

**Established in 1906**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday:  
4:00 pm Vigil

Sunday:  
9:00 am  
11:00 am en Español

**ONLY 35% ATTENDANCE**

Mon, Tues, Thurs:  
8:00 am

Wednesday 6:00 pm Español &  
Friday 6:00 pm

**RECONCILIATION**

Saturday:  
8:30 am to 9:30 am

**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday  
8:30 am - 5:30 pm  
(closed 12:00 noon - 1:00 pm)

Friday:  
8:30 am - 12:00 noon

**Rev. Victor Yakubu**  
Parochial Administrator

**Rev. Julius Kayiwa**  
Parochial Vicar

**Deacon Francis Staab**  
Parish Deacon

**Parish Secretary**  
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**Coordinator of Religious Education**  
Dominic Blanchard

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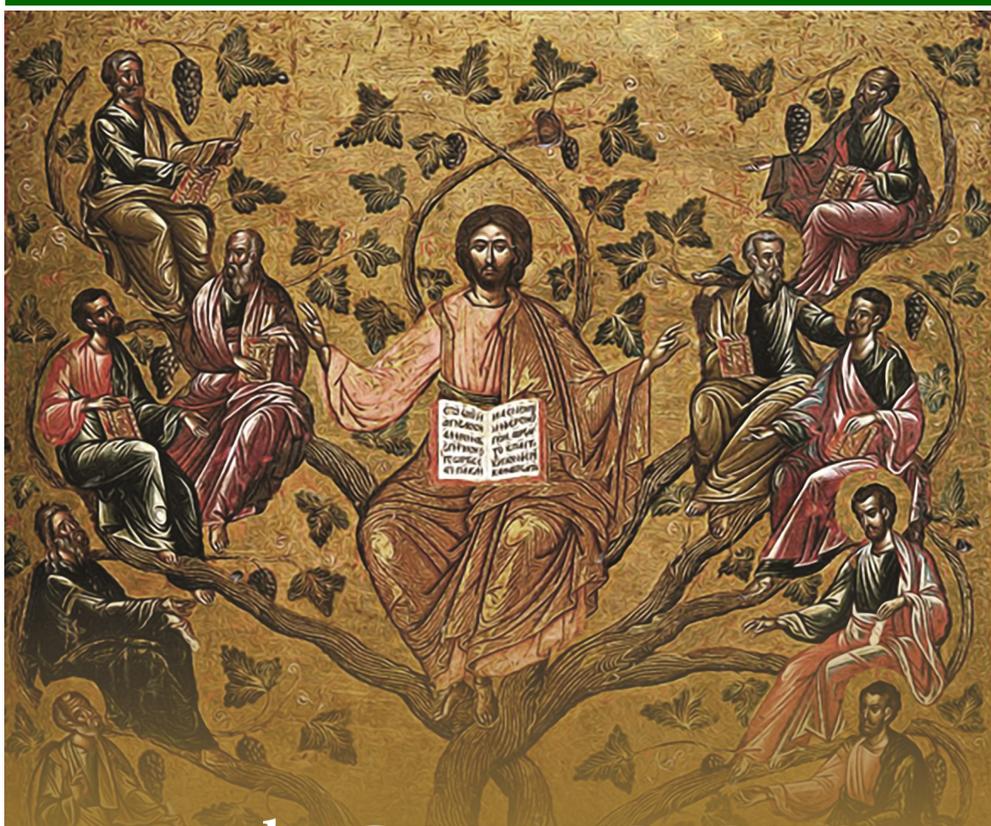
**St. Mary Roman Catholic Church**  
Iglesia Católica Romana de Santa María



