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We are a welcoming inter-generational community united through faith in Jesus Christ, demonstrating our love to others through service and charity. All are Welcome, All Belong!

May 19, 2019 - 5th Sunday of Easter

HIS COMMAND

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

JOHN 13:34
Though the Resurrection moved Jesus to a place beyond his mortal body, we still believe that God took on our flesh in him. He continues to be enfleshed through our own lives.

Dear Friends and Visitors,

We continue reading from the Gospel of John during the Easter season. This evangelist has unique things to say about Jesus, and he relates stories about Jesus not found anywhere else. Our gospel reading for today is a case in point. Other gospels have Jesus saying, “Love your neighbor” (Matt 19:19; Mark 12:31; Luke 10:27; NABRE), or even, “Love your enemies” (Matt 5:44; Luke 6:27; NABRE). But today we hear the simple but profound command to “love one another,” which presumes that there are others in the community. In cases where semantics can open a debate about “who is my neighbor?” or how precisely we “love” an “enemy,” the command to love one another is straightforward and leaves little room for negotiation or explanation. Further, it is a command related to “one another,” which means those in the Christian community closest to us. In some senses it harkens to family, and the relationships we have with one another as family. It’s nearly a plea for siblings to do more than “get along” but to actually “love one another.”

But Jesus goes further, pointing to the example he gave them as a model for love: “As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.” In a few chapters, we will see that includes laying down his life for them. The disciples will be known by their love for one another. Our own displays of charity and acts of love will mark us as Christian.

To love one another is challenging. It can be easier and more convenient to go to church, or to sit in one’s room and pray. But love requires action and some doing. As is often said, “Love is a verb.” The image of a family comes to mind again as it can be easier to love those on the outside or the margins. But what about those most familiar to us? We know their foibles, idiosyncrasies, annoying tics, and habits. We have a history with them. Yet, we are called, perhaps even reminded, to love one another.

For the Fourth Gospel, all ethical commands of Jesus may be summed up in this one command to love. Other than some references that seem to reflect the Ten Commandments (don’t steal, lie, covet) the Gospel of John has one over riding exhortation: Love.

Living and Praying with the Word

Loving God, you became one with us that we might become one with you and with one another. May your love for us, made uniquely visible in Jesus, teach us how to love one another as he did, so you can make all things new.

Amen
May 19 2019

05/18 Saturday  
Saint John I, Pope & Martyr  
8:00 a.m. † Salvatore “Sal” Rinaldi  
(by: Anna Paiva & Joe & Maria Unzueta)  
5:00 p.m. Sean Dunne (Special Intention)  
(by: Charlie & Nora & Family)

05/19 Sunday  
Fifth Sunday of Easter  
8:00 a.m. † John DeMartini  
(by: Corrado DeMartini)  
10:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish

05/20 Monday  
Saint Bernardine of Siena, Priest  
8:00 a.m. † John & Patricia Ripple  
(by: Helen Ripple)

05/21 Tuesday  
Saint Christopher Magalhães, Priest & Companions, Martyrs  
8:00 a.m. † William & Virginia Hudson  
(by: Helen Ripple)

05/22 Wednesday  
Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious  
8:00 a.m. † Juanita Murphy  
(by: Helen Ripple)

05/23 Thursday  
8:00 a.m. † Gordon & Doris Ripple  
(by: Helen Ripple)

05/24 Friday  
8:00 a.m. † Jan Kerpan  
(by: Helen Ripple)

05/25 Saturday  
Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church; Saint Gregory VII, Pope; Saint Mary Magdalene de’Pazzi, Virgin  
8:00 a.m. † Mary O’Leary  
(by: Helen Ripple)  
5:00 p.m. † Salvatore “Sal” Rinaldi  
(by: Anna Paiva & Joe & Maria Unzueta)

05/26 Sunday  
Sixth Sunday of Easter  
8:00 a.m. † Salvatore “Sal” Rinaldi  
(by: Rose Rinaldi)  
10:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish

Let us remember in our Prayers…

Those who are sick or who suffer in any way, especially the homebound and the elderly, that God will assist them in their time of need and that they may find comfort and healing in Christ.

