

QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE MESSENGER

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday:
9:00 am to 2:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am to Noon

Website

www.queenofangels.org

Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am
& 10:30 am

Daily Mass

Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 am

Rosary

Monday-Friday: 7:30 am



Mary, Queen of Angels, Pray for Us!

First Friday Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Exposition/Confession: 10:00 am,
Mass 11:30 am

First Saturday Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Rosary: 8:30 am, Mass: 9:00 am

Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion

Wednesday: after 8:00 am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday: after 8:00 am Mass
until 9:30 am

Confession

Tuesday-Friday: 7:30 am,
Saturday: 4:00 pm,
or by appointment

Sacraments

Baptism, Holy Matrimony, & Funerals
Contact Fr. David

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The Mission of Queen of Angels Church is to:

Grow in our relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Strengthen our faith by living and teaching the Gospel.

Serve God's People in our parish, our community, and our world.

If you're worried about an unplanned pregnancy, you may be experiencing a personal crisis full of concerns about your future. Pregnancy Care Clinic can assist you. www.unplannedparenthood.org, 619.442.4357

Reporting Sexual Abuse

Complaints about sexual abuse by a member of the clergy or by a parish or Catholic school employee or volunteer can be made by calling Mary Acosta at the Child and Youth Protection Office, Victims Assistance Coordinator, at 858.490.8353.

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STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

May 21, 2023

Envelopes Used	71
Envelope Collections	\$ 3,451.00
Plate Collections	\$ 532.37
TOTAL	\$ 3,983.37



Queen of Angels 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal
"Living our Faith", has begun

We ask you to prayerfully consider how much you can give to this year's appeal. Your continued generosity in support of our local Church is vital to the mission of the Universal Catholic Church. If you cannot donate at this time, we ask you to pray for a successful 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal for our parish.

GOAL: \$26,004.00 PLEDGE: \$ 5,585.00
BALANCE: \$24,019.00

James 2:17: "If someone will claim to have faith and I have no works, and I will show you by my works."

2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO

READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS MAY 27-JUNE 4, 2023

Pentecost: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23
Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/
Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56
Thursday: Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/
Mk 10:46-52
Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-26
Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mk 11:27-33
Next Sunday-The Most Holy Trinity: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/
Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 (52b)/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>INTENTION</u>
Saturday,	May 27	5:30 pm	†Caterina Lo Coco
Sunday,	May 28	8:00 am	Katie Clark
Sunday,	May 28	10:30 am	†Al Florance
Monday,	May 29	7:30 am	Rosary
Tuesday,	May 30	8:00 am	Celeste Woestman
Wednesday,	May 31	8:00 am	Celeste Woestman
Thursday,	Jun 1	8:00 am	†Evon Demers
Friday,	Jun 2	11:30 am	Celeste Woestman
Saturday,	Jun 3	9:00 am	Weightman Family
Saturday,	Jun 3	5:30 pm	†Ramon Gonzales
Sunday,	Jun 4	8:00 am	Celeste Woestman
Sunday,	Jun 4	10:30 am	†David Bagley

Prayer Requests

Continue to Keep in Your Prayers and Hearts those on our Healing and Deployed Military Lists.



*Bob Aguilar
Kelly Barker
Jim Hill
Carmen Holt
Jason Laccone
Jacqueline Meyer
Joan Smith
Kailyn & Charis Whaley
Celeste Woestman
Melissa Yelvington*



Deployed Military

Meagan Abad, LT
Matthew D. Fuller, PV2
William W. Fuller II, PFC
Edward R.M. Lopez, SSgt
Rebekah Meyer, BM2(sw)
Jacob Tweed, HM3
Mattison Underhill, USN



If you have a friend or relative who is serving in our military and is deployed or will be deployed, please contact Darlene at bulletin@queenofangels.org.

Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting Darlene Ames at bulletin@queenofangels.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Friendly Reminder In observance of the Memorial Day holiday, the parish office will be closed on Monday, May 29. We will reopen at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, May 30.



Important Notice Effective **June 1** weekday Confessions will now be at 7:30 AM. Please take note of this change.



Monthly ECPC Collection Please leave your donations after all the Masses next Sunday, **June 4**, in the newly named "**ECPC COLLECTION CHEST**" directly behind the church. You can access the chest any day of the week. Please remember to close the lid when you are finished, and **PLEASE** only leave maternity and baby clothing.



