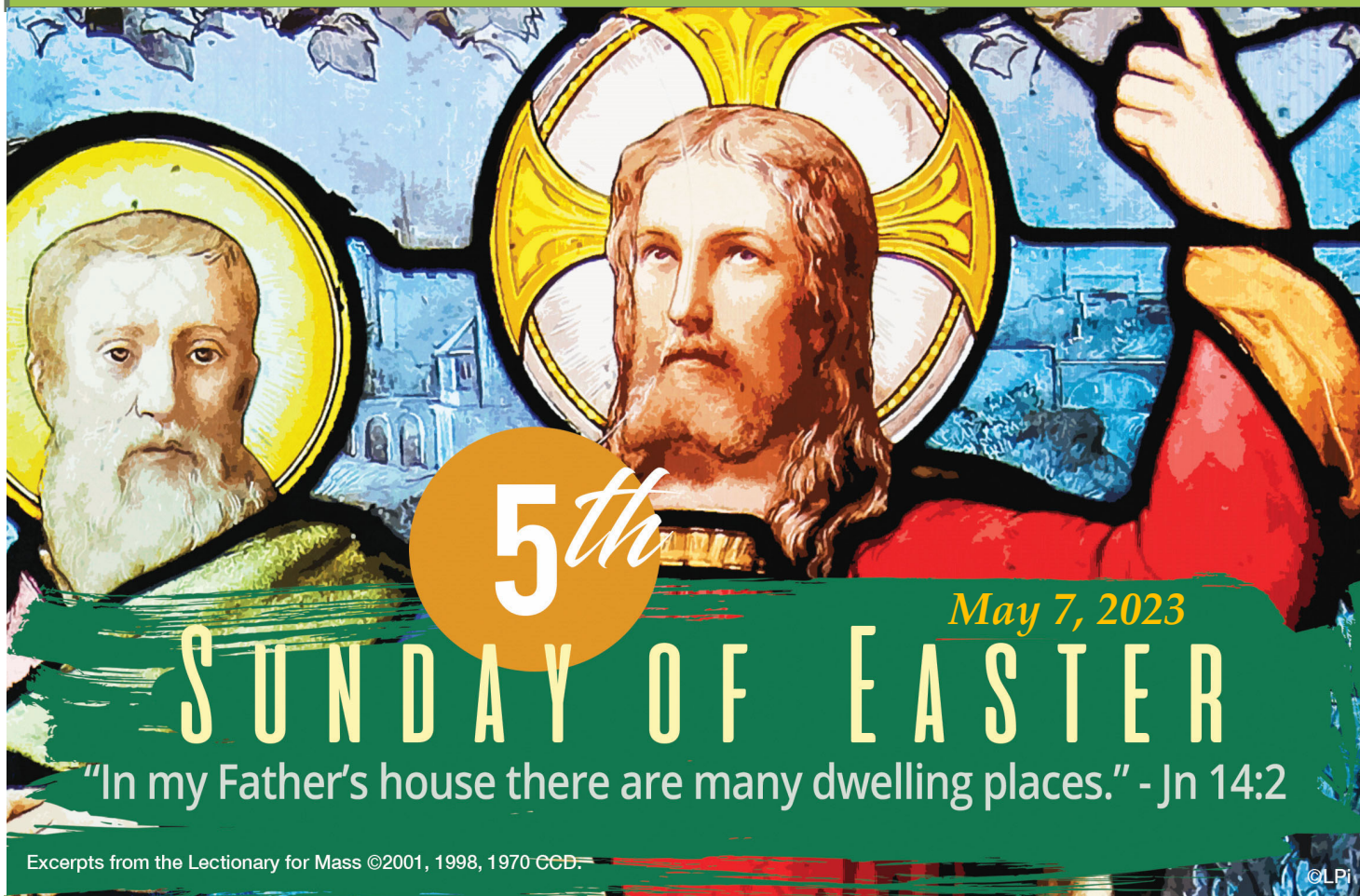


St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church



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Mass Times/Tiempos de misa

MONDAY—FRIDAY ~ LUNES—VIERNES

9:00AM

SATURDAY—SÁBADO

8:00AM

SATURDAY ~ SÁBADO POR LA NOCHE

English 5:00PM Español 6:30PM

SUNDAY MASSES~ MISAS DEL DOMINGO

English 7:30AM & 9:30AM

Español 11:30AM

Served by the Augustinians since 1926

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Office hours ~ Horario de oficina

