

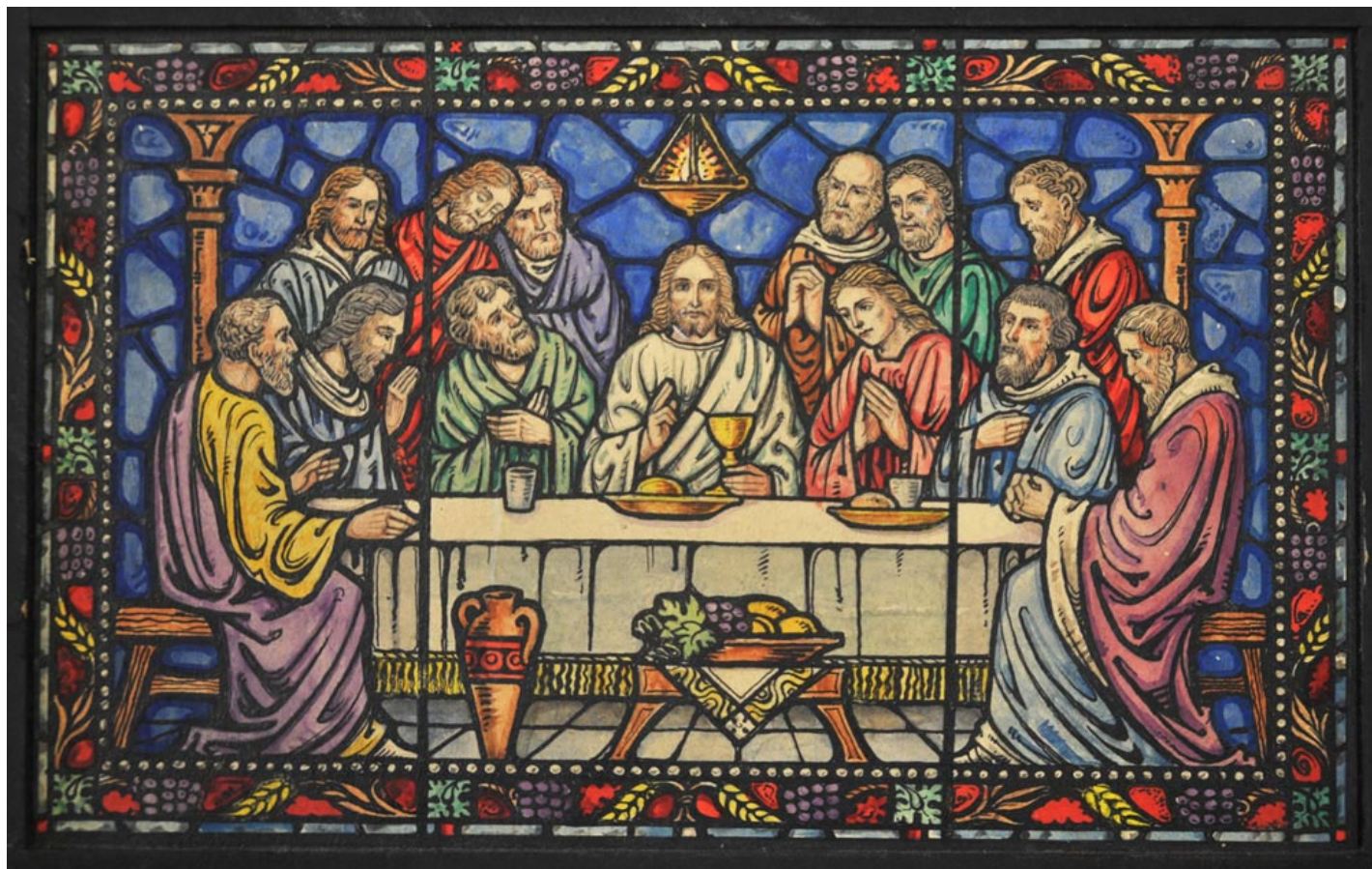
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The Sixth Sunday of Easter ~ May 17, 2020



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Mission Statement

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish is a Christ-centered community in the Roman Catholic tradition. We try to share the Good News of salvation with others. As a diverse community, we value and respect individual differences. As God's people, we gather in the Spirit to pray, to celebrate the sacraments, to teach, to learn, to console, to rejoice, to minister and to renew our faith with one another.

