



SAINT ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 3, 2015

Reflection Corner

In the Gospels, Jesus had used different images to describe the nature of His intimate relationship with His disciples. Last Sunday He used the image of the Good Shepherd and His sheep. He said "I am the good shepherd, I know mine sheep and my sheep know me; I lay down my life for my sheep." In the gospel today He uses the image of the vine and its branches. The branches remain alive as long as they are attached to the vine and a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine. Jesus addressed the Jewish people of his time who were known shepherds and vine dressers in their cultural setting using their agricultural life to make them understand the type of relationship existing between them and God.

Jesus speaks of himself as the vine. An average Jew knew the value and the importance of vine. The image of the vine was so rich for the people of Israel in two ways: In the first place, their land was covered with numerous vineyards and secondly, it had religious connotations. The image of a vine or a vineyard was often used in the Old Testament as a symbol of spiritual inheritance representing Israel as the chosen people of God (Is.5:1-7; Jer.2:21; Ezek.15; Ps.80:9-16). In the New Testament Jesus used the images of the vine, vine dresser and the branches to represent the intimacy between him, God his Father, and us the new chosen people of God. Christ frequently stressed that he was only the instrument used by his Father who planted the good vine and cared for it. We the new chosen people are the branches of this good vine. We will bear good fruits as long as we remain attached to the good vine. Useless branches are cut off; the fruit bearing branches are pruned to produce more fruits.

Jesus called Himself not just the vine but the *true* vine. The word "true" (In Greek *alethinos*) signifies that which is real, authentic, and valid as opposed to that which is flawed, imperfect or false. To accept Jesus as the true vine into which our lives are grafted and rooted as summarized in his words "without me you can do nothing", is to regard every human ideology or institution which presents itself to us as an object of primary allegiance as containing imperfections and flaws. This implies that in our society today, there are many vines



but not all of them are true vines. There is only one true vine, Jesus Christ who offered life as a sacrifice in order that we might live. He is the only one whom we identify ourselves with. These other false vines exist in form of materialism, pleasure and power. These are misguided principles that will continue to detach us from Christ and make us false or imperfect all our lives.

Our closeness to Christ should always be our top priority in life. We can imagine how much better the world would be if we value our connection to Jesus as much as we value our connection to the internet. Imagine how our life would be if we pray as often as we check our emails, text messages or update our status on social media. Imagine how good this world would be if we are as quick to reach out in love to the person standing in front of us as we to call someone on our cell phones. As long as we remain attached to Jesus as branches, we remain connected together as brothers and sisters and draw our strength from him to love and care for each other, for without him we can do nothing.

Mass Times

Monday, Wednesday & Friday	8:00 am
Tuesday & Thursday	12:10 pm
Saturday	8:00 am & 5:00 pm
Sunday	8:00 am, 10:00 am & 5:00 pm
Sunday (Spanish)	12 Noon

Latin Mass

Second & Fifth Sunday of the month	1:30pm
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Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Monday - Thursday	9:00 am - 6:30 pm
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Parish Center Office Hours

Monday - Thursday	8:30 am - 6:30 pm
Friday, Saturday, Sunday	By appointment only

Confessions

Saturday	8:30 am & 3:30 pm or by appointment
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**Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 3, 2015**



Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.

- 1 John 3:18

Mother's Day Novena



Our novena of masses offered for all Mothers, living and deceased, will begin on **Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10**. Mother's Day cards and novena Mother's remembrance envelopes can be purchased at the bookstore and parish Center for \$2.00 each. The names of all mothers to be remembered will be placed in a special book for the novena. **Thank you.**

Mother's Day Corsages



Mother's Day is a special occasion to show love and admiration to the woman who gave you life and support St. Anthony Church by pre-ordering a corsage at the parish center or outside the church this weekend. The cost is only \$5.00. The corsage will be ready for pick up on Thursday, May 7th at the Parish Center. Thank you for your support.