John Bamber  
Corrado DeMartini  
Laura Garcia  
Fred Jungmann  
Bill Matthews  
Michael Brust  
Marian Dickey  
Denyse Hale  
Mow, Kain Chiu  
Agnes Piva  
Mary Dekle  
Danny Forchione  
Dolores Martin  
Ron Ramirez  
Crystal Zapata  
Cody Bordelon

Those who have died, the deceased of our parish, and especially those who have no one to pray for them.

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. May the Perpetual Light Shine upon them.

We are sincerely grateful for your financial stewardship supporting our various parish needs.

May 12, 2019-First Collection  
Basket $2,627.00  
Online $ 585.00  
Total $3,212.00  
Second Collection—Catholic Charities $ 932.00

May Events

Choir Practices on Tuesdays  
Children’s Choir 4:00, Parish Hall  
Adult Choir meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Church

05/19 Hospitality Sunday following the 10:30 a.m. Mass  
05/22 Cub Scouts Mtg, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Parish Hall  
05/26 Second Collection - Parish Maintenance & Buildings  
05/27 Memorial Day Holiday—Parish Office closed  
05/29 Eighth Grade Graduation Dinner/Dance 6:00 p.m. Parish Hall  
05/30 Eighth Grade Graduation Mass, 9:00 a.m.  
Graduation Ceremony 5:00 p.m.

Seminar on Affordable Housing in San Francisco  
Sunday, June 2, 10:45 am  
Fromm Hall, 2497 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco  
(behind St. Ignatius Church)  
Martin Ford, Social Action Coordinator for the  
Archdiocese  
martin@sfarch.org sfarchdiocese.org/bmr

Come hear a young Catholic couple tell “How We Bought a Home in San Francisco.” Christopher Colosi, Harvard grad and entrepreneur, and his wife, Stephanie, expecting their first child, wanted to set down roots in San Francisco.

Come learn how they navigated San Francisco’s complex below-market-rate (BMR) housing program to buy their first home. The BMR Ownership Program helps first-time homebuyers who are low- to middle-income. BMR homes are specified units in San Francisco sold at below-market rate prices, typically condominium units in mixed-income buildings, with monthly HOA dues. Would it be worth your family’s while to try the same process? The presentation is free, and is sponsored by the Office of Human Life and Dignity of the Archdiocese of San Francisco and the St. Ignatius Adult Faith Formation Program. For more information, contact Martin Ford, above.

Next Week’s Readings (5-26-2019)  
Prepare Your Heart & Mind for Next Week’s Encounter

First Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Psalm: 67:4

Second Reading:  
Revelation 21:110-14, 22-23

Gospel: John 14:23-29

Protecting God’s Children

If you believe you are a victim of sexual abuse, please call our secure and confidential hotline of the Archdiocese of San Francisco at 415.614.5506
Building Our Future Together

A Strategic Plan for St. Philip’s School

St. Philip’s School has embarked on a strategic planning process called Building Our Future Together – A Strategic Plan for St. Philip’s School. We’re planning today, so that we can continue to provide an affordable, high quality Catholic education to the children in our community for many years to come. Our efforts will be guided by the school’s Consultative Board that includes representatives from our school and parish communities. Everyone in our school and parish community will have an opportunity to share their ideas about the future of St. Philip’s School through an on-line survey, listening sessions, and community meetings. Our goal is to have a plan in place by the end of 2019. We want to hear from you!

Our strategic planning survey is now open for you to share your feedback, perspectives, and ideas. The survey will be open through June 6. You may access the survey through the following link or through paper surveys which will be available in the vestibule.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/StPhiliptheApostle

Paper surveys may be returned to the Parish Office, school, or the collection basket.

Thank you for your thoughtful participation.

Faith Formation

2019-2020 First Communion and Confirmation Religious Education Classes

Saint Philip Parish is pleased to announce we are currently accepting applications for the 2019-2020 term for students enrolled in our public and private schools into our Faith Formation Programs.

Sessions will commence in the fall during the September time frame. If you are interested, please take an application from the vestibule bulletin board or visit our website at www.saintphilipparish.org for an online application.

You may also call the Parish Office for detailed information at 415-282-0141.

Infant Baptisms

Interested in having your child Baptized at Saint Philip the Apostle Church?

Please call the parish office at 415.282.0141 to reserve your spot for any upcoming preparation session and schedule a date for the baptism.

