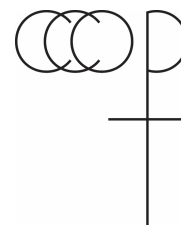


*“To know Christ better, live as He calls us to live,
and make Him better known.”*



THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF PLEASANTON

MAY 6, 2018

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*“As the Father loves me, so I also love you.
Remain in my love.”*

John 15:9



“God Shows No Partiality” (Acts 10:34)

My fellow Christians,

As the adage “Rome was not built in a day” goes, so goes our faith! Our belief and knowledge of God – the church as we know it today – did not form instantly but gradually. Today we hear the early Christians led by Peter, learned something new and great about God. For the first time they found out that their God is an inclusive God, “shows no partiality” (Acts 10:34) and accepts people beyond all boundaries. This new knowledge inspires our Christian faith too; it is a faith that sees and acknowledges God in all cultures that are different from ours.

Peter was invited to the home of Cornelius, who was neither Jewish nor Christian. Yet, before Peter could get through formalities and baptize him, God gave the spirit to Cornelius and his household. Yes, God showed up in the non-believers ahead of Peter’s ministry; and all that was left for Peter was to acknowledge and confirm the presence of God among the “foreigners”. It was a new knowledge about God that Peter learned that day. Indeed, Jesus had already taught them to “love one another as I have loved you” (John 15:12). This love is of the highest quality; it is an unconditional and impartial love – a love that does not discriminate against cultures, peoples, and languages that are different. Peter learned that God is already the God of all

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humanity. The Church came to this knowledge with time, learning and accepting other ways that God is present among diverse cultures and generations.

Recently, members of Small Christian Communities (SCC) from CCOP have visited and worshipped at Saint Columba Catholic Church in Oakland. The latest visit was done by the "Men Under God" (MUG) on the Fourth Sunday of Easter. In February of this year, our "Padre Pio Prayer Group" also visited Saint Columba to celebrate Mass in commemoration of Black History Month. However, CCOP individuals, couples, and families have also visited and experienced Mass both at Saint Columba and other parishes with black spirituality. I must say that I neither initiated nor inspired these visits, hence I am due no credit here. Rather, the SCC members and our parishioners themselves have been discussing practical ways to break down cultural and racial barriers in our faith. Their goal for these visits has been to broaden their knowledge, awareness, and experience of God's presence in other cultural contexts. In this way we continue to build up our faith on the foundation of Peter and the early Christians. By experiencing God in diverse cultures, we come to respect, cherish, and love people from those cultures; thus, we live up to our faith that says we believe in the Church as "catholic" – universal and diverse.

Finally, cultures come not only in racial terms but, also, in generations, gender, abilities, and other human expressions of life. In spite of all these expressions, God has revealed to us His presence in all. Are you stuck in a faith that is one, exclusive, old, small, limited, partial, conditional, tribal, partisan, nationalistic and legalistic? Or, would you strive to imitate your inclusive God, impartial, liberating, embracing all, unconditional, global, unlimited and ever new? As we near the close of the Easter season, let us not miss this important knowledge about the God of savior Jesus Christ: "God shows no partiality", and hence we – the church – must strive to practice our faith in God impartially. May God grant us the courage to be inclusive in the practice of our faith!

Fr. Kwame

MASSES AT ST. AUGUSTINE

- Sunday Vigil: 5:00 PM (Saturday)
- Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM
- Weekday Masses: 8:30 AM Monday - Saturday
- Holy Days: 8:30 AM and 7:30 PM
- Eucharistic Adoration: First Fridays, following 8:30 AM Mass
- Benediction: First Fridays, 11:30 AM
- Rosary Monday - Saturday at 8:00 AM
- Reconciliation: Saturday: 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM
- Weddings: 6 months preparation time required by the Diocese. Call for an interview.
- Baptisms: Call for an interview.

