

**May 13, 2018****THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED: Hearing aids for use are in the sacristy—please return them after Mass.

*With joy & happiness we welcome all of you who have come to pray and worship with us. We hope you will find friendship and fellowship in our community and encouragement to face whatever may come in the week ahead. For our guests & visitors, we pray that your stay in Tahoe is wonderful, that you have a safe journey home – and return to us soon.*

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Matthias was added to the eleven apostles (Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26).

**Psalm** — The Lord has set his throne in heaven (Psalm 103).

**Second Reading** — If God so loved us, we also must love one another (1 John 4:11-16).

**Gospel** — Holy Father, keep them in your name, so that they may be one just as we are one (John 17:11b-19).

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

**Saturday May 12 Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras**

<b>5:30 pm</b>	Father Mark Richards, 25th anniversary of ordination, by Pat Murphy
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**Sunday May 13**

<b>8:00 am</b>	St. Theresa parishioners
<b>10:00 am</b>	Bernice Attinger (dec) by Moe
<b>12:00 pm</b>	Sgt. John Kyle Daggett (dec) by SSG Lance Oineza
<b>7:00 pm</b>	

**Monday May 14 St. Matthias**

<b>8:00 am</b>	Leon Bryce Oineza (bday) by Cherry & Napoleon
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**Tuesday May 15 St. Isidore the Farmer**

<b>8:00 am</b>	Patrick & Catherine Hurley (dec)
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**Wednesday May 16**

<b>8:00 am</b>	Paul Roach (special intention) by his family
<b>12:00 pm</b>	William Marston (dec) by Terre Tibbetts

**Thursday May 17**

<b>8:00 am</b>	Mark & John Hurley (dec)
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**Friday May 18 St. John I**

<b>8:00 am</b>	Anna Mondello (dec) by Phil Mondello
<b>12:00 pm</b>	Agnes Villa (bday) by her family

**Saturday May 19**

<b>5:30 pm</b>	Charles Maddox (dec) by the Maddox Boyle families
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**Help us CRAM-A-CRUISER**

**Saturday, May 19th 10am to 3pm**

With food for South Lake Tahoe Kids in need!

Grocery Outlet, 2358 Lake Tahoe Blvd.

St. Theresa's "Bread & Broth 4 Kids" is packing & sending bags of food home with food insecure school kids for weekend nourishment. **We need your help!**

Please stop by Grocery Outlet on May 19th to donate food from our wish list or help us with a monetary donation so we can purchase the food.

**WISH LIST:** canned soup, ravioli, spaghetti, chili, tuna (5oz.), beef jerky, mac & cheese (small instant cups), instant oatmeal in packets, granola bars, fruit snacks, ramen, cup o' noodles, fruit or applesauce cups, raisins (1oz.), nuts, crackers with cheese or peanut butter. All single serving packages, please.

For questions, please call Paula Peterson (530) 307-0909 or Christy Slocum (530) 542-8748

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 1:15-27, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

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

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26

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

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

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>Monday, May 14</b>	8am Mass; 4pm-5:30pm Bread & Broth meal
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<b>Tuesday, May 15</b>	8am Mass; 9am Study Program
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<b>Wednesday, May 16</b>	8am Mass; 12noon Mass; 5pm Wedding Rehearsal
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<b>Thursday, May 17</b>	8am Mass; <b>10am Funeral Mass for Bart Sullivan</b> ; 12noon Wedding; Kirwood-Yates; 7pm Bible Study in Spanish
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<b>Friday, May 18</b>	8am &12noon Masses; <b>5pm Rehearsal for First Communion</b>
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<b>Saturday, May 19</b>	<b>11am First Communions</b> ; 4pm Confessions; 2pm Baptisms; 5:30pm Vigil Mass
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<b>Sunday, May 20</b>	8am, 10am, 12 noon and 7pm (in Spanish) Masses; <b>Meet &amp; Greet after the 8am, 10am &amp; 12noon Masses</b>
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**STEWARSHIP IN OUR PARISH**

