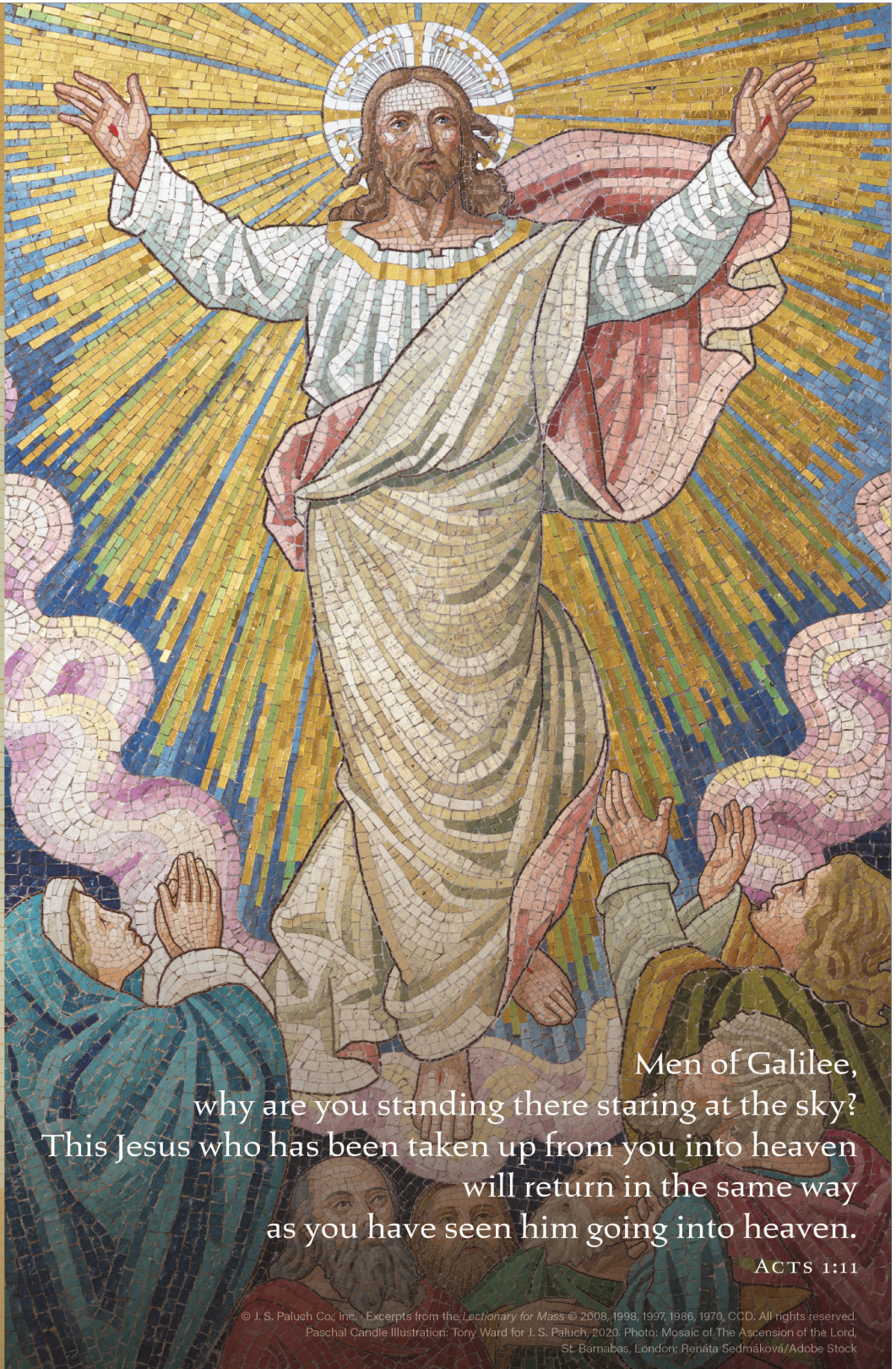


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Men of Galilee,
why are you standing there staring at the sky?
This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven
will return in the same way
as you have seen him going into heaven.

ACTS 1:11

Ascension
OF THE
LORD

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	7:30 AM	Benjamin Beade, †
	9:00 AM	Pro Populo
	11:00 AM	Cornelia Lavilla, †
	1:00 PM	Mario and Maria Garcia, thanksgiving
	5:00 PM	Eugenia T. Panganiban, †
Monday	9:00 AM	Lita Ele, birthday
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Alice Lear, †
	6:00 PM	N. J. Peralta, birthday
Wed.	8:00 AM	The Macomber family, thanksgiving
	6:00 PM	Anna Wood, thanksgiving
Thursday	8:00 AM	Mario Farol, †
	6:00 PM	Manuel Lembo, †
Friday	8:00 AM	Jon Scher, thanksgiving
	6:00 PM	Dec. Dominican Friars, Parents, friends and benefactors
	6:00 PM	Maria Concepcion Aguila, †
Saturday	8:00 AM	Ambrosio and Magdalena Salonga, †
	5:00 PM	Doctors and nurses caring for the sick with COVID19

