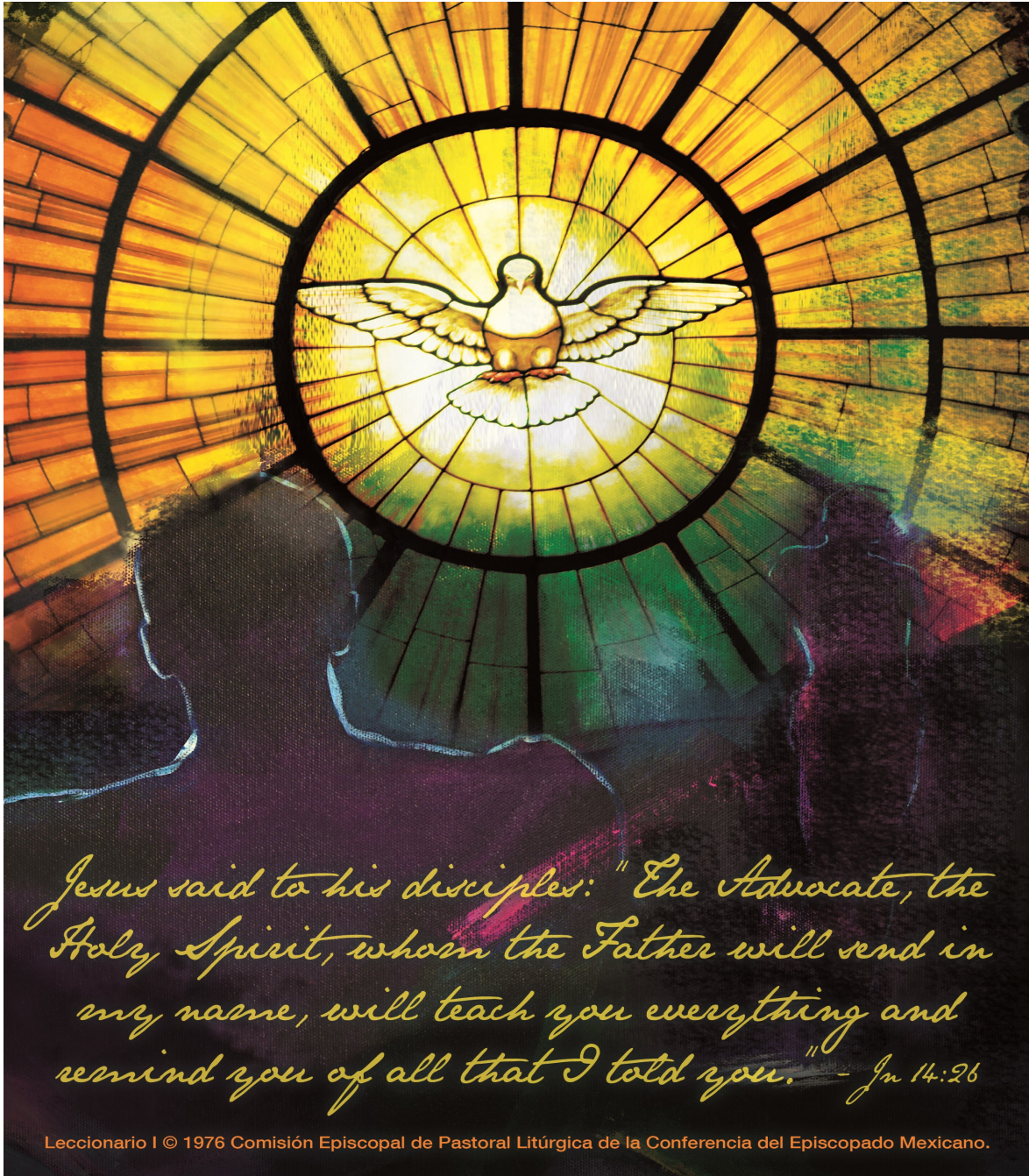


# Saint John Catholic Church

## Iglesia Católica San Juan

May 26, 2019 - Sixth Sunday of Easter  
26 de mayo de 2019 - Sexto Domingo de Pascua



### LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday ..... 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Daily Masses: ..Thursday ..... 8:30 a.m.  
                  ..Wednesday and Friday ..... 12 noon  
CONFESSIONS (Saturday) ..... 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

### HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES—JUEVES: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.  
VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio día

### HORARIO LITURGICO

Domingo ..... 12:15 p.m (Español)  
Misa Diaria: ..Jueves ..... 8:30 a.m (Ingles)  
                  ..Miércoles y Viernes ..... 12:00 del medio día  
CONFESIONES (Sábado) ..... 4:30 p.m. o por cita

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.  
Friday: 9:00 a.m.—12 NOON

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## St John Parish Calendar

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>MAY 25, 2019</b>
4:30 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	Mass for all military living & deceased
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>MAY 26, 2019</b>
9:00 AM	Mass for all military living & deceased
10:00 AM	Rosary
12:15 PM	Misa por todos los del servicio militar
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>MAY 29, 2019</b>
12:00 Noon	Mass
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>MAY 30, 2019</b>
8:30 AM	Mass
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>MAY 31, 2019</b>
12:00 Noon	Mass for soul of William Taylor
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>JUNE 1, 2019</b>
4:30 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	Mass for all graduates pre k-college
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>JUNE 2, 2019</b>
9:00 AM	Mass for soul of Benjamin Young
10:00 AM	Rosary
12:15 PM	Misa por Feliciano Puluc

**ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON**

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS

**ORACIONES:** Keith Pinney, Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakoski, Ron Price, Jr., Red & Nancy Goodman, Richard Painter, Maxine DiMarino, Melanie Patterson, Lillian Arthur, Mary Helen Sohaski, Esperanza Godinez, Sherry Wright, Otts Miskimon, Dan Mages, Martha Livingston, Austin Okoli, Jr., Georgina Gerhardt, Sulma Rojas, Elena Chavez, Doris Bartlett, Lynn Miskimon, Suzanne DiMarino, , Ruth & Donald Barock, Jeff Konschak, Virginia Saunders, Gerry Biartel, Fred Brown, Ewing Family, Jones Family, Beverly Burrow, Marie Ellett, Evelyn Clatterback, Dick Wassel, Bobby & Christie Osterloh, Lisa Cussatti, Nathaniel Young, Chris Nolte, Hallet Harrison, Maria Teresa Casas and Judy Patterson.

The item being collected for **FISH** for **May**

**Toilet tissues**

En el mes de **mayo** necesitamos

**Papel Higiénico**



"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice

that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I." Jn 14:27-28

### Readings for the week of May 26, 2019

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 15:26--16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22--18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Jn 16:16-20Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or

Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53

Friday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [6]/Lk 1:39-56

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53

7th Sunday of Easter: Acts 7:55-60/Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a] /Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26

## May 18 & 19, 2019

Weekly		Year to Date	
Actual	\$3,351.00	Actual	\$159,781.05
Budget	<u>\$4,807.00</u>	Budget	<u>\$225,929.00</u>
<b>Difference (\$1,456.00)</b>		<b>Difference (\$ 66,147.95)</b>	

## MASS ATTENDANCE

<b>5:30</b>	<b>9:00</b>	<b>12:15</b>
<b>78</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>190</b>

**May SJP winners** are Doris Bartlett, Catherine Outland, Barbara Wommack, Shirley Griffey, Stephany Covington, Trudy West, Leslie Gray and Evelyn Jameson. The next drawing is June 20.

If someone you know is sick, hospitalized or home bound and would like our Eucharistic minister or a priest to visit, please call the office. **Unless you call we have no way of knowing.** If you need a priest for someone who is dying or gravely ill, call our emergency number **804-402-1221.**

### Pastor Message

For the pastor message this weekend I simply would like to announce to you the amazing and very very awesome news that 5 men will be ordained to the priesthood in our Cathedral next weekend Saturday at 10:30 am (our own Deacon Cassidy is one of them!!!). You are welcome to come.

Five men are going to voluntarily lay down their lives - literally at the ordination they lay on the marble and prostrate themselves before God – for the Church in service to God.

I know I am a priest but I still look at it from the outside in a way and am continually blown away that men these days are willing to give their entire lives away and serve as priests. It is soooooo countercultural!!!!

Priests promise celibacy. They voluntarily forego marriage and children in order to become spiritual fathers and spouses to the Church. It is a sacrifice that is opposite to what the world says is what a young man is supposed to do. Culture, especially pop culture, defines masculinity (fulfilling what it means to be a man) by having multiple partners. These men show true masculinity by its true measure, which is sacrifice.