Our Catholic Church here in the United States has always been an immigrant church. Founded by pilgrims and puritans escaping religious persecution in Europe, the original colonies were Protestant to the core. It was only when immigrants from Ireland and later southern Europe began to arrive, that the Catholic Church gained a real foothold in this country. By now our faith is well-established here, but its growth today is still mainly due to immigration, primarily people coming from Mexico and Central America. It might surprise us that a country as Catholic as Mexico suffered through a long period of severe religious persecution. Beginning in 1915 and spanning until 1937, the Mexican government launched a number of highly restrictive measures against the Church. During that time, different regimes came into power, all of them opposed to what they considered the domination of the Catholic Church and its influence over people's lives. Under the military junta of General Calles, a committed atheist who ruled Mexico from 1924 to 1928, the clergy and religious were completely outlawed. It was forbidden to be seen on the streets in clerical clothes or in religious habits. Church buildings, convents and other religious institutions were closed down.

This Thursday, the 21st, we will honor twenty-five martyr-saints canonized by Pope John Paul II in the jubilee year of 2000. Father Cristóbal Magallanes, along with twenty-one other priests and a number of laypeople made up a group determined to carry on as best they could in a very dangerous situation. They secretly offered the Mass in private, and then, traveling about in disguise, they administered the sacraments of baptism, matrimony, and the Last Rites. Although Fr. Cristobal wrote and preached against armed rebellion, he supported the principals of the Cristero movement in its struggle to gain back rights of religious freedom that had been written out of the Mexican Constitution. Arrested on May 21, 1927, while en route to celebrate Mass at a farm, he gave away his few remaining possessions to his executioners, gave them absolution, and without a trial, he was killed by firing squad four days later along with a fellow priest, Agustin Coloca. His last words to his executioners were "I die innocent, and I ask God that my blood may serve to unite my Mexican brothers and sisters." The terrible persecution went on for a number of years, and many more people lost their lives as a result. Eventually, the government was overthrown and today Mexico remains strongly Catholic. For our part, we must continue to pray for religious freedom everywhere, never taking for granted the privilege we have to worship openly, and we must constantly pray that God's Holy Spirit will enlighten the hearts of more people and bring them to the Truth and the peace that can be found only in God. **Fr. Ulysses**

Pastor's Note



Nuestra Iglesia Católica aquí en los Estados Unidos siempre ha sido una iglesia de inmigrantes. Fundadas por peregrinos y puritanos escapando la persecución religiosa en Europa, las colonias originales eran protestantes hasta la médula. Fue solo cuando inmigrantes de Irlanda y luego del sur de Europa comenzaron a llegar, que la Iglesia Católica ganó un lugar firme en este país. Ahora nuestra fe Católica está bien establecida aquí, pero su crecimiento hoy en día todavía se debe principalmente a la inmigración, principalmente a personas provenientes de México y Centro América. Podría

sorprendernos que un país tan católico como México sufriera un largo período de severa persecución religiosa. A partir de 1915 y hasta 1937, el gobierno mexicano lanzó una serie de medidas altamente restrictivas contra la Iglesia. Durante ese tiempo, diferentes regímenes llegaron al poder, todos ellos opuestos a lo que consideraban el dominio de la Iglesia Católica y su influencia sobre la vida del pueblo. Bajo la junta militar del general Calles, un ateo fuerte que gobernó México desde 1924 hasta 1928, los cleros y los religiosos estaban completamente prohibidos. Estaba ilegal ser visto en las calles con ropa de clero o con hábitos religiosos. Se cerraron Las iglesias, conventos y otras instituciones religiosas se cerraron por orden del gobierno. Este

jueves el 21 de mayo honraremos a veinticinco santos mártires canonizados por el Papa Juan Pablo II en el año 2000. El padre Cristóbal Magallanes, junto con otros veintiún sacerdotes y varios laicos formaron un grupo dedicados al servicio de la Iglesia en esta situación muy peligrosa. En secreto, ofrecieron la santa misa, y viajando disfrazados, administraron los sacramentos del bautismo, el matrimonio y unción a los moribundos. Aunque Padre Cristóbal escribió y predicó contra la rebelión armada, apoyó a los principales del movimiento Cristero en su lucha por recuperar los derechos de libertad religiosa que habían sido perdidos en la constitución mexicana. Detenido el 21 de mayo de 1927, mientras se dirigía a celebrar la misa en una granja, regaló sus pocas posesiones a sus verdugos, les dio la absolución y, sin juicio, fue asesinado por un pelotón de fusilamiento junto con un compañero, Padre Agustín Coloca. Sus últimas palabras fueron: "Muero inocente y le pido a Dios que mi sangre sirva para unir a mis hermanos y hermanas mexicanos". La terrible persecución continuó por varios años, y como resultado muchas más personas perdieron la vida. Finalmente, el gobierno fue derrocado y hoy México sigue siendo fuertemente católico. Por nuestra parte, debemos seguir orando por la libertad religiosa en todas partes, siempre agradecidos que podemos practicar nuestra fe abiertamente; Y debemos rezar constantemente para que el Espíritu Santo de Dios ilumine los corazones de más personas y los lleve a la Verdad y a la paz que solo se puede encontrar en Dios.

