

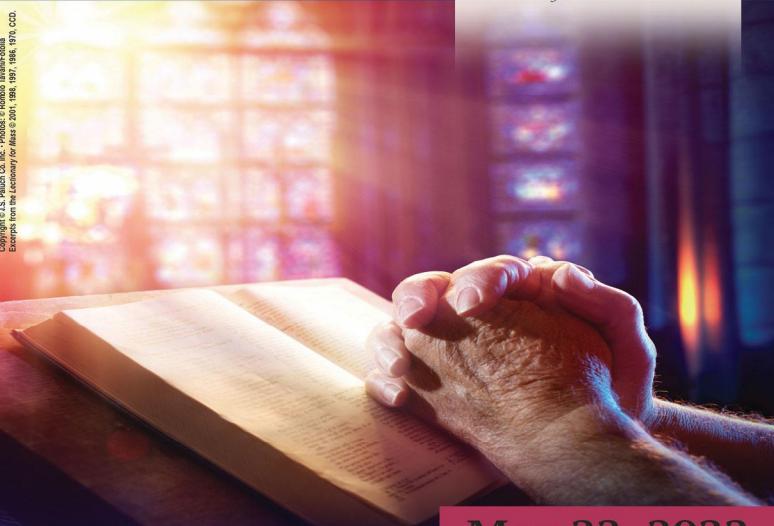
ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Whoever loves me
will keep my word,
and my Father
will love them,
and we will come
to them and make our
dwelling with them.

John 14:23

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REFLECTIONS & READINGS

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The question of whether circumcision is necessary for salvation (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29).

Psalm — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

Second Reading — John envisions the holy city, the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23) or Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20.

Gospel — The Holy Spirit, sent by the Father in Jesus' name, will teach us everything (John 14:23-29) or John 17:20-26.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter

Monday: Victoria Day (Canada)

Wednesday: St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII;
St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi

Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord
(unless transferred to Sunday); St. Philip Neri

Friday: St. Augustine of Canterbury

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14;
Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53
(for Ascension); otherwise

Friday: Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20

Saturday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23

Sunday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9;

Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26 or

(for Ascension) Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph
1:17- 23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

RETURNING TO ORDINARY LIFE

Six weeks into our Easter rejoicing, the Church gives us readings today that start preparing us for a return to ordinary life. The Acts of the Apostles and the Gospel both dwell on proper daily behavior for followers of Jesus, while the reading from Revelation reminds us why we bother with laws at all. In Acts, leaders of the church meet to discuss which essential elements of the Mosaic Law converts must obey if they wish to be disciples of Jesus Christ. John's Gospel reflects back to the Last Supper discourse when Jesus himself emphasizes the importance of obeying God's commandments. Observing God's law, says Jesus, shows a desire to be intimate with the Lord. We follow rules not for their own sake, but to love God and neighbor better. This more excellent love brings us closer to Revelation's vision of paradise, gleaming with "the splendor of God."

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS			
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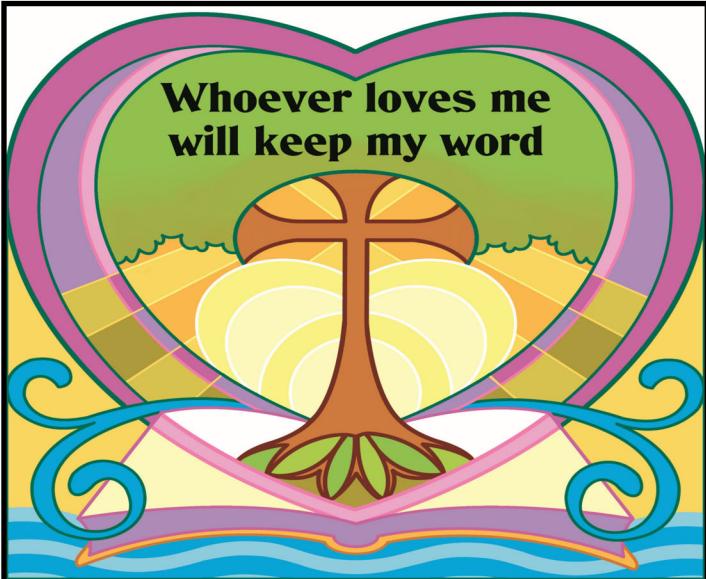
Reflection question:

How can I participate more fully at Mass?

