# ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH

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#### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 5-26-2019

May 2019 Pope's Intention: THE CHURCH IN AFRICA, A SEED OF UNITY That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

#### VISION-MISSION STATEMENT

We are an **all-welcoming** Christ-centered community celebrating our deeply rooted Catholic traditions, respectful & appreciative of our multicultural diversity, journeying together to share family values and commitment to service.

#### Parish Office Hours:

Tues. and Fri. 9 am-1 pm Mon., Wed., and Thurs. closed



"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid."
"La paz les dejo, mi paz les doy. No se la doy como la da el mundo. No pierdan la paz ni se acobarden."

(Jn. 14:27)

#### PRAYER OF ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

O Father, the first rule of our dear Savior's life was to do Your Will. Let His Will of the present moment be the first rule of our daily life & work, with no other desire but for its most full and complete accomplishment. Help us to follow it faithfully, so that doing what You wish we will be pleasing to You. Amen.



#### PARISH STAFF

SUSAN TUTTLE Secretary seaschurchlo@gmail.com HEATHER HURLEY Coordinator for English Faith Formation, RCIA HeatherH.SEAS.7@gmail.com

DECLARACIÓN DE NUESTRA VISION y MISIÓN

Somos una comunidad totalmente acogedora y centrada en Cristo que celebrando nuestras tradiciones Católicas profundamente arraigadas, respetamos y apreciamos nuestra diversidad multicultural, caminamos juntos para compartir los valores de la familia y el compromiso al servicio.



#### ORACIÓN DE SANTA ELIZABETH ANN SETON

Oh Padre, la primera regla de la vida de nuestro querido Salvador fue hacer tu voluntad. Dejar que tu Voluntad en el momento presente sea la primera regla de nuestra vida cotidiana y nuestro trabajo, sin ninguna otra voluntad sino hacer tu voluntad plena y completa. Ayúdanos a seguir con fidelidad, para que haciendo lo que deseas seamos más agradables a Ti. Amén.

> CRISTINA CURZI Interim Bookkeeper

**REV. JOEY R. BUENA** Pastor frjoeyseasparishlo@gmail.com JAVIER SOTO OSORIO Office Manager & Coordinator Spanish Faith Formation, RCIA javi.s.seaschurchlo@gmail.com

#### **MEMORIAL DAY**

Let us remember all those who have died protecting our nation. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. Let Your Perpetual Light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

#### EASTER WHITE ORCHIDS IN MEMORY OF OUR LOVED ONES

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Ed Ladewski, Sr. Mary C. Koleska William Schanberger Alex & Lois Glavinos Vincent Kelley Francisco & Apolonia Cawagas Guil Ċawagas Roy & Gladys Meece The Kemble Family The LeNoue Family Mary Ann O'Reilly Ernest Ray Plunkett Teodora Espiritu Eufemia Dizon Ana Cleto Cortez Francisco Cortez Maura Cortez Aqui Family Andres Simangan, Jr. Romulo Corrales Lita Pagulayan Otilia Cruz Myrna Oliveros Andres Simangan Amparo Simangan Deceased members of the following families: Mr. & Mrs. Ben Agapay Ebreo & Padua Families Mr. & Mrs. Rionie Luna & Family Mr. & Mrs. Romeo Eublera & Family Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Goron & Family Mr. & Mrs. Rolando Cardenas & Family Mr. Glen Rabaca & Family Mrs. Normie Gabatin & Family

Fredo Dela Cruz Mina Cantorna Andy Boy Dela Cruz R. Rodriguez Family Basilio Lopez. Sr. Yuriko N. Lopez Salvacoin Rabaca Estaban Rabaca Aurelia A. Pacaoan Nicomedez Aguinaldo Carlota Aguinaldo Pedro Luna Maria Cantorna Mamerta G. Luna Eublera Family dela Cruz Family Eddie Boy Quines Pedro Agni Otilia Cruz Armando Torres Victorina Dave Bresnan Grace Tevis Edgardo Dizon Luisito Leyva Genito Family Ioli FamilyManuel & Leonicia Padua Sixta & Jerry Tabosan Rosalia Lacasen Gloria Salcedo Deceased members of Evangelista, Rustria, De Lima, Buena

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations for our Easter orchids. God bless you.