MASSES AT ST. ELIZABETH SETON

- Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 4:00 PM and 6:30 PM
- Weekdays Masses: 12:10 PM Monday - Friday
- Holy Days: 12:10 PM and 6:00 PM
- Eucharistic Adoration: 12:45-6:30 PM Monday and Wednesday
- Rosary & Angelus Monday through Friday at 11:30 AM

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS INTENTIONS			CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
S T A U G U S T I N E	SUNDAY May 6	8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM	Veronica Cook Eusebio Gomez Alex Spotorno	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Knights of Columbus Donut Social Children's Liturgy of the Word	Hall Room 17
	MONDAY May 7	8:30 AM	Carmen & Francisco Madriaga	8:00 AM 7:00 PM	Rosary St. Vincent de Paul	Church Rectory
	TUESDAY May 8	8:30 AM	John Kock	8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM 7:00 PM	Rosary Infant & Toddler Playgroup Al-Anon Meeting Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church Room 13 Room 8 Church
	WEDNESDAY May 9	8:30 AM	Hyeon Jeong Angela Kwon (L)	8:00 AM	Rosary	Church
	THURSDAY May 10	8:30 AM	Nina Shaji Abraham (L)	8:00 AM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:30 PM	Rosary Knights of Columbus Business Meeting Cantor Rehearsal Bible Study	Church Rms. 4 & 5 Church Rooms 16 & 17
	FRIDAY May 11	8:30 AM	Margarito E. Battung	8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM	Rosary Bible Study Al-Anon AA—Words of Wisdom Hispanic Prayer Group	Church Rms. 16 & 17 Room 8 Room 8 Rooms 4 & 5
	SATURDAY May 12	8:30 AM 5:00 PM	Danilo Malibunan Marjorie Fleming	8:00 AM 8:00 AM 8:45 AM 3:00 PM 7:00 PM	Rosary Spanish Eucharistic Retreat Al-Anon Reconciliation High School Youth Ministry Social	Church Hall Room 8 Church Hall
	SUNDAY May 13	8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM	For All Mothers For All Mothers For All Mothers	10:00 AM 4:00 PM	Children's Liturgy of the Word Confirmation Year 1 Class	Room 17 Hall
MASS INTENTIONS			CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
S T E L I Z A B E T H S E T O N	SUNDAY May 6	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM 6:30 PM	For the People James Haupt Pacifico de Silva Ivy Cargil & Violet Hinds	9:00 AM 10:15 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM	Children's Liturgy of the Word RCIA Inquiry Children's Liturgy of the Word Knights of Columbus Cookie Sunday	Chapel Room A Chapel Vestibule
	MONDAY May 7	12:10 PM	Monica Lee	11:30 AM 12:45 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:15 PM	Rosary and Angelus Eucharistic Adoration WINGS Employment Connections RCIA	Chapel Chapel JP II Center Room B Room A
	TUESDAY May 8	12:10 PM	Jazelle & Phil Medrano (L)	11:30 AM	Rosary and Angelus	Chapel
	WEDNESDAY May 9	12:10 PM	Cheryl Gray	11:30 AM 12:45 PM 5:00 PM 5:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:30 PM	Rosary and Angelus Eucharistic Adoration Children's Choir Rehearsal Legion of Mary Teen Choir Rehearsal Invite 2.0	Chapel Chapel Church Room B Church Chapel
	THURSDAY May 10	12:10 PM	Albina Castillo	11:30 AM 6:30 PM 7:30 PM	Rosary and Angelus Prayer Shawl Ministry Spring Grief Workshop	Chapel Room A Chapel, Rm A
	FRIDAY May 11	12:10 PM	Inbae Antonio Kim	11:30 AM	Rosary and Angelus	Chapel
	SATURDAY May 12					
	SUNDAY May 13	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM 6:30 PM	For All Mothers For All Mothers For All Mothers For All Mothers	9:00 AM 10:15 AM 11:00 AM	Children's Liturgy of the Word M.O.M.S. Bible Study Children's Liturgy of the Word	Chapel Room B Chapel

Scripture Readings

May 13

Acts of the Apostles 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26
1 John 4:11-16 or Ephesians 1:17-23
John 17:11b-19

Rosary

St. Augustine Church

Monday through Saturday at 8:00 AM

St. Elizabeth Seton Chapel

Monday through Friday at 11:30 AM

Angelus

St. Elizabeth Seton Chapel

Monday through Friday at Noon

Adult Confirmation

Adults interested in preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation please contact Matt Gray at (925) 202-5425, for more information.