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Grant, almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honor of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.



WISDOM'S ROOT

Wisdom has its roots in goodness, and not goodness its roots in wisdom.

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH



Note from Fr Kirk

May 22, 2022

In August of 2021, I was approached by a member of our parish community with a remarkable offer: to fund the creation and installation of sixteen stained glass windows for the north and south walls of our church.

After a couple of initial meetings, we decided to move the project forward with nationally renowned local glass artist Susan Stinsmuehlen-Amend. We also brought in Los Angeles based Judson Studios to consult on the actual fabrication of windows. Five generations of the Judson family have been creating glass art for over 100 years and we feel blessed to have their commitment to see this commission through to completion. These past months we have worked together to refine concepts, techniques and designs and have brought in select members of the parish to view work in progress and offer feedback. We are now ready to present the project to the entire parish, and invite you to join us on Sunday, May 22 at 1PM in the church to see the result of our efforts these past months. Susan will accompany me in presenting the project and you will have the opportunity to meet and talk with her about the process. I hope to see you all there.

Save the Date

St. Anthony's Catholic Church, 2511 South 'C' Street Oxnard CA

June 18, 2022. Feasting with Anthony, a Padua Event. Fundraiser

Dinner-Dance. Cocktails 5-6:30pm.

Chicken BBQ Dinner 6:30pm.

Music provided by Steve Sharp Entertainment with a mix of English and Spanish Music. **Tickets \$30 per person, only 200 will be sold.** Contact Parish Office 805-486-7301 or

Randy/Patti @805-208-3518, 805-217-6943. JOIN IN!!!

Did you know?

May 21- 22

Amusement park safety

Heading to a family amusement park this summer? Prepare your family with some easy safety tips. Amusement parks are crowded and exciting — and unfortunately, they can also be the perfect scenario for children to get distracted and separated from the family. Before you go, discuss the rules with your children: specify where they can go and who they can go with. Establish a buddy system and a family meet-up spot in case you get separated. For more tips, request a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Keeping Kids Safe at Amusement Parks" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

"A Prayer for Healing Victims of Abuse"

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts, heal your people's Wounds and transform brokenness into wholeness.

Grant us the courage and wisdom, humility and grace, to act with justice. Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors.

Grant that all harmed by abuse may find peace and justice.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

St Vincent de Paul Pantry

May 21, 2022

Saturday, 9:00AM

Sixth Sunday of Easter

10,000 Reasons

Refrain:

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul

Worship his holy name

Sing like never before, O my soul

I'll worship your holy name

Verse 1:

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning

It's time to sing your song again

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me

Let me be singing when the evening comes

Verse 2: You're rich in love and you're slow to anger

Your name is great and your heart is kind

For all your goodness I will keep on singing

Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Verse 3:

And on that day, when my strength is failing

The end draws near, and my time has come

Still my soul will sing your praise unending

Ten thousand years, and then forever more

RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP

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REFLEXIONES Y LECTURAS

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera Lectura — La cuestión de si los gentiles necesitaban ser circuncidados para salvarse (Hch 15:1-2, 22-29).

Salmo — Oh Dios, que todos los pueblos te alaben (Salmo 67 [66]).

Segunda lectura — Juan tiene una visión de la ciudad santa, la nueva Jerusalén o Apocalipsis 22:12-14, 16-17, 20.

Evangelio — El Espíritu Santo, enviado por el Padre en nombre de Jesús, nos enseñará todo (Juan 14:23-29) o Juan 17:20-26.

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Sexto Domingo de Pascua

Lunes: Día de la Reina Victoria (Canadá)

Miércoles: San Beda el Venerable; San Gregorio VII; Santa María Magdalena de Pazzi

Jueves: La Ascensión del Señor
(a menos que sea transferida al domingo);

San Felipe Neri

Viernes: San Agustín de Canterbury

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Hch 16:11-15; Sal 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Jn 15:26 — 16:4a

Martes: Hch 16:22-34; Sal 138 (137):1-3, 7c-8;
Jn 16:5-11

Miércoles: Hch 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Sal 148:1-2, 11-14;
Jn 16:12-15

Jueves: Hch 1:1-11; Sal 47 (46):2-3, 6-9; Ef 1:17-23 o
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lc 24:46-53
(para la Ascensión); o

