

# May 21, 2017

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

The people of Samaria come to worship the Lord and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is this same Spirit who leads us into the truth. In the body, Jesus was put to death; in the Spirit, he was raised to life. We are called to this same glory.

### Readings for May 28, 2017

1<sup>st</sup> Acts 1:1-11  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Ephesians 1:17-23  
 Gospel Matthew 28:16-20



### MASS INTENTIONS – May 21-27, 2017

6:30 AM	+ Najla Lutfi	
7:30 AM	+ Renato Gamboa	
8:45 AM	+ Nagla Ludsi Tuhfa	
10:15 AM	Thanksgiving – Ian & Mofel Obiso	
11:45 AM	+ Ken Volpi	
1:15 PM	+ St. Luke's Parishioners	
5:30 PM	+ Mario Castillo	
Monday	6:45	Thanksgiving – Kevin Galela
	8:30	+ Albert, Laura, Mkylia Rael
Tuesday	6:45	+ Souls in Purgatory
	8:30	Thanksgiving – Lupe & Carlos Rafanan
Wednesday	6:45	+ Paulina Balbarino
	8:30	+ Marciana Lao
Thursday	6:45	+ Sirio Giannini
	8:30	+ LaKambini Razon
Friday	6:45	+ Nellie Prioli
	8:30	+ Petronilo & Lily Canton
Saturday	8:30	+ Virginia Zarate
	5:30	+ J.D. Burrise, Jr.



### PLATE COLLECTIONS

May 14, 2017 \$ 10,644.<sup>00</sup>  
 St. Luke's School 2,543.<sup>00</sup>

### SECOND COLLECTIONS

May 21, 2017 Catholic Charities  
 May 28, 2017 Building & Maintenance Fund  
 The Building and Maintenance Fund is used at the parish to maintain the facilities and grounds.

### MAGNIFICAT!

Yes, Lord! Join us in celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Religious Life for

**Sr. Irma Cruz, M.S.C.**

Her YES has brought her among us. Come celebrate her joy and years of faithfulness. Mass will be Sunday, May 28, at the 10:15 am Mass. A simple reception in her honor will take place in the gym after mass.

### FILIPINO CATHOLIC FAMILIES OF ST LUKE'S CHURCH

... are looking for a leader or coordinator able to bring Filipinos together to work for common causes relevant to the Diocese and St. Luke's Church. Those interested may submit names and information to the front office or send an e-mail to [khall@stlukestockton.us](mailto:khall@stlukestockton.us).

### NO ADORATION OR CONFESSION

On Tuesday, May 30, 2017  
 Please make a note on your calendars!!



### GET JUICED!!

St. Luke's RCIA is doing a fundraiser to support adult faith formation at St. Luke's. For each \$10 donation, get one (1) buy-one-get-one-free gift card good for up to \$35 in free products. RCIA Team members will be in front of the church after the 8:45 am, 10:15 am, and 11:45 am Masses this Sunday.



### ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION

... next meeting will be June 8 in the Social Hall at 6:30 pm. Potluck dinner – everyone welcome to come, bring a dish to share, and a friend. Father's Day theme - lots to discuss! Hope to see everyone there!



### FOOD FOR FAMILIES

St. Luke's Preschool families will man the donation station THIS WEEKEND, May 20 & 21. The Food Pantry tells us they especially need canned tomatoes, canned fruit, rice and beans. Your continued support of this ministry is greatly appreciated. *Just a reminder* - food which has passed the expiration date must be **thrown away**. Please bring only freshly canned or boxed products for distribution to the needy. Thank you.

### SACRO COSTATO LAY ASSOCIATION

Join the S.C. Lay Association June 2 for First Friday Eucharistic Adoration in the convent at 6:00 pm. Also join them on June 10 at 2 pm in the convent to learn about the spirituality and charism of Father Eustachio Montemurro, Founder of the Missionary Sisters, on how to be a witness of God's love for all. For more information, call Rose at 598-8280 or Alberta at 601-3298.

*"You are called to stand up for life!...You are called to work and pray against abortion....."*

~ St. John Paul II ~



## **MAN UP!**

**World Ablaze - Made for More** - Are you up to the challenge? The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Central Valley Catholic Men's Conference will be held July 15, 2017 from 8:00 – 5:00 pm at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Modesto. The fee is \$40 for the conference or \$60,

which includes a VIP dinner with the speakers. A Spanish component will be held July 14 from 6 – 9 pm - \$10 per person.



