

Dear friends in Christ,

The month of May has traditionally been a time when the Church places special emphasis on the Blessed Virgin Mary and so it is only appropriate that this weekend we take time to honor not only our Mother in Heaven, but also our earthly mothers as well. We wish a Happy Mother's Day to all moms, stepmothers, grandmothers, and godmothers. What a beautiful witness you give to us in your love for your children. May the mother of God, the most Blessed Virgin Mary, who said "yes" to God's call in her life, be your model and guide this Mother's Day weekend and all the days of your life. Thank you for saying "yes" to the gift of life.

In addition to Mother's Day this weekend, we also celebrate the First Holy Communion of more than 200 of our religious education children. Congratulations to all of them, as well as to their families and friends. As we have done in the past, we celebrated First Communion at two masses (to accommodate the great crowds) on the Saturday of Mother's Day weekend. The kids were excited to receive the Lord in the Eucharist for the first time.

One of the children at the 9 a.m. mass last weekend summed up his enthusiasm in a way that can teach us all something about the joy of the Eucharist. As he came up for a blessing in the communion line, he looked at me with his hands across his chest and said with a smile, "This is the last time I have to do this!" I was very proud of him because he knew that the next time he came forward in the communion line, he was going to be receiving Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. No more blessings, but only the Lord! What a great example of faith. Would that we all had that same desire for the body and blood of Jesus each and every time we approach the table of the Lord's sacrifice!

My thanks to all the parents, who are the first teachers of their children in the way of the faith, for preparing the kids to receive their first communion. Thank you as well to the 2nd grade catechists, teachers and aides for working with the kids throughout the year. And of course it goes without saying that we owe a heartfelt thank you to Fredna Kilcommins, our DRE, for her oversight. With her approaching retirement, this was the last First Communion class that Fredna has overseen for us at CtR. Think of all the children who have come to know Jesus under her leadership. Surely her reward will be great in heaven. Be sure and tell Fredna thanks for her work on behalf of all us at CtR.

As the school year begins to wind down, I want to bring to your attention two programs offered by the Archdiocese for high school students, ages 14-18, interested in learning more about their faith and how they might respond to God's call in their life through a possible vocation in the Church.

The first is Explore, a retreat for young men who want to explore their relationship with God and how they are called to respond to that growing relationship. It will take place on May 29-31 at St. Mary's Seminary. The cost is \$75 and a recommendation from the pastor is needed (and I'm happy to offer it!).

When I was a seminarian student, I actually was the leader of Explore one summer and I can tell you that it

is a wonderful program for high school boys. There is a lot of interaction with the seminarians and the kids come away from it with a greater knowledge of how to listen for God's call in their life. I highly recommend it. I'm not sure if we have ever had any boys from CtR attend Explore, but if not, I hope we can change that this year.

The second program is called Insight and it is designed for high school girls to explore more clearly the choices available to them as young Catholic women in light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and their own gifts and talents. It will take place on May 30-31 at the Villa de Matel Convent on Lawndale in Houston. The cost is \$35. I have applications for both Explore and Insight in my office. If any teen is interested, please contact me. We'd be happy to have you attend.

You are invited to an open house at the new rectory after all masses next weekend. We've just about completed our move, and thanks to Ana Bassett of our parish, the house is now a home. Ana has done a great job of picking out the furniture and setting up the rooms. She's got that special touch that really makes the house livable. Fr. Ryszard and I are very thankful to her for all the time and effort she has put into this project for the parish. Thanks, Ana! Thank you as well to those who gave house warming gifts for the rectory. They are very much appreciated. We promise to take good care of them. The rectory is a great addition to CtR and will serve the priests here for years and years to come. It's your house, so please do come and see it.