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**SUNDAY, MAY 2nd 2021**



**5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY  
OF EASTER**

“I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.” - Jn 15:5

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

### MASS INTENTIONS, DAILY GOSPEL



**May 2, 2021**

Year B

<b>Sat. May 1</b>	Jn. 15:1-8	4:00 p.m.	+	<b>Maria Lopez, Calixtro Aspiras Fancy Itliong, Tito Aspiras (Leonora Tonkewicz)</b>
<b>Sun. May 2</b> <i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	Jn. 15:1-8	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.		<b>People of the Parish Benefactors (Carol Spawn)</b>
<b>Mon. May 3</b> <i>St. Philip and St. James Apostles</i>	Jn. 14:6-14	8:00 a.m.	+	<b>Frances Maglente (Miguel Maglente)</b>
<b>Tues. May 4</b>	Jn. 14:27-31a	8:00 a.m.	+	<b>Robert Reitmeyer (Marge Bellio)</b>
<b>Wed. May 5</b>	Jn. 15:1-8	6:00 p.m.	+	<b>Marion &amp; Robert Bellmore (Jan Brooks)</b>
<b>Thurs. May 6</b> <i>National Day of Prayer</i>	Jn. 15:9-11	8:00 a.m.		<b>Norma H. (Chris)</b>
<b>Fri. May 7</b>	Jn. 15:12-17	6:00 p.m.	+	<b>Marilyn Fritz (Darleen Williams)</b>
<b>Sat. May 8</b>	Jn. 15:9-17	4:00 p.m.		<b>Seigworth Family (Chris Seigworth)</b>
<b>Sun. May 9</b> <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	Jn. 15:9-17	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.		<b>People of the Parish Sick People of St. Mary (David Acuña)</b>

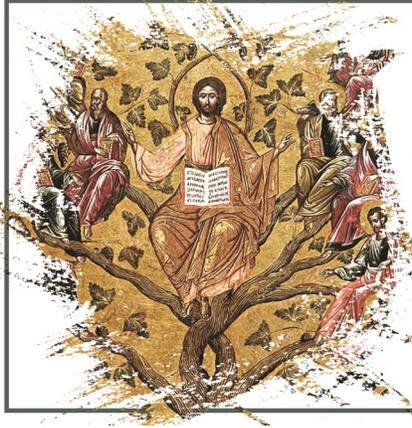
**WELCOME  
TO ALL NEW PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS**

Reflection for Fifth Sunday of Easter: Year B  
**Christians and the Image of Jesus as the True Vine**  
Rev. Victor Yakubu, Parochial Administrator

C. S. Lewis' *Mere Christianity* is a must read for all Christians. Lewis was an Oxford University professor who became an atheist and later converted again to Christianity. After his reconversion he decided to write the little treatise on Christianity based on his radio interviews on the common beliefs that Christians share without going into the complications of theology, dogma, or doctrine. Lewis intended with his book, to present the Christian faith in simple forms without offending theologians and leaders of the Christian faith. He wanted those who professed atheism as a way of life, to reconsider conversion just as he did.

I have found the book by Lewis a very interesting read. Christianity is often perceived wrongly based on the divisions we have rather than based on the common grounds that we rightly share from the bible. The promoters of these divisions use traditional and social media preaching misconceived assumptions thereby increasing the gap caused by historical disagreements. But Lewis refused to tug that line. He argues that looking at the universe you imagine which power is behind it. Secondly, Lewis considered the dualisms of life where evil is opposing good and the reality of pain when life is supposed to be total happiness. Anyway, he concluded that God is creator of the Universe and He does not interfere with man's freewill and the ability to discern between multiples choices. I agree with this position.

Jesus is the binding force that keeps all Christians on their feet in praise of God the Father. The revelation of Jesus to the world is a reminder to every living being that the oneness of God is unique to all people no matter where they live. For this reason, Jesus himself said, "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." Every Christian who calls on the name of Jesus cannot wish for divisions in the body of Christ but unity that drives us to be God's children.



However, as history has shown the divisions created pain and suffering which makes Lewis' book neutral to historical facts. Christians should look at the common grounds that bind us together instead of living in the past. Christianity needs to overcome barriers of theology and dogma and rely on the bible as the binding force. I know that writing this as a Catholic and a priest can make others question my allegiance to the Magisterium of the Church. I do not oppose any authority but rather add my voice to Christian unity.

My point on Christian unity is based on Jesus as the true vine, who said, "If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want, and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples." Divisions perpetuate our historical divisions and widen the gap between us. But Jesus sews those gaps and brings us closer to our common heritage: The Bible.

Saul after his conversion joined the disciples and was accepted wholeheartedly. He later became an instrument in the hands of God for the conversion of gentiles. He moved freely and became a great apostle of Christendom. For all denominations to work effectively, we must return to biblical teachings of love, forgiveness, tolerance, and unity. St. John, the beloved apostle said, "Children, let us love not in word or speech but indeed and truth. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us." Fortunately for the Christian spirit, nobody has a monopoly on it: it moves freely to wherever it wills. And since it is given to us freely by God, we ought to utilize it for the growth of our faith based on Jesus, the True Vine.