Hch 18:1-8; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Hch 18:9-18; Sal 47 (46):2-7; Jn 16:20-23

Viernes: Hch 18:23-28; Sal 47 (46):2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

Sábado: Hch 7:55-60; Sal 97 (96):1-2, 6-7, 9;
Ap 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26 o Hch 1:1-11;
Sal 47 (46):2-3, 6-9; Ef 1:17- 23 o
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lc 24:46-53

VOLVER A LA VIDA ORDINARIA

Seis semanas después de la celebración de la Pascua, la Iglesia nos da las lecturas de hoy que empiezan a prepararnos para regresar a la vida ordinaria. Tanto las del libro de los Hechos de los Apóstoles como el Evangelio se fijan en el comportamiento cotidiano de los seguidores de Jesús, mientras que la lectura del Apocalipsis nos recuerda por qué nos agobiamos por las leyes. En los Hechos, los líderes de la Iglesia se reúnen para comentar qué elementos esenciales de la Ley de Moisés deben obedecer los conversos si desean ser discípulos de Jesucristo. El Evangelio de Juan se remonta al discurso de la Última Cena, cuando el propio Jesús subraya la importancia de obedecer los mandamientos de Dios. Observar la ley de Dios, dice Jesús, muestra el deseo de intimar con el Señor.

Seguimos las normas no por sí mismas, sino para amar mejor a Dios y al prójimo. Este amor más excelente nos acerca a la visión del paraíso del libro del Apocalipsis, resplandeciente con "el esplendor de Dios".

INTENCIÓN DE MISA DIARIAS

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Pregunta de reflexión:

¿Qué significa para mí dar fruto para el reinado de Dios?

ORACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Sexto Domingo de Pascua
Dios todopoderoso,

concédenos continuar celebrando con incansable amor estos días de tanta alegría en honor del Señor resucitado, y que los misterios que hemos venido conmemorando se manifiesten siempre en nuestras obras.

Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos.



LA RAÍZ DE LA SABIDURÍA

La sabiduría tiene sus raíces en la bondad, y no al revés.
—Ralph Waldo Emerson

NOTICIAS DE LA IGLESIA DE SANTO TOMÁS DE AQUINO



Nota del P. Kirk

22 de mayo de 2022

En agosto de 2021, un miembro de nuestra comunidad parroquial se me acercó con una oferta notable: financiar la creación e instalación de diecisésis vidrieras para las paredes norte y sur de nuestra iglesia. Después de un par de reuniones iniciales, decidimos llevar adelante el proyecto con la artista de vidrio local de renombre nacional Susan Stinsmuehlen-Amend. También trajimos a Judson Studios, con sede en Los Ángeles, para consultar sobre la fabricación real de ventanas. Cinco generaciones de la familia Judson han estado creando arte en vidrio durante más de 100 años y nos sentimos bendecidos de tener su compromiso de llevar esta comisión hasta su finalización. Estos últimos meses hemos trabajado juntos para refinar conceptos, técnicas y diseños y hemos traído a miembros selectos de la parroquia para ver el trabajo en progreso y ofrecer comentarios. Ahora estamos listos para presentar el proyecto a toda la parroquia, y los invitamos a unirse a nosotros el domingo 22 de mayo a la 1PM en la iglesia para ver el resultado de nuestros esfuerzos en los últimos meses. Susan me acompañará en la presentación del proyecto y tendrás la oportunidad de conocerla y hablar con ella sobre el proceso. Espero verlos a todos allí.

¿Sabías que?

Mayo 21–Mayo 22

Seguridad en el parque de atracciones

¿Se dirige a un parque de diversiones familiar este verano? Prepare a su familia con algunos sencillos consejos de seguridad. Los parques de diversiones están llenos de gente y son emocionantes, y desafortunadamente también pueden ser el escenario perfecto para que los niños se distraigan y se separen de la familia. Antes de ir, discuta las reglas con sus hijos: especifique dónde pueden ir y con quién pueden ir. Establezca un sistema de amigos y un lugar de reunión familiar en caso de que se separen. Para obtener más consejos, solicite una copia del artículo de VIRTUS® "Keeping Kids Safe at Amusement Parks" (Manteniendo a los niños seguros en los parques de diversiones) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

"Oración por la sanación de las víctimas de abuso"

Espíritu Santo, consolador de corazones, sana las heridas de tu pueblo y transforma su fragilidad en integridad. Concédenos el valor y la sabiduría, la humildad y la gracia para actuar con justicia. Infunde sabiduría en nuestras oraciones y acciones. Permite que todos los que han sido lastimados por el abuso encuentren la paz en la justicia. Te lo pedimos por Cristo, nuestro Señor. Amén.