#### **BULLETIN ADS/SPONSORSHIP**

Do you want to put an ad for your business in our bulletin? Or do your wish to greet a loved one on his/her special day? Our bulletin is posted on our parish app and website.

Juliet

Ann

Contact our parish office at seaschurchlo@gmail.com Thanks!

9:00 am

Heather

May 26

Sun

The primary music ministers are the faithful who attend the Mass. Musicians & cantors serve the faithful so that all can actively participate. I encourage everyone, let us sing & praise God together! Fr. Joey

#### MUSIC FOR MAY 25/26, 2019 ENGLISH MASSES Please listen to Cantor's announcement for any changes

	SONG TITLE	SONG NUMBER
GATHERING SONG	JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE	544
OFFERTORY	BY THE WAKING OF OUR HEARTS	471
COMMUNION	IN THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD	336
MEDITATION (READINGS RELATED)	HOLY IS HIS NAME	704
SENDING FORTH	AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL	644

#### **ENGLISH CATECHISM SIGN-UPS**

Catechism sign-up/enrollment for School Year 2019-20 June 2nd 10:00—10:50am and 12:30—12:50pm

Applications are available on the back tables to take home and return on June 2nd during to the appointed times. By signing up now you help us reduce costs. Thanks for your help! See Heather or Javier if you have questions.

#### **1ST SATURDAY MASS & ROSARY**

Our monthly first Saturday mass in honor of Our Lady is this coming Saturday, June 1st at 8:30am. It is followed by the Rosary.

#### **BOFCA SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER**

WHAT: Filipino Community Barbecue Chicken Sale for scholarship WHEN: Sunday, May 26, 11 am to 2 pm WHERE: Ralph's Grocery, Los Osos Valley Road COST: \$10.00 for 1/2 chicken, green salad, beans & rice CONTACT: Albert & Pina (805) 550-3635; Kathy (805) 801-0793

#### JUNE 1 & 2, 2019 2ND COLLECTION for RETIREMENT FUND FOR AGED/INFIRMED PRIESTS

Soledad

Lupita A.

Adriana

			May 2019			F LITUR	GICAL MIN	SPANIS		
DATE	DAY	TIME	1ST READER	2ND READER	COMMENTATOR	ENGLISH Extraordinary EMs	SPANISH Extraordinary EMs SUNDAY, 1:00 PM	SPANISH FIRST LECTOR SUNDAY 1:00 PM	SPANISH SECOND LECTOR SUNDAY 1:00 PM	SPANISH MASS GENERAL INTRODUCTION ANNOUNCE- MENT SUNDAY, 1:00 PM
May 18	Sat	5:30 pm	Melodianne	JoAnn	Melodianne			n/a	n/a	n/a
May 19	Sun	9:00 am	Tim	Ann	Heather	Josie, Cris, Albert, Juliet	Javier, Gregoria, Maria, Isidro, Juan	Manuel	Maria	Adriana
May 25	Sat	5:30 pm	Elaine	Sylvia	Jonniepat			n/a	n/a	n/a

Josie, Cris, Marjie, Albert Lupe A, Pedro, Margarita, Amelia

#### PLEASE REMEMBER ST. ELIZABETH'S IN YOUR WILL

A great way to **help our parish become financially stable** is to remember your parish church in your **Will** or **Trust**. To make sure the entire amount (100%) will go to St. Elizabeth's, please word the bequest like this: "I leave a bequest of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ to <u>ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON</u> <u>CATHOLIC CHURCH at 2050 Palisades Avenue, Los</u> <u>Osos, CA 93402."</u> If you wish to privately discuss this matter with Fr. Joey, please call parish office or email him at *frjoeyseasparishlo@gmail.com* to set an appointment. Thank you for considering SEAS for your final distribution.