Please Mark your Calendars! Parish Fiesta

On **Sunday, June 14th** we will celebrate St. Anthony's Feast with a Parish Fiesta. This is a great opportunity for all parishioners to be an active part of this exciting event. **For more information, please contact our parish center offices.**

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, May 3rd

Cardinal McIntyre Collection

Religious Education Classes
Open House from 9:00 am - 9:30am
Children's Liturgy of the Word
Confirmation Open House- 11:30am - 12:30pm -Hall

Monday, May 4th

Parish Center and Adoration Chapel Open
7:00 pm Bible Study

Tuesday, May 5th

Parish Center and Adoration Chapel Open
12:10 pm Mid-Day Mass - Church
7:00 pm Lectio Divina - Parish Center
7:15 pm Legion of Mary - School

Wednesday, May 6th

Parish Office & Adoration Chapel Open

Thursday, May 7th

Parish Center and Adoration Chapel Open
12:10 pm Mid-Day Mass - Church
6:00 pm Holy Communion Rehearsal - Church
6:30 pm Holy Hour for Priests - Parish Center Chapel
7:00 pm Holy Communion Rehearsal - Church
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal - Parish Center

Friday, May 8th

Adoration Chapel & Parish Center Closed

Saturday, May 9th

Confessions after the morning Mass and at 3:30 pm
10:00 Holy Communion - SAS - Church
10:30 am Lectio Divina - Parish Center
1:00 pm Holy Communion - Spanish - Church

Parish Enhancement Collection

Our monthly Parish Enhancement Collection will be on Sunday, May 17th. Thanks you for your cooperation

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St. Anthony Church

Mission Statement:

We the St. Anthony community, blessed with diversity in culture and traditions, unite ourselves to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. We commit ourselves to live out the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ through prayer, service, and actions.

*I am the Vine
you are the Branches*

Monthly Financial Report

St. Anthony Church is committed to financial transparency as part of our effort to be careful stewards of the resources provided by our generous parishioners. Below is our March 2015 Financial Report.

March 2015 Income:

Collections	\$40,590
Sun/Sat Collections	\$37,504
Online Giving	\$ 3,086
Sacraments	\$ 1,996
Fundraising	\$ 4,754
Property Rental	\$ 20
Restricted (Rel Ed /Confrm/Scrip)	\$ 1,528
Total Income	\$48,888

March 2015 Expenses:

<i>Operating</i>	\$19,633
Archdiocese Assessment	\$ 4,156
Insurance	\$ 2,964
Utilities	\$ 2,642
Rectory Expense	\$ 4,720
Church Supplies/Etc	\$10,761
<i>Salaries/Benefits</i>	\$24,990
Salaries	\$18,775
Health Insurance	\$ 6,215
<i>Other Expenses</i>	\$ 446
Total Expenses	\$44,623
Net Income/(Loss)	\$ 4,265

Parish Enhancements

<i>Collections</i>	\$5,540
<i>Expenses</i>	\$ —
Net Income (Loss)	\$5,540
Total Net Income (Loss)	\$9,805

"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with first fruits of all your produce then will your barns be filled with plenty, with new wine your vat will overflow"
Proverbs 3:9-10

Our sincerest gratitude for your generosity and continued support to St. Anthony Church.
God bless you,
Abner B. Espanola
Business Manager



- SATURDAY May 2**
8:00 am Fr. Robert Victoria(PI) & Peter Baum (PI)
5:00 pm In Thanksgiving to the Infant Jesus
- SUNDAY May 3**
8:00 am Ernie Hernandez (D)
10:00 am Pastora Ostrea (D) & Stanley Kelton (D)
12:00 pm For all Parishioners
5:00 pm Ken Lockwood (PI)
- MONDAY May 4**
8:00 am Mary Jo Rodrick (PI)
- TUESDAY May 5**
12:10 pm Sam & Nancy Gibilterra (D)
- WEDNESDAY May 6**
8:00 am Angela Maduko (PI)
- THURSDAY May 7**
12:10 pm August Vasquez (D) & Paul Schwarz (D)
- FRIDAY May 8**
8:00 am Melissa A Swenson (PI) & Mary Stanford (PI)
- SATURDAY May 9**
8:00 am In Thanksgiving to God
5:00 pm Inga Quimbo (D)