<b>05/06</b>	Regular Collection	4512.10
	<b>Building Maintenance</b>	1758.42

Second collection THIS weekend: **Catholic Communication Campaign**

Second collection **May 19/20: NO SECOND COLLECTION**

**PRAYER REQUESTS****FOR PARISHIONERS ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY**

Phillip Gaston | Corbett Martin | Zachary Martin | Erik Townsend

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL**

Concordia Balong | Bill Barboni | Romie Enriquez | Gene Estepa | Steve Frick | Ophelia Kirvida | Kel Lohmeier | Matthew Morisky | Simon McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O'Malley | Cecilia Ramirez | Tony Russo

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

If you would like to add to the prayer list, please send an email with your loved one's name along with your name and phone number to [tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com).

## WHAT'S THE SMOKE FOR?

Dear Johan,

*Can you tell me why some people hold hands during the Lord's Prayer and others don't? And is one better than the other?*

Gentle Reader,

I too have noticed that some people hold hands, while others extend their hands or just fold their hands when praying the Lord's Prayer. None of these are explicitly forbidden and none of them are explicitly encouraged. And, as with most matters liturgical, this is a very touchy one, as people, not unlike myself, either hate or love the holding of hands during this important prayer.

We have a long history of liturgical gestures. The oldest prayer gesture is standing with outstretched arms. In Latin it is known as the orans, from the verb orare, to pray.

Depictions of men and women in the orans position have been found among early Christian art. Today, the ordained ministers are the only ones explicitly instructed to engage in this ancient liturgical posture.

Wanting to underline the centrality of the Lord's Prayer with our bodies, we went in search of an appropriate posture. Rather than assume the one we relinquished centuries ago, we assumed another one, holding hands. But the two gestures are totally different. The orans is connected with the transcendental aspect of the prayer, the fact that the prayer is addressed to God; the holding of hands emphasizes the immanent aspect, the people's togetherness as they pray.

Of course, both emphases have their merit, yet, in pure sacramental theological thinking, the union of all Christians is primarily expressed by the sharing in the one Body and Blood of Christ, hence the term Communion (with the Body of Christ). The Lord's Prayer prepares us for this union as we stand together in orans (in prayer) before our Maker.

So, if I had to answer your question, which I suppose is the purpose of this book, I would suggest that you opt for the ancient gesture of the orans. In the same way as common language has been deemed unworthy of the liturgy so are common gestures. Holding hands seems just a bit too familiar.

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## THE TEMPTATION TO HOARD

As fearful people we are inclined to develop a mind-set that makes us say: "There's not enough food for everyone, so I better be sure I save enough for myself in case of emergency," or "There's not enough knowledge for everyone to enjoy; so I'd better keep my knowledge to myself, so no one else will use it" or "There's not enough love to give to everybody, so I'd better keep my friends for myself to prevent others from taking them away from me." This is a scarcity mentality. It involves hoarding whatever we have, fearful that we won't have enough to survive. The tragedy, however, is that what you cling to ends up rotting in your hands.

<http://henrinouwen.org/meditation/the-temptation-to-hoard/>

## BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

Call or visit the Religious Education Office

530.544.4788 Find the **2018 SCHEDULE:**

<http://www.tahoecatholic.com/baptisms>



## RESPECT LIFE PREGNANT ? NEED HELP?

We offer practical help to any women with a crisis pregnancy. We have a special concern for you and your unborn child. For any help with a troubled pregnancy, 544-3533.



## KNIGHT'S CORNER

*Every Job is a Self-Portrait of the person who does it.  
Autograph your work with Excellence. unknown author*

Men of the Parish are you looking for something more in your life? We do men's Catholic Fellowship!

[COMING SOON: St. Theresa commemorative keepsakes available for sale for a small donation.](#)

**CONGRATULATIONS TO FATHER GRACE - JUNE 13TH IS HIS 70TH ANNIVERSARY SERVING THE CHURCH. FR. GRACE IS THE ST. THERESA KNIGHTS' CHARTER CHAPLAIN AND STILL SERVES THE KNIGHTS TODAY. THANK YOU FATHER GRACE!!**

[MONTHLY MEETING—June 13th with Dinner @6pm](#)

[PANCAKE BREAKFAST—June 3rd after the 8 & 10AM Masses](#)  
It always tastes right when cooked by a Knight!

