



FIRST READING: ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

5:12-16

Peter and the apostles perform many signs and wonders.

SECOND READING: REVELATION 1:9-11A, 12-13, 17-19

John describes the instruction he received to write down his vision.

GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

Thomas believes because he sees Jesus.

FAMILY CONNECTION:

Our family life would no doubt be enhanced if we were able to transform Jesus' greeting into a central feature in our family's interactions. After His Resurrection, "Peace be with you" is the first thing that Jesus says to His disciples. This could be our daily family prayer for one another. In today's Gospel, we also hear that Jesus next breathed on His disciples and gave them the gift of the Holy Spirit. In Baptism, each of us has received the gift of the Holy Spirit as well as the forgiveness of sins. Peace is a fruit of the Holy Spirit. Our Baptism, then, invites us to share in the peace that Christ gave to His disciples and commissions us to share that peace of Christ by generously forgiving others as Jesus taught.

As you gather as a family, think about gifts that you might receive together such as a coloring book and crayons, a book and bookmark, or an electronic item and batteries. Observe that Jesus also paired two gifts together in today's Gospel. Read aloud this Sunday's Gospel, John 20:19-31. Discuss the two gifts Jesus gave to His disciples: peace and the Holy Spirit. Ask: What were the disciples to do with these gifts? (They were sent as Jesus was sent by the Father to forgive sins.) Recall that we have each received Jesus' gift of the Holy Spirit at our Baptism and that peace is a fruit of the Holy Spirit. Observe that since we also have received these gifts from Christ, we are also sent to be people who forgive others as Jesus taught. Determine an action that your family can do to share peace and forgiveness with one another. Pray together the Prayer to the Holy Spirit or the Peace Prayer of St. Francis.

Mass INTENTIONS

Saturday 9:00 AM	APRIL 26, 2025 - IRENEO NERY (†) - NAPOLEON CHIU (†) - INTENTIONS OF JOHN IGNACIO & FAMILY - CWL – OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL OTTO WERNER (†)
Sunday 9:30 AM 11:15 AM	APRIL 27, 2025 THANKSGIVING OF WILLIAM LYNCH FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS
Monday WHOLE DAY – PASTOR'S REST DAY	APRIL 28, 2025
Tuesday 8:30am	APRIL 29, 2025 BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS FOR ESTRELLA HERNANDEZ
Wednesday 8:30am	APRIL 30, 2025 HEALING FOR ANGIE CRUZ
Thursday 8:30am	MAY 1, 2025 HEALING FOR LILI CRUZ
Friday 8:30am	MAY 2, 2025 - BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS (100 TH) FOR JOHN FERNANDEZ - GENOVIBA BENITEZ GAVINO (†) - BASILISA SANTIAGO PANGAN (†)

BURNING THIS WEEK:

SANCTUARY LAMP:

REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF ARTAJO ALMODIEL (†)



May 4, 2025 – ShareLife

May 11, 2025 – Building Fund

May 25, 2025 – Papal Charities

THANK YOU
for your generosity
YOUR SUPPORT HELPS SUSTAIN OUR PARISH!

Rest in Peace Pope Francis



We pray for the repose of the soul of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, who returned to the Father's house on Monday 21st April 2025. Let us never forget his message of hope and his care for the sick, the poor and the marginalised. Let us always strive to care for creation - the world we live in. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

From the Pastor's Desk

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who shared their gifts, talents and time to make it possible for us to have a grace filled and blessed celebration of Easter.

To the parishioners of St. Bartholomew thank you for your generous contributions to the vibrant manifestation of your stewardship of the parish sharing in the mission and ministries of the Church.

We are all saddened by the passing of Pope Francis at the same token we thank God for his gift of ministry. Let us keep alive through our works his call to attend to the needs of others, the poor and the marginalized in our society. In this coming days we invoke the power of the Holy Spirit to guide the College of Cardinals as they will gather to the conclave to elect the new successor of St. Peter.

I also ask you to pray for the children of our parish and their parents/legal guardians as they are about to celebrate the sacraments. The young children to receive the Holy Body and Blood of the Risen Lord in Holy Communion. The young adults to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation. It is indeed a manifestation of our renewed hope of the church that continues to call disciples to missionary life to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

May the spirit and grace of Our Lord of Divine Mercy continue to strengthen and guide us all.

Your brother in Christ,

Fr. Serrano

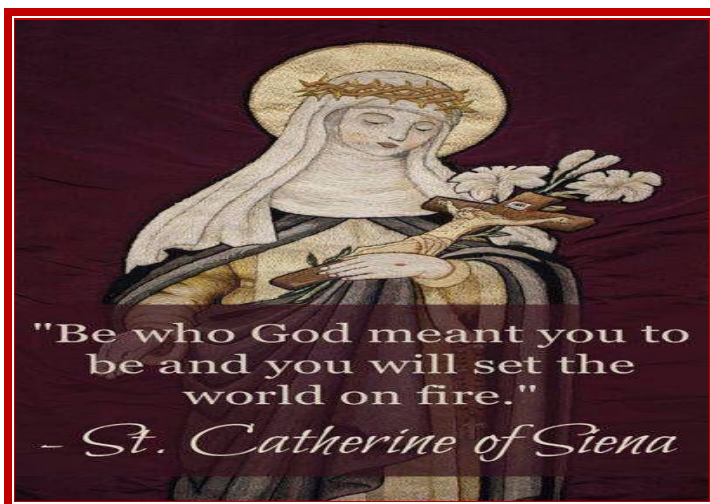
Volunteer Appreciation Week: Volunteers Make Waves (April 27 to May 3, 2025)



THANK YOU!

We appreciate and celebrate your faithful service within our parish community. Thank you for volunteering and making every moment matter.

"So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith."
GALATIANS 6:10



SL ShareLife

May 4 & June 8, 2025

THANK YOU FOR BEING A BEACON OF HOPE

You ensure a brighter future for at-risk children

As many as 7,000 youth are homeless across Canada on any given night. Covenant House, an agency you support through ShareLife, provides a refuge for at-risk youth. They offer safe housing alongside healthcare, education, and employment guidance. Thanks to your compassionate heart, young people like David can move from a life on the street to a life with a future. David first found safety in the emergency shelter and later moved into a transitional housing program, where he formed a life-long bond with his mentor, whose kind heart and patient guidance inspired David to pursue and complete post-secondary education.

The second ShareLife Sunday of the year is May 4. We ask you to share your blessings through the parish or at sharelife.org/donate. Thank you for living the Gospel!

FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH

HOLY FAMILY
is forever

The Worker



If there are errors or mistakes in the bulletin we are humans too. Nobody is perfect. -FZS