Monday - Friday ~ Lunes - Viernes

9:00AM - 5:00PM

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ~
SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN**

Saturdays 3:30PM - 4:30PM

**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION
EXPOSICIÓN Y ADORACIÓN**

of the Blessed Sacrament ~
del Santísimo Sacramento

Thursday/Friday ~ Jueves/Viernes 9:30AM-
10:30PM

PRAYER LINE ~ LÍNEA DE ORACIÓN

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Póngase en contacto con la oficina parroquial
(805) 646-4338

WEDDINGS ~ BODAS

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BAPTISMS ~ BAUTISMOS

English: Dn. Phil Nelson

Spanish: Fr. Fernando Lopez OSA

FUNERALS ~ FUNERALES

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PRIVATE PRAYER ~ ORACIÓN PRIVADA

Chapel open Mon-Sat ~ Capilla abierta de lunes
a sábado:
10AM-4PM

INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES

Monday: 9:00AM
5/8/23

Paul Hennigan †
By: Kenneth Hennigan

Tuesday: 9:00AM
5/9/23

Kathie Reardon L
By Tim Hennigan

Wednesday: 9:00AM
5/10/23

Jean O'Connell †
By Mary Kazmer

Thursday: 9:00AM
5/11/23

Bob & Ellie Nelson †
By The Nelson Family

Friday: 9:00AM
5/12/23

Joseph Nocero †
By: Chuck Coscarelli

Saturday:8AM

Josephine Nocero †
By: Chuck Coscarelli

Saturday: 5PM
5/13/23

Panchita Frstrup †
By: Bereavement

Sunday 9:30AM
5/14/23

Ellie Nelson †
By: The Nelson Family

"L" recognizes a special intention for someone living

Share your Blessings

The pantry accepts all canned and
non perishable food items.

- Most needed: Cereal, Crackers, Canned meats,
Jams or Jellies, Soups, Macaroni & Cheese
- Household paper goods such as toilet paper and
paper towels are also appreciated.

*Please leave your non perishable donations in the receptacles at
the back of the Church entrance.*

Monetary Donations

are accepted at

The Parish Office or marked St. Vincent de Paul
on an envelope in the donations basket

Weekly Rosaries

The Rosary

Please join us in praying the rosary to the
Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Fridays after the 9:30AM Mass

El Rosario:

Reza con nosotros cada semana en Martes
A las seis de la tarde

Novena to St. Rita

Begins Saturday, May 13

After the 8am Saturday Mass &
continues after the 9am
daily mass

(Her feast day is May 22)



May Crowning is a longstanding tradition in the Catholic Church, when children don their First Communion attire or Sunday best, gather to sing for the Blessed Mother, present her with spring's first flowers and crown her with a small wreath of blossoms. It's a joyous occasion, typically held at schools and parishes.

What are the origins of this custom? Evidence including iconography, painting, and sculpture, can be traced back to the middle of the 12th Century. In these sculptures, Christ crowns His mother after her Assumption into Heaven. However, the beginning of the crowning of a Mary sculpture or image is much older. We have at least one example, that of Pope Gregory III (731-741) who donated a golden diadem to crown a holy image located at St. Peter's, which represents not only Mary, but also Christ and other saints.

La Coronación de Mayo es una tradición de larga data en la Iglesia Católica, cuando los niños se ponen su atuendo de Primera Comunión o el domingo, se reúnen para cantarle a la Santísima Madre, le presentan las primeras flores de la primavera y la coronan con una pequeña corona de flores. Es una ocasión alegre, típicamente celebrada en escuelas y parroquias.