**Become a better version of yourself. Become a knight!**

George Westinghouse (530)-721-1753 will be happy to help you learn more about the Knights of Columbus

## SHARING FREELY OUR KNOWLEDGE

Often we think that we do not know enough to be able to teach others. We might even become hesitant to tell others what we know, out of fear that we won't have anything left to say when we are asked for more.

This mind-set makes us anxious, secretive, possessive, and self-conscious. But when we have the courage to share generously with others all that we know, whenever they ask for it, we soon discover that we know a lot more than we thought. It is only by giving generously from the well of our knowledge that we discover how deep that well is.

[henrinouwen.org/meditation/sharing-freely-knowledge/](http://henrinouwen.org/meditation/sharing-freely-knowledge/)

## GOD'S GENEROSITY

God is a god of abundance, not a god of scarcity. Jesus reveals to us God's abundance when he offers so much bread to the people that there are twelve large baskets with leftover scraps (see John 6:5-15), and when he makes his disciples catch so many fish that their boat nearly sinks (Luke 5:1-7). God doesn't give us just enough. God gives us more than enough: more bread and fish than we can eat, more love than we dared to ask for.

God is a generous giver, but we can only see and enjoy God's generosity when we love God with all of our hearts, minds, and strength. As long as we say, "I will love you, God, but first show me your generosity," we will remain distant from God and unable to experience what God truly wants to give us, which is life and life in abundance.

<http://henrinouwen.org/meditation/gods-generosity/>

## REFLECTIONS

### INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

MAY 2018 | Evangelization:

The Mission of the Laity That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

<https://www.popesprayer.net/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/English-2018-def-temi-3.pdf>

**"ABSENCE MAKES THE HEART GROW \_\_\_\_" | "No sooner had He said this than He was lifted up before their eyes in a cloud which took Him from their sight." —Acts 1:9**

For almost forty years, a good Catholic father told his children to live for Jesus and to love Jesus especially by going to Mass — not only on Sundays but daily, or as often as possible. However, although some of his children went to Mass on Sundays, they never made the decision to live for Jesus. Then the father said again what he had said for all those years, but this time he died. The children could no longer so easily dismiss or ignore their father's words. One of his sons gave his life to Jesus and centered his life on the Eucharist.

For many years, Jesus has told His disciples many things. We are to:

- downsize our lifestyles and choose poverty (Mt 5:3),
- love and forgive our enemies (see Mt 5:44),
- deny ourselves and take up our crosses each day (Lk 9:23),
- wash the feet of others in sacrificial service (see Jn 13:5ff),
- devote ourselves to God's Word and the communal life (Acts 2:42), and
- spend our lives in being witnesses for Jesus (Acts 1:8).

Many Christians have ignored these commands of Jesus. However, when Jesus ascended, His disciples could not so easily dismiss His words.

May we receive this grace of the Ascension today. On this third day of the Pentecost novena, may we respond to Jesus' words and take Him seriously.

**Prayer:** *Jesus, may Your ways of being "absent" help me be more present and obedient to You.*

**Promise:** *"The Lord continued to work with them." —Mk 16:20*

**Praise:** *Praise the risen Lord, Who ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

[www.presentationministries.com/obob/obob.asp?lang=en&d=5/13/2018](http://www.presentationministries.com/obob/obob.asp?lang=en&d=5/13/2018)

### FOLLOWING CHRIST IN THE HOLY SPIRIT: DISCERNMENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT by Fr. Dick Hauser, SJ

Christians are called to be disciples of Jesus Christ. Discipleship begins with the encounter with Christ, when one decides to follow Jesus. Keeping the Ten Commandments comes later, as one encounters Christ and decides to do his will. This is a two-stage process of initial and ongoing conversion, of internal and external assent that may happen simultaneously as we mature as Christians. This maturation leads us to an ever deeper level of discipleship with Christ. The Holy Spirit moves us from an external conformity of actions to an internal response to Christ, to following Christ in the Holy Spirit! "The redemption accomplished by the Son in the dimensions of the earthly history of humanity—accomplished in his 'departure' through the Cross and Resurrection—is at the same time, in its entire salvific power, transmitted to the Holy Spirit: the one who will take what is mine." (Dominum et Vivificantem, no.11) All Christian spirituality flows from responding to the Holy Spirit. Hence, the word "spirituality."