Peace, Fr. Sean

Mass Intentions for Week of May 14, 2007

Monday	9:00 AM	Vincent Tran+, Peter+
Tuesday	9:00 AM	Thomas Kang, Eric McCoy+ Jerome Jezierski+
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Eleanora Berger+ Edwin Shimek+, Norma Flores
Thursday	9:00 AM	Blessed Virgin Mary Sacred Heart of Jesus
Friday	9:00 AM	Steve Supercinski+, Eileen Cook+
Saturday	5:00 PM	James O. Collins+, Elizabeth Buckley+ Frank & Rosie Zientek+
Sunday	7:30 AM	Bernard Burdick+, Marion Connor+ Leopold Hart+
	9:00 AM	CtR Parishioners
	11:00 AM	Anthony Miglicco+, Jason Plata+ Bulletin Sponsors
	5:00 PM	Nellie Nicola+, Cindy Marik-Moore+ Meismer-Vaclavik Family

Readings for the Week of May 13, 2007

Sunday	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29
Monday	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113; Jn 15:9-17
Tuesday	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday	Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:29-23; Lk 24:46-53
Friday	Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47; Jn 16:23b-28

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Parish Events

Sunday May 13

Masses at 7:30, 9:00, and 11:00 am and 5:00 pm	
7:30 am Adoration Anniversary	Church
8:00 am Mother's Day Breakfast	CC
12:15 pm Adult Confirmation Class	111
1:00 pm Baptisms	Church
3:30 pm Contemporary Ens. Pract.	Church
6:00 pm Welcome Table	Mall

Monday, May 14

8:00 am Church Cleaning	Church
9:00 am Mass	Chapel
7:00 pm Baptism Class	111, Nsy
7:30 pm Venture Scouts	215,217
8:15 pm Baptism Walk Thru	Church

Tuesday, May 15

9:00 am Mass	Chapel
9:35 am Rosary	Chapel
4:30 pm Chorister's Rehearsal	Church
7:00 pm Liturgy Committee	112
7:00 pm Youth Bible Study	201
7:30 pm Contemporary Ens. Pract.	Church

Wednesday, May 16

9:30 am Familia 3	112,212,Nsy
6:30 pm Library Committee	113
7:00 pm Mass	Chapel
7:00 pm BSA Troop 573	CC
7:00 pm RCIA Inquiry	112,111,Nsy
Adults- The Mass-Part II	
Children-Catholics & the Church	
7:30 pm Adoration Quarterly Mtg	Church

Thursday, May 17

9:00 am Mass	Chapel
9:30 am Together V	113
7:00 pm Adult Bible Study	113,Nsy
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	Church
7:00 pm Cub Scout Pack 573	112

Friday, May 18

9:00 am Mass	Chapel
10:00 am Fri. Morning Bible Study	113
6:00 pm Jr. High Event	CC
6:00 pm Little Flowers	206,207,208

Saturday, May 19

9:00 am RCIA Planning Mtg	CC
10:00 am Sewing Group	111
5:00 pm Mass	Church
5:00 pm Adoration Anniversary	Church
5:00 pm Festival Presentation	Church

Sunday May 20

Masses at 7:30, 9:00, and 11:00 am and 5:00 pm	
7:30 am Festival Presentation	Church
9:00 am Children's Liturgy of Word	111
9:00 am RCIA Dismissal	205
10:00 am Mystagogy Mtg	112,204
12:00 pm Welcome Reception	111
12:15 pm Adult Confirmation Class	112
1:45 pm The Classics	111
3:30 pm Contemporary Ens. Pract.	Church
5:00 pm Graduation Mass & Meal	CH,CC

Coffee & Donuts – Knights of Columbus

Religious Education News

RE Registration:

Registration continues through Aug. 17th. Forms for Catechists and students are available in the Narthex and in the lobby of the Parish Offices. Catechists still needed.

First Communion

Over 200 children celebrated Eucharist this weekend, and others will celebrate throughout May & June. Pray that these young people will always be excited to come to Mass and to receive Eucharist.

Youth Doings

Youth Bible Study:

You are invited to attend youth bible study on Tuesdays from 7 - 8:30 pm in rooms 201 & 203. This group of young people has a thirst for learning more about the bible.

