



SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2020 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



# 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday OF EASTER

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## WELCOME

With joy we welcome all who have gathered here with us to worship God.

"How good to sing praise to our God; how pleasant to give fitting praise." (Psalm 147:1)

Let us lift up our minds, hearts, and spirits to our loving and merciful God, from whom all good things come.

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## MASS

### SCHEDULE

All Masses are private and livestreamed on our Facebook page.

#### Weekend

Saturday: 7:00 am  
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 7:30 am | 10:00 am | 12:30 pm

#### Weekday

Mon. - Fri.: 7:00 am

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# WORSHIP

## OUR VISION

Be a flourishing community of intentional disciples shining as beacons of Christ.

### Confession

During the COVID-19 health crisis, Confessions are available by appointment only, until further notice.

### Eucharistic Adoration

During the COVID-19 health crisis, the Adoration Chapel is closed, until further notice.

### Anointing of the Sick

First Saturday (except January and May) at 12:00 pm. All seniors and those seriously ill or anticipating surgery are invited to attend. Next Mass: TBD

### Sacraments

For Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Adult Sacraments, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick or Funeral, contact us at 510.797.1660 or [holyspiritfremont.org](http://holyspiritfremont.org).

### First Friday Mass

Next Mass: TBD

### New to Holy Spirit?

Welcome! To register, please visit the Parish Office or go online at [holyspiritfremont.org/join-our-community](http://holyspiritfremont.org/join-our-community)

### Interested in Catholicism?

To learn about the Catholic faith, please call 510.456.4975

#### SUNDAY, MAY 10 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

- 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass) Ofelia Teixeira †, Drive Thru Prayer, Maria Nhung Nguyen †
- 7:30 am Celia Bautista †, Dorothy Knowles †, Elpidia Calso †, Christina Pasaoa Rivera †
- 10:00 am For the People of Holy Spirit Parish, Asuncion Velasquez & Patricia Curcuro †, Millie Gentes †, Joela Abreu & Mabel Abreu †, Ricardo Pasaoa †
- 12:30 pm Aurora S. Abelgas †, Rizalina Estavillo, Donna Hinds †, Rose Hreiz †, Pilar Bruno †, Maria Nhung Nguyen †

#### MONDAY, MAY 11 | MONDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

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

- 7:00 am Cyril R. Macasero, Rosa King †, Brandon Aguirre, Ray Orduno †

#### TUESDAY, MAY 12 | TUESDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

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

- 7:00 am Kyle Atikus Isidore Barnes, Fely Licad †, Elsa Astilla †, Cristina T. Concepcion, Oscar Del Rosario

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 13 | WEDNESDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8

- 7:00 am Mike Bologna, Grace O. Montes, Teresita Del Mundo †, Michael R. Oblena, Gliceria Lucero, Nicholas Borg †

#### THURSDAY, MAY 14 | FEAST OF SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17

- 7:00 am Lawrence Soosaitasan †, Fr. Mathew Vellankal †, Gloria Jean Bautista †, Vickie Barthell †

#### FRIDAY, MAY 15 | FRIDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

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

- 7:00 am Carlota P E Rodriguez, Susana Guinto Canlas, Ponciano Raguindin Jr †, Khouw Kiam Nio

#### SATURDAY, MAY 16 | SATURDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

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

- 7:00 am Mildred Kamei †, Andrew Mai, Sugay Family †, Emilio Miranda †

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.  
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.*

#### PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Please visit our parish website at <https://holyspiritfremont.org/give/> to enroll in Online Giving or Text-to-Give. For assistance with registration, please contact OSV at 800.348.2886 or our parish helpline at 510.456.4969.



## FROM THE DESK OF DEACON CANDIDATE ARSENIO...

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

Imagine for a moment how the disciples of Jesus felt when He told them that He would not be with them much longer and that they cannot come where He is going. I'm pretty sure many jaws dropped. All of them were shocked, disappointed, and felt abandoned. But what was the response of Jesus to the anxiety and fear of the disciples? He said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me."

These are assuring and comforting words for us to hear during this time. The COVID-19 crisis is bringing many of us close to anxiety, panic, despair, and sadness. Today's Gospel rings out these reassuring words of our Lord that should give us hope and strengthen our faith. Jesus calls us to this fundamental relationship of trust. For those who have Jesus and completely trust and rely on Him, the pandemic lockdown is just strengthening their faith and giving inner peace and joy.

How do we live our faith? Listen to Jesus and remain with Him in quiet contemplation; put aside our worries and fears and doubts; look at Him, imitate Him, abide with Him, love Him. Look up to the Cross and look forward to heaven.

The stay-in-place order has allowed me to pray more. I am reminded that our worldly life is only temporary, and this thought is helping me to focus on heaven. I want to stay close to Jesus. I am very certain that to have faith in him, to know Him and to love Him are the greatest blessings that can be received. Jesus is forever; everything else is relative and passing.

Happy Mother's Day!