We know that prayer is a gift of the Holy Spirit. It involves dropping external preoccupations and listening and responding to the internal voice of the Holy Spirit rising within our hearts. St. Paul is clear in this when he says, "In the same way, the Spirit too comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit intercedes with inexpressible groanings. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because it intercedes for the holy ones according to God's will." (Rom 8:26-27)

Discernment of the Holy Spirit is also a gift of the Holy Spirit. Our reflections focus on God's presence through the Holy Spirit, given to us through faith and baptism. Discernment of the Holy Spirit is listening and responding to the voice of the Holy Spirit arising in the midst of daily activities. It is being aware of the internal fluctuations of our hearts and learning to discern those movements that flow from the Holy Spirit from those that do not. The Epistles and the Gospels invite us to be disciples "in the Holy Spirit," the third person of the Blessed Trinity.

[www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/how-we-teach/catechesis/catechetical-sunday/prayer/adult-faith-formation-hauser.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/how-we-teach/catechesis/catechetical-sunday/prayer/adult-faith-formation-hauser.cfm)

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MAY

### COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN | MAY 12/13

Today, we are taking up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, here and around the world, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the gospel message and support the collection today! To learn more, visit [www.usccb.org/ccc](http://www.usccb.org/ccc).

### SPRING CLEAN-UP

The Spring Clean-Up is scheduled for Saturday, May 26 8am to 12noon. We will be cleaning the inside and the outside of the church. We need your help! Fr. Mauricio

### SHREDDING FUNDRAISER | May 26 | 10am-2pm | Saint Theresa's parking lot

Mark your calendars! Bring all your documents and old papers to be shredded and prevent identity theft!

Suggested donation: \$5-\$10 a box. For more information, contact Danette Winslow (530) 544-4788 or [sttheresare@gmail.com](mailto:sttheresare@gmail.com)

## JUNE

### DISCIPLES MAKING DISCIPLES

*Q. What is the Period of the Catechumenate? What happens during this period of initiation?*

*A. The Period of the Catechumenate is the second stage in the initiation process. When inquirers, along with the pastor, catechists, and others who have been involved with them, discern that they are ready to publically express their desire to accept the Gospel and follow the way of Jesus Christ, the inquirer is invited to celebrate the Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens. This rite formally begins the second stage.*

The Catechumenate should be a long period of formation, catechesis, and ongoing discernment nourished by communal and personal prayer. Catechumens are guided in the ways of Christian living (formation) and taught about the faith (catechesis); they continue to listen for the Holy Spirit's call (prayer and discernment). They pray regularly with the community and with the help of sponsors and others begin to develop a personal prayer life.

The rite envisions a catechumen spending a minimum of one full liturgical year in this period to provide time for the Gospel to take root and rouse conversion of heart and mind. Together the catechists, sponsors, and the catechumen listen for the promptings of the Holy Spirit to discern future steps in the process.

The seasons and celebrations of the liturgical year with their readings, prayers, and music all reveal the mysteries and teachings of the faith—especially the Paschal Mystery at its core (the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ). Experiencing the unfolding of those insights and teachings throughout a full liturgical year is an important part of the catechesis of the Catechumenate. In this way, catechumens receive instruction; they become acquainted with the basic dogmas and precepts of the Church, reflect on them, and begin to make them their own.

Catechumens experience the new life to which they are called in the midst of the Christian assembly. The community helps catechumens to know Jesus, to live as Christians, and to hear the call of the Holy Spirit.