¿Cuáles son los orígenes de esta costumbre? La evidencia que incluye iconografía, pintura y escultura se remonta a mediados del siglo XII. En estas esculturas, Cristo corona a su madre después de su Asunción al cielo. Sin embargo, el comienzo de la coronación de una escultura o imagen de María es mucho más antiguo. Tenemos al menos un ejemplo, el del Papa Gregorio III(731-741) quien donó una diadema de oro para coronar una imagen sagrada ubicada en San Pedro, que representa no solo a María, sino también a Cristo y otros santos.

FELLOWSHIP MEETING

Join us this week
after the 9:00 daily Mass
Tuesday, May 9, 2023

For a chance to get to know each other
Clubhouse, (between the church and the parish hall)

Your welcome to bring a snack to share. There will be coffee.

For more information call either Mary Wood 805 640-5243 or Greg Sinicrope 805 455-4619.

REFLECT AND RESPOND

First Reading: Acts 6: 2–4

We hear today of some of the practical problems (assisting widows) the early Christians faced with the growing Church in Jerusalem. They solved the problem with division of labor. Which of your co-workers or friends need your help this week to carry a burden?

Second Reading: 1Peter 2:9

Peter contrasts those with faith who announce the praises of God to those without faith who disobey God's word. How do you react to family or friends who are without faith?

Gospel: John 14: 6–7

Jesus assured his disciples that "whoever believes in me will do the works that I do." How do you think you imitate Jesus?

Readings for the week of May 7, 2023

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 (22)/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

Observances for the week of May 7, 2023

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday: St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Damien de Veuster, Priest

Thursday:

Friday: Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs;
St. Pancras, Martyr

Saturday: Our Lady of Fatima, The first day of the novena to St. Rita

Next Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter: Mother's Day

Happy Mother's Day


REFLEXIONAR Y RESPONDER

Primera Lectura: Hech: 6: 2–4

Escuchamos hoy de algunos de los problemas prácticos (ayudar a las viudas) que los primeros cristianos enfrentaron con la creciente Iglesia en Jerusalén. Resolvieron el problema con la división del trabajo. ¿Cuáles de tus compañeros de trabajo o amigos necesitan tu ayuda esta semana para llevar una carga?

Segunda Lectura: 1 Pe: 2–9

Pedro contrasta a aquellos con fe que anuncian las alabanzas de Dios a aquellos sin fe que desobedecen la palabra de Dios. ¿Cómo reaccionas ante familiares o amigos que no tienen fe?

Evangelio: Jn 14: 6–7

Jesús aseguró a sus discípulos que "el que cree en mí, hará las obras que hago yo." ¿Cómo crees que imitas a Jesús?

Las lecturas de la semana del 7 de mayo de 2023

Domingo: Hch 6, 1-7/Sal 32, 1-2. 4-5. 18-19 (22)/1 Pe 2, 4-9/Jn 14, 1-12

Lunes: Hch 14, 5-18/Sal 113, 1-2. 3-4. 15-16/Jn 14, 21-26

Martes: Hch 14, 19-28/Sal 144, 10-11. 12-13. 21/Jn 14, 27-31

Miércoles: Hch 15, 1-6/Sal 121, 1-2. 3-4. 4-5/Jn 15, 1-8

Jueves: Hch 15, 7-21/Sal 95, 1-2. 2-3. 10/Jn 15, 9-11

Viernes: Hch 15, 22-31/Sal 56, 8-9. 10 y 12/Jn 15, 12-17

Sábado: Hch 16, 1-10/Sal 99, 1b-2. 3. 5/Jn 15, 18-21

Domingo siguiente: Hch 8, 5-8. 14-17/Sal 65, 1-3. 4-5. 6-7. 16. 20 (1)/1 Pe 3, 15-18/

Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 7 de mayo de 2023

Domingo: 5º Domingo de Pascua

Lunes:

Martes:

Miércoles: San Juan de Ávila, presbítero y doctor de la Iglesia; San Damián de Veuster, presbítero; Día de la Madre (Mx)

Jueves:

Viernes: Santos Nero y Aquileo, mártires;
San Pancracio, mártir

Sábado: Nuestra Señora de Fátima, La primera día de la novena a St. Rita

Domingo siguiente: 6º Domingo de Pascua;
Día de la Madre (EEUU)

*Feiz da
Madre*

Our Youth are Our Future



Augustian Youth Encounter and World Youth Day

To be held in Lisbon, Portugal this summer

This journey is specifically tailored to young people between the ages of 16 and 36.

