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Know someone who needs a prayer, or maybe you need a prayer? Call the St. Canice Prayer Lines - Margie Wagner at 273-4397 or Patti Favetti at 432-0665. We're praying for you!



St. Canice Catholic Church
MAY 14, 2023
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Alleluia, alleluia.
Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him and we will come to him.
Alleluia, alleluia.




WALK FOR HOPE

LivingWell Medical Clinic's Walk for Hope is Saturday, May 20 at 9:30 am at Condon Park, 660 Minnie St., Grass Valley.

Be a sponsored Walker and help raise funds to provide hope to those with unexpected pregnancies.

Register by mail or online: livingwellmedicalclinic.com/walk

For additional information, contact LivingWell at 530-272-6800 or www.livingwellmedicalclinic.com/walk.

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Mass Schedule		Confession	
Weekday (M-F)	7:30 AM	Friday	8:00 AM
Saturday Vigil	5:30 PM	Saturday	4:00 PM (or by appt)
Sunday	9:00 AM	Eucharistic Adoration	
Immaculate Conception Church 11:30 AM		Fri 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	
Mass Live-Stream		Rosary	
Sunday 11:00 AM from St Patrick Church		Wednesday 8:00 AM	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS				
May 20-21, 2023	Ushers	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat 5:30 pm	John Delgado, Jeff Hebert	Aidynn Salter	Kevin Foley	Patti Favetti & Meghan Salter
Sun 9:00 am	Jake Dabis, Steve Baker		Bob Glaeser	Lillian Glaeser & Karen McDonald

✠ ALTAR LINENS ✠	
Thank you Ladies Guild!	
May 14 & May 21st	Lillian Glaeser
May 28th & June 4th	Donna Roach

Our Mission, as the Parish of Saint Canice Catholic Church, is to proclaim the teaching and wisdom of Jesus Christ throughout our entire Community, by our life and participation in the Sacraments and Traditions of His Holy Catholic Church.

Dear Family,

Explanation of Medallions Continued

Week before last, I explained the meaning of the medallions on the right wall of the Church (Sacred Heart side) and this week I will do the left side (Holy Family side). Hopefully knowing the meaning of these symbols will not only help us appreciate them more but serve as a means of prayer. I explain these symbols from front to back.

The first one looks like an "X" with an "P" behind it. We call that a "Chi-Rho." In Greek the letter "X" is pronounced like a hard "c" or a "k," "Rho" is the equivalent of our letter "R" so these two are the first letters in the Kristus or Christ. On one side is a capital "A" for Alpha and the other side is an upside down "U" or maybe it looks like a horseshoe, that is the letter "Omega," Alpha and Omega are the first and last (respectively) letters of the Greek Alphabet. Our Lord calls Himself the Alpha and Omega or beginning and end.

The second symbol is more obvious, it is a chalice and Host surrounded by stalks of wheat and clusters of grapes. An important part of the symbolism in this one is that it takes many grains of wheat and many grapes to make the hosts and wine we need for Mass. It also takes many people to produce these same things. This reminds us that the bread and wine we offer to God is an offering of ourselves and all His creation. Bread and wine also represent the ordinary and extraordinary aspects of our life, all of which with our very selves we are meant to offer to the Lord.

The third symbol is the Sacred Heart. Again, this is an easy one to understand. But let us remember that it was from our Lord's pierced heart that blood and water flowed from the Cross. The symbols of The Most Sacred Eucharist and Baptism. In a recent Eucharistic miracle it was determined the Host-turned-flesh was heart tissue from a man who underwent great physical torture and exhaustion. Not only does our Lord feed us with His very flesh, but His very heart!

The fourth symbol is the pelican, the same image on our altar. This beautiful image with its profound symbolism is also in one of our stained glass windows. It was believed that the pelican, when there was no fish, would pierce its breast to nourish its young with its blood. One of the best ways to enter more deeply into the graces of Holy Communion is to frequently contemplate the great gift our Lord gives us in the Most Blessed Sacrament but also in all the Sacraments.

The fifth symbol is a Celtic Crucifix. The Crucifix reminds us that there is no Sacrament without the Sacrifice. It also reminds us of our Lord's great love for us; we mean-as individuals-each one of us personally, so much to Him, God loves us so much that He would go to that length to buy us back, to redeem us. The choice of the Celtic Crucifix is a subtle reminder and tribute to the great many Irish priests and nuns who left family and home to share the gospel and serve the people of our diocese and parish.

The sixth symbol is a picture of our church but I will explain the one across from it. In the first set of explanations, I used the layout provided by the artist but I didn't catch how these two images were swapped when placed in their spots. Opposite the image of our church is the Diocesan coat of arms. This reminds us that our local parish is united to our Bishop and by him to our Holy Father who, as the Vicar of Christ, is the visible sign of our communion with our Blessed Lord.