Thursday Night groups

Generation Next (jr.high group) and Generation Christ (high school group) are currently meeting on Thursday evenings from 7 – 8:30 p.m. in room 201 (the youth room). All Jr. High and High School youth are invited.

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Week of April 29, 2007

Envelopes (562).....	\$23,801
Loose.....	\$7,581
Mailed in	\$1,806
Children's Envelopes	\$64
Total.....	\$33,252
Weekly Budgeted Expense	\$34,350
Needy	\$4,443

If you place your Capital Campaign pledge in the Sunday Collection, or the 'Building Fund' envelope please mark "Capital Campaign" on it. The 'Building Fund' is an ongoing fund for our parish.
Thank you.

Capital Campaign Update

As of April 30, 2007

New pledges in April	\$15,800
Cash received in April.....	\$86,184
Pledge total to date	\$5,769,548
Cash Received to date	\$2,038,610
Total number of pledges.....	1,086

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration!

Celebrating 4 years of Eucharistic Adoration!
Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!
Mother of the Blessed Sacrament, pray for us!

Join us to celebrate this Wednesday, May 16, immediately following the 7 pm Wednesday eve. Mass. For more information, e-mail ctradoration@yahoo.com.

For more information today, contact any of the 30 or so Adoration Leaders, or over 250 weekly scheduled CtR Adorers, or e-mail ctradoration@yahoo.com.



In Our Parish

Let us keep the following people in our prayers:

Helen LaKome, Brittany Black, Christine Novak, Rose Cemino, Stella Garcia, Lena, Lexi & Jimmie Trahan, Jeanna Kettman, Wesley Hornback, Evelyn Holub, Melanie Berken, Jay Maduzia, Sonda Criswell, Bill Jones, Hilbert

Pechacek, Agnes Machacek, Charles Barfield, Garrett Griffin, Audrey Lyons, Werner Hoelscher, Marvin Billingsley, Betty Lou Furlong, Donna Diane Martine, Joe Pulpan, Natalie Gibson, Mary Catherine Black, Pat Habetz, Lettie Prado, Steven Havelka, Donna Martin, Caroline Defillier, Elaine Lennox, Anne Cassidy, Desiree & Deron Arceneaux, Camille Joseph, Marlene Haraka, Ann & Lou Frayler, Sonja Gonzalez, Olivia Ledkins, and Sergio Santos, Sr.

Please keep all the sick of our parish in your prayers.

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In your prayers, please remember Charles Holcomb, father of Julia Misley, and Emma Andreo, sister-in-law of Ron, who recently passed into eternal life. And in your prayers remember the family that they may feel the love and comfort of the Father to heal their pain.



Prayer List for our Service Men & Women

Please keep the following in your prayers as they serve this wonderful country:

Casey Smith, Ernesto Meruelo, Paul Mallory, USNA, Jaime Martinez, Brett Guidry, Marcus Malek, Lcpl Dave Lewis, Lcpl Nathan Keminitz, Josh Beaver, Lcpl Michael Jenigan, Lt. Luke Gorney, Lt. Michael Gorney, Ross Christensen, Allen Bravenec, David Frederick, Wesley Drake, John Snead, Sgt. Sean Taylor, Sgt. Mark Howell, Kyle Berlanga, PFC David Wilhite, Jeremy Miller, Major Jason Colbert, Cpt. Mark Grahmann, Stuart Laperouse, Brady Bennett, Melissa Montelongo, Nate Brown, Matthew Macejewski, Rick Grog, Corp. Paul Black Jr., Spc. Edward Herrera, Marc Weiner, Brandon Sokora, Joseph Vinklerek, Ian Roberts, Ordet Klekar, Maj. Lloyd Waugh, Lcpl. John Buikema, Angela Tripp, Wade Coker, Tyler Coker, Karl Aschenbeck, Donnie Fricks, Jr., Alex Lambert, Augusto Cespedes, Jr., Lt. Col. Patrick D. Bertlshofer, Christopher Petrovich, Lcpl. Louie G. Welch, Cadet Greg Lambert, USMA, Anthony Barth, Lt. Col. Peter A. Lee, Capt. Christopher B. Lee, Rayford Siegel, Brig. Gen. Stephen Mueller, Lt. Neal Simpson, Matthew Phillips, Lt. Matthew Schlarmann, Michael Zdunkawicz, Jr., Cadet Will Callegari, Staff. Sgt. Christopher Bell, Nick Prien, Cadet Alex Lathrop, Staff Sgt. Jose G. Meruelo IV, Lt. Col. Mary Ann Rich, Spc. Kris Kassler, Maj. Scott Dellinger, Capt. Jason Jeager, Cpl. Brad McKee, Jason Windrum, Lt. Col. Maureen Weber, Staff Sgt. Jeffery Kopp, Ben Sledge, Emiliano Dizon Vitug, Sgt. Cesar Vasquez, Allen Cruz, PFC. Michael Bucko, Capt. Andrew Hale, Jacob Santillan and Eric Espinosa.