Despensa de San Vicente de Paúl

21 de mayo de 2022

Sábado 9:00AM

Guardar la fecha

Iglesia Católica de San Antonio, 2511 South 'C' Street Oxnard CA

18 de junio de 2022. Festín con Anthony, un evento de Padua.

Recaudación de fondos Cena-Baile. Cócteles 5-6:30pm.

Cena de barbacoa de pollo 6:30pm. Música proporcionada por Steve Sharp Entertainment con una mezcla de música en inglés y español.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual

Light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through The mercy O God, rest in peace

POR FAVOR, OREN POR LOS DIFUNTOS DE NUESTRO FAMILIA PARROQUIAL

Concédeles el descanso eterno, Oh Señor, y que perpetezca La luz brilla sobre ellos. Que las almas de todos los fieles partieron, a través de La misericordia oh Dios, descansa en paz



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PRAY THE ROSARY

Come join us as we pray the rosary every Friday after the 9:00 AM morning Mass.

We meet in the chapel and begin the rosary after the exposition. Everyone is invited to pray with us to the Blessed Mother.



REZA EL ROSARIO

Únase a nosotros mientras rezamos el rosario todos los viernes después de las 9:00 a.m. Misa matutina. Nos reunimos en la capilla y comenzamos el rosario después de la exposición. Todos están invitados a orar con nosotros a la Santísima Madre.

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22 de mayo de 2022

Sexto Domingo de Pascua

El pasaje de hoy de los Hechos recoge el inicio y la conclusión de lo que se conoció como el Concilio de Jerusalén. Merece la pena estudiar todo Hechos 15, cuyo objetivo es ofrecer un ejemplo de liderazgo responsable para la Iglesia en general. Hubo un conflicto sustancial dentro de la comunidad sobre lo que es necesario para la unidad en la diversa comunidad de judíos y gentiles. Podemos observar algunas características clave de las acciones de los líderes.

Los líderes reconocieron la realidad de un conflicto importante sin minimizarlo. Recibieron y honraron plenamente las diversas experiencias de personas de diferentes orígenes. Trabajaron con una estructura de autoridad aceptada y un proceso para avanzar hacia la resolución. Se comprometieron a discernir la acción y la voluntad del Espíritu, con un profundo respeto por el testimonio sobre cómo estaba actuando el Espíritu. Evitaron imponer cargas innecesarias a nadie. Y después, siguieron observando la acción continua del Espíritu a medida que se aplicaba la decisión.

¿QUÉ ES LO ESENCIAL?

Las cuestiones que sopesó el Concilio de Jerusalén en nuestro pasaje de los Hechos estaban relacionadas con la circuncisión como requisito, y con la comunión en la mesa. Una fuerte tradición teológica sostiene que las prácticas tradicionales eran esenciales, y la comunidad buscaba genuinamente mantener la continuidad con las raíces de su fe. La observación de Pedro sobre cómo el Espíritu estaba actuando activamente en medio de ellos señaló a los líderes una nueva dirección. A continuación, Santiago les recordó que la tradición bíblica también apuntaba a acoger plenamente a los gentiles en la comunidad de Dios.

Es un profundo reto para los líderes de nuestras propias parroquias cuando se enfrentan a cuestiones que pueden fracturar una comunidad. ¿Qué es esencial y qué no lo es? ¿Qué estamos llamados a abrazar o a dejar de lado? Reconocer el conflicto y trabajar para resolverlo es una función esencial para nuestras parroquias, porque Cristo nos llama a vivir en unidad. Estamos llamados a abrir nuestros corazones, extraer nuestra tradición y observar la actividad del Espíritu.

Lecturas de hoy: Hch 15:1–2, 22–29; Sal 67 (66):2–3, 5, 6, 8; Ap 21:10–14, 22–23; Jn 14:23–29

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