Lewis' book may not be the best book on the Christian faith, but he has assisted in covering our loopholes concerning unity and love. Whatever opinion you hold about C.S. Lewis' writing, consider the teaching of Jesus that He is the Vine, and we all are the Branches. We need the Vine to survive in this journey of faith with others like us. **Keep praying!**

## Sharing our Gifts

### What We Gave Back to God

April 25, 2021

Attendance 453

Needed to meet weekly expenses	\$ 8,000.00
Plate Collection	\$ 5,672.76
Online Collection	\$ 517.60
Building Fund	\$ 245.00

**THANK YOU**  
for your generosity

#### March 2021

Monthly Operating Expense	\$ 30,585.07
Monthly Plate Collection	\$ 38,479.99
Deficit or Gain	\$ 7,894.92

### Our Daily Bread

Thank you for your continued support of Our Daily Bread ministry. We have made and distributed 297,735 sandwiches year to date, and 36,785 since inception (September 2013).

**WE ARE IN NEED OF PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY AND SANDWICH ZIP LOCK BAGS.** You may drop your donation off at the Parish Center.

**WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF A CAPTAIN FOR TUESDAYS SANDWICH MAKING!**

If you are interested, please contact David Hunter at 714-726-6130.

Thank you, once again!

## Brick Garden

We are continuing to take brick orders. This is a wonderful way to pay honor to someone you love or to be remembered as part of St. Mary history for years to come. Bricks are \$50 for a 4x8 and \$100 for a 8x8. Call the Parish Office for an order form or to place your order.

The brick garden is growing — don't miss the opportunity to be a part of it.

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## Donate your Change

Be sure to pick up a special offering box or can at the back of the church. Write that it's for the building fund, your name and phone number on it before you turn it in.

All monies will go toward future building improvement projects in the parish campus.

## Parish News and Events

### Parish Events This Week

<b>Sunday, May 2</b> CERS	12noon	Rm. 5,6,7
<b>Monday, May 3</b>		
<b>Tuesday, May 4</b> Women Bible	10:00am	Rm. 5,6,7
<b>Wednesday, May 5</b> Rosary	10:00am	Rm. 5,6,7
<b>Thursday, May 6</b> Anointing Mass	8:00am	Chapel
<b>Friday, May 7</b> Devotion to Sacred Heart CERS	5:15pm 7:00pm	Chapel Rm. 5,6,7
<b>Saturday, May 8</b> Pro-Life & Rosary	9:30am	Library

### Gift Shop

#### Hours of Operation

**Saturdays,  
Before & After Mass**

**Sundays,  
Before & After Masses**

We have medals, bibles, rosaries, Chapel veils, prayer cards, missals, large print bibles, religious candles, various statues.

Come soon to the Gift Shop for the best selection.



### Rosary Group

**Wednesdays at 10:00am in Parish Center: Room 5,6,7**



To end the Covid pandemic. To end violence across the USA and for God to restore peace and calm in our cities. And to illuminate those who govern us so that they may commit themselves to the common good and respect for God's holy law.



### Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Join us every Wednesday at 5:15pm as we consecrate ourselves to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray the glorious mysteries of the Holy Rosary, and recite the chaplet of Divine Mercy for our loved ones and all the souls in purgatory.

Every First Friday of the month we will begin Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 5:30pm.

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**Wednesday Masses** in the **Chapel** will be in

**Spanish** hence beginning Wednesday, February 24, 2021 at the 6:00 pm



This is to assist the Spanish speakers to have more opportunities to participate in the liturgy during the week.