(Please call the parish office to add the name of your loved one in the Armed Services to our prayer list. If your soldier is back in the States, please call so we may take his/her name off the list and share your joy.)

Notice

If your address, phone number or email address has changed, please call the parish office at 281-469-5533 ext. 109 or 110

Stewardship Corner

Today's reading from Revelation offers a vision of the City of God, the New Jerusalem. "But," the bishops' pastoral on stewardship reminds us, "that 'life to come' is in continuity with this present life through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people foster now."

Christ the Redeemer Choir

The principal choir of our community sings primarily at the 9 am Sunday Mass and at all major parish celebrations. Rehearsals are Thursdays, from 7:15-9:30 pm in the church. There is no audition or prerequisite to read music in order to join! Only your love of music, a desire to sing and your commitment are re-"choired".

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I Feel Good When I Thank God

Here are some of "My Good Deeds" from the children's envelopes: Being respectful & quiet during the funeral. – Hitting Fr. Sean with an egg at the festival. – Doing flashcards with my sisters. – Gave money to the church. – being nice

Coffee & Donuts News

The Coffee & Donuts season ends next week, May 20th. There are so many thank you's to send out to the different committees and individuals who helped serve and clean up each Sunday. A big thank you to Steve St. Germaine for having the gourmet coffee always ready after Mass. We will see you all again on the last Sunday in August, when school will be in full swing. If you miss Coffee & Donuts during the summer, please consider joining this fun and welcoming committee.

MANY THANKS TO OUR SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

Suzie / Tony/Village on the Park

Please be sure to patronize our sponsors and thank them for advertising in our bulletin. They make the bulletin possible at no cost to Christ the Redeemer.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

LITURGY CORNER

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day Blessing

Today in the United States we celebrate Mother's Day. Of course, during the month of May the Church remembers, in a particular way, Mary, the Mother of God. In the *Book of Blessings* the Church provides for a blessing of mothers to be used at Mass. She recognizes, in this secular celebration, an opportunity to uphold and bless the important role of motherhood.

In the Mass, this observance may take place at the final blessing and dismissal. Those present at Mass who

are mothers may be invited to stand. After an introduction by the priest, he offers the blessing, particularly for those women who are mothers, grandmothers, or godmothers.

In this way the Church recognizes the blessings that mothers are to us. With the Blessed Virgin Mary as an example, we acknowledge and honor them this day. Indeed, may their faith and example be an inspiration to the whole Church.