## **SUMMER CAMP CONFUSION???**

Everywhere you look there's a specialized camp but where do you find

**one** that combines arts & crafts, sports, field trips, swimming, *PLUS* faith-filled young adult counselors who teach our kids that there's JOY in knowing JESUS? Look no further: it happens here at **St. Luke Salesian Summer Camp, July 10 – 28**. Camp Counselors will be outside at all masses, this weekend, May 20 & 21 to answer questions and hand out registration packets. 1, 2, or all 3 weeks of camp means a lifetime of great memories!

## **NEVER-BEEN-USED SALE THIS SUNDAY**

Where can you find new items at garage sale prices???. St. Luke's Youth Ministries will host its Never-Been-Used Sale, **Sunday, May 21** from 9:30 – 1:30, over by the outdoor statue of Our Lady. Sales will help send youth and young adults to the Salesian Youth Leadership training conference! All sorts of wonderful items. Check it out before or after mass!



## **SAN JOAQUIN CATHOLIC CEMETERY**

... will celebrate a Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 29, at 9:00 am in their Mausoleum with Bishop Stephen Blaire presiding. All are welcome to attend.

## **MARRIAGE IN TROUBLE?**

### ***Retrouvaille can help!***

Are you lost, alone, or bored in your marriage. Have you thought about separation or divorce? Many couples are in misery and hurting and want to get their marriage back, but don't know how to do it. Retrouvaille is a Catholic Christian program that will give you communication tools necessary to get back in touch with each other. Learn more at [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com) or call 800-470-2230 for confidential information.



© Can Stock Photo

## **Reflexionemos sobre la Palabra de Dios**

Nos podemos perder el verdadero mensaje de hoy si nos quedamos absorbidos en los detalles. ¿Adónde se fue Jesús? ¿Está el cielo "allá arriba"? ¿Por qué el Evangelio de Mateo no nos presenta a Jesús ascendiendo al cielo? ¿Acaso esta fiesta no nos saca a Jesús de entre nosotros para llevárselo a un lugar donde está "sentado a la derecha del Padre"? ¿Nos suena esto un tanto desconectado o distante?

En la presentación de los escritos de san Bernardo de Claraval, Jean Leclercq dice que en el misterio de la Ascensión se consumió el misterio de amor por el cual Jesús regresa a la gloria del Padre. Entonces el Hijo envía el Espíritu Santo para unirnos al Padre en el amor. Por tanto, según san Bernardo, la Ascensión es un símbolo del paso o la Pascua de Cristo de su vida mortal a la vida gloriosa en el Espíritu. Esta misma transición de vida mortal a la vida en el Espíritu puede también cumplirse en nosotros, pues ya se ha cumplido en Cristo.

Pero nosotros no somos simplemente unos receptores pasivos. Hay trabajo que hacer. Los ángeles de Lucas les dicen sin rodeos a los discípulos que se pongan en marcha. La escena final de Mateo recalca bien el trabajo a hacer: "Vayan y hagan discípulos a todos los pueblos y bautícenlos para consagrarlos al Padre, al Hijo y al Espíritu Santo, enseñándoles a poner por obra todo lo que les he mandado" (Mateo 28:19). Den testimonio de Jesús tanto de palabra como de obra.

La tarea de difundir la buena nueva, que es Jesucristo, y enseñarle a otras personas acerca de él, puede parecer sobrecogedora. Pero no estamos solos. Tenemos la promesa de que el Espíritu Santo trabajará con nosotros; así lo aseguran las últimas palabras de Jesús en Mateo: "Estoy con ustedes todos los días hasta el final de los tiempos" (28:20). Ésa es razón suficiente para trabajar con confianza.

—James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.

Derechos de autor © 2013, World Library Publications. Todos los derechos reservados.

---

---

Whenever the length of the **Reflection** or bulletin prevents us running both the English and Spanish versions, one will appear in the bulletin, and the other on the website. They will be alternated in this regard. Due to the length of this Sunday's bulletin, the English version may be found on the website at: [www.stlukestockton.us](http://www.stlukestockton.us).

---

---

Keep up with St. Luke's on our info-packed website at:



© Can Stock Photo

**[www.stlukestockton.us](http://www.stlukestockton.us)**