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SAINT MARGARET MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2022
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
(Mass Propers available in the Parish Bulletin)

Dear faithful,

What are the words of St. Peter to us in today's Mass? The first pope exhorts us:

"...for so is the will of God, that by doing well you may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not as making liberty a cloak for malice, but as the servants of God" (1 Pet. 2:11-19).

We should indeed rejoice that we live in the "land of liberty," although perhaps not so much as in former decades. Many of the blessings originally bestowed upon our nation by God remain to a certain extent, thankfully. Let us take care then to always remember that the gifts of God are to be used by us for His glory and the salvation of souls. They are not purely for our benefit or sole gratification, as our selfishness would so often have it.

Those who live their lives in the pursuit of vain pleasure with no thought of the consequences of their actions, or the cost to others, will sooner or later have to face the proverbial music. There's no escaping it. Let us then live not for ourselves, but for God and neighbor! This is how we will enjoy the peace of a good conscience.

The **May Crowning and First Communions** will take place **this Sunday at the 12:30 Mass**. The ceremonies will begin with the procession from the church to Our Lady's statue in the garden, where Our Lady will be solemnly crowned to properly begin the most beautiful of months and that which is dedicated to her. Afterwards, we will process back into the church for the Mass, during which seven young children will make their First Holy Communion. **Please pray** for these young children!

Also important to remember: a **plenary indulgence** is available, under the usual conditions, to those making their First Communion and all faithful who attend the ceremonies.

Next **Friday, May 13** is the anniversary of the first apparition of Our Blessed Mother at Fatima. At the request of Monsignor Wach, Prior General of the Institute, we will honor Our Blessed Mother with a Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart at 6 pm, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The Litany of Loreto will be chanted, and we will recite the **Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary**.

The **training session for altar servers** will be next **Saturday, May 14 from 11:30 am – 12:30 pm**. If you or your sons serve or are interested in serving, or if they currently serve, please make every effort to be there. We owe the Good Lord the most worthy liturgy possible. Pizza will be served afterwards!

Our monthly **Sursum Corda event for young adults** will take place on **Thursday, May 19**. The evening begins at 6 pm with the Rosary recited in church, followed by a talk at 6:30, a social dinner at 7, and the chanted Office of Compline to conclude the evening. If interested, please rsvp to Noe Perez at n.perez3@u.pacific.edu.

It's that time of year again! Time to start planning for the annual **boys' summer camp** of the Institute's California apostolates, **St. Michael's Patrol**. Please note that this camp is, as usual, tentatively scheduled for the **first week of August**. Good, wholesome summer fun combined with the Traditional Latin Liturgy and the perennial Catholic Faith is a winning combination! We hope to see you there.

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,
Canon Benjamin Norman

Happy Mother's Day!



Madonna of the Magnificat; Botticelli, ca 1483

Did you know? The May Crowning:

The origin of this ceremony is in Italy, possibly in the seventeenth century. Around 1739, the Crowning is attested to in Grezzano, near Verona. In 1747 the Archbishop of Genoa recommended this devotion for all Catholic homes. According to Frederick Holweck, the May Crowning in its present form originated in Rome. Towards the end of the eighteenth century, a pious Jesuit, Father Latomia, in order to counteract infidelity and immorality among the students at the Roman College, made a vow to devote the month of May to Mary.

The practice then spread to the other Jesuit colleges, and eventually to almost every Catholic church of the Latin rite. In Rome by 1813, May devotions were being held in twenty different churches. From Italy, May devotions soon spread to France, the home of so many Marian saints. In Belgium, the May devotions, at least as a private devotion, were widely occurring as early as 1803. The tradition of honoring Mary for the entire month of May spread to the rest of the Catholic world during the nineteenth century, together with a month-long devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus during the month of June.

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
Sun., 5/8	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Third Sunday After Easter <i>2nd Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Barbara Powell†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Eva Ponitkoff
Mon. 5/9	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Gregory Nazianzen, Bishop, Confessor and Doctor of the Church, <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Father Staal	Charlie Rossi
Tue. 5/10	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Antoninus, Bishop and Confessor <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Miguel Guerrero
Wed. 5/11	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Ss. Philip and James, Apostles <i>2nd Class/ Red</i>	Canon Norman	Walter Wagoner†
Thurs. 5/12	12:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Ss. Nereus, Achilleus and Domitilla, and St. Pancras, Martyrs, <i>3rd Class/ Red</i>	Canon Norman	Theresa Hamilton†
Fri. 5/13	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary <i>3rd Class/ White</i> <i>Exposition and Litany of Loreto after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Monica Roberts
Sat. 5/14	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Our Lady's Saturday <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Romulo Baccay & Family
Sun. 5/15	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Fourth Sunday After Easter <i>2nd Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Carid Roxas†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Sang Thi Nguyen†

SACRAMENTS

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before each Mass, and also during the Adoration after the 6 pm Mass each Friday.

Please contact Canon Norman if you are in need of or have questions regarding reception of any of the Sacraments.

CATECHISM CLASSES

Weekly catechism classes on Zoom Please contact Canon Norman or Lisa Caputi (henshinx@pacbell.net) to request the Zoom link.

Youth Class: Tuesdays at 4:00pm

Adult Class: Saturdays, at 2:30pm

Prospective Catholics: contact Canon for class times

EMAIL LIST: email oakland@institute-christ-king.org

FLOCKNOTE: sign up at ickspoakland.flocknote.com or text "ICKSPOakland" to 84576

PRAYER LISTS*

In your kindness, please keep these requests in your prayers.

For the sick:

Thomas Henriksson	Nancy Duenas	Gigi Cunningham
Dario Gonzalez	Paula Case	Veronica Seder
Elizabeth Pawek	Diane Kasdan	Courtney Shoda
Canon Fragelli	Dobbins family	Peter Trong Nguyen
Paulann Dymond	Mead Lawson	Paul Oei
Thomas Orr	Canon Altiere	Msgr. David Link
Lianne Claver	Carmen Raya	

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Jeff Glass	James Metran	Ramon Lanzar
Marie-Terese Karel-Michaen		Steven Miller
Jesus Cristobal	Rita Cristobal	Rod Phillips

Requiescant in pace.

*Please email to oakland@institute-christ-king.org if you would like to add a name to the above lists. A longer list is available as attachment to the weekly Flocknote.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 14—Server Training

May 19—Sursum Corda *

May 26—Ascension of Our Lord

May 28—Society of the Sacred Heart (Oakland) **

* **SURSUM CORDA:** If you'd like to attend, please email Noe Perez at n_perez3@u.pacific.edu

** **SOCIETY OF THE SACRED HEART:** Another half-day of recollection for the **Society of the Sacred Heart** will take place on **Saturday, May 28, from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm.** There will be a spiritual conference followed by a convivial luncheon. If you would like to get to know the Institute's Salesian spirituality on a more profound level, above all its emphasis on serving God as well as we can in our particular state in life, I hope you will consider attending. Please RSVP to oakland@institute-christ-king.org

MEN'S GROUP

A growing **Men's Group** is in the works! If you're looking to meet and grow with other faithful men of the Church, please contact Johnny Lazear: Lazearj41@gmail.com. Activities include meeting for prayer, food, hikes, and other Faith-related adventures. All men ages 18 and up are welcome to join!

SUNDAY SERMONS AND BULLETINS

Audio recordings of the Sunday sermons for the Institute's Oakland apostolate can be found at:

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For Sunday bulletins, go to

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