We will depart California on

July 24 and return on August 9.

The estimated cost of the pilgrimage is \$1,500

Inclusive of airfare, accommodation and meals.



To express interest and/or request more information, please contact

Fr. Kirk Davis, OSA - frkirk@stacojai.org

Villanova Preparatory School

(High School aged)

&

Middle School

(students in 6th—8th grades)

Scholarships available based on need

Open Enrollment has begun!

Villanova is now accepting Applications for

Fall 2023

More information at

www.VillanovaMiddleSchool.org

admissions@villanovaprep.org



First Communion Candidates

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Iker Basave,
Emiliano Calderon,
Natalia Calderon,
Camila Coker,
Cruz Coker,
Erick Cosio,
Gerardo Duran,
Alex Garcia,
Julian Garcia,
Sherlyn Hernandez,
June Huber,
Alondra Lopez,
Olivia Mashburn,



Brisa Najera Sanchez,
Dario Najera Sanchez,
Valentina Naranjo,
Franceli Oseguera
Jocelyn Patrick,
Melanie Perez,
Alan Quintero
Jorge Ramirez,
Raylene Ramirez,
Briana Rodriguez,
Lupita Rodriguez
Isaias Salazar,
Alexander Sanchez,
Kamila Vega

DID YOU KNOW?

Understanding the VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children program

As a way to commemorate April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month, please take time to learn about, update or sign up for the VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children Program. VIRTUS® teaches that through early identification, awareness, and education, adults can be "proactive" in protecting minors and vulnerable adults from sexual abuse. Since the program began nearly 20 years ago, more than 405,000 adults have been trained in abuse prevention. Additionally, more than 165,000 Catholic school and religious education students are trained annually with an age-appropriate curriculum on boundary awareness and how to communicate if violations of those safe boundaries occur.

For more information, visit <https://lacatholics.org/education-and-training/>.

¿SABÍA USTED?

Entendiendo el programa VIRTUS® Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios

Como una forma de conmemorar abril como el Mes Nacional de Prevención del Abuso Infantil, por favor tómese el tiempo para conocer, actualizar o inscribirse en el Programa VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children (Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios). VIRTUS® enseña que a través de la identificación temprana, la concientización y la educación, los adultos pueden ser "proactivos" para proteger a los menores y adultos vulnerables del abuso sexual. Desde que comenzó el programa hace casi 20 años, más de 405,000 adultos han sido capacitados en la prevención del abuso.

Además, más de 165,000 estudiantes de escuelas católicas y de educación religiosa reciben capacitación anualmente con un plan de estudios apropiado para su edad sobre el conocimiento de los límites y cómo comunicarse si se producen violaciones de esos límites seguros. Para obtener más información, visite <https://lacatholics.org/education-and-training/>

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Community Market, Food Pantry	(805) 646-4338 x112	

Ongoing Monthly Events

- ☞ Faith Formation for Adults—Usually on the first Sunday of the month
 - ☞ Community Market— First Thursday of each Month
 - ☞ Fellowship in the Club House– Every Second Tuesday after the 9am Mass,
 - ☞ St. Vincent de Paul Pantry –Third Saturday of each Month
 - ☞ Family to Family– Every fourth Wednesday of the month
 - ☞ Bulletin Notices Due—9AM 10 days before the Sunday in which they are posted
- contact the ministry directly as listed in the staff & services directory above*

Future Faith Formation for Adults Presentations

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Topics</u>	<u>Presenters</u>
<i>June 4, 2023</i>	<i>Spiritual & Corporal Works</i>	<i>James Valadez</i>
<i>July 9, 2023</i>	<i>Catholic Social Justice</i>	<i>Caryn Brady & Virginia Aguirre</i>
<i>August 6, 2023</i>	<i>Ministries of our Church</i>	<i>Phil Smith</i>

Childcare provided. Contact Aina Yates at (805) 646-4338 ext. 111

Presentations start at 11am. A light brunch will be offered.