(Important: These Masses will be celebrated in the private chapel of St. Dominic's Priory. All the written intentions will be honored. Thank you for your understanding.)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab;
 Jn 16:29-33
 Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21;
 Jn 17:1-11a
 Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab;
 Jn 17:11b-19
 Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;
 Jn 17:20-26
 Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab;
 Jn 21:15-19
 Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7;
 Jn 21:20-25
 Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or
 Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35,
 27-28, 29-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;
 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

SCHEDULE UPDATES

CHURCH HOURS: Closed until further notice.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Closed to the public. Call if there is a need.

CONFESSIONS IN THE CHURCH: Canceled except in case of emergency.

EVENTS CANCELLED OR POSTPONED:

DAILY & SUNDAY MASS IN CHURCH: Mass has been cancelled from March 17 until further notice.

MINISTRY ACTIVITIES:

All Ministry Activities are currently cancelled or postponed. More info to come.

SAINT DOMINIC SCHOOL:

The School is closed.

QUEENSCARE NURSE:

There will be no nursing services until further notice. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Adoration, confessions:

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A Message from Fr. Roberto

Memorial Day

is taken from: <https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/memorial-day-history>

Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Memorial Day 2020 occurs on Monday, May 25. Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the *This information* years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. Many Americans observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials, holding family gatherings and participating in parades. Unofficially, it marks the beginning of the summer season.

Congratulations and thank you to all of our parishioners and loved ones who have served our country in the armed forces.



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Jesus Never Takes a Vacation...And Neither Should We

One of my all-time favorite books is called, "Children's Letters to God." As the title indicates, it is a collection of notes little children have written to God. One of the notes goes like this: "Dear God, in Sunday school they told us what you do. Who does it when you are on vacation?"

Thankfully, we believe that God never goes on vacation; he never takes a break. He is always there with us and for us. So, today, as we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus, we have to remember that even though Jesus ascended he did not "go on vacation" or leave us. He assures us of his continual presence in the famous passage at the end of today's Gospel: "**...I am with you always...**" (**Matthew 28:20**). So, on this feast of Jesus' Ascension it might be good to ask ourselves the questions: Do we live as if Jesus is on vacation, as if he is somewhere "up there," remote and distant? Or do we live as if Jesus is with us right here and now? I assure you that Jesus is right here, right now, with each one of us, loving us and guiding us.

Jesus' Ascension also signals the end of his physical presence and physical ministry in this world; at the same time it marks the beginning of the Church's presence and ministry. In other words, Jesus wants us to continue his mission and his presence in this world. That is exactly what he said at the end of today's Gospel: "**Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations... teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you**" (**Matthew 28:19-20**). The question is, are you doing that? That mission is not just for the apostles 2,000 years ago or for priests, deacons, nuns and parish staff today; it's the ongoing mission for all of us as Catholic Christians.

This does not mean that we have to be on street corners or going door-to-door. It does not mean we have to make people feel uncomfortable by always talking about God or our faith. It means, first of all, that we make our faith the number one priority of our lives by loving, forgiving, serving and respecting others; by praying, reading the Bible, attending Mass (even though we can only go online at present) and receiving the sacraments regularly. And, it means that we try to share our faith somehow with others by simply acknowledging to them what God has done for us in our lives, or by inviting them to come to a church function (whenever we will be able to have them again!), or by offering to pray for them if they are struggling in some way. There are a thousand ways we can gently bring our faith into a conversation without sounding like fanatics or making people feel uncomfortable. As Saint Peter says in his First Letter: "**Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence...**" (**1Peter 3:15-16**).

So, my brothers and sisters, Jesus never takes a vacation from his work in the world and in our lives; and neither should we take a vacation from our faith and our duty to live it and share it with others.

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DID YOU KNOW?

What can you do to stop the spread of child pornography?

Child pornography is one type of child sexual exploitation, which includes a range of illegal and abusive activities that control and use children for sexual purposes. Each year, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children reviews 25 million images related to child pornography. You can help by reporting sightings of a missing child to 1-800-THE-LOST (1-800-843-5678). Operators are available 24/7. For more information, please visit, <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>

¿SABÍA QUE?

¿Qué puede hacer para detener la propagación de la pornografía infantil?