Dates - Time - Location  
Starts May 11, 2021

Time: 5:00 pm

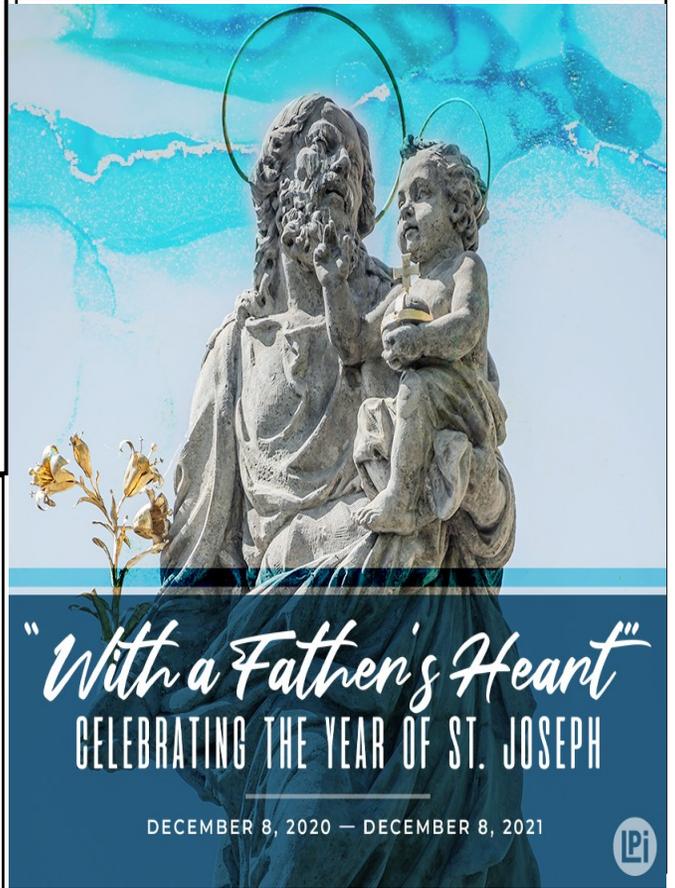
Location: St. Mary Parish Center

Cost - Registration

Order the Workbook from Ascension Press  
“The Bible Time: The Story of Salvation”

For More Information

Contact Liz at (928) 530-9442  
(Phone or Text)



**Message from Deacon Francis:**

It has been brought to our attention that a number of people who registered as members of our parish can no longer be reached by the phone number listed on the registration form or by email. We receive a message that the telephone number is no longer in service or the email address is invalid. Please be sure to advise the parish office of any new phone number, email address, or a change in your physical place of residence. Thank you for understanding that this is important so that we can keep you properly informed about happenings in our parish.

*Campus Corner*

Thanks for helping to keep our Campus beautiful and safe. As we are now opening fully, please continue to use hand sanitizers, keep your distance and keep your mask on. Let's together do what we can to not have any more Covid cases from this point forward. Please don't let your guard down now. Let's get this behind us ! The Church, Chapel and Parish Center are disinfected daily. Thanks to Ray Patyk and Al Myrick for assisting in repair jobs around campus. We would like to start permanently setting our brick garden and some concrete/stone expertise would come in handy. Who can help??? Surely there's someone with that expertise? If you might like to assist with any projects, if you see something that needs attention, or if you or anyone you know needs assistance with anything, please call me on my cell at 402-415-1296. You can also email me at scouch@stmarykingman.com . Food For Thought: Spring has sprung! Stop and smell the roses! They're blooming now! Keep Smiling and Praying ! Peace And May God Bless Us All !

## Prayers and Devotions

### COME TO ADORATION

*The best time you will spend on earth!*

**Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and rest. Mk 6:31**

*In the Garden of Gethsemane, before His crucifixion, Jesus asked His Apostles, "Could you not keep watch with me for one hour?"*

Spending one hour with Jesus thus became a tradition in the Church.

The Chapel is closed every Wednesday for cleaning and maintenance from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

### Invitation to Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Yes, I am willing to spend one hour once a week with Jesus, who is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Check Which Time of the Day You Prefer:

Morning (6 a.m. to 12 noon)

Afternoon (12 noon to 6 p.m.)

Evening (6 p.m. to 10 p.m.)

Please drop in collection basket.



**Please pray for all who are sick or infirmed:**

*Franklin Macato, Daniel Dena, Robert Comstock, Linda Pinnick, Carol Kreft, Betty Sliva, Frances A. Beatty, Diane Schatz, Terri & Richard Glowacki, Mark Glowacki, Stella Dombrowski, Roxie Marolf, Ray Martin, Jacque Sweetman, Mark Kucharek, Rosie Pendleton, Fr. Charlie Urnick, Orelia Cano, James Cleary, Edwin Davies, Angie Huizenga, Sandra Lyons, James Driscoll, Michael Barrett, Jean Potts, Diane Seiler, Joan Anamassi, Frankie Daiber, Fermin Esquibel, Iris Matthews, Joseph Matthews, Amber Richardson, Chris Cocking, Richard Potts, Mary Woodward, Toni Grzechowika, Ron Tuohey Sr., Don Hall, Connie Andrews, Lee Davies, Danny Weatherwax, Richard Fernandez, Anthony Fernandez, Susan & Steve Richards, Ventura Villalobos, Jaime Fernandez, Susan Regino, Juan Izaguirre, Josh Lazarski, Brittney Kelly, Mark & Darlene Bellmore, Martina Aguila, Ryan Smith, Olivia Sanchez, Ann Peterson, Keren Cobbin,*