Please Pray

Sr. Aurora, Marggie Ayala, Soledad Barba, Sue Barrett, Rosalinda Banzon, Tom Blum, Ellen Brandlin, Shirley Caldwell, Teresa Calderon, Teresita Clemente, David Dec, Dylan and Dorothy Doukakis, Juan Antonio & Alejandro Duran, Howard & Cora Fausto, Rose Garcia, Joe & Don Guzman, Townsend Hale, Margaret Hoff, Dorothy Hoover, George Kezele, Michalina Kubek, Patricia Lamay, Ed Lewis, Alice Lipinski, Ken Lockwood, Majella McIntyre, Cecil McAllister, Kay McGuire, Pauline McKinley, Michelle McManus, Grace Mercado, Shirley Merrill, Colleen O’Ryan, Pamela Polizzotto, Josefina Rigalva, Ryan Ramirez, Baby Rose, Juan Sanchez, John Snyder, Anne Schuman, Rev. John Svendsen, Elizabeth Swenson, Maralyn Swenson, Mary Stanford, Keith Storm, Janina Tyborowska, Eva Lily Valdez, Nora Vasquez, Elena Victoria, Rony Vitus, Elizabeth Webster, Christopher Wheeler, Penny Wilder, Nik Woods.

Religious Education Office

Did you know that the largest Religious Group in the United States is Roman Catholic? Have you ever wondered what the second largest group is? Well, is fallen away Catholics! Parents often wonder why their children are no longer going to church or receiving the Sacraments. Studies have found that when child has a good Catholic Education their chances of leaving the church diminishes. If your child is not attending a Catholic school, you have an obligation to send your child to Religious Education, and not just for Sacraments. Children should attend every year, just like they take math every year in school. Please join us for an Open House today in the classrooms between 9:00 am and 9:30 am. Registration opens June 1st. Visit the Religious Education website after June 1st to register at: stanthonyre.shutterfly.com or call the Parish Center for more information.



Teen Confirmation

Our Confirmation Program is a two year program that assists in the development of teenagers into mature, responsible, Catholic adults, ready to live their faith in the world. Candidates need to be registered and have attended a Religious Education classes within the last year, pass a Catholic Faith assessment or take a Basic Faith Workshop. Registration for the Year 2015-2016 opens June 1st. Please visit our webpage at:



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or call the Parish Center for more information.

Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity

We walked Together in Harmony in the house of the Lord
(Psalm 55:140)

This Sunday, May 3rd is our Parish Collection Sunday for the Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity.

Each day of the year, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is offered for the intentions of those who contribute and participate in the Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity.

100% of your contributions help our parish priests provide emergency assistance to mothers, children and individuals: Food and milk for three days. Lodging for the night. Emergency medical care. Rent to tide over a financial crisis and burial assistance. You are their hope! Your gift provides a one-time emergency for help to a family or individual in need. Envelopes for this donation can be found at the entrances of the church.

All donations are tax deductible. Make your check payable to Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity.

News from the Office of Respect Life

Pregnancy Help Center

"In time when I was scared and confused, you made me feel cared about. I don't know what I would have done without you. This child is such a blessing."

Pregnancy Help Center
(310) 787-4357 - 24-hour help line



2015 Walk for Life

Saturday, May 16th 2015

Veterans Park at Redondo Beach

Once again, the walk will be held at the beautiful Veterans Park at Redondo Beach, south of the Elks, starting at 8:30 am. Each year hundreds of individuals and families participate to support the work of the Pregnancy Help Center, which has been helping women and babies in the South Bay since 1976. Come and early and stay late for food, entertainment, activities for kids of all ages, raffle prizes and lots of surprises!

