

## Readings and Mass Intentions

**SUN, MAY 17 - Ascension of the Lord**  
 Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

**8:00 a.m. Mass**

**10:30 a.m. Mass** ..... **Tori Valderas**

**MON, MAY 18**

Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/  
 Jn 16:29-33

**TUE, MAY 19 -**

**St. Toribio Romo Gonzalez**

Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/  
 Jn 17:1-11a

**WED, MAY 20**

Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

**9:00 a.m. Mass** ..... **Olive Hermreck †**  
 & **Christine Zigelhofer †**

**THU, MAY 21**

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8,  
 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

**9:00 a.m. Mass**

**FRI, MAY 22**

Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

**9:00 a.m. Mass** ..... **Bill & Esther Barrow**

**SAT, MAY 23 - St. Humility of Florence**

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/  
 Jn 21:20-25

**5:30 p.m. Mass**

## Blessed Among Us Blessed Franz Jägerstätter

### Conscientious Objector and Martyr (1907-1943)

Franz Jägerstätter, an Austrian peasant and devout Catholic, was executed for refusing to serve in the German army. Known in his village of St. Radegund as a man of honesty and principle, devoted to his family and his faith, he was also known as a fervent opponent of the Nazis. Nevertheless, his singular act of resistance came as a surprise.

In 1943, when served with an induction notice, Franz turned himself in and announced his refusal to take a military oath. Before taking this stand he had sought counsel from his parish priest and the local bishop. They had advised him to do his duty and serve his Fatherland. But Franz believed the Nazis were a satanic movement and that any compromise represented a mortal sin.

In prison he spurned ongoing appeals to save himself, convinced that he could not prolong his life at the price of his immortal soul. Franz was beheaded on August 9, 1943. For years his story was little known beyond his family and fellow villagers. In time, however, the story of his solitary witness spread, and he was recognized as a heroic witness to conscience. His beatification in 2007 was attended by his widow and surviving children. His feast day is May 21.

*“Not everything which this world considers a crime is a crime in the eyes of God. I have hope that I need not fear the stern Judge because of this crime.”—  
 Blessed Franz Jägerstätter*

### Prayer of Thanks for Religious Education Teachers

*God calls us all to grow in knowledge and wisdom;  
 to go and tell what we have seen, heard and learned.*

*For this school year, our parish has been blessed by those who  
 are willing to prepare and teach our youth in religious education classes.*

*We thank you God, for these teachers; for good curriculum,  
 for creativity and patience in the learning process.*

*Our teachers have helped us learn to know you.*

*Thank you to our wonderful RE teachers  
 for sharing your time and talents with our children  
 throughout the year. You are greatly appreciated!*

### HOLY REDEEMER'S PRAYER INTENTION BOOK

Please continue to remember and pray for all those listed in the prayer intention book and those listed below.

**Remember in Prayer**

**Recuerde en Oración**

Paul Richen, Willie & Vida Guilley,  
 Kenny Wagner, BJ Rust,  
 Ed & Mary Monzingo, Clay Turner,  
 Eve Guilbeau †, Grant Maples †

### Returning our Treasure in Thanksgiving

**Financial Information thru the week of  
 May 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>:**

Weekly Need: .....\$11,350.00

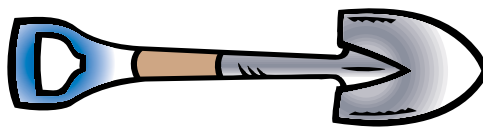
Weekly Actual: .....\$9,150.05

Attendance: .....601

Church Debt Loan Balance:..\$536,834.33

Property Loan Balance:.....\$457,524.71

(as of 4/13/15)



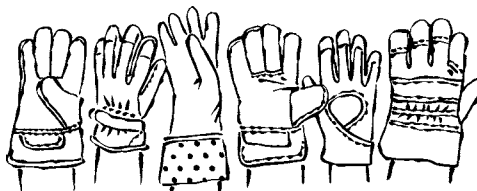
### Landscape Work Day

Our next work day at the church is

Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> @ 9:00am

Bring along gloves, a water bottle, a  
 weed collection container  
 and hand tools.

Many hands lighten the load!



**The altar flowers were donated  
 in memory of  
 Bob Speer  
 By the Speer family**

If you would like to donate flowers in memory of a loved one or special event, please contact the parish office to select a date.