#### **MINISTRY HELP**

During the summer many of our parishioners vacation and the number of available ministers dwindles. As One Body in Christ, we are His hands, feet, ears, and eyes. Please consider learning more about the various ministries in which you can serve our parish. These are just a few areas:

> Sacristan Choir member Ushering EM to the Homebound Lector

Eucharistic Minister Fundraising People's Kitchen Gardening International Festival

Please visit parish office & see Heather, Javier and Fr. Joey if you feel you are being called to serve.

#### BINGO

We NEED volunteers to start Bingo at our parish. Please contact Javier or Heather at (805)528-5319 or via email. Thanks!

#### ORDINATIONS

#### WHAT: Order of Deacon

WHEN: 31st May 2019, Friday, 6:00 pm WHERE: Madonna Del Sasso Pro Cathedral, Salinas WHO: Louie Belardo Bellen Reynaldo Esquivel Tyler Richard Harris Adam Woodward

#### WHAT: Order of Priesthood

WHEN: 7 June 2019, Friday, 6:00 pm
 WHERE: Madonna Del Sasso Pro Cathedral, Salinas
 WHO: Jose Miguel Aguayo Ruelas
 Gerson Espinosa Velasco
 Raphael Ordiales Reniva
 Karl Pantajoy Tolentino

Let us pray for these young men as they begin a new chapter in their lives.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FUNDRAISER IN SUPPORT OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & SEMINARIANS

WHAT: DINNER CONCERT

"Royal Garden Swing Orchestra" - a nine piece band will be playing big band music during dinner and later for those who love dancing.

Evening includes appetizers, no-host bar and catered dinner. Entrée choices are grilled tri-tip, chicken or salmon, dessert.

- WHEN: 15th June 2019, Friday, 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm
- WHERE: St. Timothy's Parish Hall, Morro Bay
- COST: \$45 for dinner & concert Seating will be limited. NO tickets will be sold at the door.

CONTACT: Tom Salmon (805) 704-6294; Ron Vasconcellos (805) 772-1806; Tim Prendergast (805) 704-1545.

#### "RED ENVELOPE 2ND COLLECTION" TODAY, MAY 25-26, 2019 AT ALL MASSES. FOR MAY 2019 PARISH OPERATIONS. Thank you for your support.

#### CAN I STILL GIVE TO AMA 2019?

YES PLEASE.

If you find <u>pledging a monthly donation to our parish</u> is most convenient for you, PLEASE give to the AMA 2019. Just fulfill your pledge so that the committed amount can be totally received by our parish.

As of the 5-20-19 AMA Report from the Diocese of Monterey the TOTAL COMMITTED amount to our parish is **\$33,269**. Out of that amount, the \$ received is **\$26,334**. **\$8,200** went to the Diocese. Our parish is still waiting to receive **\$18,134**.

All donations will now go to our parish. Thank you so much for your continued support!

#### RED ENVELOPES AVAILABLE AT THE BACK TABLE OF THE CHURCH FOR YOUR USE ON ANY SUNDAYS

If you wish that the whole amount of your donations go to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, please use the RED ENVELOPES provided at the back table of the church. Write your complete name outside the envelope if you are giving CASH. Put a simple initial outside the envelope if you are giving CHECK. This is for your future tax letter. Drop the envelope in the Sunday basket. Thank you for helping our parish.

#### ENCUENTRO MATRIMONIAL MUNDIAL Un Fin de Semana de descubrimiento !Una vida llena de amor!

Encontrar un Fin de Semana es facil. Usted puede visitor la página de internet: www.wwme.org

Al igual, puede llamar a nuestra oficina: (909) 332-7309

Informacíon del Encuentro local: Marcelo y Esther Almaguer (805) 237-8327 Oscar y Lorena Ñol (805) 550-7362

#### SAY "NO" TO CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 360

The California Catholic Conference has been vigorously opposing SB 360, the bill that would eliminate the sacred seal of the confessional in direct violation of our religious rights and beliefs. Unfortunately, the California Senate voted in favor of the bill May 23, and it has now advanced to the Assembly for their vote. I strongly urge you to contact your Assembly member and insist that they vote NO on SB 360. It's crucial that we make our voices heard NOW.