If you have any question, please contact Marian Goyette at (310) 322-7367.

St. Anthony Gift Shop

A Perfect gift for First Communion

Looking for the perfect First Holy Communion gift? St. Anthony Gift Shop has a large selection of gifts for this occasion: Rosaries, Bibles, Crucifixes, Frames, Veils, Statues, Prayer books, Photo albums and more...

We are open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00pm to 4:00pm and Sundays from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Just call us or come to the Parish center from Monday thru Friday between 1:00pm to 5:00pm and our Business Manager will be able to open the store for you.

ST. ANTHONY MEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT



Therefore thus says the Lord, "Behold, I am the one who has laid as a foundation... a stone, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone, of a sure foundation: "Whoever believes will not be in haste." Isaiah 28:16

Men's cornerstone weekend is a simple gathering of Ordinary Men sharing their faith and life experience. The 3rd annual St. Anthony Men's Cornerstone Retreat is Friday, May 15th 6pm to Saturday evening May 16th here at our Parish. The program is presented BY the men of our parish who have experienced the retreat, FOR the men of our parish. To register, pick up a brochure in the vestibule or Parish Center, or register on our Parish website at www.stanthonyes.com/cornerstone. Space is limited so please register soon if you are inspired to join us. You may also call Noel Vinzon at 949-375-9340 or email cornerstonestanthony@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Mensaje para Reflexionar

Jesús nos recuerda, hoy, a todos nosotros: "sin mi no pueden hacer nada". La vida cristiana sólo tiene plenitud y sentido si está conectada a Cristo.

Podríamos decir que Jesús es la planta eléctrica y su Padre es el interruptor para que se haga la luz en su casa y para que cada uno de nosotros seamos bombillas que lucen y alumbran. Pero tenemos que estar conectados. Son muchos los que están desconectados. Son muchos los que quieren brillar por sí mismos. Muchos los que hacen sus cosas, muchos los que entienden la religión a su manera, muchos los que se conectan con Dios sólo para mendigar en los tiempos difíciles...

Jesús nos invita a todos, a vivir conectados a la planta eléctrica y a botar la bombilla quemada, a vivir una vida centrada en Cristo. "Yo soy la vid verdadera y mi Padre el viñador. Si alguna de mis ramas no produce fruto, él la corta, y limpia toda rama que produce frutos para que dé más".

¡Qué hermosa imagen en los labios de Jesús! Él es la vid verdadera, nosotros somos también parte de esta viña en la medida en que permanecemos unidos a Jesús.

Nosotros, los bautizados en Cristo, somos ramas o extensiones que llevamos la savia de Cristo a los hermanos. Nosotros, los injertados en Cristo, por el bautismo somos signos visibles de la presencia salvadora de Cristo en el mundo.

Nosotros, los que nos alimentamos del cuerpo y la sangre de Cristo, reconocemos que él es la fuente de nuestra energía y de nuestro vivir.



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Novenas por el Día de las Madres



Nuestra novena de misas ofrecidas para todas las madres, vivas o difuntas, comenzará el Día de Las Madres, Domingo, 10 de Mayo. Las tarjetas espirituales para el Día de Las Madres y los sobres recordatorios pueden comprarse en la librería de la Iglesia o el centro parroquial a \$2.00 cada una. Los nombres de todas las madres a ser recordadas serán escritas en un libro especial para la novena. **Muchas Gracias.**

La Parroquia de San Antonio

Nuestra Misión:

Nosotros, la comunidad de San Antonio, bendecidos con diversidad en cultura y tradiciones, nos unimos a la presencia real de Jesús en la Sagrada Eucaristía. Nos comprometemos a vivir y enseñar la palabra de nuestro señor Jesucristo por medio de nuestra oración, servicio y acciones.