Catechumens should learn to be active readers of Scripture, regular in prayer, and should attempt to reform their lives around the Church's proclamation of the Gospel. Sessions during this period will include prayer, reflection, and discussion on particular Church teachings, as well as testimony from members of the community.

During this period, Catechumens are dismissed from the Sunday assembly to reflect together on the Word. Since they are not yet initiated they cannot intercede for the world in the Universal Prayer, pray the Profession of Faith, or participate in the Eucharist. They are nourished by several other rites, including celebrations of the Word, minor exorcisms, blessings, and anointing with the oil of catechumens.

Catechumens should have sponsors, catechists, and others from the assembly with whom they can dialogue regularly. These Christians are companions and guides, sharing their faith, engaging with them in prayer and in discernment about what God desires for them. Catechumens should also know that the whole parish is supporting them in prayer.

At the end of the period, catechumens will not know everything about the Christian faith, nor will they be perfect Christians. But they will have a good grasp of the faith and its rituals and have a desire to be more fully part of the Church's celebration. When the pastor, catechists, and sponsors, with the catechumens, discern that the catechumens are ready, the parish may celebrate the Rite of Sending and send them to the bishop for the Rite of Election at the beginning of Lent. That rite formally ends the Period of the Catechumenate and names the catechumens "the elect"—those chosen for the sacraments of initiation.

HELP US

# CRAM-A-CRUISER

WITH FOOD FOR SOUTH LAKE TAHOE KIDS IN NEED!

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# 13 DE MAYO DE 2018 | LA ASCENSIÓN DEL SEÑOR

PARA PROBLEMAS DE ESCUCHA: hay audífonos disponibles en la sacristía. Favor de devolverlos después de Misa.

José Bienvenidos a todos! Nos reunimos con Jesús. Cristo es quién nos invita al banquete celestial. Que esta liturgia les traiga paz. Si están visitando nuestra iglesia por la primera vez, ¡ójala que se sienten como en familia, una parte de la familia mundial del Señor. Les damos la bienvenida cordialmente y celebramos y contemplamos el misterio de la Eucaristía y rezamos que su viaje a su casa será seguro y que regresen pronto.

## LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Los Apóstoles eligen a Matías para remplazar a Judas y seguir con doce miembros (Hechos 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26).

**Salmo** — El Señor puso en el cielo tu trono (Salmo 103 [102]).

**Segunda lectura** — La persona que vive en amor vive en Dios y Dios vive en ella (1 Juan 4:11-16).

**Evangelio** — “Padre, cuida en tu nombre a los que me has dado para que sean uno” (Juan 17:11b-19).

## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Hch 1:15-27, 20-26; Sal 113 (112):1-8; Jn 15:9-17

Martes: Hch 20:17-27; Sal 68 (67):10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

Miércoles: Hch 20:28-38; Sal 68 (67):29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

Jueves: Hch 22:30; 23:6-11; Sal 16 (15):1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26

Viernes: Hch 25:13b-21; Sal 103 (102):1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Sábado: Hch 28:16-20, 30-31; Sal 11 (10):4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25

## INTENCIÓNES PARA LAS MISAS

**12 de mayo | sábado | Santos Nereo y Aquiles; San Pancracio**

**5:30 pm** Father Mark Richards, 25th anniversary of ordination, by Pat Murphy

**13 de mayo | domingo |**

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**7:00 pm**

**14 de mayo | lunes |**

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**15 de mayo | martes |**

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**16 de mayo | miércoles |**

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**12:00 pm** William Marston (dec) by Terre Tibbetts

**17 de mayo | jueves |**

**8:00 am** Mark & John Hurley (dec)

**18 de mayo | viernes |**

**8:00 am** Anna Mondello (dec) by Phil Mondello

**12:00 pm** Agnes Villa (bday) by her family

**19 de mayo | sábado |**

**5:30 pm** Charles Maddox (dec) by the Maddox Boyle families

## PETICIONES POR ESTAS PERSONAS

### POR LOS FELIGRESES—ACTIVOS CON EL SERVICIO MILITAR

Phillip Gaston | Corbett Martin | Zachary Martin | Erik Townsend

### POR LOS QUE ESTÁN ENFERMOS

Concordia Balong | Bill Barboni | Romie Enriquez | Gene Estepa | Steve Frick | Ophelia Kirvida | Kel Lohmeier | Matthew Morisky | Simon McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O’Malley | Cecilia Ramirez | Tony Russo