> Message of Deacon Warren Hoy Director of Family Life and Social Justice Ministry Safe Environment Coordinator Diocese of Monterey

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Contact Assembly member Jordan Cunningham

Sacramento Capitol office number: (916) 319-2035 San Luis Obispo District office number: (805) 549-3381

Go to this website and follow directions: https://cqrcengage.com/cacatholic/app/write-a-letter?0&engagementId=498306

DATE	<u>LE OF MASSES, REA</u> TIME	INTENTIONS	READINGS
Saturday, Vigil Sixth Sunday of Easter 25 May 2019	4:30 to 5:00pm Confession 5:30 pm English Mass	5:30pm: ⊕Angelita Galinato (2of 5)	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Ps 67: 2-3, 5-6, 8 Rv 21:10-14, 22-23 Jn 14:23-29
Sixth Sunday of Easter 26 May 2019	9:00am English Mass 1:00pm Spanish Mass	9:00am: ⊕Joseph Carlson ⊕Marilyn McAdam 1:00pm:	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Ps 67: 2-3, 5-6, 8 Rv 21:10-14, 22-23 Jn 14:23-29
Monday, Easter weekday 6th week of Easter 27 May 2019	8:30am Communion Service		Acts 16:11-15 Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b Jn 15: 26—16:4a
Tuesday, Easter weekday 6th week of Easter 28 May 2019	8:30am English Mass	8:30am: ∜Angelita Galinato (3of5)	Acts 16:22-34 Ps 138: 1-3, 7c-8 Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday, Easter weekday 6th week of Easter 29 May 2019	8:30am English Mass 9-10:00am English Divine Mercy & Adoration	8:30am: ∜Angelita Galinato (4of5)	Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 Ps 148:1-2, 11-14 Jn 16:12-15
Thursday, Easter weekday 6th week of Easter 30 May 2019	8:30am Communion Service	8:30am: Communion Service	Acts 18:1-8 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 16:16-20
Friday, Easter weekday 6th week of Easter 31 May 2019	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:30am English Mass 6:30pm Spanish Divine Mercy &Adoration 7:00pm Spanish Mass	8:30am: ∜Angelita Galinato (5of5) 7:00pm:∜Rosario Carino	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9- 16 (Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Lk 1:39-56
Saturday, Vigil Ascension of the Lord 1 June 2019	St. Justin Martyr 8:30am English Mass & Rosary 4:30 to 5:00pm Confession 5:30 pm English Mass	8:30am: 5:30pm: ⊕Juliana Tino (4of9)	Acts 18:23-28 Ps 47:2-3, 8-10 Jn 16:23b-28 Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47: 2-3, 6-9 Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28 10:19-23 Lk 24:46-53
Sunday, Ascension of the Lord 2 June 2019	9:00am English Mass 1:00pm Spanish Mass	9:00am: ⊕Joseph Carlson 1:00pm:	Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47: 2-3, 6-9 Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28 10:19-23 Lk 24:46-53
	LET US PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWI	NG / OREMOS POR	
<ul> <li>John LéNoue</li> <li>Peter Hewitt</li> <li>Pere Bresnan</li> <li>Vary Cavagnaro</li> <li>Bonifacio Garcia</li> <li>Sty</li> <li>Michael Culbertson</li> <li>Elit</li> </ul>	nily Sumner * Darleen Krouse avid Wright * Carolyn Lemos urea Cruz * Toshi Meehan athan Berry * Robert Green Sr. obert Ruiz * Rodney & Helen Macie ne Viviannie * Susi Reich /Ivia Radford * Sidney & Dorsey Dunt eanor Brown * Elisa Fajardo arah & Josh Matthews * Alfred & Irene Castane chael Vella * Mary de Angelo	<ul> <li>* Aaron Kondziela</li> <li>on * Maggie Quinn</li> <li>* Donna Nichols</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mark Woehrle</li> <li>The Rivers Family</li> <li>Daniel Nunez</li> <li>Nola, Nick, Louis, Bolores, Estrella, Jaelyni Soto</li> <li>Brian Pedigo and family</li> <li>Denee Pedigo</li> <li>Hugo Conti</li> <li>Shawn Clarke</li> <li>Regina Helm</li> </ul>