Arsenio Reyes

## FORMED

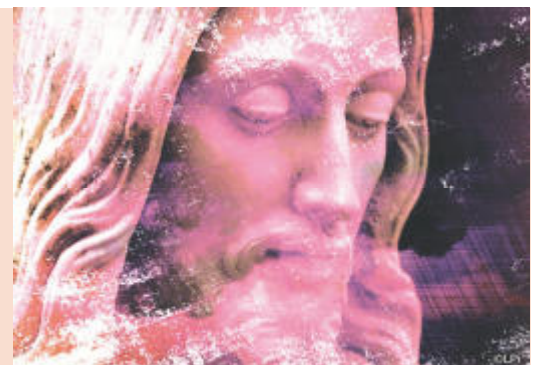
### FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/5th-sunday-of-easter-may-14-2017>

Most of us have been either *literally or figuratively* lost at some time, not knowing which way to go, and feeling a surge of fear and panic. The Apostles in today's Gospel were feeling lost, because Jesus had just told them he was going to leave them in order to be crucified and die. Thomas said what must have been in all their hearts: "We do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus's answer might have been confusing. He didn't give instructions or directions. Instead he told them that he himself was the direction. He said that he was the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

**I** am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him. -John 14:6-7





# SERVE

## LITURGICAL LIFE

# RESPONDING *to the Call*

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

#### Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

#### *Witness for Jesus*

This journey of faith is not always easy. Sometimes the greatest wounds are those we suffer when family members and friends wander away from God and leave us behind. The faith they had when they were younger is now strained, or they see the daily walking with Jesus to be too difficult. For them, Jesus becomes what Peter wrote about when he described Jesus as the stone that causes people to stumble and the rock that makes them fall. Our journey is hard enough, but watching a loved one stumble and fall is heart-breaking.

What are we to do in such a situation? Most importantly, we pray. We must realize that God is more powerful than us, and even if we can't make them see the truth, He can. Then we witness to the transformative power of Jesus by our own lives. We need to serve him in word and deed. We should let a joy of being a disciple enlighten our faces. Allow Jesus to work through us so that others may be drawn to him. Lastly, we must never lose hope. Many have walked long journeys alone only to find God far down the road. What will it take to bring someone to Christ? It might be an action, a word, or an emotion. We never know how certain people will be touched. That loved one is a gift from God in your life. Place them back in God's hands, and let Him pick them up if they have stumbled and fallen.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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# PRAY



## FIRST READING

The word of God continued to spread, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly. (Acts 6:7a)



## PSALM

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (Ps 33) or Alleluia



## SECOND READING

You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. (1 Pt 2:9)



## GOSPEL

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When earthly lives end, especially when the person is younger, we tend to focus upon and consider what was lost. We think of lost opportunities — things they won't be able to see, babies they won't be able to cradle, and adventures that now must go undiscovered. Our minds create this chasm between earth and heaven that sees the losses of this life as permanent ones, never possible to achieve again. This perception causes many folks to remain stuck in their grief as they ponder all of the missed opportunities and regrets.

This is not resurrection thinking. All of the love that we can give and receive, the joy and elation that can be experienced, the adventures that can be undertaken, and the possibilities to be discovered are all part of a continuous journey. They are not ends in and of themselves but are all part of the unfolding of a relationship we have with God, who not only makes all of these wonderful things possible now but sustains them and fulfills them into eternity. The perception and experience of loss is really an illusion, because in God's eternal kingdom and in God's time, nothing is ever lost. Even the most intimate and tender of moments we can conceive of sharing with another human being are only part of a journey toward perfect intimate and tender moments to be shared with God in our resurrected life. We become like God and see God as He is in eternity. What greater joy, love, and hope can ever be discovered as we walk down our often dimly lit paths in this world.

This is an awesome wonder and magnificent news to behold. Call to mind someone you have lost in death. How do you see them now? How do you see yourself in heaven? Remind yourself, again, that God is the Way, the Truth and the Life. Our happiness is not going to be fully realized in this world, and there is nothing we can find here that cannot be found one hundred fold in eternity. It's all about relationship, and not solely about the relationships we have with each other, ourselves, and the world in which we live. It's about our relationship with God. If we realize how special that one relationship really is, then there is only one particular of heaven and life eternal that really matters: namely, that we fall into love eternal and discover truth. For when we finally close our eyes in death, then all will be well as long as we are with God. There are no losses, only gains.