Please pray for all those who have died, especially;

Kristina Groothuis,  
Rosemary Scirica,  
Nancy Rembolt,  
Alan Weckel,  
Amelia Backus  
Melinda Walsh  
Isabel Gallego

## Altar Flowers

**Fr. Victor wants to extend an invitation to the parish community to make donations for altar flowers.**



### Religious Formation News

Religious Education activities run at their normal times this week, except Atrium III, which is cancelled for the rest of the year. Sacramental Preparation meets for its final lesson today, 5/2 at 4PM. Please bring all required paperwork to this meeting. Family of Faith will have individual wrap up meetings throughout this month.

If you are interested in becoming Catholic please contact Dominic Blanchard at (928) 301-3953.

### REQUIREMENTS PRIOR TO THE BAPTISM OF YOUR CHILD

In order to baptize your child in our parish, the following documents are required before you begin the process.

1. Must be registered parishioner
2. Must have child's birth certificate
3. Godparents must be a practicing Catholic, in good standing. This means they have received Confirmation (certificate is required). If they are married, a copy of their Catholic marriage is required. A letter of good standing and proof of completion of a baptismal preparation is required for both parents and Godparents These forms will be included in packet.

Preparation takes time. Please contact Donna Wicker at (760) 900-2336 to receive all necessary forms and information. I can not set a date for baptism unless all requirements are met.

### Baptism Class

If you are pregnant, discerning to baptize your child or anticipating being a godparent within a year please take note of the Baptismal classes for the remainder of the year.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Register by</u>
June 12	10am-2pm	May 30
July 17	10am-2pm	June 30
August 21	10am-2pm	July 30
September 18	10am-2pm	Aug 30
October 16	10am-2pm	Sept. 30
November 20	10am-2pm	Oct. 30
December 18	10am-2pm	Nov. 30

All paperwork must be completed before a class date is set. Call Donna (760) 900-2336 for an appointment. A baptismal date will **not** be scheduled until all requirements are met.

## Parish News

# MEMORIALS IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE

Occasionally someone will ask me; I would like to donate to something specific for the church in memory of my husband, wife, or someone else. Can you tell me what a contribution for a memorial would be used for and how much would it cost for each item needed for the church? Could I contribute towards the memorial in part if not in full? Here is a list of suggested needs in our parish that could be requested by you to be a memorial in memory of a loved one.

1. A new sign for the front of the church to display the times of Mass, confessions, etc.

*If you are interested, call the Parish Office at (928) 377-3435 to schedule a meeting with Father Victor.*



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC  
DIOCESE OF PHOENIX

### **Rising with Christ – Come to the Feast of the Lord Parish Updates for Mass and Gatherings April 15, 2021**

With gratitude to God, this past Holy Week and Easter saw the great blessing of the faithful gathering for the public liturgies in greater numbers. In addition, the release of Bishop Olmsted's Apostolic Exhortation, *Veneremur Cernui*, *Downward in Adoration Falling*, has provided us with an opportunity to reflect more deeply on the great gift of the Mass and Holy Eucharist.

As Arizona enters the next phase of COVID19 mitigation and given the accessibility of the vaccine for those who wish to receive it, it is appropriate for the Church to take reasonable, safe and sensible steps forward in our approach to Mass and ministry gatherings. For this reason, the following guidelines replace all documents that have been previously communicated by the Diocese of Phoenix related to the pandemic and our commitment to be healthy, smart and holy during these times.