Margarita Garcia \* Frances Meehan

#### \* Lila Martinez

\* Mary de Angelo
\* Jessica Ketcherside

- \* Regina Helm

#### ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD AND LET YOUR PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM. MAY THEY REST IN PEACE. AMEN.

 \*Helen Penwell

 \*Charles Penwell

 \*Harold Platou

 \*Larry Mischel

 \*Dwight Mobley

 \*Gertrude Stimson

 \*John D. Walsh

 \*Elizabeth Martinez

 \*Ofelia Labra

 \*Severino Repollo

 \*Justo Yasay

 \*Joe Greene

 \*Cristina Patterson

 \*Filippo Mazzulla

 \*Elena Aurelio

 \*Homero Paredes

 \*Fermina Manuel

 \*Deacon Jim Cooper

 \*Ema Nieman

 \*Rodrigo Martinez

 \*Revna Gomez

 \*Lourdes Lepisto

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Lyn Ketcherside
Robert Beevers
Arcadio Tambo
Cleta Tambo
Adrelia Acain
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Cleta Tambo

 + William (Bill) Kemble

 + Diana Nishiura

 + Grace Tevis

 + Jerica Alaine Harris

 + Paul Landry

 + Casamira Asuncion

 + Carol Ann Burns

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 PMaria Carmen Zaragoza

 PRuth Casper

 PFr. Ray Roh

 PJoyce O'Brien

 Mariano Rustria

 PRobert Townsend

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 ⊕Erich Reich
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 #David Bresnan

 #Lydia Caloca Green

 #Mina Cantorna

 #Adela Patague

 #Arthony Spurloza

 #Cecilia Deines

 #Doris Stanley

 #Anto Clarke

 #Clifford Newgard

 #Begina Newgard

 #Gregory Newgard

### THANK YOU TO "DRESS A GIRL AROUND THE WORLD" MINISTRY

Dresses and shorts were distributed to two groups. The first group was the poor sick children confined at "Ospital ng Muntinlupa," Manila, Philippines last 24th April 2019.









The second group was the poor children at Sitio Acero,





Cupang, Muntinlupa who received their clothes last 22nd May 2019. Photos Below.



Thank you to Susan Chandler, our parishioner Darlene Krouse, and all their friends who lovingly sewed beautiful sundresses & shorts for children. All parents and their children were grateful for your generosity.







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Poor children at Sitio Acero, Cupang, Muntinlupa, Manila, Philippines







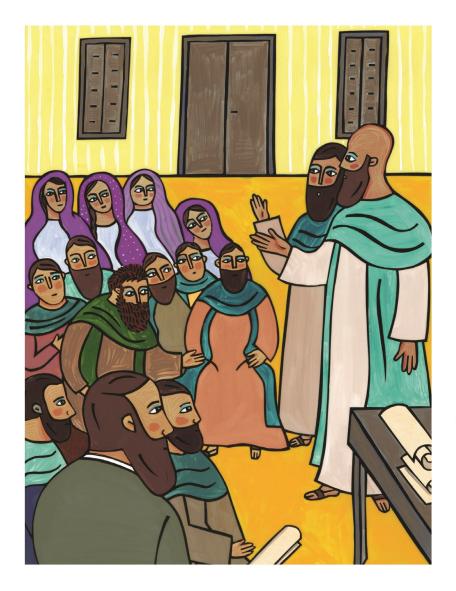




Patients Ospital Muntinlupa, Manila, Philippines.



# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



# The Advocate

#### Lord God,

you give us all that we need,
there is nothing that we lack.
Guide us so that we do not become
easily distracted with what is not
essential.
Help us when we are confused
or uncertain about a decision,
to turn to you when we need
guidance and support.
May we allow the Holy Spirit
to dwell within us and aid
our living out the joy
your Resurrection brings.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

# Sunday, May 26, 2019 My Peace I Give to You

Today's Readings: Acts 15:12, 22–29; Psalm 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8; Revelation 21:10–14, 22–23; John 14:23–29. After the disciples have followed Jesus for three years, one can imagine that they would be apprehensive and fearful at the thought of his leaving them. In today's Gospel, Jesus explains to the disciples how they are to live when he has gone to the Father. They are to keep his word, rely on the Holy Spirit, and live with untroubled hearts. In this way, they will live out his love in community.

Jesus gives his followers the gift of peace. As he states, this gift of peace is "not as the world gives." The peace of Christ is not fleeting as is the peace that occurs when nations or individuals cease to be engaged in conflict. This peace is a sign of unity with the Father, Son, and Spirit. When believers remain in Christ, they are at peace.

As is seen in the First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, peace may come after discerning the guidance the Holy Spirit provides. The early Church leaders needed to have many difficult discussions as they decided the rules necessary for followers. Regarding the decision on circumcision, the issue was debated and a determination made with the Holy Spirit. Just as the early Church relied on the Spirit, we need to do so. This week consider the place of the Holy Spirit in your life.



# THIS WEEK AT HOME

#### Monday, May 27 The Holy Trinity

Jesus speaks of the Trinity as he tells his disciples that he will send the Spirit from the Father. The mystery of the Trinity is central to our faith and is expressed each time the Sign of the Cross is made. As all sign themselves with the cross at the beginning of Mass, the Trinitarian dynamic of worship is recognized. *Today's Readings: Acts 16:11–15; Psalm 149:1–2, 3–4, 5–6, 9; John 15:26–16:4.* 

### Tuesday, May 28 The Paraclete

After being with him for three years, Jesus is preparing his disciples for the day when he will no longer be physically present among them. Unless he goes to the Father, the Paraclete will not be able to come. The word Paraclete means "advocate," a support to comfort and to console. Journal today on how the Holy Spirit has been a source of comfort or consolation in your life. *Today's Readings: Acts 16:22–34; Psalm 138:1–2, 2–3, 7–8; John 16:5–11.* 

### Wednesday, May 29 Spirit of Truth

Jesus tells his disciples that he has so much more to tell them, but they cannot bear it now. Jesus knew that it was not possible for them to absorb the fullness of all that he had to teach them at that moment. It should be comforting to us as well that Jesus still teaches us, reveals himself to us, and allows us to hear his message and meditate upon it. May the Spirit guide us to the truth. *Today's Readings: Acts 17:15*, 22—18; Psalm 148:1–2, 11–12, 12–14, 14; John 16:12–15.

#### **Thursday, May 30** The Ascension of the Lord

The disciples received a glimpse of the glory of God the Father on that hill near Bethany. We now stand in that time between his glorious Ascension and the resurrection of our body. Until then, it is our mission to spread his Word and baptize in his name. *Today's Readings: Acts 1:1–11; Psalm 47:2–3, 6–7, 8–9; Ephesians 1:17–23; Luke 24:46–53.* 

## Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter

Change is difficult, since we become dependent upon what is familiar to us. The disciples are used to Jesus' presence, but soon he will be absent. They do not grasp that he will be with them in his Word and in his Body and Blood. Even when they are in the depths of their mourning, he will be present and walk with them in their sadness. How do we allow Jesus to be present to us in times of sorrow or sudden change? *Today's Readings: Acts 18:1–8; Psalm 98:1, 2–3, 3–4; John 16:16–20.* 

### Friday, May 31 Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Imagine the humility with which Mary and Elizabeth greeted each other. The two women rejoice in each other's company and then Mary praises God for blessing her with the privilege of birthing the Messiah. Today pray the Magnificat and share in Mary's joy that God has "remembered his promise of mercy." *Today's Readings: Zephaniah* 3:14–18a or Romans 12:9–16; Isaiah 12:2–3, 4bcd, 5–6; Luke 1:39–56.