Noticias de la Oficina de Educación Religiosa

El programa de educación Religiosa de la Iglesia de San Antonio tiene como finalidad ayudar a nuestros niños a reconocer la presencia de Dios en su vidas y aprender quien es Jesucristo a través de la guía del Espíritu Santo. Estas clases de catecismo o Educación Religiosa les ayudara a seguir los caminos de Jesucristo a través de las enseñanzas de la Iglesia Católica.



Ofrecemos clases de Catecismo para los niños desde kindergarten hasta 8° Grado. Tenemos el programa de preparación del Sacramento del bautismo, Primera Comunión y reconciliación.

Las Matriculas se llevan a cabo en el mes de Junio. Se les pide a los padres de familia asistir a nuestro "Open House" el Domingo, 3 de Mayo desde las 8:45am hasta las 9:45 am.

Confirmación

Nuestro Programa de confirmación para jóvenes es un programa de preparación de dos años que ayuda a los jóvenes a desarrollarse como Católicos responsables y maduros, listos para vivir su fe en este mundo. Nuestras matriculas para el año 2015-2016 comienzan el 1 de junio.



Protegiendo a los Niños

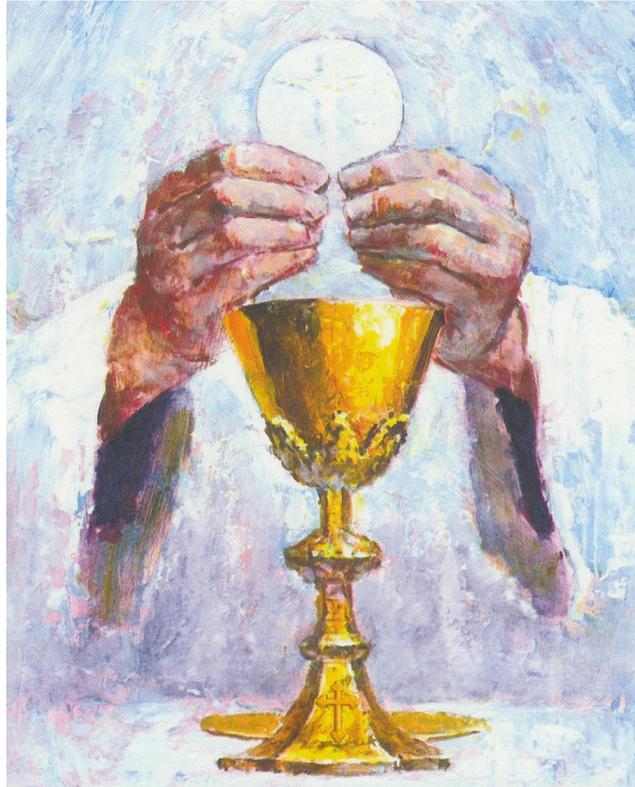
Sabia usted?

Los niños deben saber cómo protegerse cuando están solos en casa



Creemos que nuestros hogares son lugares seguros para nuestros hijos. Pero estar solos en casa puede traer riesgos para ellos. Aquí van algunos consejos para que enseñen a sus hijos cómo estar seguros cuando están solos en casa: 1. Nunca abran la puerta cuando están solos. 2. No inviten a nadie a entrar sin el permiso de un padre o niñera. 3. Anoten los números de teléfono importantes para casos de emergencia. **Para obtener más consejos, visite http://www.ncpc.org/topics/violent-crime-and-personal-safety/copy_of_home-alone**

*Congratulations to our
Religious Education Children
who received for the First time Communion*



We congratulate:

*Samantha Giselle Carlos
Christian A. Castillo
Jeremy X. Covarrubias
Joseph D. Covarrubias
Jake Robert Croxall
Isabel Anai Dillon
Audrey Garcia*

*Andrew J. Goslin
Matthew J. Gonzalez
Dylan Kelly
Christopher M. Morales
Erica Orozco
Hailey Ava Perez
Andrew G. Rascon*

Please continue to keep our First Communicants and their families in your prayers.