### LISTA DE LOS ENFERMOS

Si desea conservar su ser querido en la lista, por favor, envíe un correo electrónico con el nombre de su ser querido, junto con su nombre y número de teléfono a [tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com)



## DEVOCIÓN A NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL PERPETUO SOCORRO

Cada miércoles a las horas de 10:30 am con la “coronilla de la Divina Misericordia”. Rosario y oraciones especial a Perpetuo Socorro.

## COLECTA DE LA “CAMPAÑA CATÓLICA DE LA COMUNICACIÓN” | 12 Y 13 DE MAYO

Hoy, llevaremos a cabo la colecta para la Campaña Católica de la Comunicación (CCC). Sus donativos ayudan a la CCC a conectar a las personas con Cristo, aquí y alrededor del mundo, a través del internet, la televisión, la radio y los medios impresos. La mitad de los fondos recaudados permanecen en nuestra diócesis para financiar esfuerzos locales. Sean parte de esta campaña para propagar el mensaje del evangelio y ¡dejen su apoyo a la colecta de hoy! Para informarse más, visiten [www.usccb.org/ccc](http://www.usccb.org/ccc).

## LIMPIEZA DE LA IGLESIA

La limpieza dentro y fuera de la iglesia está programada para el sábado 26 de mayo de 8am a 12 mediodía. ¡Dona un poco de tu tiempo y trabajo! Padre Mauricio

## GRACIAS POR SU GENEROSIDAD!

05/06	Colecta Regular	4512.10
	Mantenimiento	1758.42

Segunda colecta— 12/13 de mayo: COLECTA DE LA “CAMPAÑA CATÓLICA DE LA COMUNICACIÓN

Segunda colecta— 19/20 de mayo: *no colecta*

# DISCÍPULOS HACIENDO DISCÍPULOS

**Pregunta:** ¿Qué es el Rito de Elección, y qué sucede durante esta liturgia?

**Respuesta:** Los catecúmenos pasan a la siguiente etapa de su formación participando en el Rito de elección o de Inscripción de los nombres. Tras un tiempo generoso de formación e instrucción en el catecumenado, los catecúmenos, con la ayuda del pastor, catequistas y sponsors o tutores en la fe, han discernido que están listos para los sacramentos de iniciación en la Vigilia Pascual. En el Rito de Elección el obispo los pronunciará “elegidos”, y luego pasarán a la última etapa de preparación.

Hasta el momento los catecúmenos han sido preparados en su parroquia. Ahora serán presentados a la iglesia más grande, en la catedral diocesana. Su parroquia puede celebrar un rito de envío en el que los catecúmenos son presentados a la asamblea parroquial para pedir su bendición para este paso. El celebrante pregunta a los sponsors o tutores si los catecúmenos están listos para ser presentados al obispo. Después de escuchar las respuestas afirmativas, el celebrante dice a los catecúmenos que la comunidad los recomienda con gusto al obispo para el Rito de Elección. En algunos casos firman sus nombres en el Libro de los elegidos en la parroquia, el cual será llevado a la catedral y presentado en el Rito de Elección. En otros casos, la firma toma lugar como parte del Rito de Elección.

A lo largo de la primera parte del proceso de iniciación, el acompañante de cada catecúmeno ha sido el sponsor o tutor en la fe. De ahora en adelante, el acompañante será el padrino o madrina, con quien el iniciado tendrá una relación de por vida; con frecuencia, el catecúmeno pide al sponsor o tutor en la fe que lo陪伴e, ahora en el papel de padrino o madrina.