### Saturday, June 1 Ask and You Shall Receive

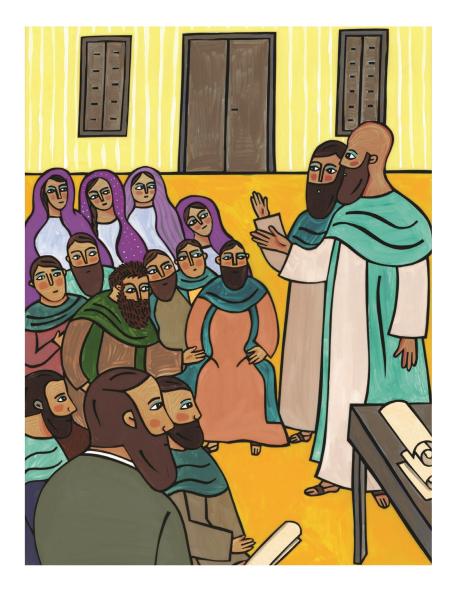
What type or form of prayer is most comfortable for you? Do you pray traditional prayers or do you offer a spontaneous prayer? Do you offer prayers of thanksgiving or blessing? Do you seem to pray more often for what you desire? Do you write your prayers or offer them to God in song? Gather your family around the table and ask them to choose a form of prayer that is new to them and pray together. *Today's Readings: Acts 18:23–28; Psalm 47:2–3, 8–9, 10; John 16:23b–28.* 



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# SEXTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA



## El Abogado

Señor y Dios nuestro, tú nos das todo lo que necesitamos y nada nos hace falta. Guíanos para que nada nos distraiga de lo que es esencial. Ayúdanos si caemos en confusión o dudas para tomar la decisión de volvernos a ti en busca de guía y sostén. Que abramos nuestro corazón a tu Santo Espíritu y él more en medio de nosotros, nos sostenga y experimentemos la alegría que solo tu resurrección nos da. Te lo pedimos por Cristo Nuestro Señor. Amén.

# **Domingo, 26 de mayo de 2019** Mi paz les dejo, mi paz les doy

Lecturas del día: Hechos 15:12, 22–29; Salmo 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8; Apocalipsis 21:10–14, 22–23; Juan 14:23–29. Los discípulos habían estado con Jesús por unos tres años, y uno bien puede imaginarse que estarían aprensivos y temerosos ante la idea de que él los dejara. En el evangelio, Jesús les dice cómo deben vivir cuando él se haya ha ido al Padre. Deberán guardar su palabra, confiar en el Espíritu Santo y vivir con tranquilidad en el corazón. Así, experimentarán su amor en comunidad.

Jesús les regala su paz; esta paz suya "no es como el mundo la da". La de Cristo no es una paz fugaz, como la que se produce cuando las naciones o los individuos dejan de inflamar un conflicto. Esta paz es una señal de la unidad con el Padre, el Hijo y el Espíritu. Cuando los creyentes permanecen en Cristo, están en paz.

Como se ve en la lectura de los Hechos de los Apóstoles, la paz puede llegar tras discernir la guía que proporciona el Espíritu Santo. Los primeros líderes de la Iglesia tuvieron muchas discusiones difíciles cuando estaban decidiendo las normas a cumplir por todos los creyentes. Por ejemplo, respecto a la circuncisión, bajo la guía del Espíritu Santo, se debatió ampliamente y se adoptó la decisión mejor. Como la Iglesia primitiva, nosotros debemos confiar en el Espíritu de Dios. Esta semana considere el lugar que tiene el Espíritu Santo en su vida diaria.