Please note: Our prayer list is refreshed every week. Feel free to call the office to include your loved one for the week: 510.797.1660

## Pray for Our Sick

Les Carscadden, Dixie Kibbee, Joseph Figueiredo, Andrew P. Javier, Carina A. Javier, Antonio R. Davis, Monica Cox, Guadalupe & Carolina Chavez, Lupita Chavez, Anna Chavez, Dennis Ireton, Carmelita Cruz, Juan, Pablo, Fernando, Jupiter

## Pray for Our Recently Departed

Mary Bazar, Rose Naftaly, Loretta Heinen, Violeta Magat, Ruth Yanez, Marilu Radcliff

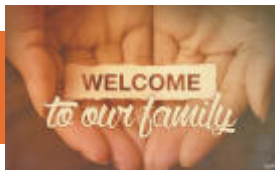
## Birthday Blessings

Francis Donida, Christy Donida



*'Man has a noble task: That of prayer and love. To pray and love, that is the happiness of man on earth.'*

- St. Jean Marie Baptiste Vianney



# INVITE

## HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

### Faith Formation, Prayer, and Worship

Though we can not be together here at Holy Spirit Parish because of the COVID-19 "Shelter-in-Place" order, we are excited to offer a variety of spiritual enrichment opportunities.

These are available to you, in the comfort and safety of your own homes, via Zoom webinars and/or livestreaming on our Facebook page.

Take a look! (Dates/events are subject to change.)

### Mass, Novena, and Holy Hour

Daily Masses: Mondays to Saturdays

Join us for daily Mass at 7:00 am immediately followed by Novena. Celebrated in private and livestreamed on our Facebook page (replayed at 8:15 am).

Sunday Masses

The Saturday (Vigil) Mass at 5:00 pm; and Sunday Masses at 7:30 am, 10:00 am, and 12:30 pm are immediately followed by Holy Hour. Celebrated in private and livestreamed on our Facebook page.

### Divine Mercy Chaplet

Mondays to Fridays, 3:00 pm

You and your family are invited to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet with our Priests and Staff members. Livestreamed on our Facebook page. Join us in prayer in the comfort and safety of your own home.

### Formed

Mondays and Wednesdays, 2:00 pm

View videos on Formed.org and participate in livestreamed discussions. For more information, please contact Dcn. Rigo Cabezas at [dcnrigo@holyspiritfremont.org](mailto:dcnrigo@holyspiritfremont.org) or 510.366.4444

### Word on Fire

Tuesdays and Fridays, 10:00 am

View Bishop Robert Barron's videos and take part in livestreamed discussions. Contact Dcn. Rigo Cabezas at [dcnrigo@holyspiritfremont.org](mailto:dcnrigo@holyspiritfremont.org) or 510.366.4444 for registration and information.

### Family Catechesis

Tuesdays, 7:00 pm

Families with children are invited to pray and reflect through the beautiful practice of Lectio Divina on Tuesday evenings via Zoom. Please contact Dcn. Rigo Cabezas for registration and information at [dcnrigo@holyspiritfremont.org](mailto:dcnrigo@holyspiritfremont.org) or 510.366.4444.

### Family Rosary Night

Mondays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays  
7:00 pm

You and your family are invited to pray the Holy Rosary with our Priests and Staff members. Livestreamed on our Facebook page. Join us in prayer in the comfort and safety of your own home.

### "Refuge"

Wednesdays - May 13, May 20, May 27  
7:00 pm

Learn about inspirational and practical insights to living the Catholic faith at home. Livestreamed on our Facebook page. Join us in the comfort and safety of your own home.

### "Resound"

Fridays, May 22, 2020 and May 29, 2020  
7:00 pm

We invite you and your family to join us for an evening of prayer and song in the comfort of your own home. Livestreamed on our Facebook page.

# AROUND THE PARISH



## Mass Intentions

Although our Parish Office is closed indefinitely, we are still accepting daily and weekend Mass requests. **Please email us at [info@holyspiritfremont.org](mailto:info@holyspiritfremont.org) and we will confirm your request via phone or email.**

The suggested stipend is \$10—please send by mail or make an online donation at [holyspiritfremont.org](http://holyspiritfremont.org)

Please provide the following information:

- Name of person for whom Mass will be offered
- Name of person requesting Mass
- Telephone Number
- Email (optional)
- Date of Mass requested
- Time of Mass requested

Please note that there is no guarantee of Mass availability.

## CYO News

Congratulations to our 7th Grade Girls Volleyball team! Back in February, the team won at the Diocesan Championships.



And congratulations to our Boys Basketball team, 5N2, dubbed "The Mighty 8, v2.0" They won the 5-National Tournament of Champions back in March.



## We Are Currently Closed

Parish Office  
 Mon.-Sun. | 9:00 am-5:00 pm  
 Faith Formation & Youth Ministry  
 Tues.-Fri. | 8:30 am-4:30 pm  
 Gift Shop  
 Sat. | 6:00-7:00 pm  
 Sun. | 8:30 am-2:30 pm  
 Parish Library  
 Sun. | 9:00 am-12:30 pm

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Sister Parish Dispatch  
 An Expression of Gratitude

ST. JOSEPH NDUNGU PARISH,  
 P. O. BOX 8,  
 NDUNGU-SAME.

Dear Father  
 I hope that your fine and me also am fine the aim of written this letter is to say thank you for help me and my family school fees. At now am a student of form three (3) in Kilomeni - Secondary school at Muanga District. And i continued well with my studies. God bless you in every thing which you can do it. Thank you.

Your Faithfully  
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