First Friday to Adore the Sacred Heart of Jesus-June 2

9:30 AM—Rosary
10:00 AM—Adoration/Reconciliation
11:30 AM—Mass



First Saturday Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary-June 3

8:30 AM—Rosary
9:00 AM—Mass
9:30 AM—Devotions

*In honor of
The Most Holy Trinity-June 4,
&
Corpus Christi-June 11,
Queen of Angels will have
Eucharistic Adoration
prior to Sunday Mass services.*

*Adoration will begin at
7:00AM & 9:00 AM
for each respective Mass.*

*Also, on Corpus Christi there will be
Eucharistic Procession at 11:30 AM.*

*This is a great opportunity to increase our
Eucharistic devotion as a church and ready
ourselves for the upcoming
National Eucharistic Revival.*

Revival is in the Air!



SUPPORT OUR BAKE SALE

SAVE THE DATE!!

Queen of Angels
Women's Auxiliary Annual Bake Sale

June 17-18 after all Masses

Queen of Angels Women's Auxiliary Annual Bake Sale is coming soon. So open up those Cookbooks and start preparing the best goodies our Parish has to offer!

*All proceeds will support and benefit our diocese's
Seminarians and other Auxiliary projects.*



**THERE ARE ONLY A FEW DAYS
LEFT TO APPLY**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

Andrew Tompkins
Memorial College Scholarship Award

to practicing Catholics and members of Queen of Angels Parish. Applicants must be a senior in a Catholic, Public, Charter or accredited Home High School or a full-time student at an accredited College or Trade School.

Applications are available online at queenofangels.org.

Applications must be completed and



POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MAY 31st.

PASTOR'S PAGE

Friends,

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, remembering when the Holy Spirit came down in power and grace upon Mary and the disciples. We also remember that the same Spirit filled us at our Baptism and descended upon us in power at our Confirmation, bestowing on us the very same gifts that the disciples received that day. And while many of us (likely most of us) will never perform all of the signs they did, or convert more than 3000 people in one go like Simon Peter, that's not because we received anything less than they did.

And what did we receive? Well, the better question is WHO did we receive, but that's a longer discussion for another day. The short answer to our second and better question, of course, is the Holy Spirit: the Third Divine Person of the Holy Trinity (more on that next weekend). When the Holy Spirit came to us we received everything we need to live the Christian life in super, over-flowing abundance from the infinite treasury of God's grace. In particular, however, the Holy Spirit gives seven gifts. While I have become less of a "list person" over the years, in this case I am making an exception, since I find that we often don't really understand what these gifts are, even if we can recite them. So on that note, here are the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit conferred at Confirmation...

Wisdom – Learning to despise the perishable things of this world and aspire only to the things that are eternal. The wisdom of God is higher than the wisdom of man (Is 55:8-9), and it inspires us to seek first His Kingdom and His righteousness (Mt 6:33).

Understanding – Enlightening our minds with the light of Divine Truth. Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life" (Jn 14:6), and the Holy Spirit helps us find and recognize the Son so that we can reach the Father.

Counsel – Learning to choose the surest way of pleasing God and gaining Heaven. We see in this gift how God desires to be so much closer to us than we can imagine, and as such, He wants us to find the best path back home – and the fastest path to holiness.

Fortitude – Learning to bear our crosses faithfully and overcome all obstacles that oppose our salvation. "For the joy set before him [Jesus Christ] endured the cross" (Heb 12:2), but God knows that you and I need the Holy Spirit's help carrying the crosses that are set before us.

Knowledge – To know God. My Dad used to always say that wisdom and knowledge are two different things, and he's right. While both gifts encompass a number of important aspects of the spiritual life, let this gift serve as a reminder to us that God never wants us to turn our brains off when we follow Him. We cannot love what we do not know, so we must learn to not only love God, but also to love getting to know Him.

Piety – To find the service of God sweet and amiable. Hopefully over the course of our journey through this valley of tears we come to realize that following God is not a burden, but a blessing, and that Jesus meant it when he said, "my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (Mt 11:29).

Fear of the Lord – Being filled with a loving reverence of God and dread displeasing Him in any way. The fear that we are talking about here is NOT the servile fear a slave has towards his master, but rather a filial fear: the fear a child has that he might be separated from his parents. Until we learn to fear separation from our Heavenly Father more than everything else, we don't really understand this gift in its entirety.