Priests promise simplicity. I am amazed at the intelligence and drive of the men who are being ordained priests. They are very smart and could be very well off financially if they rejected God's call to be priests and instead went into the world and had a career. They could be very well off but voluntarily forego that in order to become priests. The world says happiness is in direct proportion to how much money you have. These men reject that notion and rather say feeling rich is found in a detachment from worldly goods.

Priests promise obedience. We Americans love freedom. We love being able to do what we want and we do not want anyone telling us what to do, especially some religious figure. Yet these men who will be ordained will be sacrificing their freedom (the worldly idea of freedom) and promising obedience to the Bishop and his successors. He says 'jump' they say 'how high.' The world says you can only be happy if you do whatever you want, whatever feels good. These men reject that notion and know that true happiness and freedom is found when we entrust our freedom to God who speaks through the Church. God is better at making us happy than we are. These men know that. Pray for these 5 men and for all priests. They make many sacrifices in order to follow God in this life. WE need these priests (I need someone to go to confession to just like you do). So I am so grateful to God for inspiring them to offer their lives to God and serve our beautiful Church that we are all so deeply devoted to.

Fr. Rossi



### **Memorial Day Prayer**

Dear Lord, on this day, we remember those who have served us by protecting our freedoms. When we celebrate our long weekend with our friends and family, help us remember, that our freedom to speak of you, and our freedom to worship you, and our freedom to do that which we ought to do, have all been bought at the price and sacrifice of many lives. Your Son died for our eternal life in heaven. So too, your children died protecting us here on earth. Help us be mindful this weekend and always of the sacrifices made by those in uniform for all our freedoms. Amen. **The office will be closed on Monday**

**NEWS!** - to the glory of God! Deacon Cassidy (our seminarian from last summer) will be ordained a priest at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart on Saturday June 1st at 1030 am. All are welcome. Also he will celebrate his first Mass at St Peter Catholic Church here in Richmond the following day, June 2nd at 1045 am. All are welcome. 5 new priests will be ordained on June 1st. PRAISE GOD!!!

### **From the Religious Education office...**

On April 28th, we celebrated the closing of another wonderful Catechetical year. Catechists, youth and children gathered in the foyer of the Religious Education building for a wonderful prayer service to give thanks to our Lord for all the blessings received through the year. Fr. Rossi did a great job blessing everyone at the Prayer Service. This year we enrolled 126 children. Congratulations and thank you to those parents, who brought their children to class every, or almost every, Sunday – rain or shine. They are truly fulfilling the obligations that they made at the baptism of their children. During this Easter season, we received into the church two newly baptized, one was confirmed and two receive 1st Communion. On May 5th, 24 children received their First Communion, and on June 9th, ten young man and young women will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. All this amazing work could not have been done without your prayers, your support and, most importantly, our wonderful catechists. A big thank you and endless praise to each one of them. If you see one of them around, please thank them for the marvelous job they do to pass along the faith to our children and to every man and woman that is searching for their faith. Our catechists are: Janice Mayer, Nina Roland, Melanie Carey, Lisa Murillo, Lance Johnson, Julie Hinman, Gladys Lugo, Judy Patterson, Lori Bangs, Sharon Lucas, Rocio Carrillo, Rene Tudon, Joshepine Austin, Scott Seal, Jon Bangs, Neilann Brown, Maria Garcia, Dan Mages, Ed Gillikin, Rodolfo Velazquez, Emiliano Velazquez, Zoila Arteaga, Deacon Ramon Rivera and our Religious Education coordinator of events Mary Miskimon; I want to personally thank all of them for sharing their time and talents. I also give thanks to the Lord for all of you that make it possible for St. John's to have a Religious Education Program. Muchas Gracias.

May God always bless you.

Paulita Matheny. Director of Religious Education.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** - The RCIA is the process where the Catholic Church welcomes new adult members into the Church. This process helps adults reflect on their faith journey & discover how Catholics live the Christian faith. Adults wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith and the RCIA please contact the St. John Office at 804-737-8028 or e-mail us at [pmatheny@stjohnscatholicchurch.org](mailto:pmatheny@stjohnscatholicchurch.org)