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## St. Timothy's May 3rd Updates

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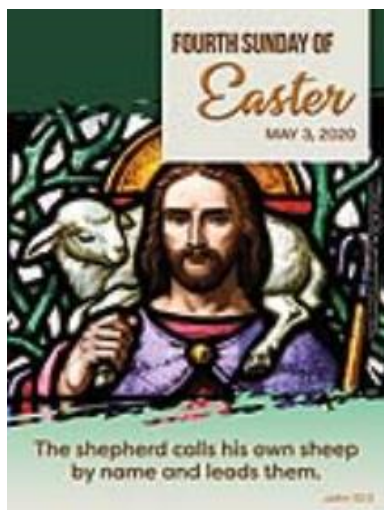
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### TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — All peoples called by God will receive the gift of the Spirit if they repent and are baptized  
(Acts 2:14a, 36-41).

Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want  
(Psalm 23).

Second Reading — Once we were like straying sheep; but now we have been returned to the shepherd, our guardian  
(1 Peter 2:20b-25).

Gospel — The shepherd leads the sheep out into pastures of abundant life (John 10:1-10).

*Words of Inspiration*

### JESUS SAVES

Be honest with yourself. Have you ever gone astray? Have you ever given in to temptation or weakness? Do you sometimes feel that you need someone to help you get your life on back on track? Most people could answer yes to any of these questions. As people of faith, we know that Jesus understands the struggles we face and gave his life to save us from our human frailty. The Lord knows that we need help in order to live as God's people in the world. There are people and powers that seek to mislead us, who offer a way that may for a time be appealing, even though it does not lead to the true way of life, love, and peace. We can be readily dissuaded and distracted from the ways of holiness. We easily lose our way, lured by the trappings of material possessions, wealth, or social status. Jesus is our only real way, the door that leads to meaning and peace in this earthly time, and to life everlasting.

### JESÚS SALVA

Se honesto contigo mismo; ¿te has ido por el mal camino? ¿Has caído en la tentación o en la debilidad? ¿Sientes que algunas veces necesitas a alguien para ayudarte a volver a encarrilar tu vida? Muchas personas podrían responder sí a cualquiera de estas preguntas. Como personas de fe, sabemos que Jesús entiende las dificultades que enfrentamos y da su vida para salvarnos de nuestra humana fragilidad. El Señor sabe que necesitamos ayuda para vivir como el Pueblo de Dios en el mundo. Hay personas y fuerzas que nos inducen al error, que ofrecen un camino que

*Sometimes the Lord calms the storm.*

*Sometimes He lets the storm rage and calms His child.*

por un tiempo parece atractivo, incluso aunque no nos lleve al verdadero camino de la vida, el amor y la paz. Podemos rápidamente ser disuadidos y distraídos del camino de la santidad. Fácilmente perdemos nuestro camino, con señuelos de las trampas de las posesiones materiales, la riqueza o una posición social. Jesús es nuestro único camino verdadero, la puerta que nos guía a un significado y a la paz en nuestro tiempo terrenal y para la vida eterna.

**Please pray for the sick: Especially, Fe Astrero, Pasqual Astrero, JoAnn Metes Bernier, and Kalolaine Wight**

#### **CLERGY**

Administrator: Fr. Arsenio Cirera

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Jorge Arias

Deacon Faiva Po'oi

Deacon Fred Totah

Deacon Ben Koloamatangi

#### **A Message from our Administrator...**

The San Francisco Bay Area will continue to shelter in place through the end of May. COVID-19 has forced us, church leaders to ask questions like, "How can we remain faithful to pastor our people especially when we can't gather together?"

In the Gospel from John, Jesus compares his followers to sheep and himself to a gate that protects them. The physical gate of our lives may stay closed but Jesus said, "I am the gate." He is the gate that opens and leads to the pastures of abundant life and he is the gate that stands against death. We open or close in collaboration with Jesus. "The sheep follow [the shepherd] because they know his voice."

Who or what stands at your gates today? Who or what are the people, opportunities, possibilities, and choices that seek entry into your life? The gates in our life are threshold places, times of discernment, moments of transition, and decisions to be made. To whom or what do you need to open and to whom or what do you need to close? How might your life change if you open? What might you miss if you close? Will your life be enhanced and empowered by opening or will something be lost? What pain or wound might you prevent by closing? Where is fear in all this? Which will enhance and add to life today, opening or closing?

We are the gatekeeper and guardian of our heart. Guarding our heart means staying awake, being watchful, and remaining diligent. Awareness of what is happening

within and outside us are the gatekeeper's key. Depending on who or what it is we either open our heart or keep it closed. Sometimes we need to open the gate and sometimes we need to keep the gate of our life closed. Look back on your life and you can see that.