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Liturgical Minister Schedule – May 19/20, 2007

Sacristan - David Keating, Bob Krzeszkiewicz, Andrew Spies							Drew and Joanne Lapps		
Saturday - 5 PM		Sunday - 7:30 AM		Sunday - 9 AM		Sunday - 11 AM		Sunday - 5 PM	
EMHC		EMHC		EMHC		EMHC		EMHC	
1	Bouffard, Kristen	1	Bolduc, Debbie	1	Croes, Pat	1	Aimi, Phil	1	Babin, Anne
2	Head, James	2	Daly, Jeff	2	Croes, Roque	2	Barber, Maria	2	Crow, Lorrie
3	Head, Norma	3	Diffendal, Maureen	3	Gehrt, Greg	3	Bradley, Bill	3	Damore, Mary
4	Garich, Jan	4	Gomez, Joe	4	Hansen, Brian	4	Bradley, Stacie	4	Ellison, Anita
5	McNamara, Connie	5	McManus, Michelle	5	Kash, Diane	5	Herbert, Tim	5	Hall, Angelica
6	Potter, Rosemary	6	Nicholas, Geneva	6	Kash, Tom	6	Herbert, Trudy	6	Hall, Greg
7	Ramundo, Janet	7	Ochs, Judy	7	Matt, Rick	7	Oborny, John	7	Jenson, Sharon
8	Rehberg, Vicki	8	Scott, Mary	8	Macejewski, Albina	8		8	Jimenez, Edilsia
9	Thornton, Robert	9	Spratley, Susan	9	Proske, Buddy	9		9	Mattingly, Julie
10	Veselka, Andy	10	Talbot, Judy	10	Unverferth, Jim	10		10	Muskiet, Martha
11	Veselka, Debbie	11		11		11		11	Whalen, Susan
Greeter		Greeter		Greeter		Greeter		Greeter	
1	Thornton, Lisa	1		1		1		1	Hall, Andrew
2	Veselka, Josh	2		2		2		2	Schmidt, Lexi
Server		Server		Server		Server		Server	
1	Harlan, Collin	1	Fichtel, Alexis	1	Hansen, Lauren	1	Bradly, Morgan	1	Mauldin, Chase
2	Ramundo, Matt	2	Rios, Jonathan	2	Hansen, Taylor	2	Lopez, Deborah	2	Petrash, Margeaux
3	Semrick, Jimmy	3	Veenstra, Willie	3	McRae, Ashley	3	McKinney, Caleb	3	Priest, Jessica
4		4		4	McRae, Lance	4	Mandapat, Christian- N	4	
Usher		Usher		Usher		Usher		Usher	
1	Reinhard, Catherine	1	Matthew, Cathy	1	Moore, Charmaine	1	Cayer, Joann	1	Schmidt, David
2	Reinhard, Willie	2	Ochs, David	2	Randazzo, James	2	Moses, Carol	2	Schmidt, Donna
3	Thornton, Carolyn	3	Wiggins, Al	3		3	Moses, Steve	3	Wilmoth, Don
4		4		4		4		4	
5		5		5		5		5	
Lector		Lector		Lector		Lector		Lector	
1	Duffy, Bill	1	Eicher, Joseph	1	Croes, Rebecca	1	Parman, Ralph	1	Maerz, Michelle
2	Veselka, Debbie	2	Hemeway, Elaine	2	Croes, Tony	2	Corbett, Steve	2	Maerz, Mike



The Classics is a group for those over the age of 50. Our next scheduled bus trip will be on May 15th. We will take a cruise out of Seabrook on The Spirit of Texas Paddlewheeler "for a day on the bay." This trip is full. Our next scheduled

meeting will be held on Sunday, May 20 at 2:30 pm in Room 111. Please note the time and location change for this meeting only. No covered dish – just please bring a dessert. Barbara Pugh from International Tours of Hillcroft will join us and speak to us about what most people really enjoy in their lives – travel! Don't miss this special presentation with door prizes. Call Barbara Stewart at 281-469-5138 for more information about our meetings, upcoming trips, or becoming a Classics member. New members are always welcome.