**Your Father in Christ,
Father Estrella**

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Our Return to God

Last week Reg collection \$ 2,867

Upcoming Collections

May 13-14 Catholic Communications

May 20-21 Ascension

May 27-28 Catholic Home Missions



Readings for the Upcoming Week

Mon	Acts 16:11-15	Jn 15:26—16:4a (291)
Tues	Acts 16:22-34	Jn 16:5-11 (292)
Wed	Acts 17:15-22	Jn 16:12-15 (293)
Thurs	Acts 18:1-8	Jn 16:16-20 (294)
	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	
Fri	Acts 18:9-18	Jn 16:20-23 (295)
Sat	Acts 18:23-28	Jn 16:23b-28 (296)
Sun	Acts 1:1-11 Eph 1:17-23	Mt 28:16-20 (58)

12TH ANNUAL GREAT MARIAN procession SACRAMENTO
SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023

8:00 am Procession Begins - East Lawn Memorial Park

11:00 am May Crowning & Solemn Mass - Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament

www.MarianProcession.com

Parish Book Club Gathering

Monday, May 15, 2023

All Parishioners are invited to a meeting of the St. Patrick and St. Canice Book Club on Monday, May 15, 2023 at 1:30 P. M. in the Angel's Nest. The Angel's Nest is located at the back of St. Patrick's Church and can be reached by walking along the outside right wall of the church. We will be discussing The Hand of God, by Bernard Nathanson. The book deals with abortion. The discussion, which will last about an hour and a half, will be led by Michael Moreland. The book is available at your favorite book store or online. In addition to stimulating conversation, coffee, tea, and cookies will be served.



CULTURE OF LIFE



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Taken from the final day of the novena to St. Gianna Molla, mother and physician. For more information on St. Gianna goes to catholic.org or saintgianna.org.

St. Gianna's sacrifice, to risk her own life for the health of her unborn child has inspired, and, in some cases, confounded those who hear her story. Yet almost all can agree that it was an extraordinary act of love. St. Gianna's husband, Pietro, maintained that Gianna did not sacrifice her life from a desire to attain heaven, but simply "because she was a mother." All mothers are capable of extraordinary acts of self-giving love, although these acts may take different forms. Mothers deserve our gratitude for the sacrifices they make in order to give and to sustain life. Today, we pray with thankfulness for all mothers.

Dear Jesus, on this day in which we honor mothers, may we love and cherish the special women who have born us, who have nurtured us, and who have prayed for our well-being. We ask you to bless them abundantly for all the years of loving care, encouragement, and forgiveness they freely and selflessly poured out upon us. And for new and young mothers, please bless them with faith, love and joy as they give so much in the care of their children. We ask this of the Son who loved his mother and our Blessed Mother so dearly.
Amen

ST. JOSEPH'S CULTURAL CENTER PRESENTS

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SATURDAY MAY 13, 2023
12PM-4PM

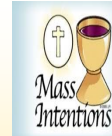
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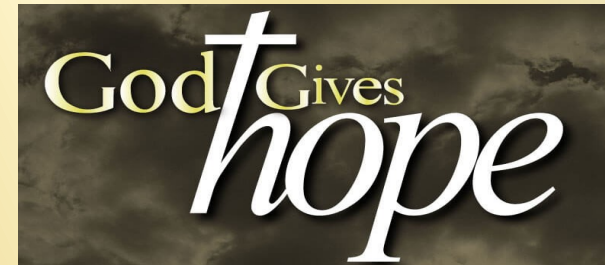
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Mass Intentions

Mon.	05/15/23	7:30 am	Gaby Pelayo
Tues.	05/16/23	7:30 am	No intention
Wed.	05/17/23	7:30 am	No intention
Thurs.	05/18/23	7:30 am	No intention
Fri.	05/19/23	7:30 am	No intention
Sat.	05/20/23	5:30 pm	Dorothy Churchill (D)
Sun.	05/21/23	9:00 am	Carolina Weber (SI)



Reflecting on the Gospel



Great joy came upon the crowds of Samaria who paid attention to the speech and signs pointing to Christ. Their witness reminds us that profound Easter joy can spark from simply paying attention. The world teems with resurrection moments: a brother's depression slowly lifts, warring countries call for a cease fire, fresh buds bloom at the start of spring. Pay attention to resurrection moments in your life this week. When one happens, sink into the joy it evokes and give praise to God for the Easter victory that is ours.

Why do you hope? St. Peter puts forth a challenging summons in today's second reading: "Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope." In a world pained by suffering, violence, and oppression, it can be easy to lose hope. It could be easy to feel let down by political systems, broken promises, and other entities not of God. For we have been promised that in Christ and only in Christ-rests all our hope. How do we communicate this hope in compelling ways? What does it look like to share a reality as mysterious as Christ's resurrection? This is the call of the Easter season and beyond.

In today's gospel, Jesus assures us that **God's Spirit "remains with you and will be in you."** How have you seen the Spirit alive in yourself? In your family and friends? In this congregation? As we approach the celebration of Pentecost, let us be ever more mindful of the Spirit's lasting presence in our lives.