*Fr. Senic*

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** Parish staff will be checking email and voicemail messages on a daily basis.

**CHAPEL** is closed until further notice.

**SUNDAY MASS:** Due to the COVID-19 crisis, all public Masses are suspended. To view live streamed Sunday Mass on Facebook go to the lavender button below:  
English 9am Spanish 12pm

**CONFESSIONS:** Are available on Saturdays 3:30 to 4:30 in the church

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is offered to anyone in danger of death. Please call the parish office at 650-342-2468 x12 for English and x23 for Spanish

**BAPTISM:** The Sacrament of Baptism is limited to those with an urgent pastoral need.

## Facebook Link to Sunday Mass



In light of the state orders for staying at home here are some directives to help with the celebration of sacraments from the San Francisco Archdiocese Office of Worship and Office of Faith Formation.

### **INITIATIONS**

We were all hopeful that the shelter-in-place would be removed and that we could celebrate the Baptismal Liturgy normally done at the Easter Vigil on the Vigil of Pentecost. With the extended shelter-in-place order, this will not be possible. We are discussing a new common date for initiations. We will let you know what is decided.

### **CONFIRMATIONS**

All Confirmations in May and June have been cancelled.

### **ADULT CONFIRMATIONS**

The adult Confirmations normally held on Pentecost Sunday at the Cathedral have been cancelled. We are looking for a new date at the cathedral and will let you know as soon as we find it.

### **FIRST COMMUNIONS**

Many parishes are asking about First Communions scheduled this Spring. Obviously, until we can gather for Mass again, this will not be possible.



## **Pray the Rosary**

Pray the Rosary every evening at 6pm during the Month of May with Father Senic. The Rosary will be live-streamed through Facebook. Access it by clicking this link...  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/780136612510485/?ref=share>



### **Giving to the Parish during the Shelter at Home Directive**

At this time, we realize that for some, finances are in flux. Please give what you can.

### **Currently, there are two convenient ways to give:**

- ☐ Go to [www.sttims.us](http://www.sttims.us) and click on the DONATE button near the top of the home page. You can set up one-time donations or choose the frequency that works for you.
- ☐ Send check donations to: St. Timothy Church [1515 Dolan Avenue San Mateo CA 94401](#)
- ☐ Use the Archdiocesan Lifeline site (see button below)

Please be sure to specify where you would like your donations to go if you are not using regular offertory envelopes.

If you need assistance with on-line giving please leave a message for Jeanne at 650-342-2468 x16. Thank you for your continued generosity.

**April 26 Sunday Collection: \$1,198**

**Donations through April 15 via the Archdiocese Lifeline site \$1,095**

**Archdiocesan Annual Appeal: \$15,487 (goal: \$63,671)**

## **Lifeline Donations**



## Free Online Class on Women and the Catholic Mystical Tradition from SF Archdiocese School of Pastoral Leadership on May 12th

With all this time being cooped up at home, wouldn't it be great if you could virtually invite a professor from our very own St. Patrick's Seminary into your home to give a college-level course on mystical theology? Wouldn't it be even better if you didn't have to be too concerned about grades or expensive enrollment fees?

In anticipation of the grand re-opening of the Archdiocesan School of Pastoral Leadership this Fall, and in response to the shelter-in-place orders in California, we're excited to announce a live online course titled "Women and the Mystical Tradition of the Church" which will be taught by the very renowned Dr. Anthony Lilles from St. Patrick's Seminary and [BeginningToPray.com](http://BeginningToPray.com).

The course will unfold chief characteristics of mystical wisdom including the mystery of the Church, love of the truth, devotion to Christ, contemplative prayer, Divine Mercy, and the Indwelling of the Trinity. Dr. Lilles will guide students through the lives and teachings of illustrious saints such as St. Therese of Lisieux, St. Catherine of Sienna, St. Hildegard of Bingen, and others.

This eight-week course will include weekly live thirty minute lectures on the mystic's life, approach to spirituality, and an important doctrinal theme followed by a twenty minute question and answer period. The instruction intends to be mystagogical rather than simply informational, offering those fully initiated into the Catholic Church the opportunity to deepen their encounter with Christ and receive anew His transforming love.

**You'll need to act quickly.** The first class is free and takes place on May 12th. Pre-registration is required. The first class is free with no commitment to sign up for the whole eight-week course. The full eight-week course, valued at hundreds of dollars, is available for only \$20. All lectures will be archived for later viewing for all who enroll in the full course.

For more information and to enroll now, visit <http://www.sfarch.org/mystics>

## Online Class



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