Young Adult Group: 18 – 35, single, married, or dating. Being Catholic in the Houston area can be both a joy and a struggle. A joy because it connects us to something far greater than ourselves and provides us with much needed meaning, guidance, and strength in our daily lives. A struggle because at times we are misunderstood by our friends and colleagues, told we are "politically incorrect", or question our own commitment to our faith and its teachings. Our young adult group was formed to enhance the joys and ease the struggles. Contact CJ at (281) 469-5533 [cjmccarren@ctrcc.com], or Nina (832) 444-3479 [ninas91@yahoo.com] for more information or questions; you can also find out more at ctrcc.com.

2007 Vacation Bible School

This year our special VBS program, Avalanche Ranch, begins on June 18 and continues through June 22, 2007, 9:30-12:30 pm. Cost is \$20 which includes a T-Shirt. Elementary (those entering 1st - 6th grades) is now on a waiting list. Our next meeting for volunteers (grade 8 and above) is June 6th @ 6:45 or June 7th @ 6:45 in room 111. You only need to attend one. Nursery will be provided, so be sure and call and let us know if you will be using it. For information or to volunteer (as always children of volunteers go free) contact Jill Dimiceli at 281-469-5533, ext. 108, or email [jdimiceli@ctrcc.com]. We also have DVD's from last years Fiesta VBS available for only \$5. It contains a slide show of all VBS events and the ability to download individual pictures. Come by the office and pick one up.

K of C Scholarships

The Knights of Columbus 8771 are proud to announce that we will be offering two \$500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors. Applications are available from any Brother Knight or call Frank Altamuro 281-955-7305. The deadline to have scholarship applications in is May 27th and they may be turned into the parish office with "attn. K of C" on them. Scholarship winners are decided by another council and will be presented in June.

For the next few weeks we will be printing the names of our confirmandi, our young people being confirmed this year. Please pray for them as they prepare to receive this Sacrament. Here is our third group:

Nicole Lloyd	Bryan Morris
Marvin Lopez	David Muskiet
Claire Lovrak	Richard Myers
Aimee Marte	Karla Navas
Austin Marte,	Elizabeth Norris
Christopher Martinez	Edwin Ofina
Jana McCormick	Patrick Otto
Allison McGlamory	Matthew Paige
Lauren McNeil	Justin Parada
Paige Mickits	Derek Peterson
Andrew Mintz	Kirk Petrash
Garrett Mize	Derek Polasek
Frank Moore	Sid Quinsaot

IWA Basketball Camp

Incarnate Word Academy will be hosting a basketball camp June 27-29 for girls entering grades 3-8. Due to construction at IWA over the summer, this camp will be held at St. Pius V Catholic School. For more information or a brochure, please visit the website at www.incarnateword.org, and click on the athletics link, or call 713-227-3637.

Attention Parents: Would your child benefit from a rigorous curriculum and high Academic standards in a Christ-centered environment? If so, look no further than **Pope John XXIII High School** in Katy. Applications are still being accepted for Grades 9 – 12. Please visit www.pj23.org or call the Admissions Director, Mary Jo Forner at 281-693-1000 for information on this outstanding high school.

Fullness of Truth Catholic Family Conference

You all are invited to "Reasons to Believe!" - The Fullness of Truth Catholic Family Conference with Dr. Scott Hahn on June 23-24, 2007, at the Houston Galleria's Intercontinental Hotel, 2222 W. Loop S. *Don't miss this exciting two day conference for adults and youth.* Featuring speakers such as – Dr. Scott Hahn, Jeff Cavins, Michael Barber, Dr. Brant Pitre, and for youth, Eric Genuis and Mark Hartfiel. Rob Evans, "The Donut Man" will offer special daily, brown bag lunchtime concerts, that families with children ages 4-12 will not want to miss! Free child-care is available. To register, call 1-800-731-4500. Benefit Dinner tickets are available too. Interested in volunteering? Call Greg Haas at 281-772-2130 for details.

Marriage Encounter Weekend

Try Marriage Encounter – For a Change! Share a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend with each other. Upcoming dates are June 8 – 10 & July 20 – 22. Contact Gary & Maribel Arribe at 281-756-0398, or Zeke & Ashley Metzler at 281-356-2204.