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SAINT MARGARET MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2022
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
(Mass Propers available in the Parish Bulletin)

Dear faithful,

We see in today's Gospel a certain sadness take hold of the hearts of the Apostles because of Our Lord's imminent departure:

"But because I have spoken these things to you, sorrow hath filled your heart. But I tell you the truth: it is expedient to you that I go, for if I go not, the Paraclete will not come to you: but if I go, I will send Him to you" (John 16:5-14)

Our Lord makes it clear: He has not left us orphans, but given us His Spirit, the Holy Ghost, to keep us powerfully united to God at all times and specially helped in all the diverse circumstances of our lives. Do you often call upon this Paraclete Spirit, this Advocate and Helper of our souls? He has an infinite love for us, so let us strive to remain in His good graces.

A big **"thank you"** to all who helped prepare our lovely **May Crowning and First Communions** last Sunday. The first time we receive the real and substantial presence of Our Lord in Holy Communion is a truly extraordinary moment in our lives; one filled with untold graces. I am sure these young children were well disposed by all your efforts. **Our Blessed Mother was sweetly honored** as well by her Crowning for the month dedicated to her; May, the loveliest of all.

My gratitude goes out as well to all who contributed to the **collection for the Institute's seminarians** last Sunday. With your generosity, we were able to raise a total of \$1,175 for the formation of your future priests. **Thank you!**

I was also glad that we had a decent turnout for our **altar server training** this Saturday. Regular practice of the prayers and liturgical movements is so important in ensuring that we always offer the most worthy liturgy possible for the glory of the Triune God.

Among the recent flurry of troubling news is the **arrest of Joseph Cardinal Zen** by Chinese authorities for "colluding with foreign forces." He has since been released on bail, thankfully. Cardinal Zen is not only friendly to the Traditional Latin Mass movement, he celebrated Holy Mass here at St. Margaret Mary in 2017 on a very brief visit to California. **Let us be sure to keep the persecuted Cardinal in our prayers**, that he would continue to be a brave shepherd to the souls in his care.

Like Cardinal Mindszenty of Hungary before him, Cardinal Zen is known for his staunch anti-Communism. Stéphane Courtois's comprehensive work, *The Black Book of Communism: Crimes, Terror, Repression*, sheds substantive light on the subject.

Short notice! There will be a **brief spiritual talk followed by dinner** for the **Men's Group** this coming **Tuesday evening, May 17** in the church hall, from 7:30pm to 9:30pm. **Please RSVP to Johnny Lazear** if you're interested: Lazearj41@gmail.com or (302) 740-6920.

A reminder: our monthly **Sursum Corda event for young adults** is this **Thursday evening, May 19**. The Rosary will be recited at 6 pm, there will



May Crowning and First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 7

be a talk at 6:30, a social dinner at 7, and the chanted Office of Compline to conclude the evening. If interested in attending, please rsvp to Noe Perez at n_perez3@u.pacific.edu.

Parched? The state of California will be soon if it doesn't get more rain. In times of **drought, pestilence and other natural woes**, Holy Mother Church has traditionally made use of **processions to beg for aid** from Heaven. Following this example, we will have a **Procession to Beg for Rain** next **Saturday, May 21** after the 10 am Mass.

There will be a **Society of the Sacred Heart Morning of Recollection** on **Saturday, May 28** from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. These events always feature a spiritual conference of about an hour, followed by lunch. We hope to see you there! Please rsvp to: oakland@institute-christ-king.org.

Another reminder that the yearly **boys' summer camp** operated by the Institute's two California apostolates (Oakland and San Jose dioceses), **St. Michael's Patrol**, is tentatively being planned for the **first week of August**. If interested, please contact me directly: canon.norman@institute-christ-king.org.

There will be a **regular Sunday reception** after the 12:30 Mass today. Please join us in the hall!

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,
Canon Benjamin Norman

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
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†
Mon. 5/16	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Ubald, Bishop & Confessor <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Father Staal	Kiara Gorsic
Tue. 5/17	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Pascal Baylon, Confessor <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Arise Vaughan†
Wed. 5/18	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Venantius, Martyr <i>3rd Class/ Red</i>	Canon Norman	Mary & Salvador† Martinez
Thurs. 5/19	12:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Peter Celestine, Pope & Confessor <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Canon Norman	Takisha Upshaw
Fri. 5/20	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Bernardine of Sienna, Confessor <i>3rd Class/ White</i> <i>Adoration after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	E. C. Geiger†
Sat. 5/21	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Our Lady's Saturday <i>4th Class/ White</i> <i>Procession after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Georgia de Terra†
Sun. 5/22	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Fifth Sunday After Easter <i>2nd Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Edward† & Teresa Williams†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>		Canon Norman	Altar Servers

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	Fil Marquez

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Jeff Glass	James Metran	Ramon Lanzar
Marie-Terese Karel-Michaan		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 17—Men's Group Talk & Dinner (*RSVP)

May 19—Sursum Corda (*RSVP)

May 26—Ascension of Our Lord

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

*RSVPs

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SURSUM CORDA: If you'd like to attend this monthly event on May 19, (Rosary in church, talk and dinner in the hall, starting at 6pm), please email Noe Perez at n_perez3@u.pacific.edu

SOCIETY OF THE SACRED HEART: A half-day of recollection will take place on Saturday, May 28, from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm; a spiritual conference followed by 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

SUNDAY SERMONS AND BULLETINS

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

<https://institute-christ-king.org/oakland-sermons>

For Sunday bulletins, go to

<https://institute-christ-king.org/bulletins-oakland>

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