La pornografía infantil es un tipo de explotación sexual infantil, que incluye una serie de actividades ilegales y abusivas que controlan y usan a los niños para propósitos sexuales. Cada año, el Centro Nacional de Niños Perdidos y Explotados revisa 25 millones de imágenes relativas a la pornografía infantil. Usted puede ayudar, reportando lugares donde pueden haber niños perdidos al 1-800-THE-LOST (1-800-843-5678). Los operadores están disponibles 24 horas los siete días de la semana. Para obtener más información, por favor visite <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

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Un Mensaje de Padre Roberto

El Día De los Caídos

Esta información está tomada de: <https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/memorial-day-history>

El Día de los Caídos es un feriado estadounidense, observado el último lunes de mayo, en honor a los hombres y mujeres que murieron mientras servían en el ejército de los EE. UU. El Día de los Caídos 2020 se celebra el lunes 25 de mayo. Originalmente conocido como Día de la Decoración, se originó en los años posteriores a la Guerra Civil y se convirtió en feriado federal oficial en 1971. Muchos estadounidenses observan el Día de los Caídos visitando cementerios o monumentos conmemorativos, celebrando reuniones familiares y participando en desfiles. Extraoficialmente, marca el comienzo de la temporada de verano.

Felicitaciones y gracias a todos nuestros feligreses y seres queridos que han servido a nuestro país en las fuerzas armadas.



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Jesús Nunca Se Toma Vacaciones...Y Nosotros Tampoco Deberíamos

Uno de mis libros favoritos se llama "Cartas de los Niños a Dios". Como lo indica el título, es una colección de notas que los niños pequeños han escrito a Dios. Una de las notas dice así: "Querido Dios, en la clase de catecismo nos dijeron lo que haces. ¿Quién lo hace cuando estás de vacaciones?"

Afortunadamente, creemos que Dios nunca se va de vacaciones; él nunca toma un descanso. Él siempre está ahí con nosotros y para nosotros. Entonces, hoy, mientras celebramos la Ascensión de Jesús, debemos recordar que aunque Jesús ascendió, él no "se fue de vacaciones," ni nos dejó. Nos asegura su presencia continua en el famoso pasaje al final del Evangelio de hoy: **"...Yo estoy con ustedes todos los días hasta el fin de la historia..." (Mateo 28, 20)**. Entonces, en esta fiesta de la Ascensión de Jesús, podría ser bueno hacernos las siguientes preguntas: ¿Vivimos como si Jesús estuviera de vacaciones, como si estuviera en algún lugar "allá arriba", remoto y distante? ¿O vivimos como si Jesús estuviera con nosotros aquí y ahora? Les aseguro que Jesús está aquí, ahora mismo, con cada uno de nosotros, amándonos y guiándonos.

La Ascensión de Jesús también señala el final de su presencia física y ministerio físico en este mundo; al mismo tiempo, marca el comienzo de la presencia y el ministerio de la Iglesia. En otras palabras, Jesús quiere que continuemos su misión y su presencia en este mundo. Eso es exactamente lo que dijo al final del Evangelio de hoy: **"Vayan, pues, y hagan que todos los pueblos sean mis discípulos y enséñenles a cumplir todo lo que yo les he encomendado a ustedes. (Mateo 28: 19-20)**. La pregunta es, ¿estás haciendo eso? Esa misión no es solo para los apóstoles hace 2.000 años o para sacerdotes, diáconos, religiosas y el equipo pastoral de la parroquia de hoy; es la misión en curso para todos nosotros como cristianos católicos.

Esto no significa que tengamos que estar en las esquinas de las calles o yendo de puerta en puerta. No significa que tengamos que hacer que las personas se sientan incómodas por siempre estar hablando de Dios o de nuestra fe. Significa, en primer lugar, que hagamos de nuestra fe la prioridad número uno de nuestras vidas por amar, perdonar, servir y respetar a los demás; por orar, leer la Biblia, asistir a Misa (aunque solo podemos hacerlo en línea en este momento) y recibir los sacramentos regularmente. Y significa que tratemos de compartir nuestra fe de alguna manera con los demás por simplemente compartir lo que Dios ha hecho por nosotros en nuestras vidas, o invitándolos a asistir a una función de la iglesia (¡cuando podamos volverlas a tener!), u ofrecer a orar por ellos si están luchando de alguna manera. Hay miles de maneras en las que podemos introducir nuestra fe a una conversación sin parecer fanáticos o hacer que la gente se sienta incómoda. Como dice San Pedro en su Primera Carta: **"estén siempre dispuestos para dar una respuesta a quien les pida cuenta de su esperanza, pero háganlo con sencillez y deferencia, (1 Pedro 3, 15-16)**.

Entonces, mis hermanos y hermanas, Jesús nunca se toma vacaciones de su trabajo en el mundo y en nuestras vidas; y tampoco debemos tomar vacaciones de nuestra fe y nuestro deber de vivirla y compartirla con otros.



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Fr. Cassian's Book Club

This month we will read and discuss the book "*The Dutch House*", a novel by Ann Patchett.

We hope we could meet at the Guadalupe Room on **Saturday, May 23, 2020 at 10:00 am.**



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