Next Session will be held on Saturday, June 1, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Rectory. Call the Parish office to make your reservation.

Newly Baptized

It is with great joy we welcome the following children into our Catholic faith community who received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism during the month of April, 2019.

Tomas Manuel Solano
Lillian Harper McCormick

“Through water and the word you have become a child of God and sealed as Christ’s own forever.”

Welcome Tomas & Lillian!

CATHOLIC QUOTES - WORDS TO INSPIRE

"May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be." - St. Therese of Lisieux
How do people know that you are a disciple of Jesus Christ? Some folks prefer to keep their faith a secret and rarely mention their belief in Jesus. Others are more vocal and readily tell people that they are Christian. For Jesus, there is another way to recognize whether one is a disciple. He tells his friends that all will know they are disciples if they have love for one another. The love to which Jesus calls us to is not just an earthly love. It's not just about doing nice things for people or even keeping positive thoughts about others. Jesus' love is divine love. Put simply, Jesus became human so that we can become divine. We are called to look at the world, people, and ourselves as God does. This requires unconditional compassion and a whole lot of mercy and forgiveness. We cannot do this alone. That is why the risen Christ remains with us, especially through the Eucharist, to help us become who he is. If done correctly, there will be no question about who has our allegiance.

- Cynthia Ochoa, a student at Sacred Heart Cathedral High School in San Francisco. Without the support of the AAA, Cynthia and many young people like her would not be able to receive a Catholic school education
- Ramon and Patricia Marquez. They lost their son, Michael, to a random act of gun violence in San Francisco. Through the Restorative Justice ministry supported by the AAA, Ramon and Patricia became involved in support groups and other programs. They believe the Restorative Justice ministry has been critical in their ability to get through such a terrible time.

We need **$8,807.00** left to meet our goal before the end of the fiscal year. **Can we do it? Yes**, with everyone’s support. Help us get to the finish line by sending in your contribution today. No amount is too small. Your support is making a difference!

Brochures are available at the back of the church for your convenience. We extend our gratitude and acknowledge the following supporters of this year’s Archdiocesan Annual Appeal thus far. Our assessment is: **$38,971.64**. As of **May 13, 2019**, we have raised: **$30,165.00** including pledges. Thank you.

**Wanted Catechists**

We have children in our community eagerly awaiting to learn about Jesus and the Catholic faith. Who is willing to step forward to help pass on the “Good News?”

**You can** without a doubt to help by becoming a Catechist for Faith Formation here at St. Philips. We will provide you with training, materials, and support. Time commitment involves meeting with the children once a week on Sunday from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Classes begin September 8th and conclude with First Communion in May.

**REWARD:** This is a great way to grow deeper in your faith while having fun with curious and engaging children.

If interested or for more information, contact our Parish Office at 415-282-0141. Come journey with us to a most rewarding adventure in faith while making a difference in the lives of our youth the next generation.

**Ways to give:**
- Give a one-time gift with check or cash
- Donate online at sfarch.org
- Donate with your mileage earning credit card using the brochures found in back of church
- Pledge over time. Take advantage to fulfill your pledge over the next 7 months.
Who is an Active Parishioner?

- Regular attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.
- Registered in the Parish, receiving and using weekly envelopes or online platform supporting the Parish according to the best of one’s ability.
- Volunteers and/or participates in Parish activities with time, talent, and resources as means permit.
- Trying to live the Catholic Faith as best they can with God’s help and the support of family and friends at home and in the Parish.

PARISH REGISTRATION
ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL BELONG

Our parish is blessed and enriched by the presence of new parishioners.

We welcome all new families and individuals. If you are interested in joining the Saint Philip’s parish community, feel free to call our office at 415-282-0141 for a registration form, or go online at www.saintphilipparish.org to complete the form online.

Are you planning a summer/fall 2019 wedding?

If so, now is the time to contact the church’s rectory office and discuss your plans with our pastoral staff and reserve the church.

Keep in mind Archdiocese guidelines require couples contact the parish office at least six months prior to the wedding date to begin the Pre-Cana preparation.

Call our parish office to schedule your initial meeting at 415-282-0141

Search and Serve Vocation Discernment Retreat in MAY with the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.