### Lost and Found

Please check the lost and found in the office to see if any of the items belong to you. Also, please check your child's classroom if they attend RE classes. Class ends this week and all unclaimed items will be donated to charity.

## UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

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| <b>May 17:</b> Final RE and Confirmation classes until Fall<br><i>Have a fun and safe summer!</i> | <b>May 20:</b> Youth Group 6:30                                             |
| <b>May 18:</b> Adult Bible Study 6:30                                                             | <b>May 21:</b> Landscape Work Day 9:00                                      |
| <b>May 18:</b> Boy Scouts 7:00                                                                    | <b>May 25:</b> Parish Office Closed<br><i>In observance of Memorial Day</i> |
| <b>May 19:</b> Men's Group 6:30                                                                   |                                                                             |



### THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ARE CALLED TO SERVE:

SAT, MAY 23 • 5:30 PM MASS

**ALTAR SERVERS**

PS - Graham Zeigler PS - Mason Zeigler

**READERS**

Steve Weaver Elizabeth Weaver

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

Steve Weaver Bobby Zeigler

Rose Young Carol Wagner

David Wagner

**USHERS**

Dave Knesek Monica Knesek

Bobby Zeigler

**SOUND BOARD**

Dave Vandercook

SUN, MAY 24 • 8:00AM

**ALTAR SERVERS**

PS - Michaela Mott PS - Natalie Mott

**READERS**

Barbara Anderson Clay Melton

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

Clay Melton Jackie Voss

Paulette Brodie Julia Murphey

**USHERS**

Jeff Hensley John Brown

Wayne Mohr

**SOUND**

Robert Speer

SUN, MAY 24 • 10:30 AM

**ALTAR SERVERS**

PS - Brogan Lane PS - Gabriel Lane

**READERS**

Michael Harding Maryrita Mallet

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

Arturo Sandoval Maria Sandoval

Rick Zilar Maureen Gabarino

Alicia Palacios Margaret Edmonston

Tom Edmonston Cody Palmer

Maryrita Mallet Chris Lane

**USHERS**

Sheila Hill Nathan Garner

Regina Grammer Savannah Grammer

**SOUND**

Noah Murphey

### DIOCESE NEWS

**Patriotic Rosary**

St. Patrick's Cathedral  
Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm

**Rachel's Corner**

Come to a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and experience The merciful and freeing love of Jesus Christ  
817-923-4757

Next Retreat September 11

### COMMUNITY NEWS

**Gabriel Project "Angel" Training  
May 30<sup>th</sup> & June 6<sup>th</sup>**

St. Andrews Catholic Church  
This Diocesan ministry mentors pregnant women with spiritual and emotional support  
For additional information, contact Sandy at 817-927-4376 or sasolc@standrewcc.org



## Confirmation Mass

Bishop Olson will be confirming over 20 youth from our parish  
On Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> @ 11:00am  
**(There will be no 10:30 Mass on that day)**

### Ascension of the Lord

This is the final act of our redemption that Christ began on Good Friday and occurs 40 days after Jesus Christ rose from the dead on Easter. On this day, the risen Christ, in the sight of His apostles, ascended bodily into Heaven. Christ's Ascension foreshadows our own entrance into Heaven not simply as souls, after our death, but as glorified bodies, after the resurrection of the dead at the Final Judgment. In redeeming mankind, Christ not only offered salvation to our souls but began the restoration of the material world itself to the glory of God.

## Dear Padre

**Why does God give grace to those who don't deserve it?**

Our priest says we can't earn God's grace, that God just gives it to us. That is so unfair. I've put in many hard, deliberate hours being generous, considerate, and understanding. The undeserving and unworthy are just that, yet God continues to give to them. Why?

Grace is a theological word that describes God's giving us a share in his own divine life. It's a gift of his abundant love. Or, as the Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "Grace is a participation in the life of God...It depends entirely on God's gratuitous initiative...It surpasses the power of human intellect and will" (1997-1998).

If you've already put in many hours of hard work being good, you're already living the effects of grace operating in you. As for those you consider "undeserving" or "unworthy," the Lord is generous and loving to all. He excludes no one. Even calling a sinner to repentance is God's grace, but the sinner needs to accept the grace being offered.

St. Augustine knew that even the preparation of a person to receive God's grace is God's grace. Quoted in the Catechism, he said, "Indeed we also work, but we are only collaborating with God who works, for his mercy has gone before us....[W]ithout him we can do nothing" (2001).

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