Of course much more can and has been said about the Holy Spirit and each of these gifts, but that will have to suffice for this weekend, at least in this bulletin. What I would like to leave us with, though, is the following question: if gifts are meant to be opened, what have we done with the gifts that the Holy Spirit has given to us? I encourage you to spend some time in prayer this week, meditating on each of these gifts in turn, and asking the Holy Spirit to reveal to you how He wants you to use each of the gifts He has given you. Let Him surprise you. It's kind of His thing.

In awe of His goodness,
Fr. David



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“Revival’s in the Air”

EucharisticRevival.com (website)

[L.Eucharist.Formed.org](https://www.ichurch.org/) (platform)

Becoming One with Jesus

DEACON JOSHUA HILL

There is a moment in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass when, after the gifts of bread and wine have been brought to the altar following the Liturgy of the Word, the priest or deacon mixes a drop of water into the wine which has just been poured into the chalice. He does this while quietly praying, “By the mystery of this water and wine, may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.”

Not only is this drop of water completely immersed in the wine, but much like the wedding feast at Cana, that drop of water can now no longer be identified as such, because it has been transformed into wine. While still less than perfect, my ever-growing love for the Eucharist can be likened to this gesture: where not only the bland water of “my will be done” is transformed into the rich abundance of the wine of “THY will be done,” but more importantly where the “droplet” of our humanity comes to share in the divinity of Christ. For in receiving Christ’s true Presence in the Eucharist, it is not so much that he is consumed by us as it is we who are consumed by him.

Spiritual Maturity

Having been raised in the Catholic Church, I always believed in the Real Presence of the Eucharist, but as a child, such belief was more so an adolescent trust in those authority figures in my life (e.g., parents, priests, etc.) and never my own direct assent to this fundamental truth of our faith. It wasn’t until I attended the University of Mary in Bismarck, ND, where my initial, more matured awakening to Christ’s Real Presence became a personal act of my own informed choosing. This began when I started to experience the reality of the Eucharist as being what the Church calls “food for the journey”—the journey through life to heaven and perfect communion with God.

As a result of what seemed to flow directly from attending Mass twice a week at the University of Mary, I began to experience a deeper spiritual nourishment in addition to the added gifts of joy, peace, community, and the goodness and beauty of an ordered life. I began to see a deeper meaning to the reality of life which greatly influenced the direction where I thought that I wanted to go, because after all, “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me” (Phil. 4:13). However, seeing how the emphasis was still placed upon drinking the bland water of “my will be done,” the Lord had other plans—“plans for welfare . . . a future and a hope” (Jer. 29:11).

“Thy Will Be Done”

After receiving the call to discern the priesthood while at the University of Mary and subsequently entering seminary, Jesus began to show me that while it is indeed true that I can do all things through him who gives me such strength, it is just as true that without him I can do nothing: “I am the vine, you are the branches . . . apart from me you can do nothing” (John 15:5). It was in his miracle of turning water into wine at Cana where Jesus first began to reveal his divinity. In a similar way, it was through his Eucharistic miracle at each daily Mass in seminary where he revealed to me that it is only in sharing his Eucharistic life that my life becomes full. Thus, through the daily reception of the Eucharist and silent prayer in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, the bland water of all my personal plans and endeavors—good and bad—have become immersed and gradually transformed into the full, rich, and abundant wine of a life that now seeks in all things: “Thy will be done.”

Throughout my time at the University of Mary and especially in seminary, I have found that it is essentially in the Eucharist, both at Mass and in silent prayer and adoration, where one finds strength and the necessary food for the journey. Without this divine gift, without his promised presence—real and substantial in the Eucharist—we would be lost. Our own plans and endeavors expressed as the bland water of “MY will be done” would remain unchanged. The fullness and richness of the divine plan that God was pleased to reveal in Christ are infinitely better and indescribably more joyous, and it is only in doing his will that one’s life and happiness are found.

Divine Friendship

As I approach the end of my time in seminary and prepare to become his priest, it is in Christ’s Eucharistic Presence where I now find his divine gift of friendship. It is a wonderful and mysterious friendship where I can taste and see his goodness (Psalm 34) and where I experience my humanity, that tiny drop of water, becoming transformed more and more at every Mass into the rich abundance of the pure, choice wine of his divinity. May his Kingdom come and his will be done!