Los catecúmenos, sus padrinos y catequistas van a la catedral diocesana para el Rito de Elección. El rito mismo toma lugar después de la homilía, en la que el obispo ayuda a los catecúmenos a comprender lo que el rito significa para ellos con una reflexión sobre el llamado continuo de Cristo a cada uno de ellos. Enseguida son llamados por sus nombres y son presentados al obispo, acompañados por sus padrinos. Esta experiencia de la Iglesia más amplia, junto con el saludo personal del obispo, puede ser una experiencia muy especial para los catecúmenos. A continuación el obispo pregunta a los padrinos si sus catecúmenos están listos para la iniciación cristiana. El obispo pregunta específicamente: “¿Han escuchado estos catecúmenos fielmente la palabra de Dios proclamada por la Iglesia?”, “¿Han compartido la compañía cristiana de sus hermanos y hermanas?” (RICA, 131B). El obispo puede también pedir a la asamblea su testimonio. Finalmente, pregunta a los catecúmenos si desean entrar más plenamente en la vida de la Iglesia.

Después de todas estas preguntas y respuestas, los catecúmenos son invitados a inscribir sus nombres en el Libro de los Elegidos. Los nombres pueden ser inscritos en el libro durante la liturgia o, si sus nombres fueron inscritos anteriormente en el libro parroquial de los elegidos, entonces el libro es presentado en este momento. Los nombres son leídos en voz alta. Un libro con los nombres de los que han sido elegidos aparece mencionado en las Sagradas Escrituras.

"LA AUSENCIA HACE CRECER EL AMOR"

"Dicho esto, los Apóstoles lo vieron elevarse, y una nube lo ocultó de la vista de ellos" (Hechos 1:9).

Durante casi cuarenta años, un buen padre católico les dijo a sus hijos que vivieran para Jesús y que amaran a Jesús especialmente yendo a la misa, no solo los domingos, sino todos los días, o con la mayor frecuencia posible. Sin embargo, aunque algunos de sus hijos fueron a la Misa los domingos, nunca tomaron la decisión de vivir para Jesús. Entonces, el padre volvió a decir lo que había dicho durante todos esos años, pero esta vez murió. Los hijos ya no podían dejar de lado ni ignorar las palabras de su padre. Uno de sus hijos dio su vida a Jesús y centró su vida en la Eucaristía. Durante muchos años, Jesús les ha dicho muchas cosas a Sus discípulos. Debemos:

- reducir nuestros estilos de vida y elegir la pobreza (Mt 5:3),
  - amar y perdonar a nuestros enemigos (ver Mt 5:44),
  - negarnos a nosotros mismos y cargar nuestras cruces cada día (Lc 9:23),
  - lavar los pies de los demás como un servicio de sacrificio (ver Jn 13:5ss),
  - dedicarnos a la Palabra de Dios y a la vida comunal (Hch 2:42), y
  - vivir nuestras vidas siendo testigos de Jesús (Hch 1:8).

Muchos cristianos han ignorado estos mandamientos de Jesús. Sin embargo, cuando Jesús ascendió, Sus discípulos no podían descartar tan fácilmente Sus palabras.

Que recibamos la gracia de la Ascensión hoy. Que en este tercer día de la novena de Pentecostés respondamos a las palabras de Jesús y lo tomemos en serio.

**Oración:** Jesús, que Tus maneras de estar "ausente" me ayuden a estar más presente y obediente a Ti.

**Promesa:** "El Señor los asistirá" (Mc 16:20).

**Alabanza:** Alabado sea el Señor resucitado, que subió al cielo y está sentado a la derecha del Padre.

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>>>>>>>Después de la inscripción, el obispo declara que los catecúmenos son “miembros de los elegidos, para ser iniciados en los misterios sagrados durante la próxima Vigilia Pascual”. Los recién elegidos responden, “Demos gracias a Dios”. La Iglesia entonces ora por ellos y promete caminar con ellos mientras continúan su preparación hacia la Pascua. El Rito de Elección es un paso decisivo para las personas que se preparan para la iniciación, ya que afirma su llamado al bautismo, la confirmación y la Eucaristía en nombre de la Iglesia en general.

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