RCIA: Come and See

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process that adults complete to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

Please contact Matt Gray, (925) 202-5425 or mgray@catholicsofpleasanton.org.

Rectory Office Hours

The St. Augustine Rectory office will be closed on **Saturdays** during the month of **May**.

Grief Workshop

The death of a loved one is a shattering experience. It leaves us in a state of shock, confusion, pain and sadness. You do not have to suffer alone. We invite you to participate in our grief support ministry where you can heal in a safe and caring environment. Please call Eleanor at (925) 846-8708 for more information. All are welcome regardless of religious affiliation.

Tri-Valley Catholic Young Adult Ministry

We are a group of Catholic adults from the Tri-Valley and surrounding areas, between the ages of 18-35, who meet to grow in our faith, develop lasting friendships, encourage good citizenship, and create a culture of life.

May Schedule of Events

First Friday Adoration: May 4, 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Bible Study: Wednesdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

Mass & Brunch: Sunday, May 20, 9:00 AM

Volunteer Opportunity: Saturday, May 5

Wine Tasting: Saturday, May 12

More information can be found on the website.

Flores de Mayo

The CCOP Diversity Team invites you to celebrate the Flores de Mayo on **May 20, following the Noon Mass at St. Augustine Church**. As a tradition, there will be a procession to the Grotto offering flowers to the Blessed Virgin Mary honoring her Assumption to heaven. Following the Mass, refreshments will be provided by the Filipino Community (FAP) at the Parish Hall.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Leo Tamisia	Olivia Isaac
Gisele Stickler	Johan Van Parys
Baby Leo Choi Kiben	Stuart Bonderow
Kay Sanservino	Pablo Mora
Manuel Rubio	Ana Raygoza
Guadalupe Rubio	Mercy Martinez
Leigh Gorgis	Winnie Lang
Ted Tinges	Ronald Shinn
Margaret Reilley	Judy Tiu
John McFarland	Emma Matel
Angelo Paradiso	Juliet Joson
Virginia Madden	David Martin

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Myrna Battung	Raymond Raiczuk
Rolando Solis, Jr.	Ed Raiczuk
Candelario Fuentes	Clarita Juinio
Cecilio Caliao	Maria del Refugio Martinez
Fernicita Saldivar	Amalia de Jesus Corcino
Margarito Battung	Lucille Martignetti

St. Padre Pio Prayer Group

"Prayer Groups are beds of Faith" says Padre Pio! The "Sons and Daughters of Padre Pio Prayer Group" at CCOP which has been officially aggregated to the International Center of the Prayer Groups of Padre Pio for the relief of the suffering invites you to join and celebrate the Eucharist **every 2nd Saturday** of the month. Mass starts at 8:30 AM at St Augustine Church followed by devotion, meeting and fellowship at St. Elizabeth Seton.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The CCOP Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on **Thursday, May 10 from 6:30 to 8:00 PM** in **Room A at St Elizabeth Seton Church**. This group meets the second Thursday of the month to share fellowship and prayers as we make shawls to comfort parish members who experience loss, grief, or illness. We also make shawls to celebrate times of joy. Our ministry is growing, and we invite you to join us. Beginners are welcome! For more information, contact Joanne Lenigan at jolenigan@gmail.com.

Santa Rita Jail Detention Ministry

Enrollment period for the Detention Ministry at Santa Rita Jail is now through the month of May.

This is the only opportunity for the entire year to join a dedicated group of women and men who visit inmates and bring them the gospel message of God's enduring mercy and love. This is a rewarding ministry and a wonderful way to cultivate and to share God's love with others.