Deacon Joshua Hill presides at Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at the Pontifical North American College in Rome

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SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2023

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." - Jn 20:21

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PENTECOST**Question:**

Why do we celebrate Pentecost when we do?

Answer:

The book of Acts unpacks the events immediately following Jesus' ascension into heaven. The Apostles and other disciples were told to pray in Jerusalem and await another outpouring of the Holy Spirit. As the weeks ticked on, the Jewish Festival of Weeks approached. This festival took place 50 days after Passover and celebrated the giving of the law on Mount Sinai. The Festival of Weeks (or "Pentecost" in Greek) was a great pilgrimage feast, with Jews from all over the ancient world convening on Jerusalem for the celebration.

It was on Pentecost that God chose to send the Holy Spirit. Here, the new law of love was etched into the hearts of the disciples. As he burst out onto the balcony above the multinational crowd, Peter proclaimed the message of the resurrection, and the Holy Spirit enabled every listener to hear in their native language. 3,000 people were baptized that day! The disciples — and every baptized person — receives the gifts and zeal necessary to bring a new message of salvation to the people of God.

Holy Chauffeur

While the pope was visiting the USA, he told the driver of his limo that he has the sudden urge to drive.

The driver was a good Catholic man and would not ever dream of questioning the pope's authority.

So, the pope sat at the wheel, while his driver got in the back. They were traveling down the road doing between 70 and 80 mph, when a policeman happened to see them.

As he pulled them over, he called in to headquarters reporting a speeding limo, with a VIP inside it.

The chief asked, "Who is in the limo, the mayor?"

The policeman told him, "No, someone more important than the mayor."

Then the chief asked, "Is it the governor?"

The policeman answered, "No, someone more important than the governor."

The chief finally asked, "Is it the President?"

The policeman answered, "No, someone even more important than the President."

This made the chief very angry, and he bellowed, "Now who is more important than the President?!"

The policeman calmly whispered, "I'll put it to you this way chief. I don't know who this guy is, but he has the Pope as his chauffeur."



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May 30, 2023

2023
WORLD DAY
of PRAYER
for
VOCATIONS



"JOY IS THE NET OF LOVE BY WHICH WE CAPTURE SOULS." ~ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

Prayer for Vocations

Loving and Generous God, it is You who call us by name and ask us to follow You. Help us to grow in the Love and Service of our Church as we experience it today.

Give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit to shape its Future.

Grant us faith-filled leaders who will embrace Christ's Mission of love and justice.

Bless the Church of Queen of Angels by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve Your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us to know You better and open our hearts to hear Your call.

We ask this through our Lord.

Amen

WILL YOU LAY DOWN YOUR LIFE?

CLARITY AFTER TRAGEDY LEADS TO PRIESTHOOD

Thirteen years ago, Catholic school teacher David Roman was huddled together with students in Danbury, Connecticut. Just a few miles away, at Sandy Hook Elementary, there was an active shooter and all area schools were on lockdown. In those tragic hours, all he knew to do was pray the rosary.

"I asked the kids to pray for people who were hurting, and for people who hurt others," Fr. Roman recalled. "Later, I was reflecting on all of it and I realized how much I loved those kids. I realized that I would die for them."

As he re-lived that awful day in prayer, David felt the Lord asking, "You would die for those children. What will you do for the rest of my people?"

The truth was, he had spent a lot of time telling his students about the priesthood, but he'd never thought about it for himself. Thus began a long journey of discernment, and eventually seminary. He was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Bridgeport in 2019.

Fr. Roman has since learned that the priesthood really is about sacrificing everything. Like Jesus, priests are called to lay down their lives to be present to people, certainly through the sacraments, but also in the most painful moments of life.



Fr. David Roman first heard God's call to the priesthood shortly after the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary, which was a few miles away from the Catholic school where he taught.

SITE RE-LAUNCH

Invisible
Monastery

Pledge to pray for vocations at invisiblemonastery.com and receive monthly vocation prayers & updates.

Everyone Has a Divine Vocation

"Jesus has a specific task in life for each and every one of us. Each one of us is hand-picked, called by name by Jesus! There is no one among us who does not have a divine vocation! Some are called audibly by God, but the usual kind of call is internal, through the inner working of the Spirit." ~Homily by Pope Saint John Paul II