- Physical distancing of at least 6 feet is recommended between unrelated groups or those not in the same household.
- The use of face coverings will continue to be recommended in accordance with the CDC guidelines and advice from the medical community, particularly indoors for those not able to stay at least 6 feet apart from groups that are unrelated or not in the same household.
- Individual pastors may choose to require the use of facial coverings given their local communities circumstances.
- Continue to live stream the Mass for those who are unable to attend in person. Offering Holy Communion after the streamed Mass to those who wish to receive should be considered for your pastoral situation at the parish.
- Those who are sick or vulnerable should remain at home and join in a streamed or televised Mass.
- The sign of peace may be offered through a gesture such as a nod, bow or a simple hand wave.
- Distribution of Holy Communion – Priests and ministers should wear face coverings and sanitize their hands both before and after the distribution of Holy Communion.

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•Communion may be received either on the hand or on the tongue at the communicant's discretion – at a minimum care should be taken by the minister of Holy Communion to sanitize their hands if they determine they have touched a person's tongue or saliva. Sanitizing after each communion on the tongue may continue at the discretion of the minister. A designated station may be identified for those who wish to receive on the tongue.

•The distribution of the Precious Blood remains suspended during the pandemic time.

•Parishes may continue to reinstate choirs and altar servers but in a manner that mitigates risk of spread of the virus (e.g., physical distancing, use of facial coverings, etc.) when appropriate.

•Holy Water may be returned to large circulating fonts. Water may also be returned to smaller fonts at the doors but should be changed daily. Sanitizing the area around the fonts touched by the faithful should be done on a frequent basis.

•Other Sacraments, such as Confession and Baptism, ought to continue as usual, using prudential judgment regarding mitigation precautions.

•Parishes should have hand sanitizing stations in public areas to assist in good hygiene.

•Other things to consider:

\*the use of missalettes, hymnals and other materials in the pews may be done using prudential judgement.

\*The passing of the collection basket should be avoided – but other means of providing the opportunity to give should be provided such as baskets at the door, collection baskets used by ushers with long handles.

•Gatherings of the faithful may resume with no size limits if the parish mitigates risk of exposure, (i.e., physical distancing, encouragement of facial coverings and hand sanitizing/washing, etc.).

•Every attempt should be made to visit and anoint the sick at home or in the hospital in a manner that is safe for the visitor, the sick person and other members of the household/staff. It is important to respond promptly to these calls, visiting the sick and dying as an act of mercy. We know this can be done in a safe manner that mitigates risk of the spread of the virus.

•Communion visits to the homebound by lay ministers or clergy may resume using prudential judgment and proper mitigation.

•The dispensation from Sunday Mass and Holy Day obligation remains in place. Those who are vulnerable or who care for others with underlying chronic health conditions are encouraged to stay home. In addition, those who are not feeling well are asked to remain at home. Both are encouraged to watch Mass via livestream. The dispensation does not relieve the faithful from their sacred duty to keep holy the sabbath, so all are encouraged to spend time in prayer, thanksgiving, and rest on Sundays.

Thank you for all you are doing to serve the people of God. Your ability to adapt and accommodate during these times has shown the faithful your deep desire to help them encounter the Risen Lord in the Church. As we continue the journey, may our Eucharistic Lord provide us the grace and strength needed to share the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

**Parish Life / St. Mary Ministry Contacts**

**Belles -  
Women's Hospitality Group**

**CERS**

**Choir**

**Woman's Bible Study**

**Hispanic**

**Jail Ministry**

**Jovenes Para Cristo—  
Youth for Christ**

**Knights of Columbus**

**Liturgy**

**Meet and Greet, Softball**

**Natural Family Planning**

**Baptism, Marriage Prep & Nullity of Marriage**

**Our Daily Bread**

**Pro-Life**

**RCIA & Religious Formation**

**Finance Council**

**Parish Council**

**Committee for Spanish Liturgy & Affairs**

**Ushers**

**Women's Fellowship**

**St. Vincent De Paul**

**Dolly Cena**

**Ernesto Balderrama**

**Herbert Migabon**

**Grace McNair/  
Liz Degraff**

**Ancelmo Nava**

**Ray Martin**

**Veronica Ayala**

**Walt Gilliam**

**Deacon Francis Staab**

**Kathleen Florea**

**Betty Myrick  
John & Jan Mayr**

**Donna Wicker**

**David Hunter**

**Nora Wisely**

**Dominic Blanchard**

**Don Lynch - Chairman**

**Jac Dollarhide - Chairman**

**Anselmo Nava—Leader**

**Vincent Beatty, Bob Lucero,  
Donny Mesa, Joseph Francaviglia**

**Rina Rabaiotti**

**Sandra Woulms**