What is God’s dream for you? Let us help you search your heart. “Search and Serve” is a religious vocation discernment retreat in San Francisco, May 22-27. Six days of Community, Prayer & Service with the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul. Three different Bay Area Service Projects. Search your heart, pray about your future and serve those in need.

Contact Sister Lisa Laguna, Srllaguna@doc1633.org 650-949-8890 213-210-9903.

Family Connection

Is love the first word your family members use to describe their interactions? Love is difficult. Jesus' sacrifice for us is an example of this. Yet because of love, the glory of God is fully revealed in Jesus. God's glory is revealed in us when we act as the Body of Christ, as individuals and as a community. In the love we have for one another—difficult, challenging, sacrificial love—we find Jesus.

Choose one or two occasions when your family was together during the week. Describe the family's interactions from an outsider's perspective. When is it less difficult to show love to family members? When is it more difficult? When love is difficult, what do we do?

Jesus didn't just tell us to love one another. He showed us how to love one another. In what ways did Jesus show us how to love? (in his acts of healing and forgiving; at the Last Supper as he washed his disciples' feet; in the gift of the Eucharist; through his death on the Cross).
**PARISH SERVICES**

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**
This Sacrament is for those who are elderly, seriously ill, or scheduled for surgery. Contact the Parish Office to schedule the anointing in Church or at home. If in hospital, or care facility, please request the Catholic Chaplain or a priest from the Parish in which the hospital or care facility is located, through the nursing station.

**BAPTISM**
Parents wishing to baptize children should call the parish office to schedule the baptism and to schedule participation in our baptismal preparation program. Please call two months before you wish the baptism. Parents must make an appointment to attend the preparation session. Godparents may attend if they wish. **As of January, 2019, these sessions will take place the first Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m.** The preparation may be done before the birth of the child. Please call the Parish office at 415-282-0141 for more information.

**FAITH FORMATION**
Sacramental preparation is a one year program here at St. Philips. **First Reconciliation and First Communion** are celebrated in the 2nd grade. However, we offer accommodations for those older. Classes are held in the chapel on Sundays from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. A copy of the child’s baptismal certificate will be required upon registration. Please call the Parish Office for complete details. 415-282-0141

Our **Confirmation Program** is designed for those youth entering the 8th grade or already in high school. These sessions begin in the fall. You must provide baptismal and First Eucharist certificates. To register call the Parish Office 415-282-0141

**R.C.I.A.**—Adults wishing to explore the Catholic faith are welcome to attend an Inquiry Session in the fall. Classes are held on Sundays from 9:15-10:15 a.m. in the Resource Center building (the old convent). Call the Parish Office at 415-282-0141 for a registration form.

**HOMEBOUND MINISTRY**
Call the Parish Office to arrange for visitation and the gift of Holy Communion from one of our Extraordinary Ministers for your friends and family members who are unable to attend Mass due to illness or hospitalization. This is a beautiful ministry which allows for the Church to reach out to those who are homebound and share faith and friendship.

**MARRIAGE**
Couples are asked to call the Parish Office at least six months prior to their intended wedding date to schedule an appointment with the Pastoral Staff to begin their marriage preparation journey.

**RECONCiliation**
Saturdays 4:15—4:45 p.m. or by appointment During Lent on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00 p.m. as well

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Baptismal Classes First Saturday of the Month 9:00 a.m. (Rectory by appt.)
Belfry Society Tuesday 7:30 p.m. (Church)
Children Choir Tuesday 4:00 p.m. (Hall 1)
First Communion Instruction Sundays 9:15 a.m. (chapel)
CCD Confirmation Instruction Sundays 9:15 a.m. (Lyons Rm)
Liturgy Committee
Parish Council
Parent Teacher Group (PTG) Sunday 9:15 (Resource Center)
RCIA (Adult Faith Instruction) Second & Third Thursday, 11:30a.m., (Hall 3)
Rosary Makers School Consultative Board
Young at Heart (Senior Club 50+) Second & Third Thursday, 11:30 a.m., (Hall 3)

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH**
Please contact the rectory at (415) 282-0141.
As a service to the community, we sponsor the following:
Monday A.A. Meeting (Men's) 7:00 p.m. Hall 3
Tuesday A.A. Kitchen (Ladies) 6:00 p.m. Hall 3
Wednesday Alanon 7:00 p.m. Lyons

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