Comprehensive training will be provided by the jail and the Catholic Detention Ministry. You must be 18 or older to volunteer. For more information, please contact Richard Denoix at richard_denoix@yahoo.com.

Employment Connections

We welcome everyone in need of help with their job search to join us. Meetings are held on the **1st Monday** each month at **7:00 PM in Room B at St Elizabeth Seton Church**. Join our LinkedIn Group: Employment Connection CCOP or contact **Mike Machi** at **(925) 462-9765**.

Infant & Toddler Playgroup

Giving Pre-K children in our community a casual setting to play, learn and socialize in a Christ-centered environment while providing a forum of support, friendship and fellowship for parents/caregivers. **WHEN & WHERE:** We meet weekly, every Tuesday at 10:00 AM in Room 13, located in St. Augustine's Hall.

Volunteers Needed for MedShare

Please join us at MedShare on Saturday, May 19th from 9:00 am until 12:00 noon. A group of CCOP volunteers will be sorting medical supplies at MedShare in San Leandro. MedShare provides free medical supplies to hospitals and free clinics around the world where there is great need. We are looking for 15 volunteers. For information or to volunteer, please contact Marti at martiannc@yahoo.com or at 925-846-7614. Thank you. This volunteer activity is organized by the Social Justice Committee.



Italian Catholic Federation - Branch 285

Polenta & Chicken Cacciatore Dinner

Saturday, June 2, 2018

St. Augustine Church Hall

3999 Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton, CA

Doors Open: 6:00 PM Dinner: 7:00 PM

Tickets: \$25.00 Adults
\$10.00 Children (10 and under)
Reservations required Limited Seating

RSVP by: May 29
Contact: Christine (925) 462-3704

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2018 Summer Sports Camps



Multi-Sport Camp

This multi-sport program was designed to give children a positive first step into the essentials of **soccer, basketball and baseball**. Which are taught in a safe, structured environment with lots of encouragement and a big focus on fun and skill development. Don't be surprised to see **Dodgeball, Kickball, and Capture The Flag** introduced in one of our most popular camps.

Basketball Skills Camp

This fun, skill-intensive program is designed for beginning to intermediate athletes. An active week of passing, shooting, dribbling and rebounding makes this one of our most popular programs. Boys and girls will also learn vital life lessons such as respect, teamwork and responsibility.

Weeks	Sport	Ages & Camp Time	Camp Location
6/11 - 6/15 6/25 - 6/29 7/9 - 7/13 7/23 - 7/27	Multi Sport Camp	Ages 5 - 7 (9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.) Ages 8 - 12 (1:00pm - 4:00 p.m.)	JP II Activity Center
6/18 - 6/22 7/16 - 7/20 7/30 - 8/3 8/6 - 8/10	Basketball Skills Camp	Ages 5-7 9:00 am-12:00 pm Ages 8-12 1:00 pm-4:00 pm	JP II Activity Center

Youth Summer Basketball League

4 week leagues with 2 sessions per week – each session will consist of 30 minutes of skill instruction followed by a 45 minute game. Maximum of 8 players per team (32 players per time slot) so space will be very limited.

6/11 – 7/5 (Three separate sessions per evening)

Ages 6-8	Mon & Wed	5:00 p.m. – 6:20 p.m	6:30 p.m. – 7:50 p.m.	8:00 p.m. – 9:20 p.m.
Ages 9-12	Tues & Thur	5:00 p.m. – 6:20 p.m	6:30 p.m. – 7:50 p.m.	8:00 p.m. – 9:20 p.m.

7/9 – 8/3 (Three separate sessions per evening)

Ages 6-8	Mon & Wed	5:00 p.m. – 6:20 p.m	6:30 p.m. – 7:50 p.m.	8:00 p.m. – 9:20 p.m.
Ages 9-12	Tues & Thur	5:00 p.m. – 6:20 p.m	6:30 p.m. – 7:50 p.m.	8:00 p.m. – 9:20 p.m.

For more information, pricing and to register, please visit:

skyhawks.com

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