Padre Ulises

TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION is for our Liturgy Fund.

This collection covers the expenses of our Music Ministry, including the microphones, stands and other equipment we need. It also pays for the missalettes and hymnals, as well as such liturgical needs as altar bread and wine, candles altar server vestments, and church decor.



**Next Week's Second Collection will be
for Catholic Charities CYO.**

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Registration Form

The following confidential information will be entered in our parish data system. It is only for the purpose of knowing and serving you better.

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **zip:** _____

Telephone: _____

e-mail: _____

Others in your household: _____

Number of adults over 18 years of age: _____

Number of children under 18 years of age: _____

THE 2020 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL.



Our assessment for this year is **\$78,484**, or 20% of our last year's income.

To date, we have received **\$33,420**.

Please consider what you might do to help us meet our obligation by the end of the year. *Thank you very much!*

ELECTRONIC DONATIONS

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Join us for our live-streamed Mass
Monday thru Saturday at 12:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass at 10:00 in English
Misa Dominical a las 12:00 p.m.

Download Zoom app and use this link:

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 16, 2020

5:00 PM Estrella Bueno †

Sunday, May 17, 2020

8:00 AM Cristina Revuelta and Raymundo Garcia †

10:00 AM Henry Navarro †

12:00 PM Herminia and Luis Gonzales (Int.)

5:00 PM Henry Navarro †

Monday, May 18, 2020

8:15 AM Augusto Saguin †

Tuesday, May 19, 2020

8:15 AM Cecilia Harris †

Wednesday, May 20, 2020

8:15 AM Special Intentions

Thursday, May 21, 2020

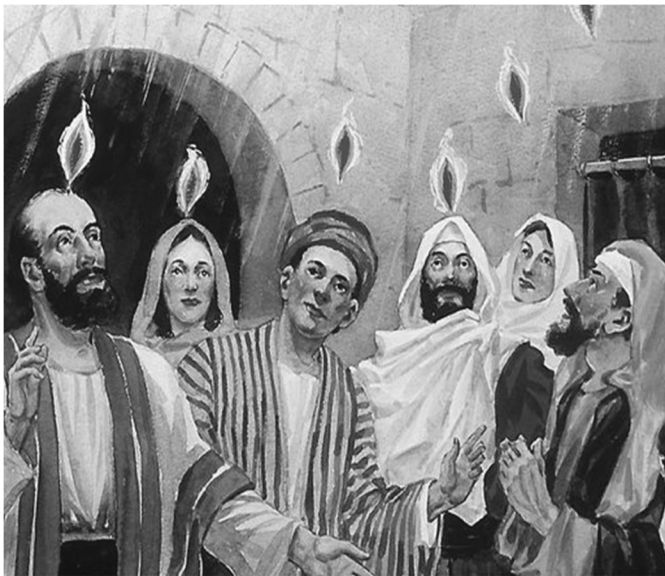
8:15 AM Pro-Populo

Friday, May 22, 2020

8:15 AM Mario and Tina Mondin †

Saturday, May 23, 2020

8:15 AM Difuntos de la Familia Rodriguez †



Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, who went down and prayed for them, that they might received the Holy Spirit, for it had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit. Acts 8:15-17

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Monday : Saint John I, Pope and Martyr

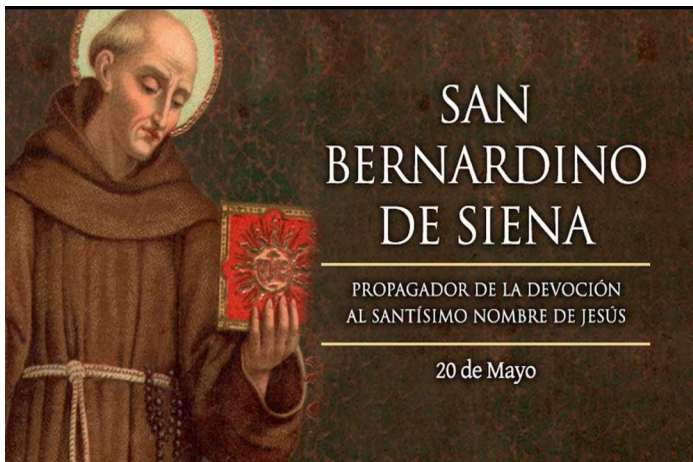
Tuesday: of the Sixth Week of Easter

Wednesday: Saint Bernadine of Siena

Thursday: San Cristobal Magallanes

Friday: Saint Rita of Cascia

Saturday: of the Sixth Week of Easter



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